

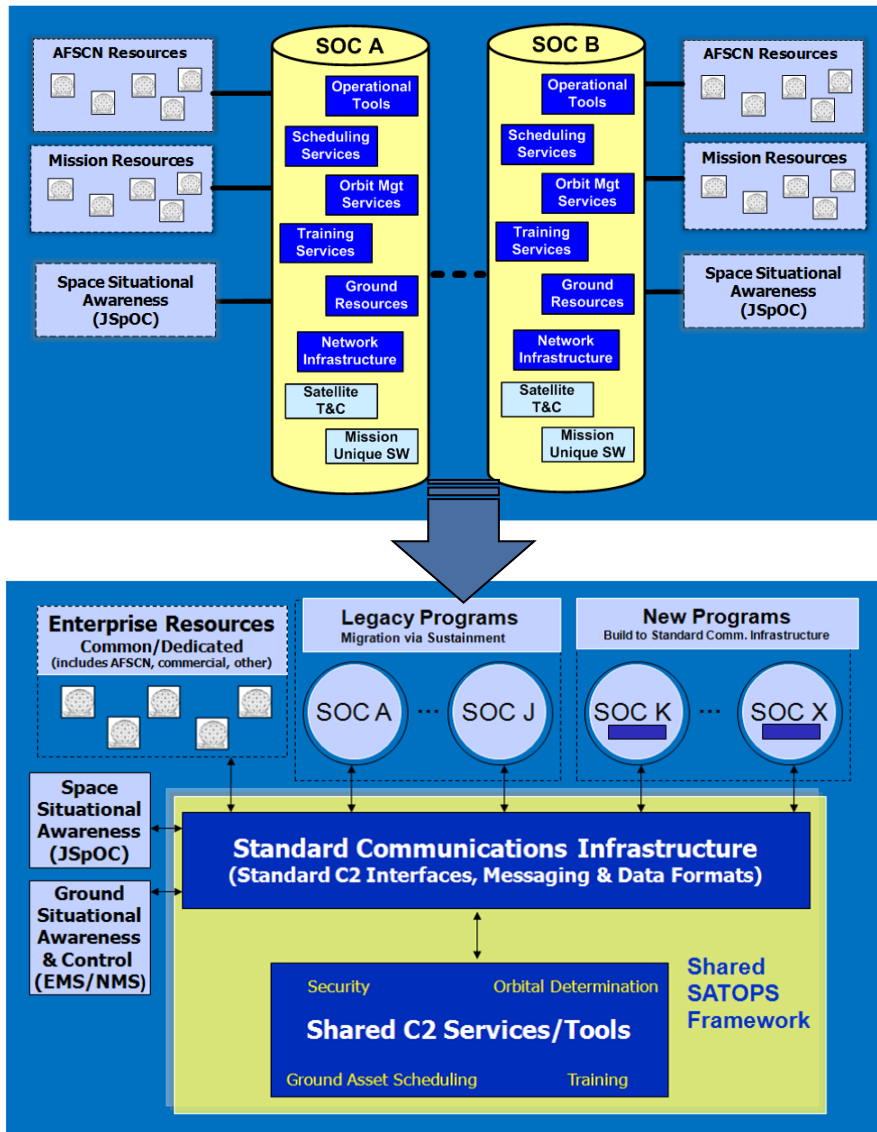
# Using Frameworks to Do More With Less

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# Compatible SATOPS Architecture

