

# Interface Management - Project Benefits, Results & Restarts

Experiences from EPC & Owner Projects

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# Today's Presenters



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# Today's Agenda

- **Results:** CII Interface Management (IM) Research Study Revisited
- **Benefits:** An overview of the IM Practice, a detailed description of McDermott's implementation, and a summary of benefits it provides
- **Restarts** – How interface management helps projects successfully manage through delays, shutdowns, & restarts
- Q&A

“Interface Management is the management of

- communications,
- relationships, and
- deliverables among two or more interface stakeholders.”

*Construction Industry Institute – CII Research Team 302, 2014*

**CII RS-302  
Interface  
Management**



# Why formal interface management?

18%

Average cost growth  
for projects **without** formal  
Interface Management

4%

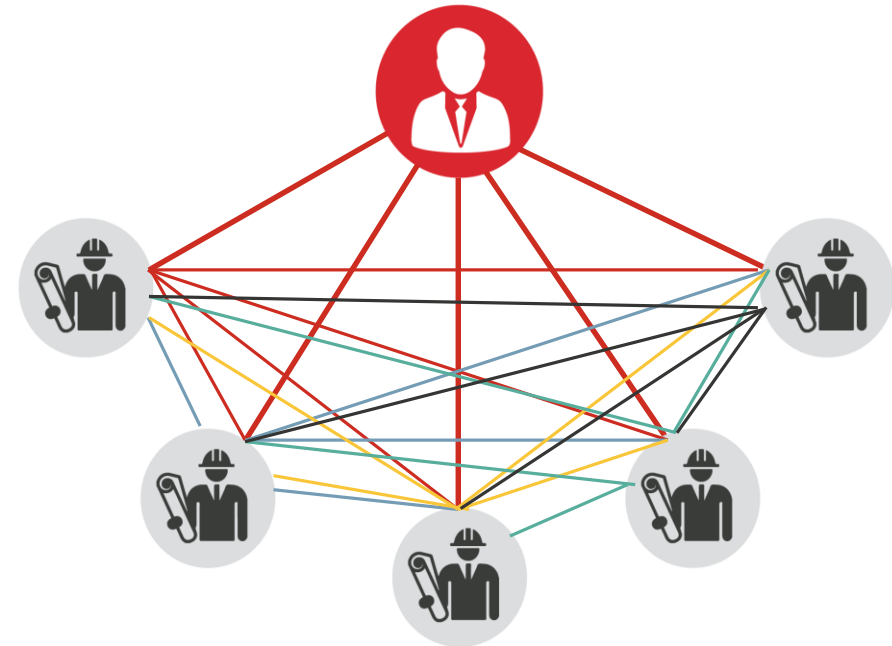
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# Interface Management Benefits

- **Manage Growth**
  - Clear scope definition
  - Early identification & resolution of potential change
- **Improve Accountability**
  - Increased visibility to interface agreements improves performance
- **Ensure Scope Delineation**
  - Identify gaps & overlap in contractor scope ahead of time
- **Reduce Rework**
  - Early identification of engineering & construction clashes
  - Improved notification of changes to key activities



Manage collaboration between scopes of work to mitigate cost & schedule risk



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# Project Information Management & Controlled Collaboration

Interface Management

Document Control

Project Collaboration

Improve compliance, gain insights, and reduce risk.

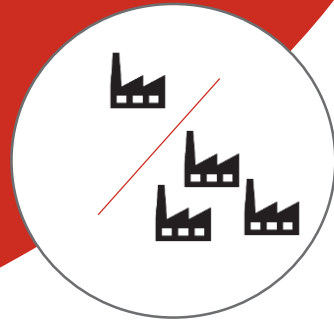
# Interface Management Clients



Any major project where multiple contractors must collaborate on



Oil & Gas, Infrastructure,  
Power, Rail, Wind, etc.



