



# How Air Liquide Leverages on PI Technologies to Optimize its Operations - SIO.Optim program

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# Agenda

- Introduction to Air Liquide
- The Smart Innovative Operations initiative
- ALIZENT, a key partner
- The Smart Innovative Operations Centre in Kuala Lumpur
- Business Challenge
- Method and Results
- Conclusion



# Conference Theme & Keywords





# Air Liquide Key Figures



66,000 EMPLOYEES

Present in 80 COUNTRIES

Revenue € 21 BILLION

Net profit
€ 2.1
BILLION

More than

3.6 MILLION

CUSTOMERS

& PATIENTS

# Air Liquide Large Industries Operations

365

Large Air Separation Units
Oxygen, Nitrogen, Argon

50

Steam Methane Reformer Units **Hydrogen, CO, Syngas** 

18
Cogeneration Units
Steam & Power



- Best in class performance in safety and availability.
- We improve the efficiency of our customer processes and help them preserve the environment.
- Present in every key industrial basin worldwide

## Air Liquide Large Industries Ambition

Leading Approach

proactive handling of operational drifts ("detect incidents before they happen")

Industrial Sustainability

make sure what we work on will improve and continue

2020

Zero unplanned shutdowns

Double the efficiency gain

Connecting

Industrial expertise socialization

Fleet and data socialization

**Digitalization** 

is key to enable all 3 above initiatives



# Air Liquide Large Industries Smart Innovative Operations Initiative



## The Smart Innovative Operations Initiative

DRIVE = PREDICT = OPTIM = PERFORM

Evolution of OCC
Automation and
infrastructure for high
level and safe remote
operation

Predictive Analytics
Monitoring
Early detection of
potential failure

Business
Analytics Monitoring
Operation
decisions based on
real time margin

Performance
How to use data
to improve economic
performance of
our assets







# Alizent, an End to End Key Partner

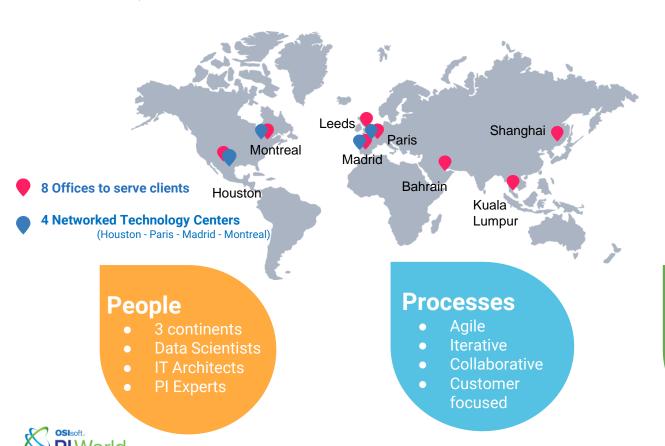


Created by Air Liquide to connect industrial assets and being digital technology experts enablers for industries to improve their operating model by combining deep data know-how with skilled proficiency in industrial processes.



## Alizent, a Global Reach for the SIO Initiative







**5 PI system accreditation** 



250+ employees

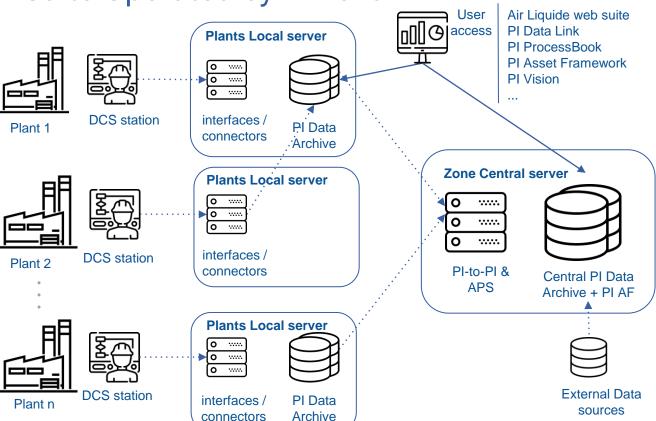


12 nationalities

#### Phases

- Proof of Concept
- Pilot
- Industrialize
- Operate

PI Suite Operated by Alizent



#### **Technical information**

+ 250 plants

#### PI Data Archive

- 2 central servers
- 20 TB of Data
- + 600 000 tags
- + 1 B Data collected everyday

#### **PI Assets Framework**

- 2 central servers
- + 40 databases

# OSIsoft-Air Liquide Enterprise Agreement: a Key Enabler

#### **Before**

# Open license limiting;

- number of tags
- types of interface
- upgrades

#### **With Enterprise Agreement**

# 1 unlimited license with NO LIMIT on

- tag
- user tools
- Access to Osisoft tool
- Training

#### **Boost the SIO Projects**

Interconnect the solutions

Collect more data from the field

Visualize the data



# Air Liquide Business Services in Malaysia The Smart Innovative Operations Centre (SIOC)



# The Remote Operations Control Centres (ROCCs)























### Remote Operations Control Centre

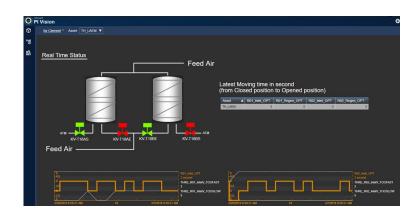
#### The ROCC missions:

- control and drive production 24/7
- in parallel, operate at the best economical points in real time
- conduct predictive maintenance actions
- optimize the networks

#### Data is the raw material:

- leveraging up to 10 years history
- and PI technologies
  - 700 daily users accessing PI data
  - More than 1000 pages shared among the community
  - Deploying PI Vision pages







