

Release Notes Applied SAFe® 6.0 Kilimanjaro Edition

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NOTE:

Applied SAFe® builds on SAFe® 6.0 and will be kept in sync with the upcoming versions. Demonstrations can be scheduled upon request.



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1 Overview

1.1 Main Changes

Brief overview of achievements and improvements.

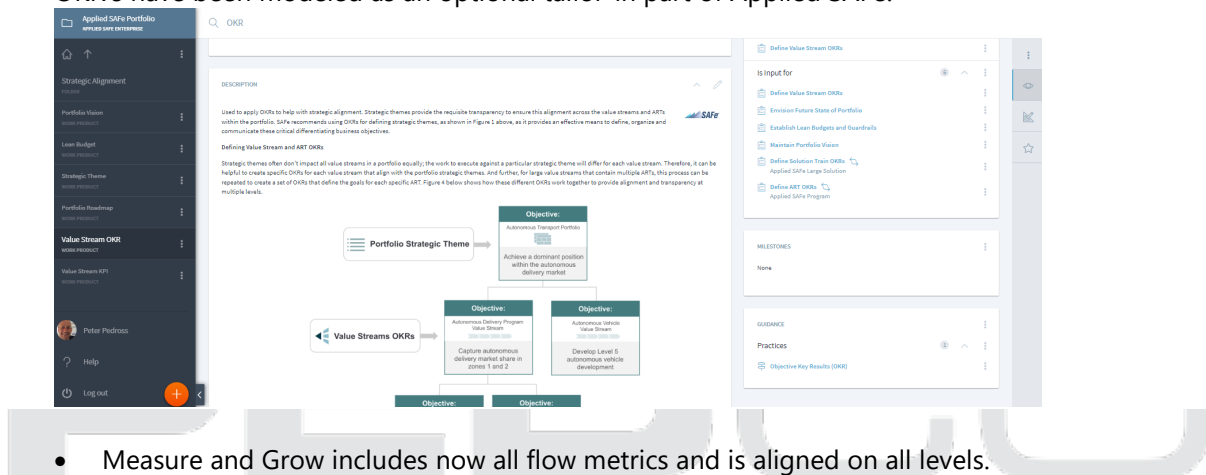
*All content of SAFE 6.0 has been implemented and updated in Applied SAFE 6.0 Kilimanjaro.
For an complete overview please visit 'What's new in SAFE 6.0'
- training content in Applied SAFE Enterprise.*

Below some special mentions of some updates and guiding principles.

- The SAFE 6.0 update has six primary themes:



- Value Stream KPI's, OKR and it's connection to Strategic Themes has been reworked and existing processes have been changed accordingly with new activities, tailorings and tailorable work products.
- OKR's have been modeled as an optional tailor-in part of Applied SAFE.



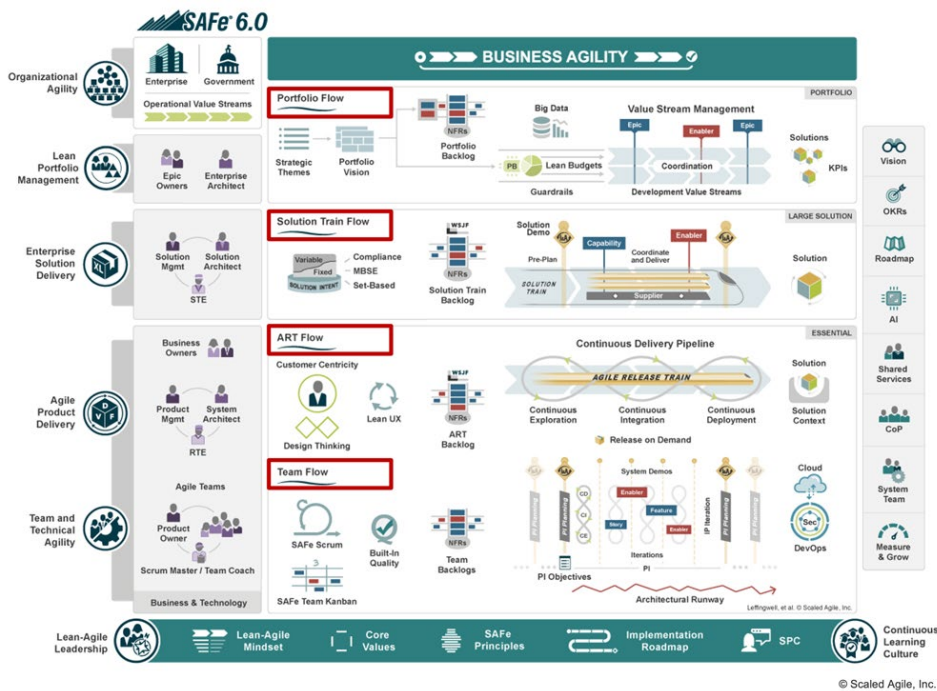
- Metrics have been totally overworked as the metrics in 'the six SAFe flow metrics'.