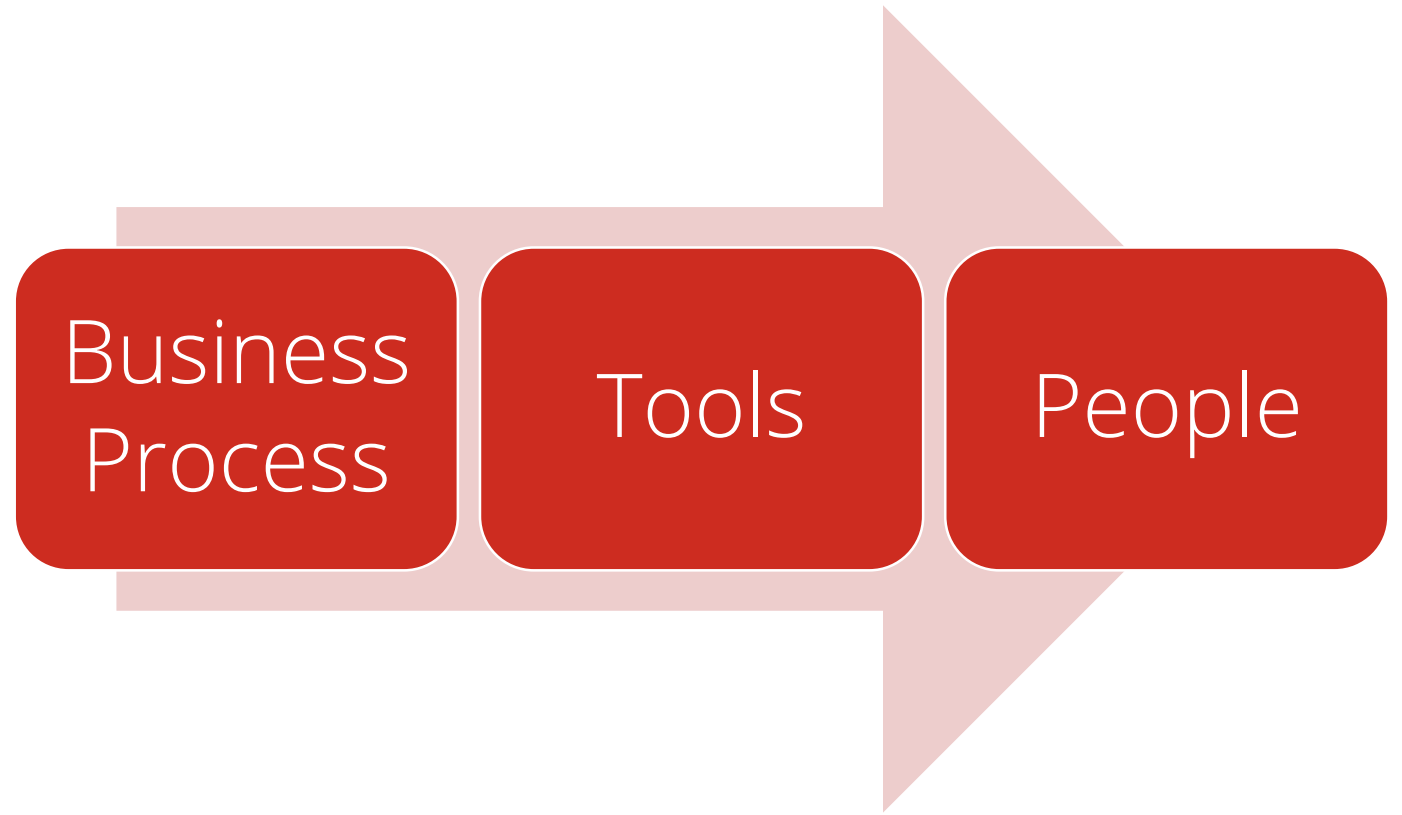
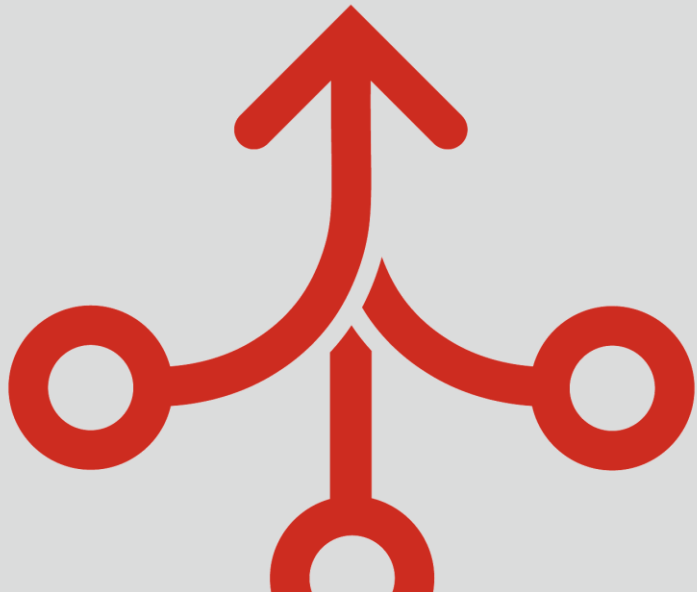
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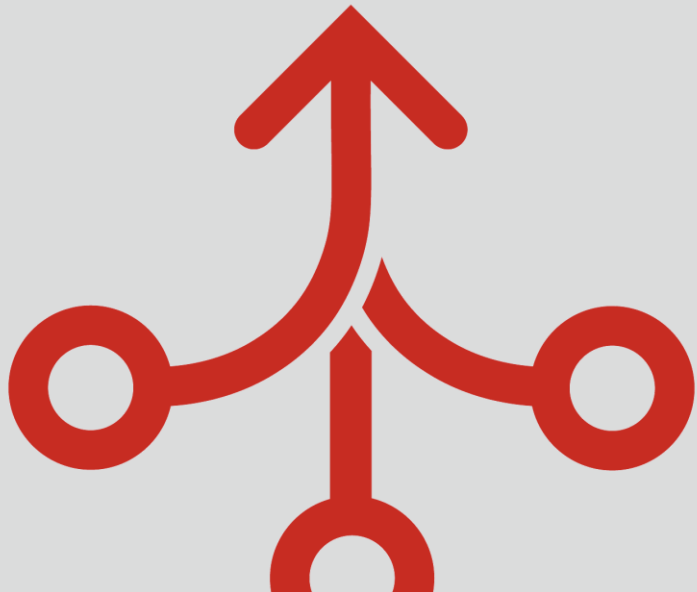
# Interface Management – In Practice

A photograph of two industrial workers in a control room or office. A woman in the foreground, wearing a white hard hat and a high-visibility yellow and grey jacket, is pointing at a computer monitor. A man in the background, also wearing a white hard hat, glasses, and a high-visibility yellow and grey jacket, is holding a tablet. The background shows a blurred industrial environment with lights.

# Interface Management Best Practices



## Interface Management Best Practices



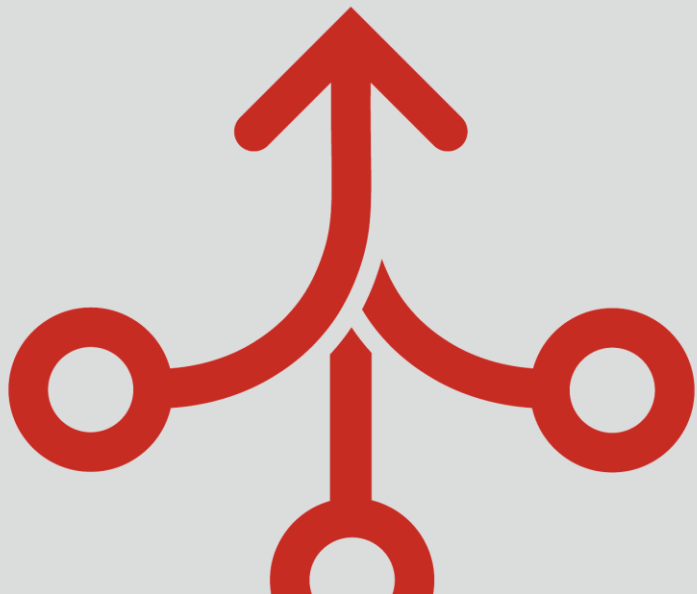
# Business Processes

- Governance Model
- IM Strategy / Structure
- Policies and Procedures
- Communication Strategy

