

Project Overview

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ELISA
Enabling **Linux** in
Safety Applications

Aerospace · Automotive · Linux Features

Medical Devices · OS Engineering Process

Safety Architecture · Space Grade Linux · Systems · Tools



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Agenda

- 15:00 **ELISA Project Overview**
(Philipp Ahmann, ETAS)
- 15:15 **Tools**
(Matt Kelly, The Boeing Company)
- 15:40 **Open Source Engineering Process**
(Paul Albertella, Codethink)
- 16:05 **Safety Architecture**
(Gabriele Paoloni, Red Hat)
- 16:30 **Linux Features for Safety-Critical Systems**
(Alessandro Carminati, Red Hat)
- 15:00: **Welcome back**
(Philipp Ahmann, ETAS)
- 15:05: **Systems and Automotive**
(Philipp Ahmann, ETAS)
- 15:30: **Medical Devices**
(Kate Stewart, The Linux Foundation)
- 15:55: **Aerospace**
(Matthew Weber, The Boeing Company)
- 16:20: **Space Grade Linux**
(Ramon Roche, The Linux Foundation)
- 16:45: **Closing and final thoughts**
(Philipp Ahmann, ETAS)

ELISA Project



- Enabling **Safety-critical applications** with **Linux** (beyond Security)
- Increase **dependability & reliability** for whole Linux ecosystem
- **Various use cases**: Aerospace, Automotive, Medical & Industrial
- Supported by major **industrial grade Linux distributors** known for mission critical operation and various industries representatives
- Close community collaboration with **Xen, Zephyr, SPDX, Yocto & AGL** projects
- **Reproducible system** creation from specification to testing
- SW **elements**, engineering **processes**, development **tools**



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Architecture



Processes



Features



Tools



Systems



***“Linux differs from a ‘traditional’
safety critical OS,...
but both face challenges
in modern complex system setups.”***

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Clash of worlds

(or what is often considered unsafe by safety experts):

- Memory management
- Dynamic memory allocation
- Caches
- Interrupt handling
- Real time scheduling
- ...

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Tools + Documentation help to understand complex systems better

- STPA
- strace and cscope for workload tracing
- ks-nav (graphical representation kernel sources)
- basil (requirements tracking)
- real-time analysis

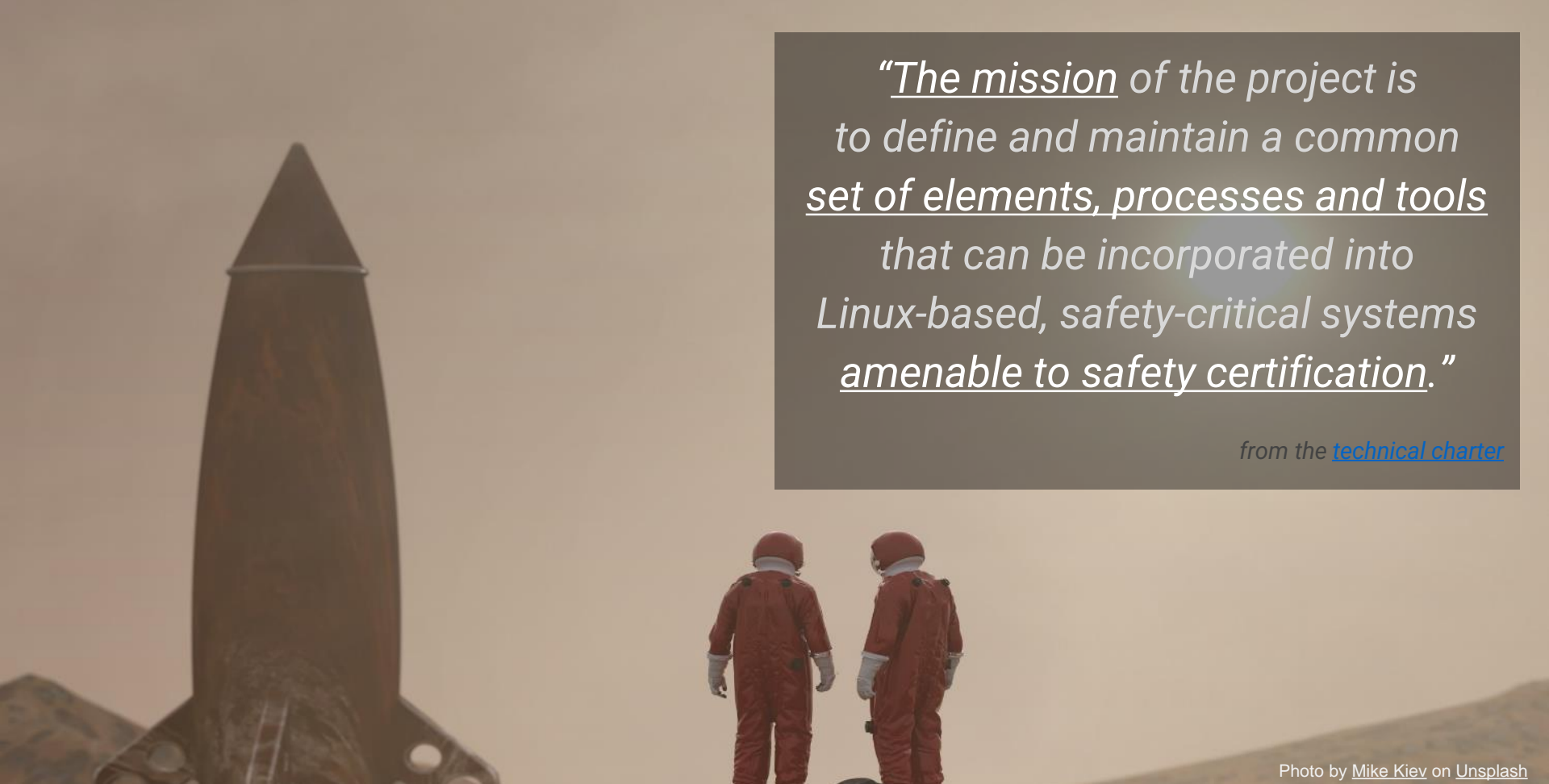
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STOP - Limitations! The collaboration ...