Metric	Description
Flow Distribution	The proportion of each backlog item type in the flow
Flow Velocity	Number of items completed in a given time
Flow Time	Time elapsed from when an item enters the workflow to when it is released to the customer
Flow Load	Total work-in-progress (across all steps of the flow)
Flow Efficiency	The portion of time backlog items are actively worked on to the total time elapsed
Flow Predictability	Overall planned vs. actual business value

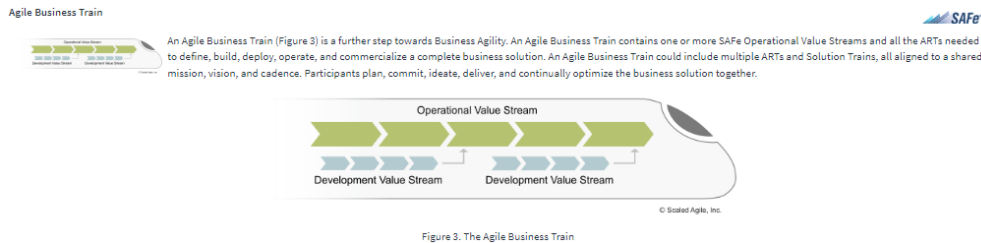
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Useful 'DORA'-Metrics have been move to the folder metrics/dora on each level, and can be optionally used as a tailor-in option on all levels of Applied SAFe.

- All flow-Articles have been modeled as practices and explain how the various elements of Applied SAFe connect



- Agile Business Train is an optional tailor-in artefact:



- Updated Strategic Themes as reflected in the reworked article 'Enterprise' in SAFe 6.0 as discussed here: <https://youtu.be/CY3I7-8vd58>
- Changed article on Business & Technology reflected in Applied SAFe as explained in <https://youtu.be/4L2PuQnp1M>

1.2 End-User Impact

Summary of major impact for the following roles:

- SPCs, Leaders, Managers, Change and Process Coaches:
 - All content and training of SAFe is incorporated in Applied SAFe.
 - KPI's, OKR and Metrics have seen the most changes.
 - Tailoring has been enhanced,
 - Most new work products are to be found on 'Portfolio'
 - Terminology has been standardized as listed on 'What's new in SAFe 6.0'.
 - Flow Articles connect the big picture, the status 'Backlog' in the backlogs has been replaced with the status 'Ready'
(As PEDCO already discussed with partner KEGON in this video: <https://youtu.be/SUijFHSa15g>)
- Quality Manager, LPM, STE, RTE, Scrum Master (Bootstrap Roles):
 - New metrics design
 - Program has been replaced with 'ART', all Instances of former program shall be renamed to 'ART' as well.
 - New Modelling Guideline is applied in Applied SAFe.
- Process Engineer:
 - Updated and enhanced process and work product models that reflect the tailored process elements for the revised SAFe configurations.
 - Process Modelling Guideline has been reworked and applied in Applied SAFe 6.0
 - Multiple reused contents like descriptions and practices are now stored in Enterprise and reused with 'Variables' to replace the deprecated mechanism of Linked Elements.