# Tools

- Master Interface Plan
- Interface Register

## Interface Management Best Practices



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Home Documents Tasks & Workflow **Registers** Reports

INTERFACE POINT INTERFACE AGREEMENT ACTION ITEM

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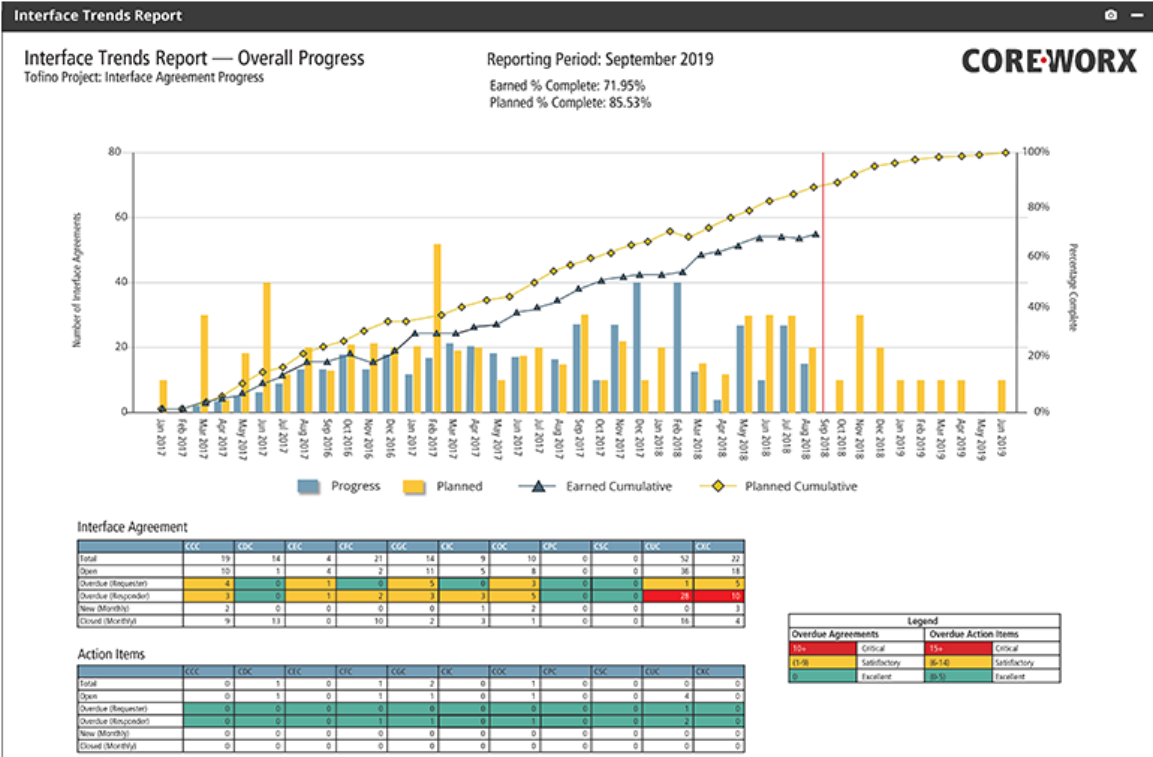
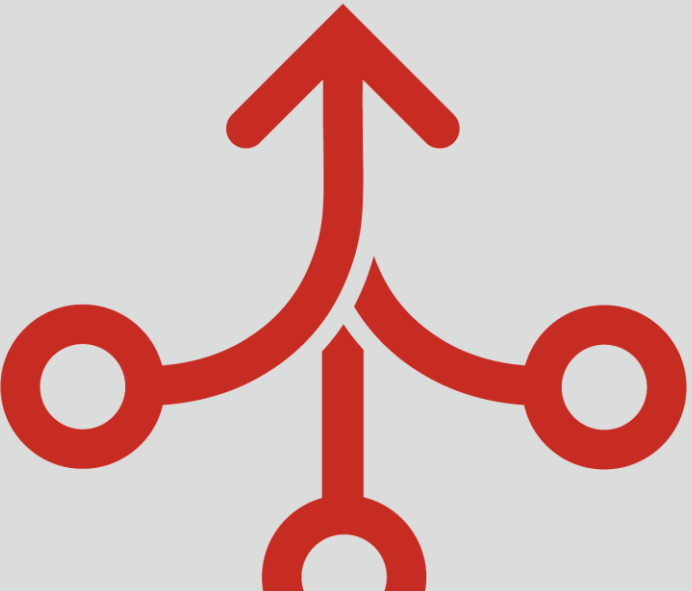
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| IP-OPS-D002-00002 | Pending Review | Construction | New IP -July 10 - save ad hoc comments         | Civil / Structural | July 10, 2020 |               | Owen Bender |
| IP-GEN-D002-00004 | Finalized      | Design       | Interface Point Testing July 10 - Owen to Ivy  | Civil / Structural | July 10, 2020 | July 10, 2020 |             |
| IP-GEN-D006-00015 | Finalized      | Design       | IP between Ivy and Owen (no Robert visibility) | Electrical         | July 10, 2020 | July 10, 2020 |             |
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- ✓ Central location
- ✓ Transparency
- ✓ Visibility
- ✓ Ensures audit trail
- ✓ Workflows ensure compliance

