

ROUNDS BY EXCEPTION AT SHELL REFINERY ROTTERDAM

# **About Skeye**

• Founded in 2013 with offices in UK, Romania & NL

LUC allowing self-risk assessment & approval in all EASA states

- Over 30,000 flights
- Onshore & Offshore operations
- Approved supplier for major global clients







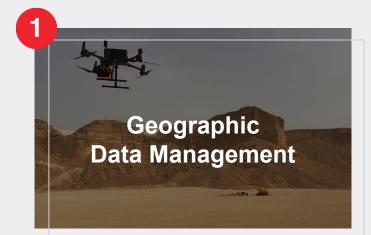








## **Services Portfolio**

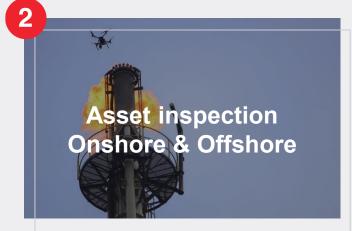


Topographic Surveys RGB & Lidar

Multispectral & Hyperspectral

Baselines & Comparisons

3D Modelling



Visual Indoor & Outdoor

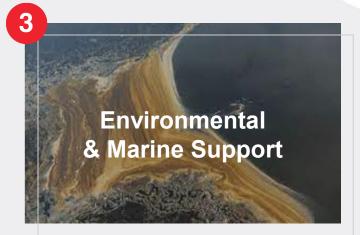
UT Indoor & Outdoor

Thermal

Gas Detection

Online 3D Reporting

Remote Operations Monitoring



Emissions Measurement
Heavy Lifting
Oil Spill Response
Line Handling



# **Shell Netherlands Project**













## **SECPR Pernis Overview**



1,000 Seagoing vessels/yr 10,000 Barges/yr 120,000 Trucks/yr 10,000 km of pipelines in all directions 405,000 Barrels
of crude oil per day
(750 litres per second,
20 million
tonnes
per year)

450,000 neighbours in the immediate vicinity



160,000 km pipelines on site

#### **7 Production Units**

60 plants Pipeline stacks of over

200 metres

24/7 operation

Oil /chemicals integration



focus on personal and process safety, environment and neighbours



1,750 Shell employees; 2,000 – 4,000 contractors per day



High pressure, high temperatures, highly flammable, toxicity



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## **Shell Netherlands Project**

"The vision for drones at Shell Energy and Chemical Park Rotterdam, is to create an efficiency to integrate drones into our everyday work practices.

Increasing the usage of drones will give an added layer of consistency when it comes to measurements, inspections, and surveillance.

This is the opportunity to move us into a more predictive mind frame. Which will also ensure that we have additional overview of the site assets, increasing the safety of our personnel, by leaning on the Rounds by Exception philosophy"

#### Use Cases:

- Tank roof inspections
- Top deck equipment rounds
- Fan Heat Monitoring
- Emission detection
- Construction progress
- Security
- Emergency response







# **Data Capture Robots**

Robotic ground fleet



Robotic arial fleet



• Fixed equipment



• Wireless IIoT sensors



## Rounds by Exception (High level)

01-4

EXR-2 Robot sets route around the asset.



01-B

DiaB drone flies route around the asset.



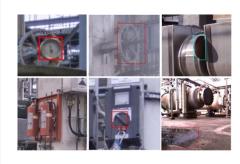
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Autonomous Data capture



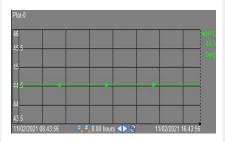
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**Machine Vision Insights** 



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Readings are sent for further analysis.