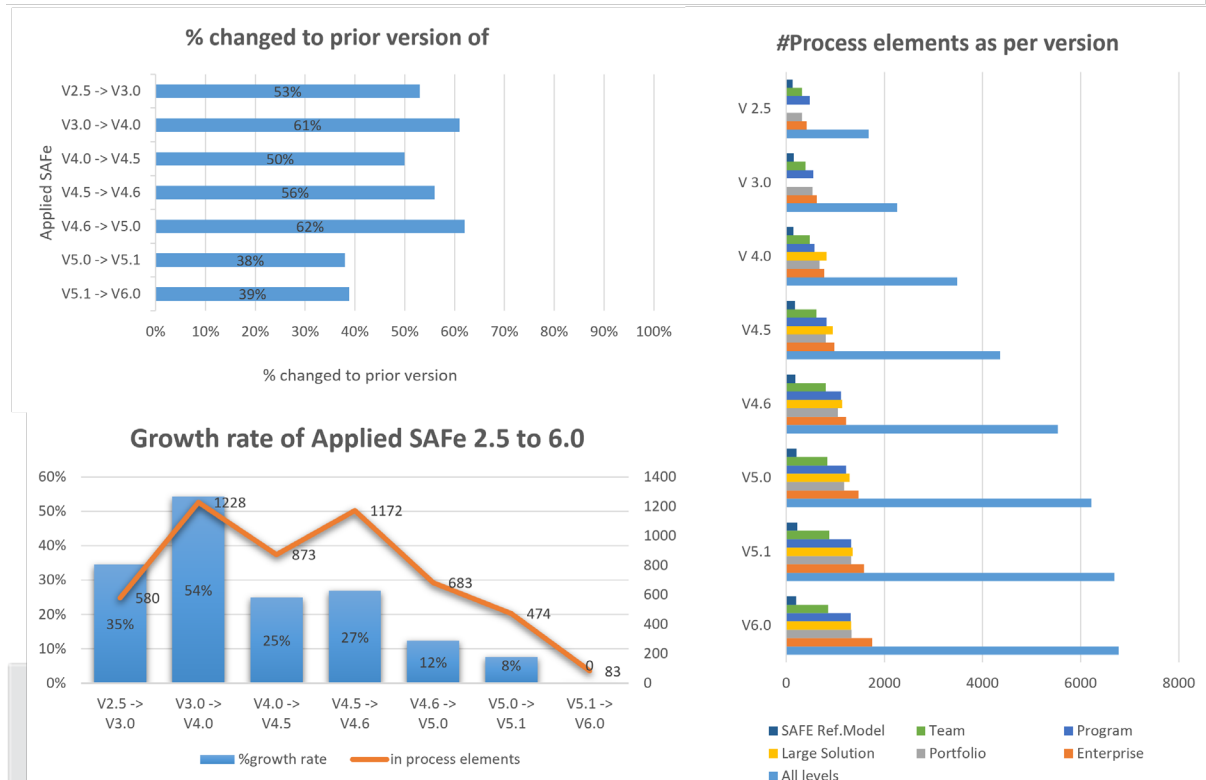
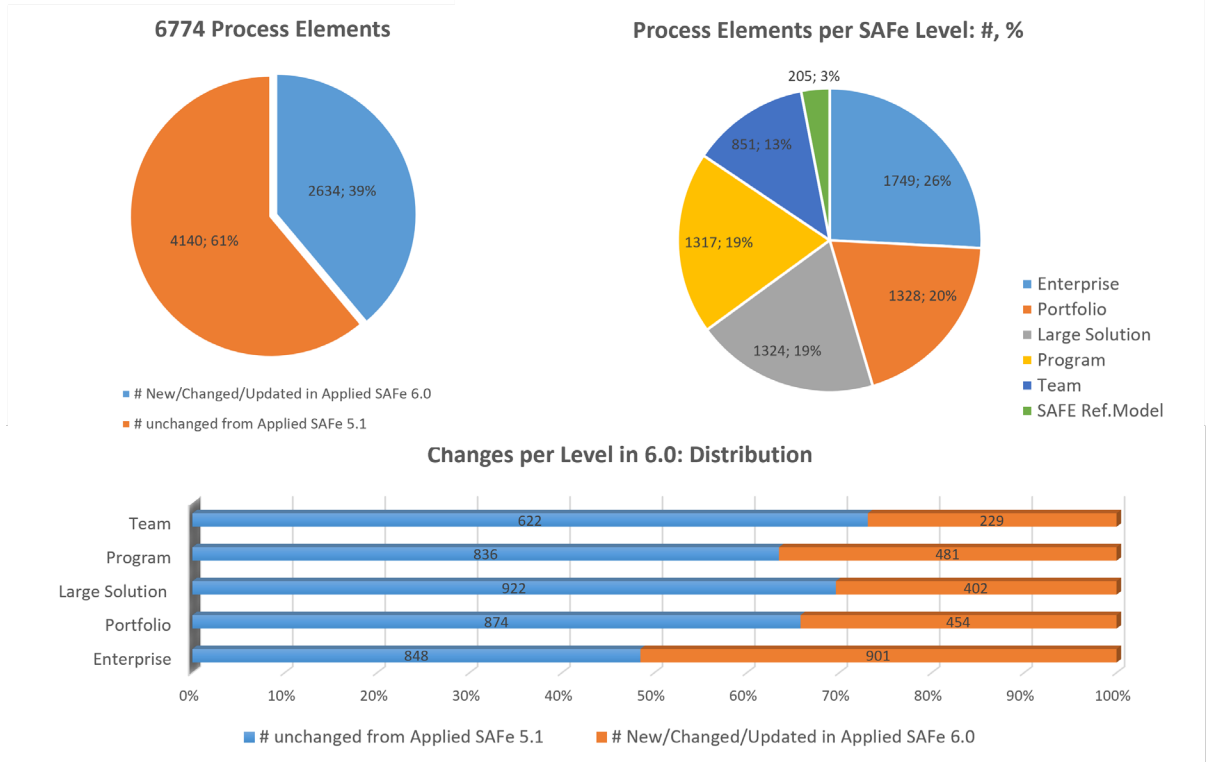
1.3 Versioning Details