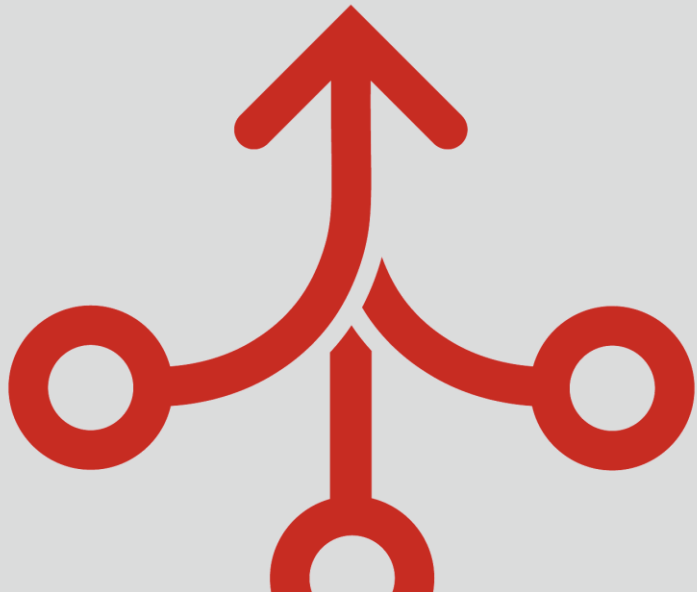
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- Interface Control Documents / schematics
- Communication Matrix
- Reports
- Schedule

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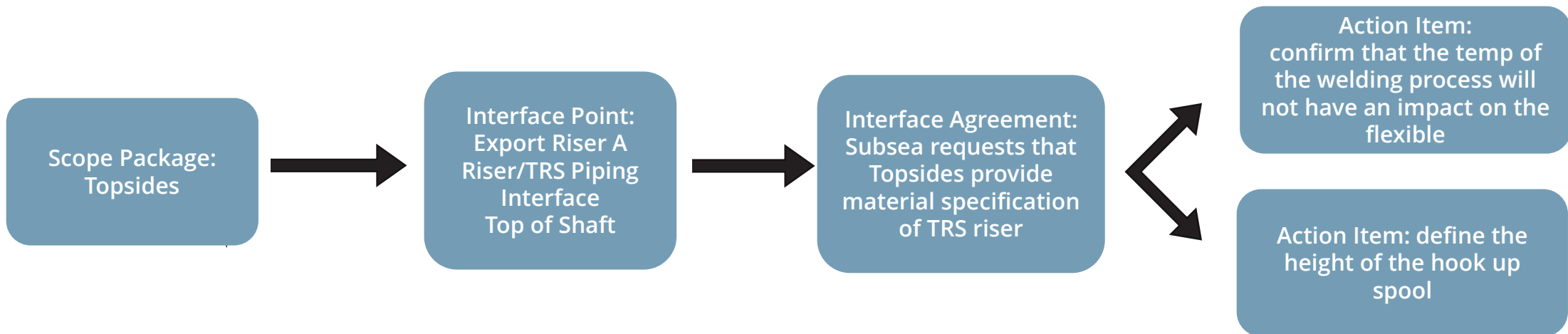
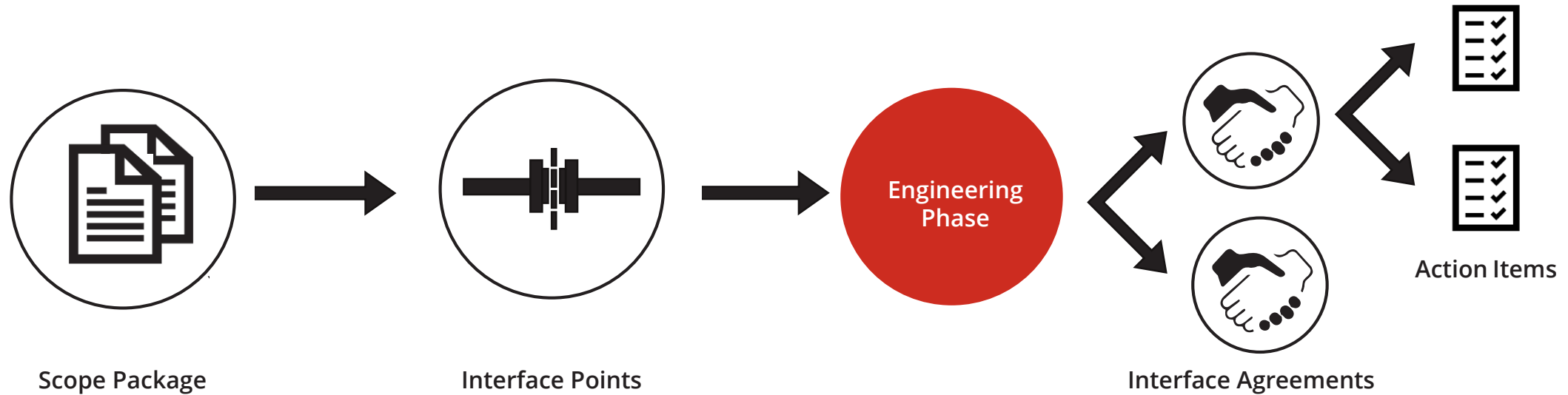
# Interface Management Best Practices



## People

- Who are the Players?
  - Management / Project Director
  - Interface Manager / Coordinators
  - Internal / External Parties
- Organization Culture
  - Leadership support
  - 'Champion'

# Coreworx Interface Management



# Interface Management in Offshore Project

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- Multinational engineering, procurement, construction and installation company
- Main contractor for multiple offshore mega project (Scarborough, Tortue, Cassia sea...)
- From engineering to installation
- Implementation of interface management system