- *cannot* engineer your system to be safe.
- *cannot* ensure that you know how to apply the described process and methods.
- *cannot* create an out-of-tree Linux kernel for safety-critical applications. (continuous process improvement argument!)
- *cannot* relieve you from your responsibilities, legal obligations and liabilities.

But...

ELISA provides a path forward and peers to collaborate with!



“The mission of the project is to define and maintain a common set of elements, processes and tools that can be incorporated into Linux-based, safety-critical systems amenable to safety certification.”

from the [technical charter](#)

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Premier Members



General Members



Associate Members



Industry Support





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Technical Strategy Overview

Linux in Safety Critical Systems

***“Assessing whether a system is safe,
requires understanding the system sufficiently.”***

- Understand Linux within that system context and how Linux is used in that system.
- Select Linux components and features that can be evaluated for safety.
- Identify gaps that exist where more work is needed to evaluate safety sufficiently.

Working Groups (WGs) - Horizontal



Safety Architecture

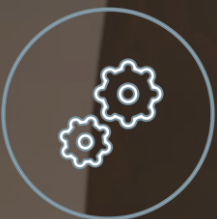


Red Hat



Open Source
Engineering Process

CodeThink



Linux Features



Red Hat



Systems



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Tool investigation &
Code Improvement



BOEING



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Working Groups (WGs) - Verticals



Aerospace



Automotive



Medical Devices



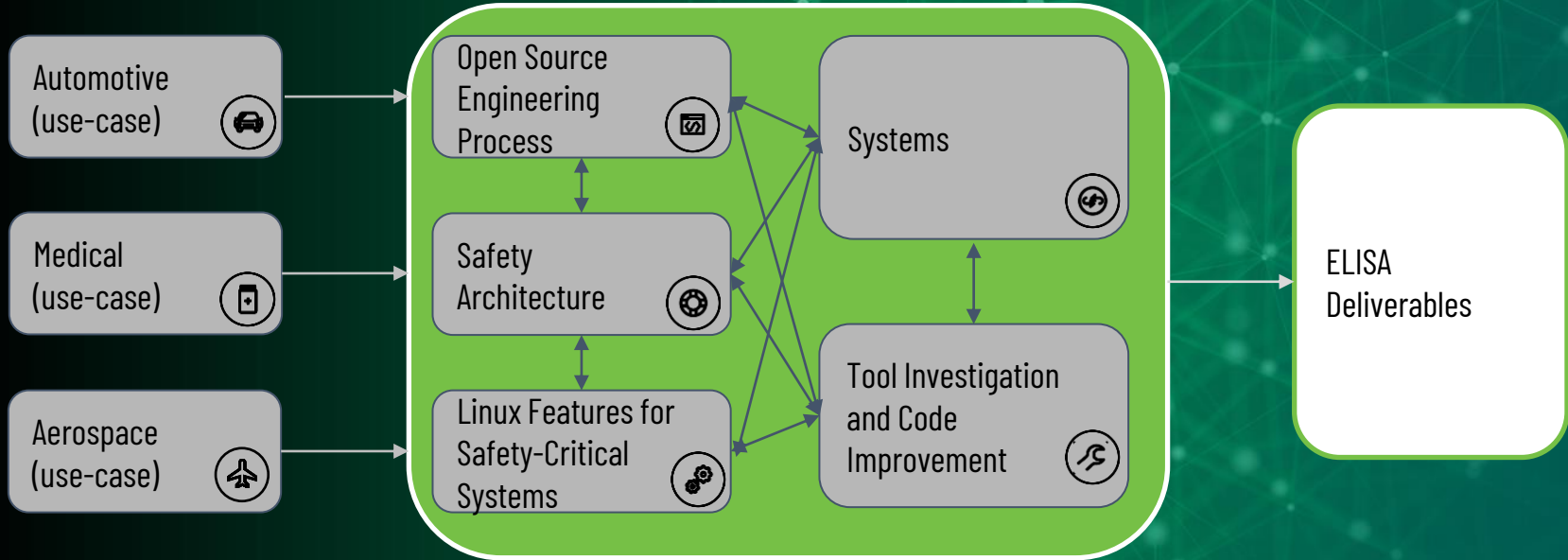
OpenAPS elements

1. Continuous glucose monitor
2. Computer
3. Battery
4. Radio stick
5. Insulin pump

[@DanaMLewis](https://www.instagram.com/DanaMLewis)