Applied SAFe	6.0 Kilimanjaro Edition (Build V2023.04.25)
Applied SAFe Courseware	6.0 Kilimanjaro
Release Type	Major (Extension Release)

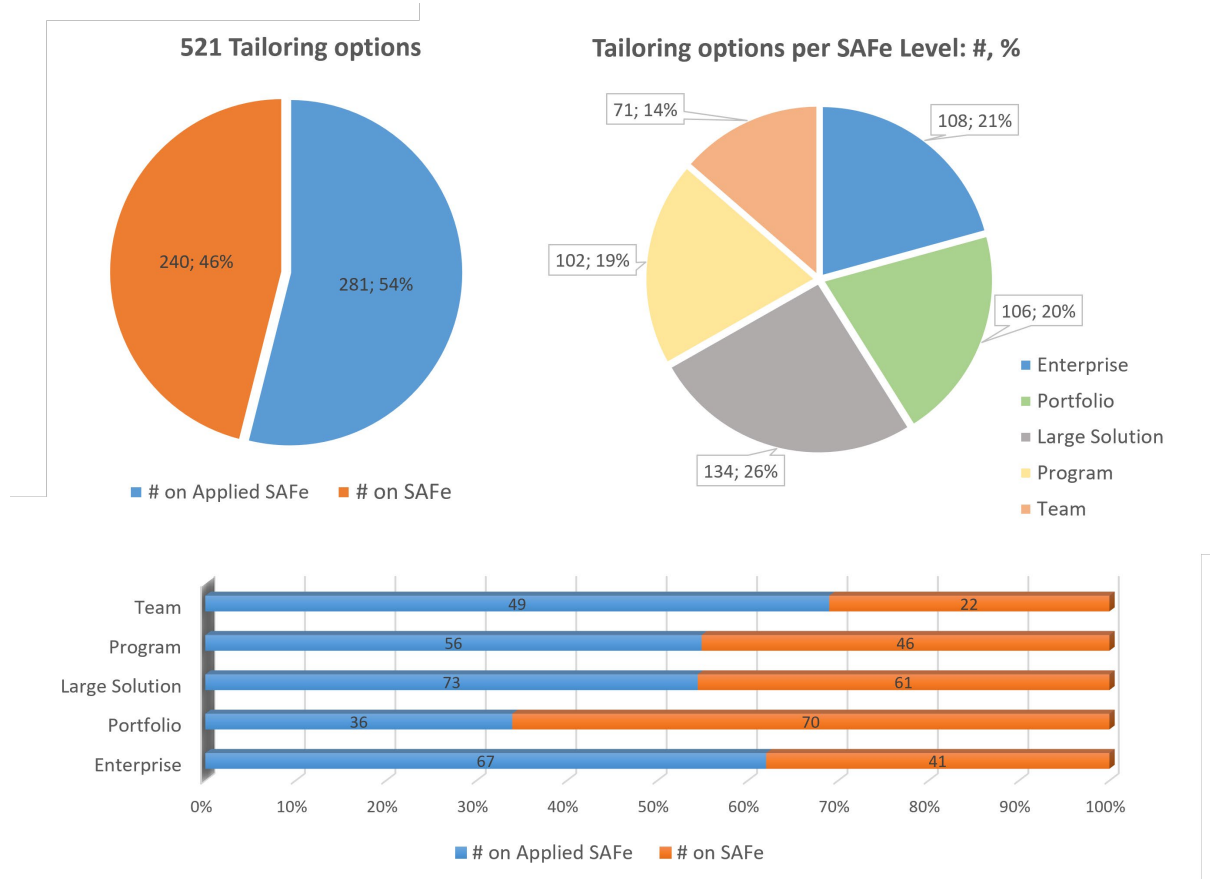
SAFe	6.0
SAFe Courseware	6.0
Stages	7.9.3 (GA)
Stages Meta-Model	Unified Configuration 7.6