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ENGINEERING



PROCUREMENT



FABRICATION



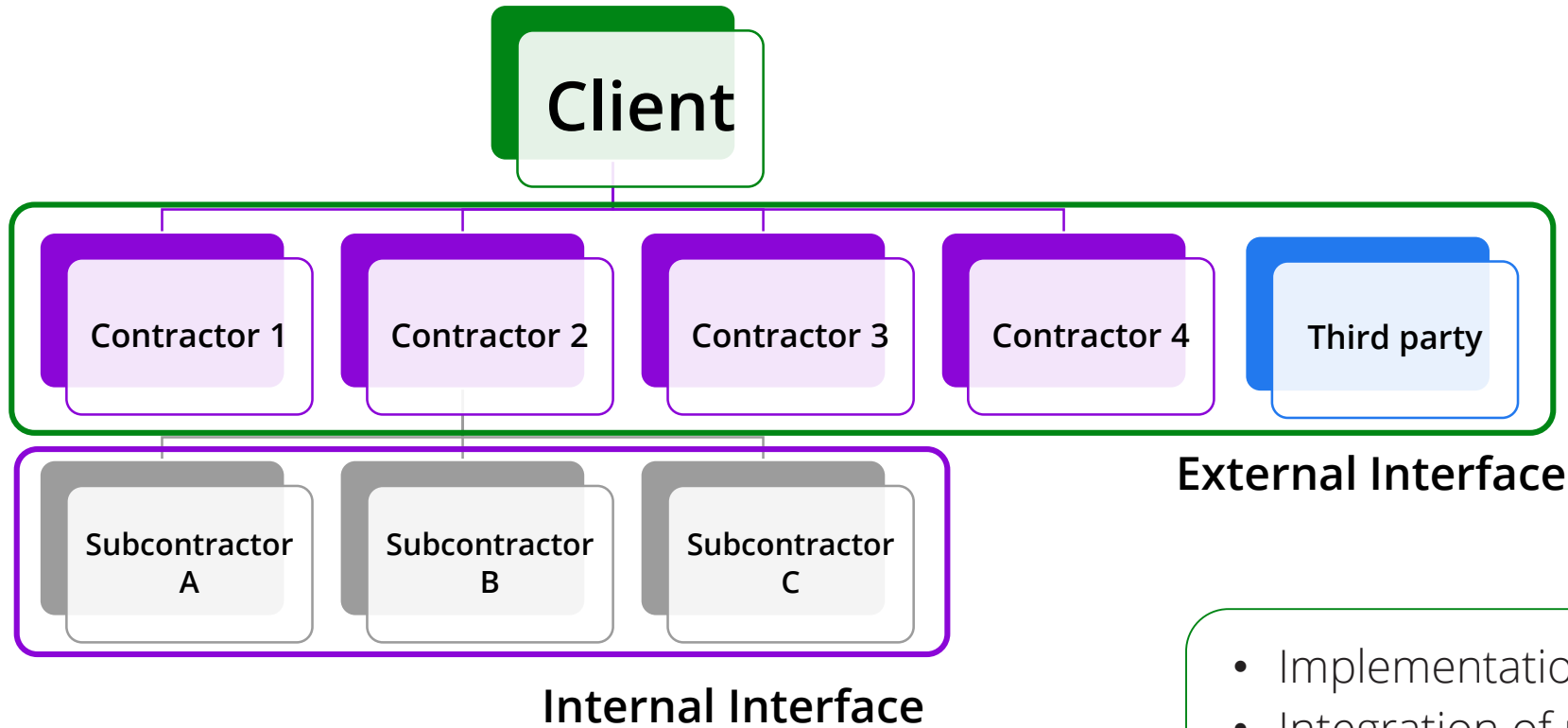
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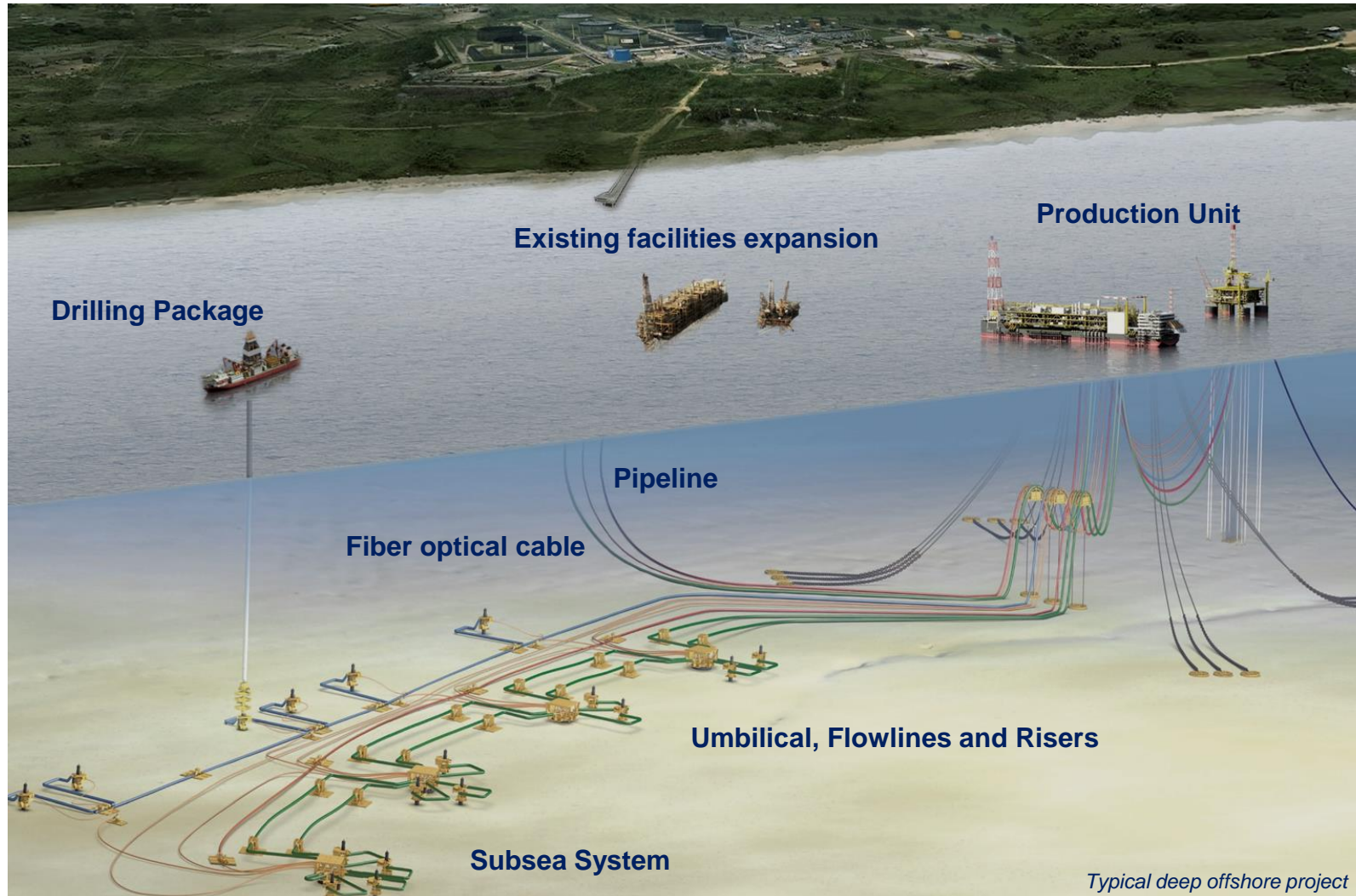