Dana Lewis' OpenAPS project: <https://youtu.be/kgu-AYSnyZ8>





ELISA Working Groups - Deliverables

- Elements / Software



[meta-elisa](#)

- Processes



[STPA](#)

[Reproducible system](#)

[Requirements](#)

[Workload tracing](#)

- Tools



[Basil](#)

[ks-nav](#)

[RT Linux](#)

- Documentation



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2024 Recap



Major (cross WG) achievements

- Welcomed new members and project supporters
- [Showcased demonstrator at the Embedded World](#)
- Lead Safe Systems with Linux Micro Conference at [Linux Plumbers](#)
- Hosted [Safety-Critical-Software Summit](#) at Open Source Summit (again)
- Started the [Space Grade Linux SIG](#)
- Hosted 2 [in-person workshops](#) & 7 virtual [seminars](#)
- Started the „[ELISA directory](#)“ as an index for technical content

New members & partners



(Technical University of Hamburg)

Example System at Embedded World

- Based on Xen, Zephyr, Linux
- Runs on Xilinx ZCU102
- More during Systems WG update



<https://elisa.tech/blog/2024/04/09/elisa-project-at-embedded-world/>

Safe Systems with Linux MC

- Part of the Linux Plumbers Conference
- Direct exchange with the Linux Kernel community and maintainers
- Closer exchange also with KernelCI
- First steps towards „Requirements inside the kernel“ to manage expectations.










15:00	Aspects of Dependable Linux Systems <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Kate Stewart et al.</i>	15:00 - 15:15
	Verifying the Conformance of a VirtIO Driver to the VirtIO Specification <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Matias Vara Larsen</i>	15:15 - 15:45
	ks-nav <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Alessandro Carminat</i>	15:45 - 16:00
16:00	Source-based code coverage of Linux kernel <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Wentao Zhang et al.</i>	16:00 - 16:15
	BASIL development roadmap <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Luigi Pellecchia</i>	16:15 - 16:30
	Break <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>		16:30 - 17:00
17:00	Enabling tooling independent exchange of Requirements and other SW Engineering related information with the upcoming SPDX Safety Prof <i>Nicole Pappler</i>		
	Throwing Cinderblocks at Safety Engineering <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Chuck Wolber</i>	17:25 - 17:50
	Improving kernel design documentation and involving experts <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Gabriele Paoloni</i>	17:50 - 18:10
18:00	Discussion of Next Steps <i>"Hall N2", Austria Center</i>	<i>Kate Stewart et al.</i>	18:10 - 18:30

(Major) Community Engagements



Seminars

- 7 seminars conducted in 2024
 - Certifying Linux, SEooCs, Making Linux Fly,
 - stressng, cregit, KernelCI, Qualifying Rust compiler
- Similar amount planned for 2025
 - Statistical Path Coverage, SDV (cloud & HPC), Formal verification
 - PREEMPT_RT

1		ELISA Seminar (September 2024) – Meet the New KernelCI ELISA Project • 239 Aufrufe • vor 5 Monaten
2		ELISA Seminar (August 2024) –The SEooC concept driven into extreme recording ELISA Project • 271 Aufrufe • vor 5 Monaten
3		ELISA Seminar (August 2024) – Cregit: token-level history of Linux ELISA Project • 111 Aufrufe • vor 5 Monaten
4		ELISA Seminar (June 2024) Improved system stressing with stress ng ELISA Project • 338 Aufrufe • vor 7 Monaten
5		ELISA Seminar (May 2024) Making Linux Fly: Towards Certified Linux Kernel ELISA Project • 523 Aufrufe • vor 8 Monaten
6		ELISA Seminar (May 2024): Ferrocene: Qualifying the Rust compiler out in the open ELISA Project • 291 Aufrufe • vor 9 Monaten
7		ELISA Seminar (March 2024): Certifying Linux: State of the Art and Lessons Learned after Eight Years ELISA Project • 506 Aufrufe • vor 10 Monaten



Stay curious how the ELISA journey continues this year!

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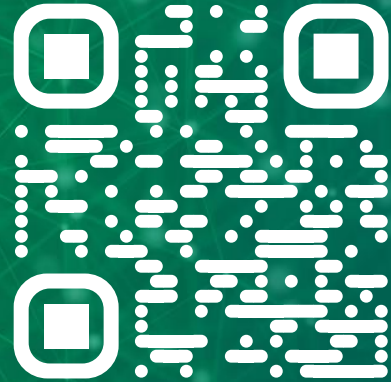
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