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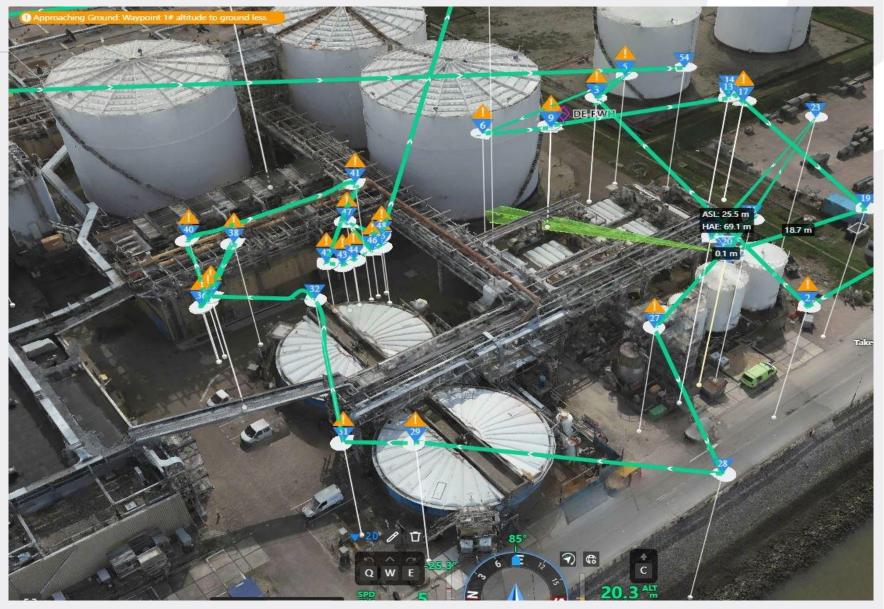
Validation and insights





## **Data Capture**

- Points of Interest (POIs) based on operator round added to the map
- Mission based on operator round created
- Mission executed at set time interval

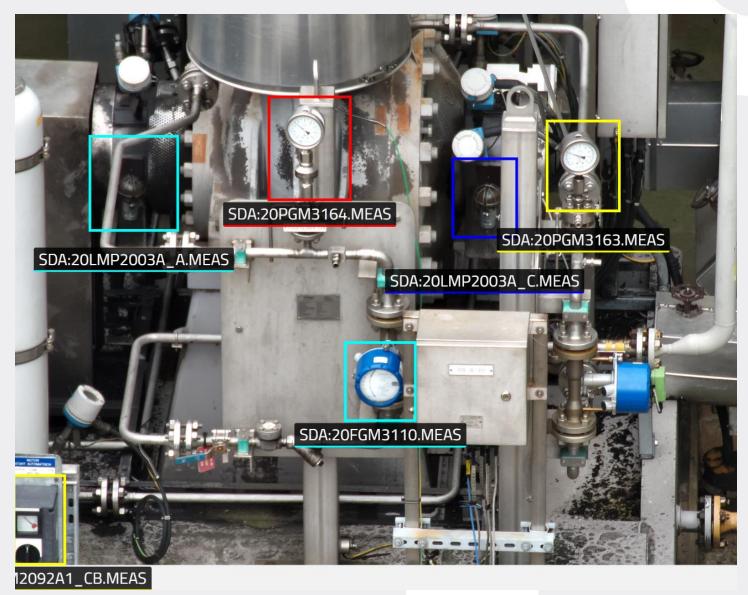




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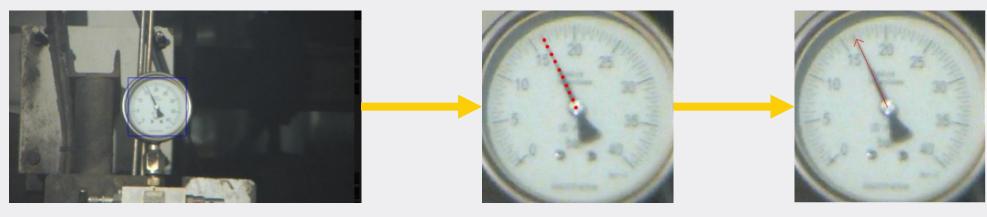
#### Data capture: robotic platforms

- O Robotics/Drones
  - Local flow
  - Gauges
  - Handwheels
  - Liquid spills
  - Anomalies
  - Leaks
  - Oil cups
- LoRa
  - Temperature
  - Vibration
- Fixed camera
  - Leak detection