# Project Interfaces Overview



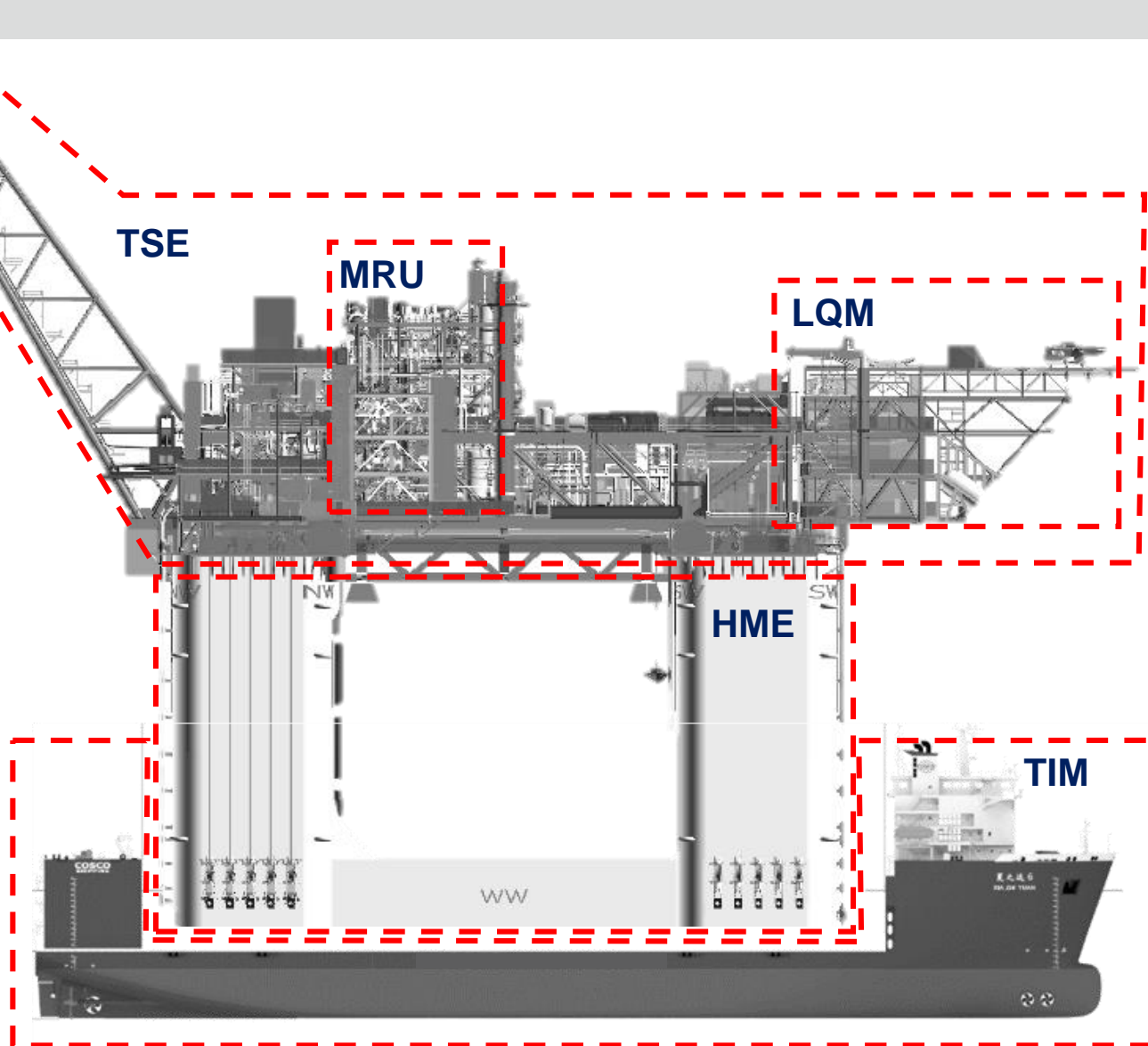
- Implementation by Client or Main Contractor
- Integration of project stakeholders
- Large number of parties:
  - Complexity
  - High volume of communication
- Confidentiality among parties

# External Contracting Parties



- Up to 10 contractors or more
  - Different knowledge
  - Different location
- Package sub-division
  - Phase (engineering / procurement / installation)
  - Expertise
    - Pipeline shore crossing
    - Offshore installation

