

How ICT can support industrialisation of autonomous cars ?

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Introduction

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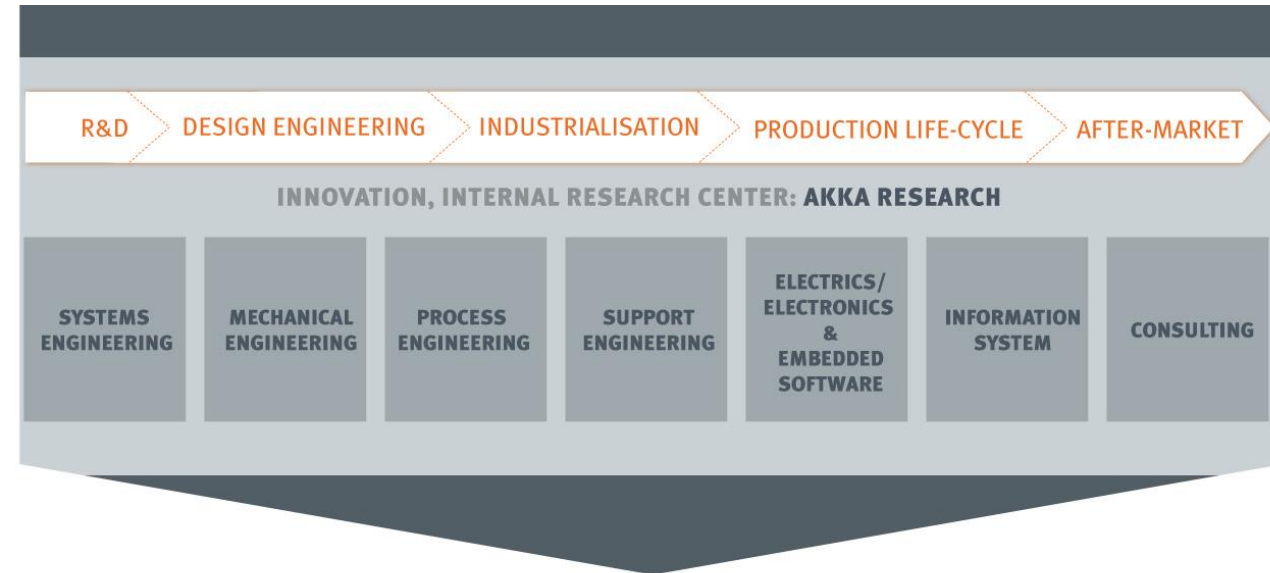
- Deputy head of Innovation at AKKA Technologies for autonomous driving since 2015
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▼ AKKA Technologies:

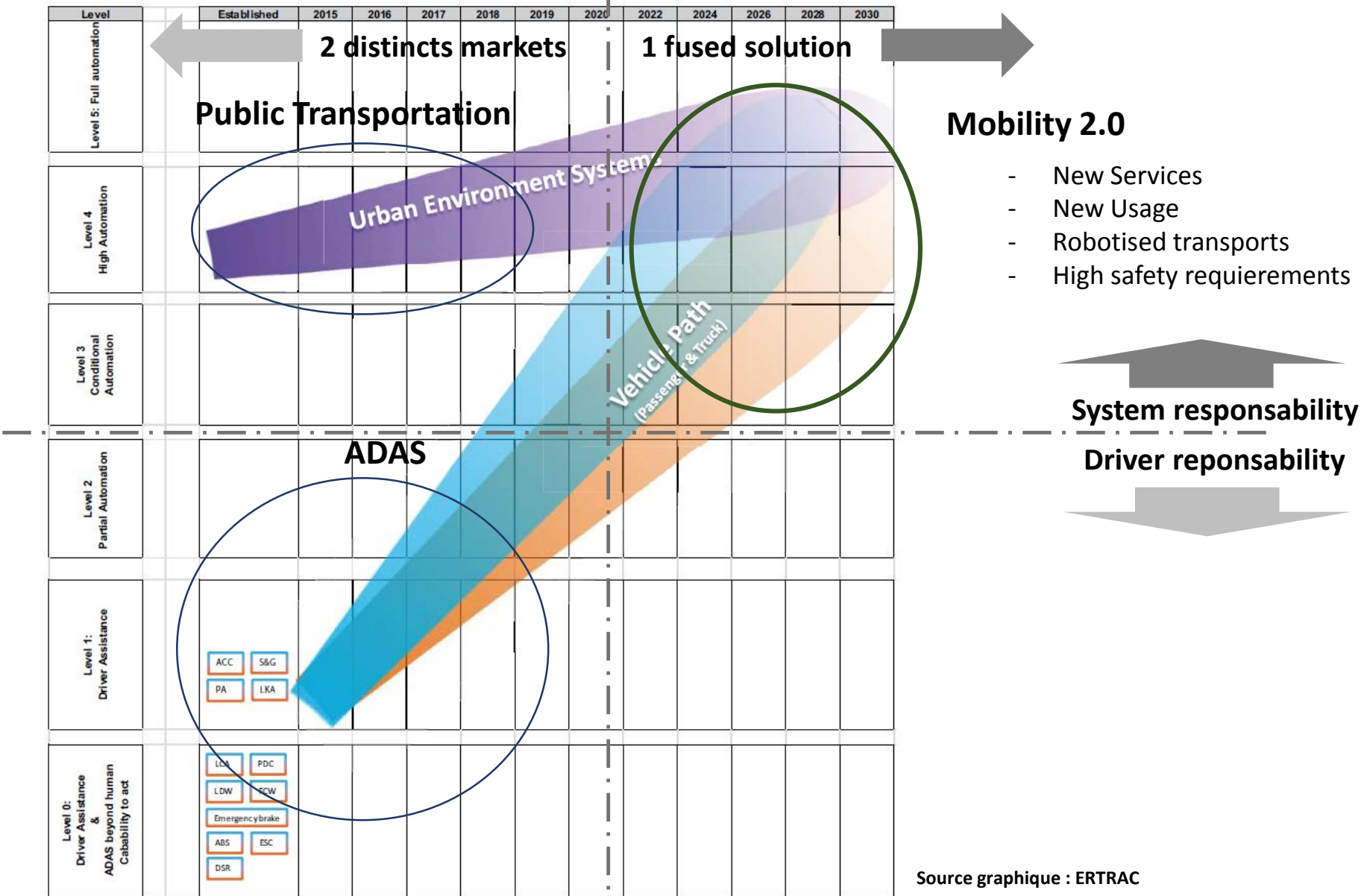
- Provide engineering and expert services to industry
- 1,2 B€ of turnover
- 13 000 persons
- Active in 20 countries over the world

▼ Topic of this talk:

- Outline context and technical challenges linked with growth
- Highlight the importance of ICT in this growth
- Insist on the System approach required to deal with ICT integration in massively produced vehicles