2 Applied SAFE Release Metrics

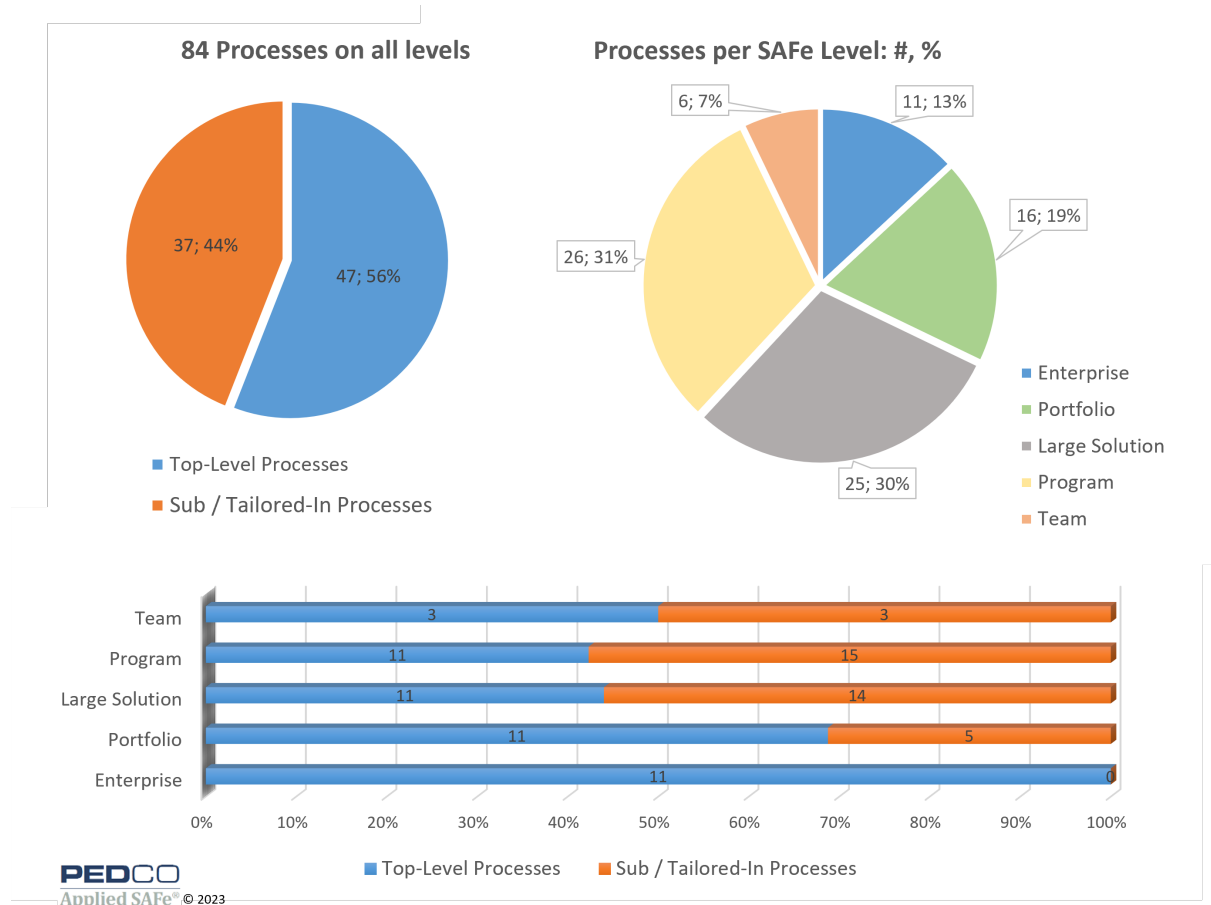
2.1 Process Elements Metrics



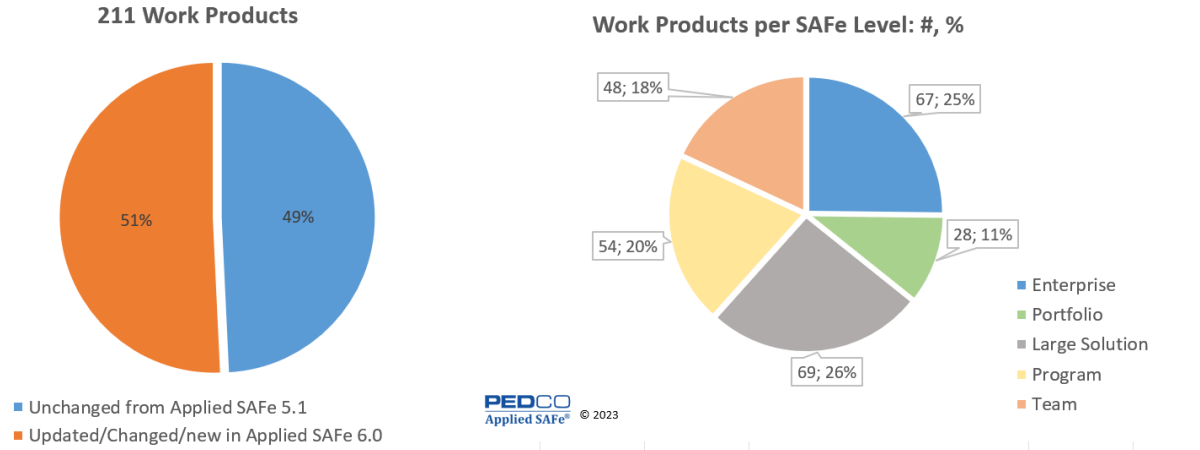
2.2 Tailoring Options



2.3 Process Metrics



2.4 Work Product Metrics



2.5 Information graphic

Applied SAFe® at a glance in numbers

67% Less discussion time on how to interpret SAFe®	2 Years Reduced cost of delay
30 PY Person-years saved of definition work within an Applied SAFe® based rollout	39%-80% Changed content with each new SAFe® release
2/3 Reduced ramp-up time for new hires	6 Published case studies
520 Built-in configuration and tailoring options	33% Faster process improvement with built-in organizational learning
80-100% Reuse rather than re-invent	3 day Training session to learn how to engineer Applied SAFe® by yourself
100% Solid comprehensive implementation of SAFe® as each version is approved by its inventors	27 Defined Reference Models
80-100% Agile quality processes for mature organizations 20 SAFe® add-on processes for compliance within regulated environments	27 Proof Compliance with minimal effort for reference models like CMMI, A-SPICE, IEC 62304, ISO 26262, ISO 13485, FDA



3 New or Updated Documents

Name	Version	Description
Applied SAFe Compliance Report	6.0 (V2020.01.14)	Reports SAFe 6.0 gap analysis, achieved 100% compliance as of April 20 th 2023
Applied SAFe Brochure and Factsheet	6.0 (April 2023)	Revised marketing material published on PEDCO's Website
Applied SAFe Model Report	6.0 (V2023.04.25)	Comprehensive documentation of Applied SAFe work product and process diagrams
Applied SAFe Release Notes	6.0 Kilimanjaro	Updated release notes that inform about main changes and a selection of metrics
Applied SAFe Tailoring Mindmap	6.0 (V2023.04.20)	Tailoring Mindmap for all levels giving an overview of the latest tailoring structure

4 Appendix

4.1 Document History

Version	Date	Author, Org. Unit	Status	Comment / Description of Change
0.1	24.Jan 2023	Peter Pedross	Draft	Initial version
0.2	23.April 2023	Peter Pedross	Review	Ready for Review
1.0	25.April 2023	Peter Pedross	Released	