# Internal Contracting Parties

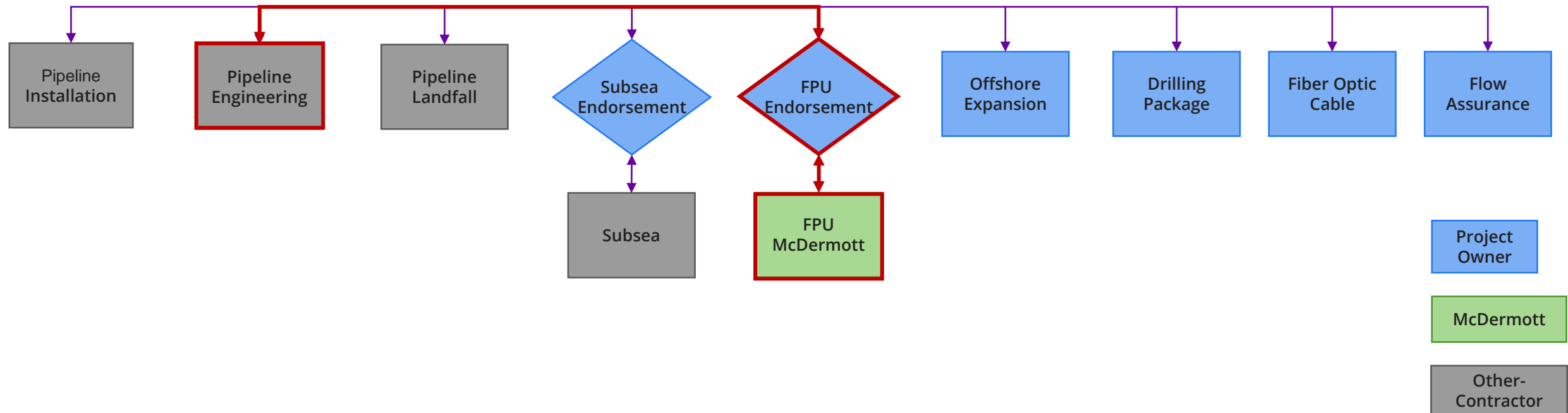


## FPU - Contracting parties

|     |                       |
|-----|-----------------------|
| TSE | Topside Eng.          |
| TIM | Offshore Installation |
| HME | Hull & Mooring Eng.   |
| MRU | MEG Recovery Unit     |
| LQM | Living Quarter        |

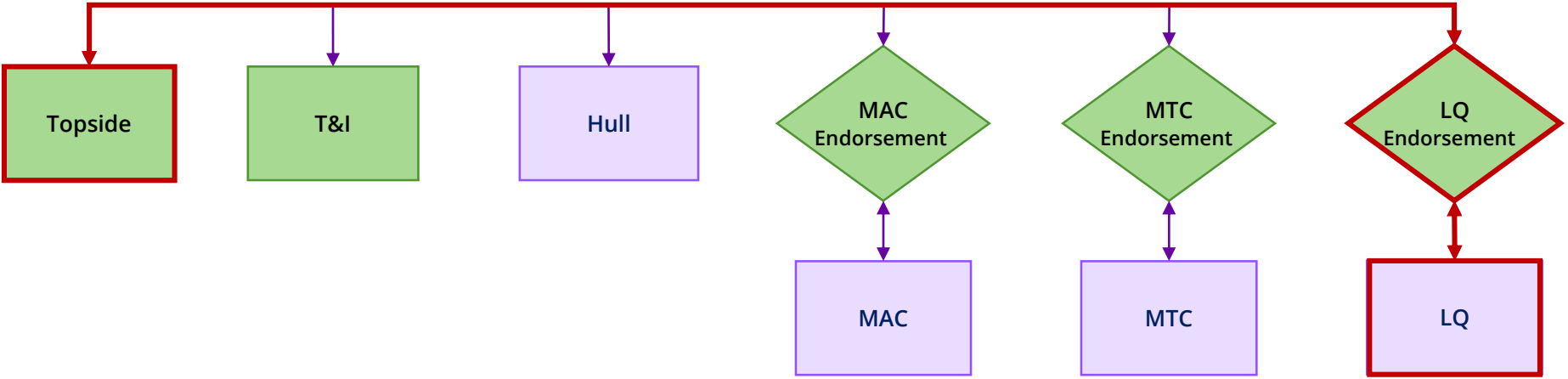
- Subcontractors / vendors
- Engineering centre (discipline / module)
- Join venture partners...

# Interface Management System - External



- Endorsement bring additional level of control
- Contractor represented by the Project Owner