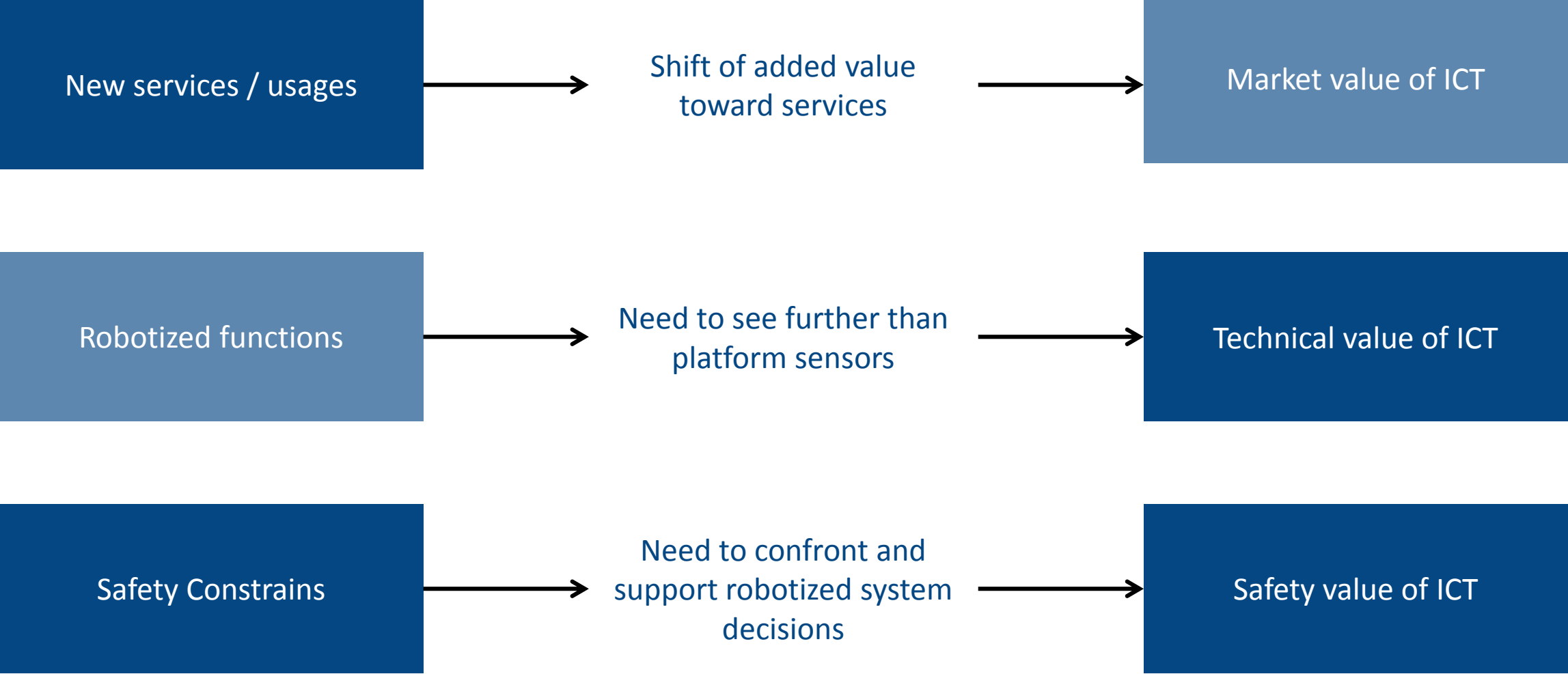


Autonomous driving context



Source graphique : ERTRAC

The technical shifts behind autonomous driving



▼ User friendly infrastructure:

- Road infrastructure received lots of investment to fit with human ergonomics and to enhance its comprehensions of road rules
- Since robots would share the road with humans, infrastructures have to be thought for robots users

▼ ICT as main “robots’ feeling”:

- ICT allows to share information with robotized system without perceptions problems
- ICT enables all the autonomous system to collaborate in their driving tasks

Current infrastructures were designed as human friendly

ICT is the key to robot friendly support

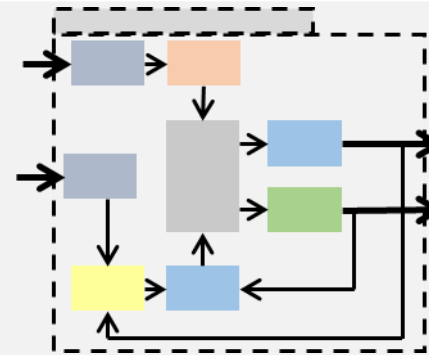
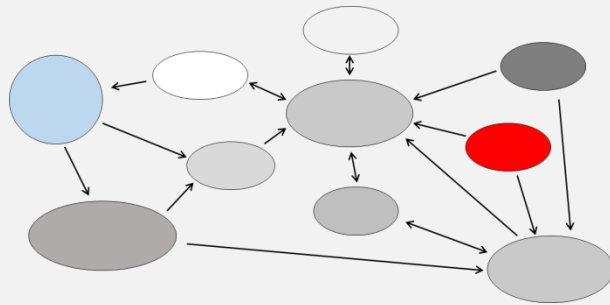
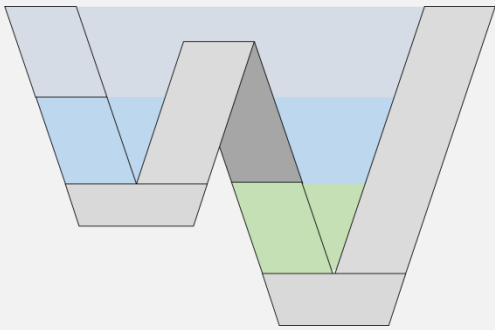
System Engineering approach for ICT