*Enabling SATOPS Transformation – Doing More with Less*



## Key Benefits

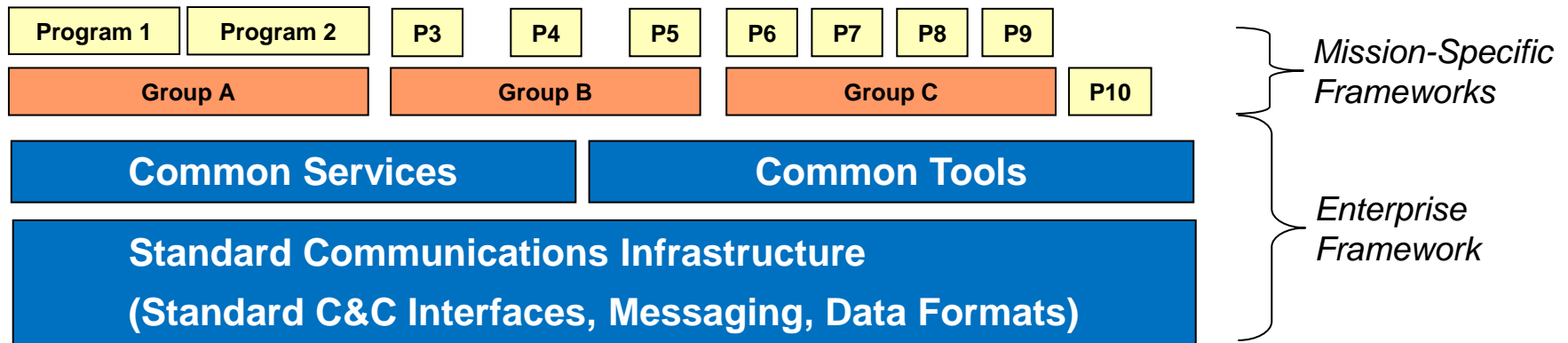
- Enables integration of legacy & commercial systems, tools & services
- Allows differing CONOPS across programs
- Reduces duplication of services
- Allows program choice of best products from multiple vendors
  - Levels playing field for commercial ground S/W vendors – prevents “vendor lock-in”
- Enables space and ground situational awareness
- Amenable to adoption of new standards & technology



# What is a Framework?

**“Framework:** An implementation of the foundation portion of the overall system architecture. It is a structured set of software components and standards, and possibly hardware, upon which to build additional functionality.”