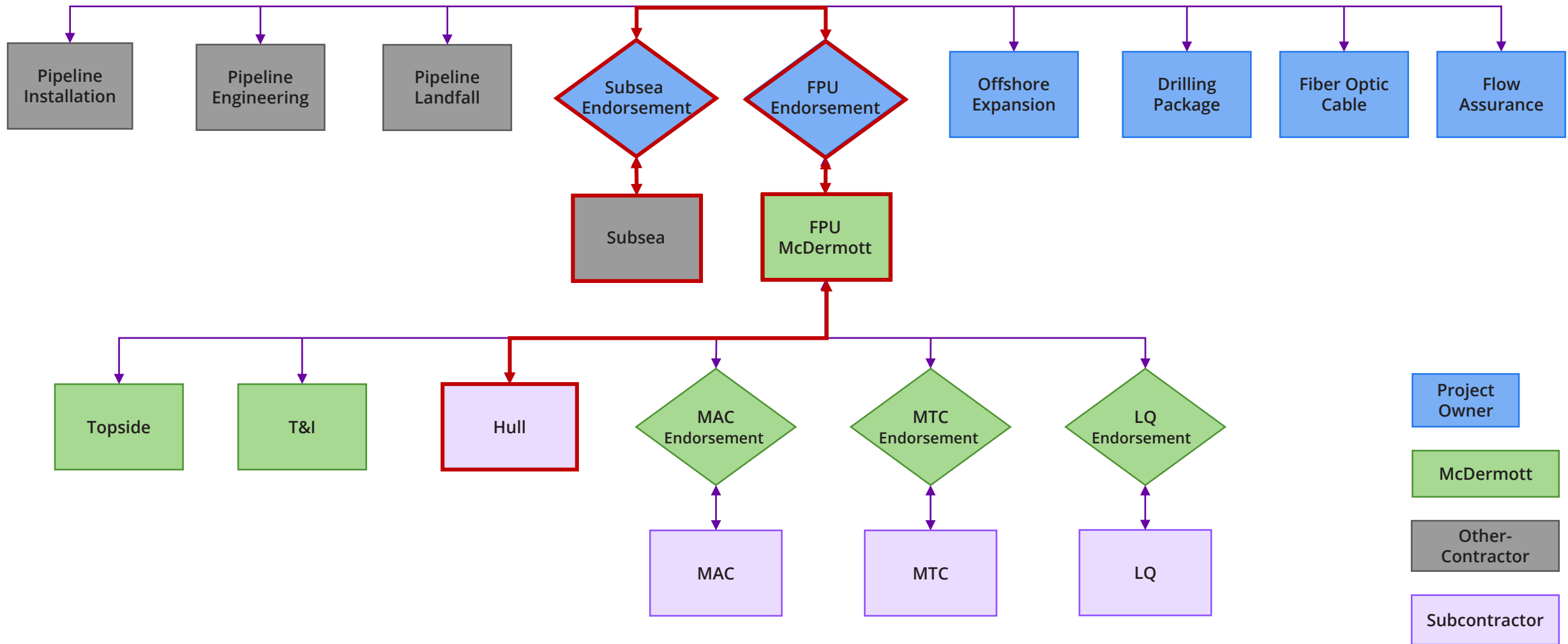
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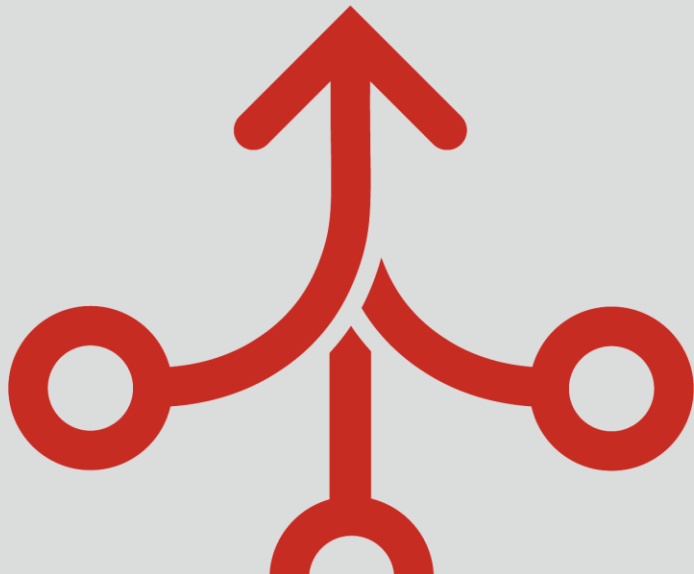
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Subcontractor

# Interface Management System



# Interface Manager in the Project



- Tools and Procedure
  - Interface Management Plan
  - Batteries limit definition
  - Communication tool
  - Meeting and Workshop
- Team involvement
  - Using proper communication channel – track record
  - Implementation is a team work
- Automated workflow
  - Speeding the communication process (overdue, notification)
  - Avoiding mistake

# Project Delays, Shutdowns & Restarts

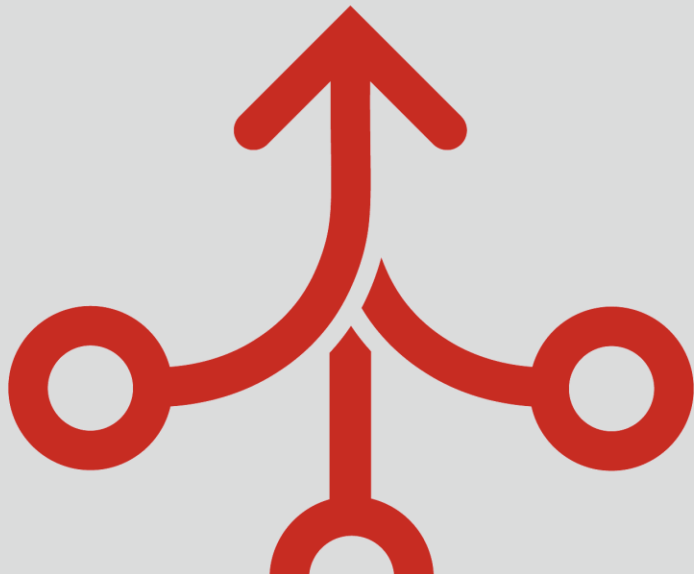


# Project Realities of Covid-19

- Project shutdowns & restarts
- Revised schedules
- New project practices
- New regulatory requirements



# Project Change Preparation



Change of phase FEED to EPC

Slowing down

Stopping activity for later restart



Turn over / change of team or location

Change of contracting parties

Interface system

- Clean-up system for restart : interface register
- Closing open action / request
- Adding contextual information
- Workflow need to be adapted

# IM Helps Project Finish On-Time Despite Major Challenges



## Contractor Turnover

- 6 year project duration
- High probability



## Early Greenfield / Brownfield Operations

- Maintain safe handover of tie-ins



## Environmental / Weather

- Risk of floods / forest fires
- Activity and / or site shutdown



## Critical Milestones

- Field sequencing of multiple contractors

# IM: Benefits, Results & Restarts

## Benefits:

- Formal scope delineation & responsibilities at interfaces = reduction in interface rework and errors (\$\$)

## Results:

- CII research study: 4% cost growth with IM versus 18% cost growth without
- Interface management has been proven to help achieve planned completion schedule despite major project challenges and delays

## Restarts:

- When facing delays, interface management informs team all work completed (and how) and provides details for rapid restarts

# Q&A

# Thanks for joining us today



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