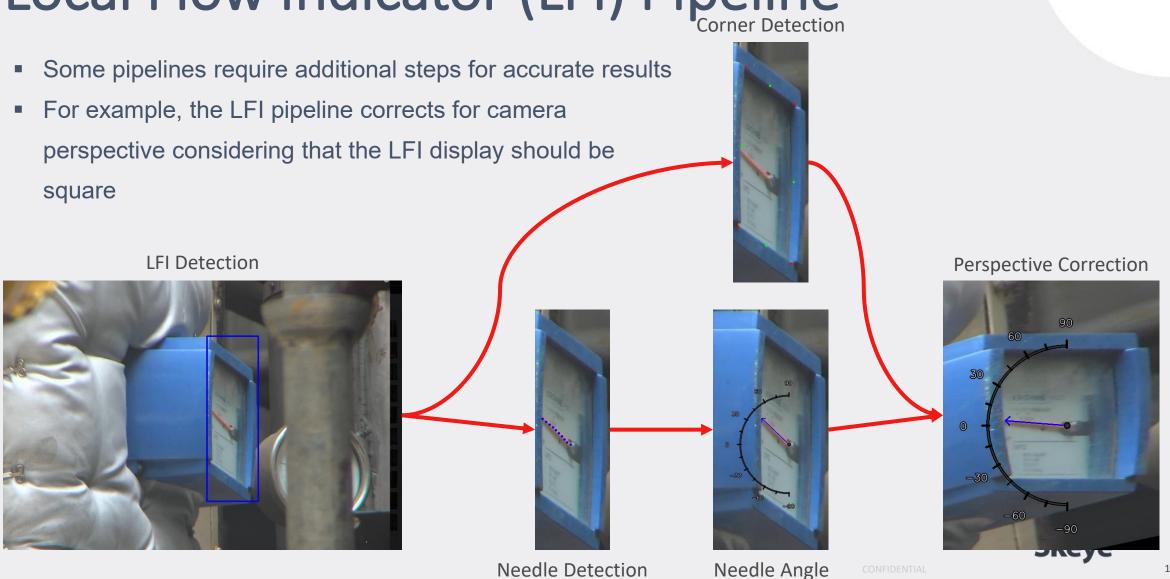
# Gauge Reading Pipeline

- The Gauge Reading pipeline consists of three modules:
  - 1. Gauge Detection: Detect the gauge in the image
  - 2. Needle Detection: Predict several points on the needle
  - 3. Needle Angle: Determine the angle of the needle by fitting a line through the points
- Since we use deep learning to detect both the gauge and the needle, the pipeline becomes robust to variations in lighting and image quality





# Local Flow Indicator (LFI) Pipeline Corner Detection



### SKEYE REMOTE FLIGHT CENTRE







- Double Redundant Internet Connection
- Back-up Power
- Radio communication with Rotterdam ATC
- 7 FTE on 24/7 3 shift rotation



## **DIAB Systems Tested and operated**







**IDIPloyer Nexus** 



Counterdrone - Omnidock





DJI Dock 2





**ENERGY ROBOTICS** 

DJI FlightHub 2



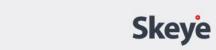












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**Hextronics** 

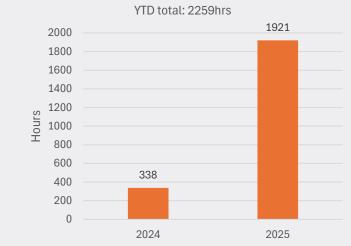
## **CHALLENGES**

- Creation of new 3D models for the deployment locations
- Cyber Security infrastructure (DJI on premise)
- Balance between flight and Cyber safety (ALARP)
- CAA-NL regulations for BVLOS flights
- Air Traffic Control Restrictions
- Shell regulations
- In house staff training program



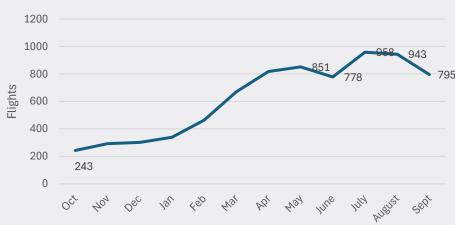


#### Flight Hours (BVLOS)

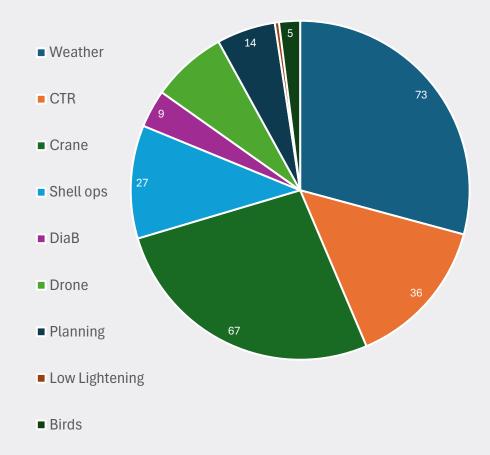


#### **BVLOS Flights**

Since Oct 24 - total: 7451



#### YTD Unplanned Downtime





# THANK YOU!

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