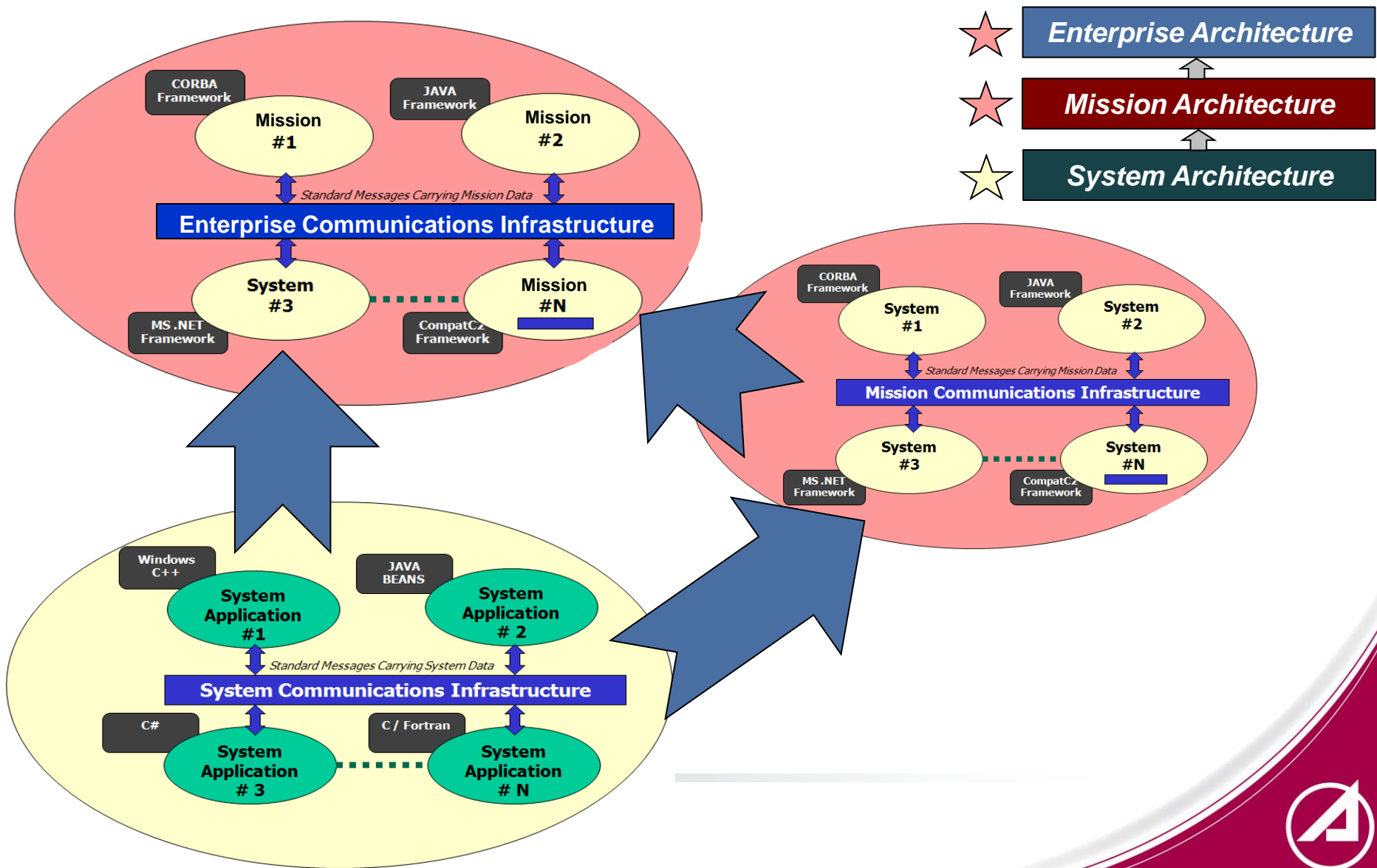
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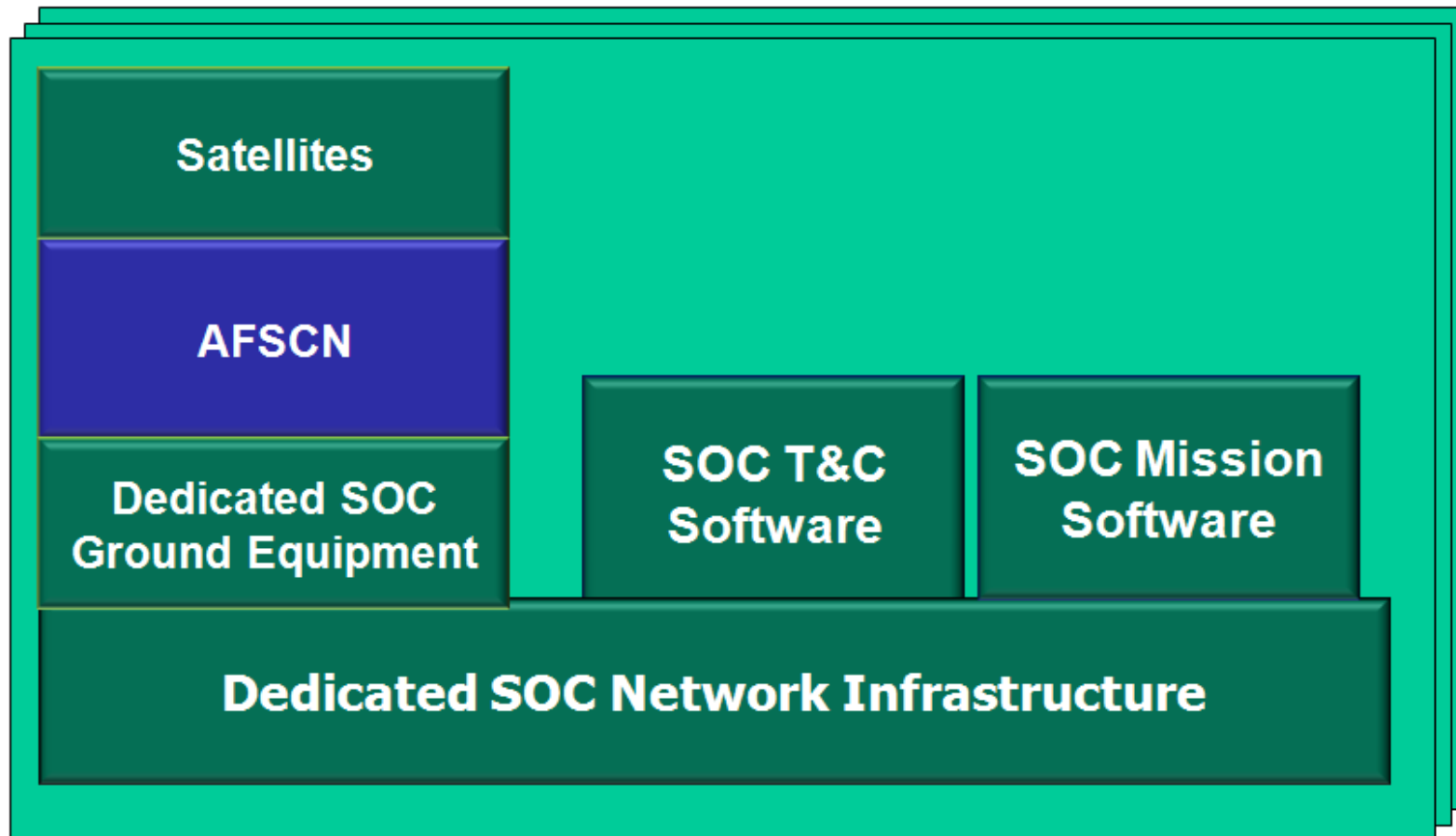
Frameworks are commonly used in industry. Examples: MS Windows, iPhone, 3G Network  
It is not an architecture, but can form the foundation for many!