▼ System design:

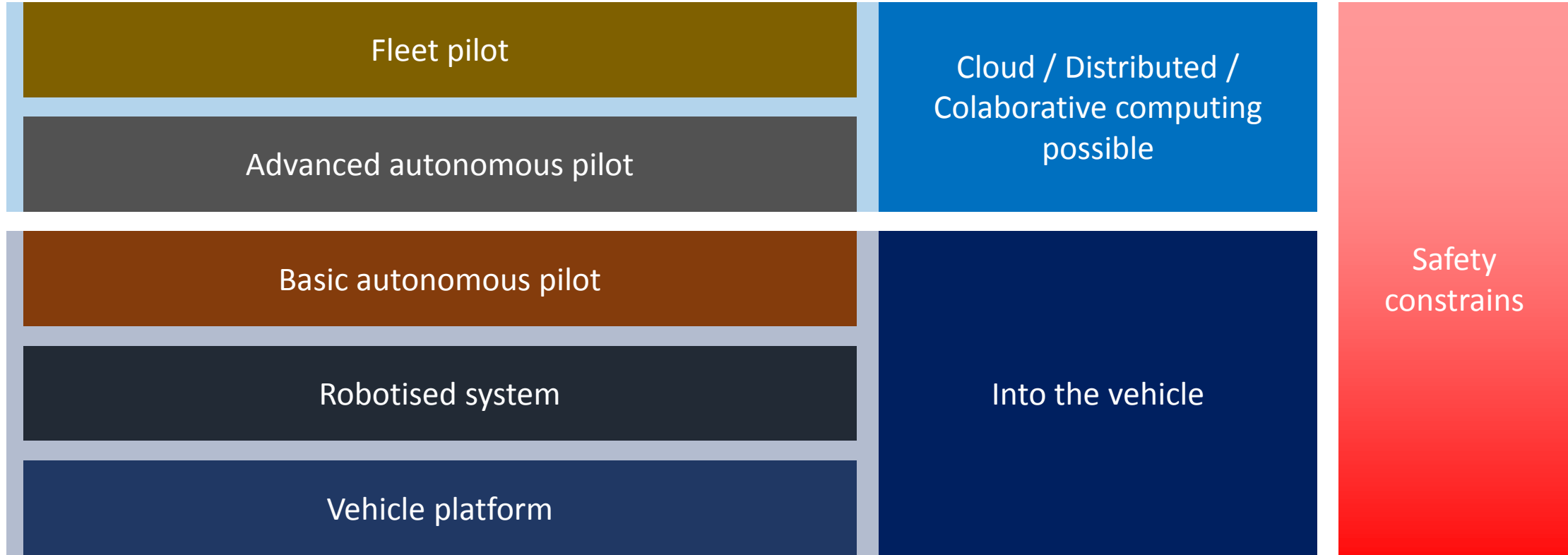
- Apply top-down approaches to answer services requirement before addressing ICT technical issues
- Integrate infrastructure in this process
- Design functional requirements of ICT support to autonomous functions both into the vehicle and the infrastructure
- Clear responsibility involvement of design stakeholders

▼ System balance:

- Balance this support with functional then organic safety into the vehicle
- Characterize the ICT limits at an industrial scale



Multi-layers Autonomous cars



Using advanced ICT and AI solutions while insuring system safety:

- Secure low levels architectures and integrity
- Monitor orders from advanced autonomous pilot
- Authorize cloud / distributed / collaborative support at an abstract level