# Use of Frameworks in Architectural Levels



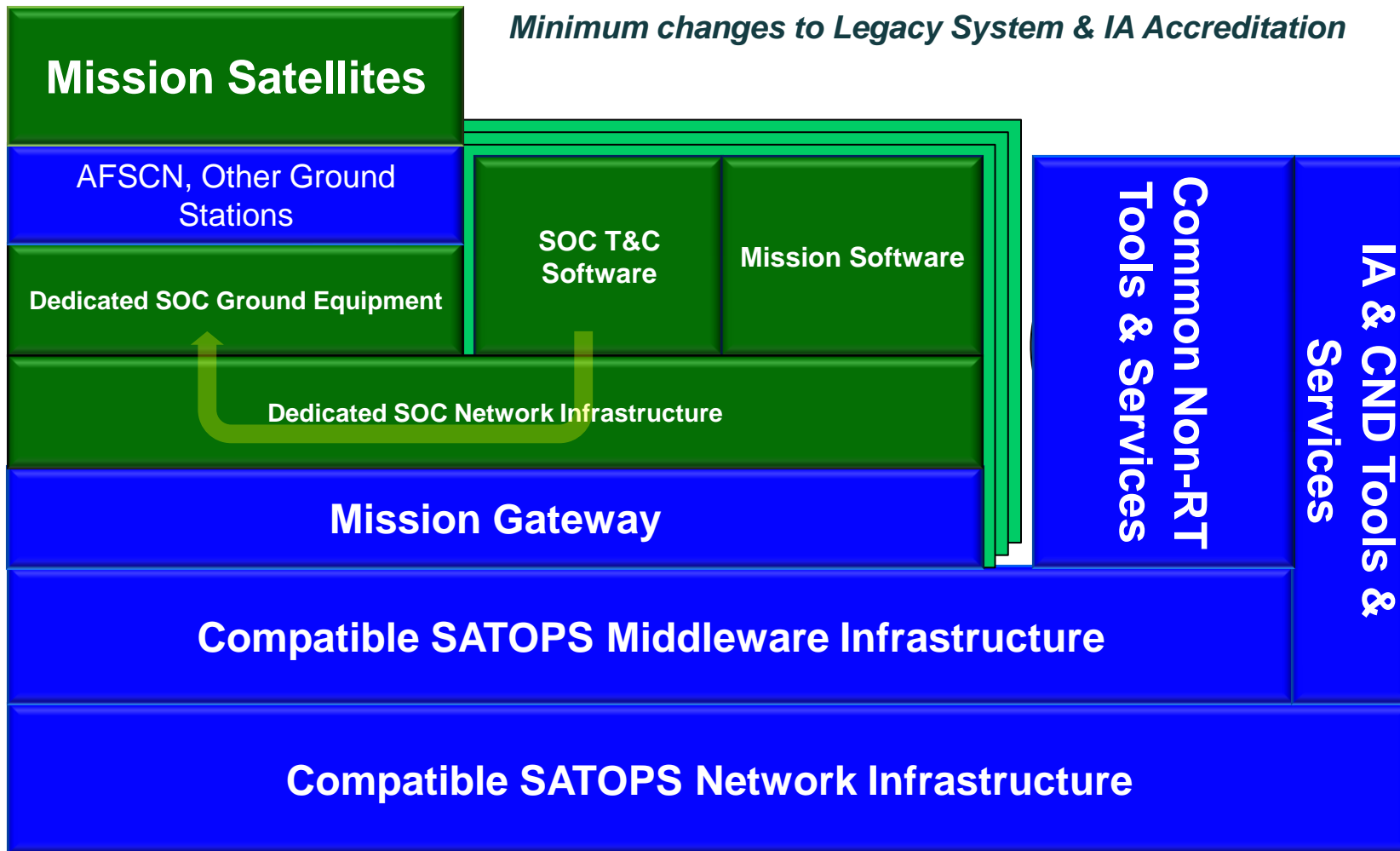
# Typical SOC Ground Infrastructure Today (Layered View)



- *Each SOC (mission area) has dedicated infrastructures*
- *No sharing of data for SA, dedicate interfaces, duplicate functions*



# 1<sup>st</sup> Step Transition to a Compatible SatC2 Enterprise



# 1<sup>st</sup> Step in Transition: Tasks & Decisions

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- **The First Things to Decide:**

- ***What initial systems and data do you expose?***
  - Related to what services and capabilities you will create first
- ***What are the initial low risk services?***
  - E.g. engineering analysis tools, data storage, orbit analysis
- ***Are the first services built based on legacy capabilities or a new build?***
- ***Who will build the network and middleware infrastructure?***
- ***Who will govern the framework and architecture implementations?***
  - Need to be empowered to maintain consistent application/implementation across programs
- ***Enterprise IA schema to be implemented***

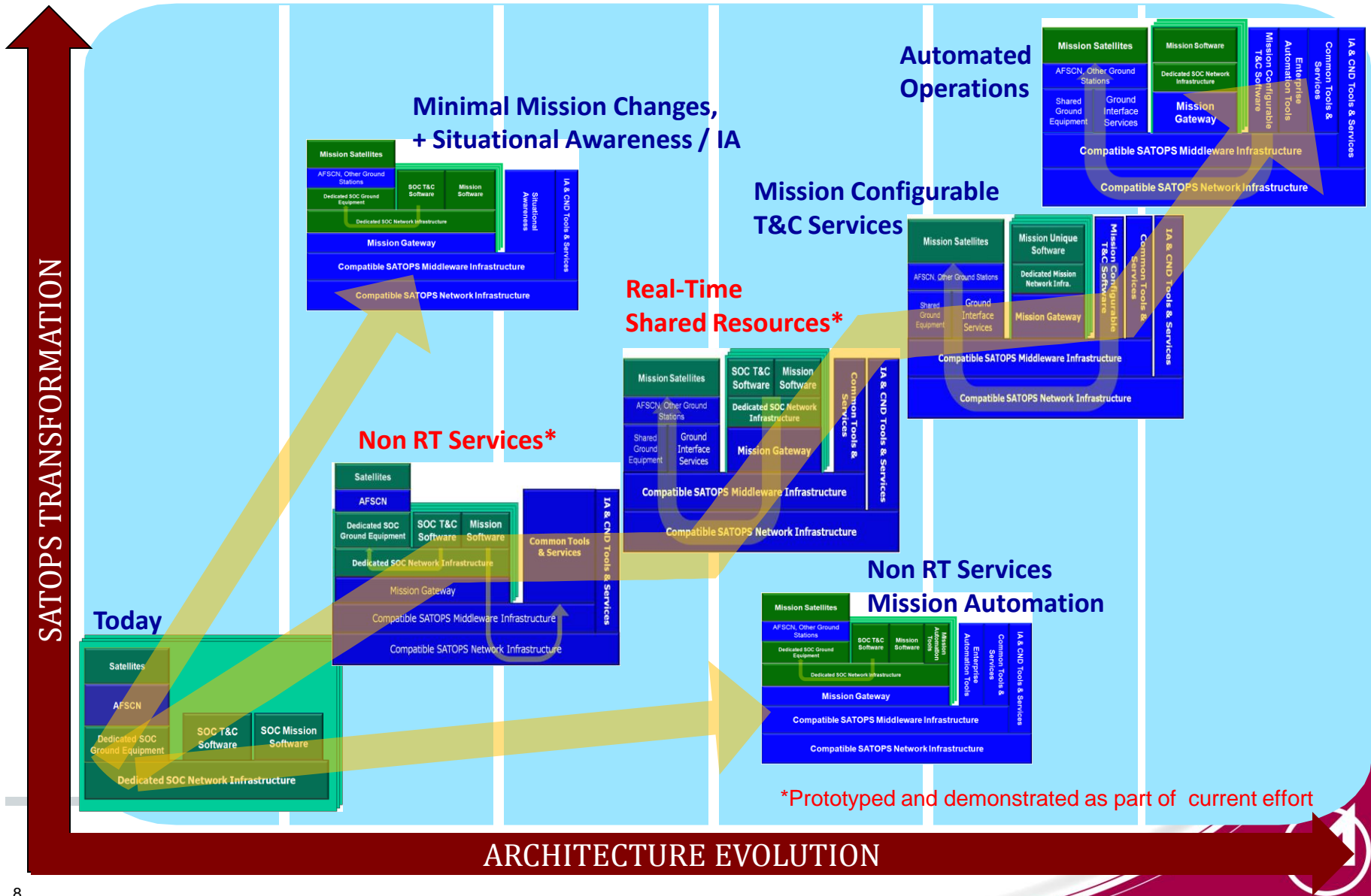
- **The First Things to Do:**

- ***Build network and middleware infrastructure that connects to selected legacy networks and applications***
- ***Build the initial services***
- ***Create adaptors for legacy systems to expose data (using Framework API)***
- ***Document the standard interfaces implemented (messages & data)***





# Architecture Evolution Examples Enabled by Framework





# Doing More with Less

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- Use of framework can fundamentally change the way ground systems are developed, procured & sustained
  - *New systems simply choose “best of breed” products and integrate into framework*
    - No need for a system developer, only an integrator
  - *As enterprise matures all missions and the enterprise use the same framework*
    - Much easier to compete sustainment as all contractors have access and experience with the framework
  - *Levels the playing field for product vendors as well as sustainment and integration companies*
- Amenable to funding ebbs and flows – evolution of enterprise can be paused and restarted at any time
- Initial framework implementation does not require a full definition of an endstate
  - *Framework offers opportunity to try new concepts without impacting operations – discover what works for your organization & CONOPS*
- Allows both internal & external users and systems with authorization to have a single access point and interface to data from any enterprise system
- With authorization, ground equipment and processes can be monitored and controlled from anywhere



# Study Conclusions & Status

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- The Compatible Satellite C2 Framework based on NASA's GMSEC can be applied to an Enterprise Architecture and bring substantial benefits
- The publish-subscribe CONOPS in Compatible SatC2 can effectively provide real-time situational awareness
- Standard IA methodologies and tools can effectively be added to meet 8500 requirements for Compatible C2 Framework
- The Compatible SatC2 Framework enables new CONOPS and capabilities that are unavailable today

The use of a standardized framework does allow more to be done with less!



# Joint SATOPS Compatible Committee (JSCC)

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- Multiple organizations have recognized common evolutionary challenges
  - *Reduce life cycle costs*
  - *Increase interoperability of satellite control between systems and organizations*
  - *Provide enterprise-wide space and ground situational awareness*
  - *Enhance current SATOPS capabilities & availability*
- JSCC collaboration formed among AFSPC, NRO, ORS, NAVSOC and NASA organizations
  - *Investigate methodologies & architectures to address challenges*
  - *Need mature technical alternatives and industry acceptance*

**JSCC shares lessons learned on defining a SATOPS framework and associated standards that foster compatibility**



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