# Air Liquide Singapore Pipeline Network

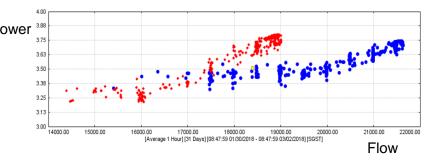
#### Air Liquide Singapore pipeline network:

- ~200 km long
- **5** production plants
- Dozens of rotating equipment
- Serving Large Industries major customers

#### **Challenges:**

- Machines with different technologies and generations
- In such complex system, a decision-support tool power is required to ensure the optimal combination of equipment and plant load to serve at best our customers







# SIO.Optim: Data Analytics and Optimization for Large Industries

- Using operating data, a generic model is trained to mimic the system behaviour.
- This **Digital Twin** of the Singapore Network is used to find the optimal combination of compressors and plant loads
- Live for months in ROCC
- A collaborative work between
  - Performance Analytics Engineers
  - Real Time Engineers





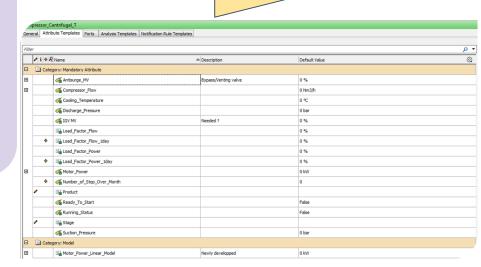
#### How to Build the Models?

Step #1: Template definition & creation with PI System Explorer





ROCC
+
Plant
+
Experts
=
X templates



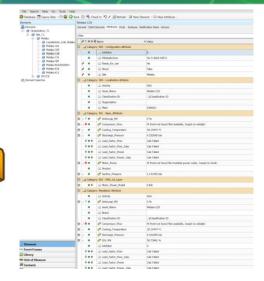
Template

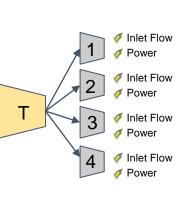


#### Step #2: Deployment Using PI AF



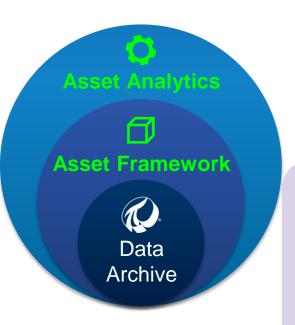






Attribute → Element ↓	Inlet Flow	Power
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3	FI986	P325
4	FI879	P598

#### Step #3: Analytics Definition Using PI System Explorer



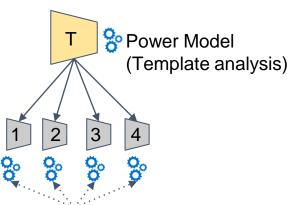




Easy management

Testing before deployment









#### Step #4: Connecting with Ecosystems: Internal Expertise

#### Air Liquide experts core models

#### Why develop a general optimization engine?

- Standardization
- Share Experience
- Build and preserve know-how
- Sustainability of solution
- Reduce technical risk
- Capitalize on past experience
- Increase collaboration
- Fast deployment
- State-of-the-art optimization technology



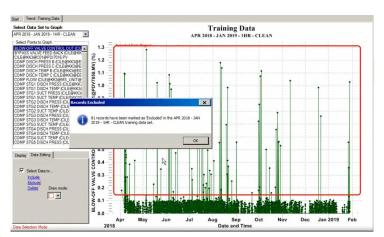




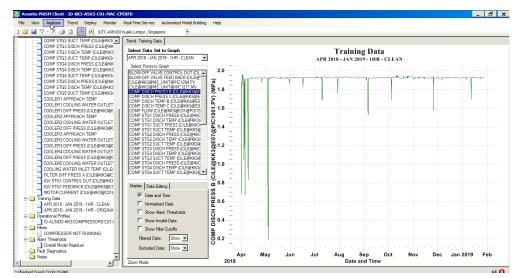
#### Step #4: Connecting with Ecosystems: PRiSM

#### **PRISM Platform**

- Preferred predictive maintenance platform at Air Liquide
- User-friendly tool for data cleaning
- Linked with high fidelity, rich PI data









#### Step #4: Connecting with Ecosystems: Seeq





Solution -- Seeq empowers to deal with time series data in their day-to-day work, with advanced analytics

#### Usage:



- Search for historical periods of similar behaviour,
- look for correlations among trends taking into account time delays,
- develop monitors and alerts based on predictive models, etc.

#### Technology:



- High speed search engines,
- Advanced filter options and pattern recognition technology,
- Naturally connected to PI System and PI AF



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#### 1) Data Source

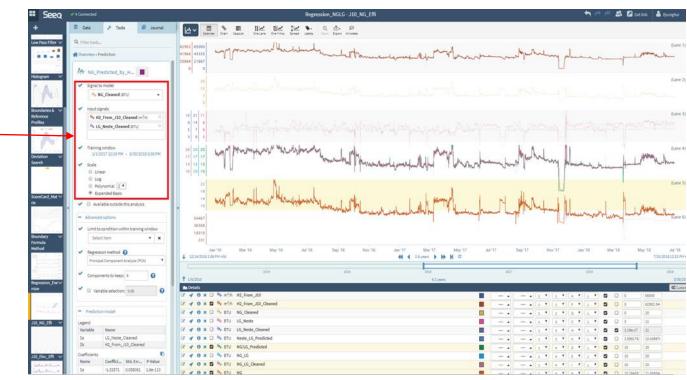
Direct connection to PI

#### 2) Build in Data

- Cleaning
- Formula function

#### 3) Regression

- Expanded basis, multi-variable to predict one parameter.
- Easy training window selection





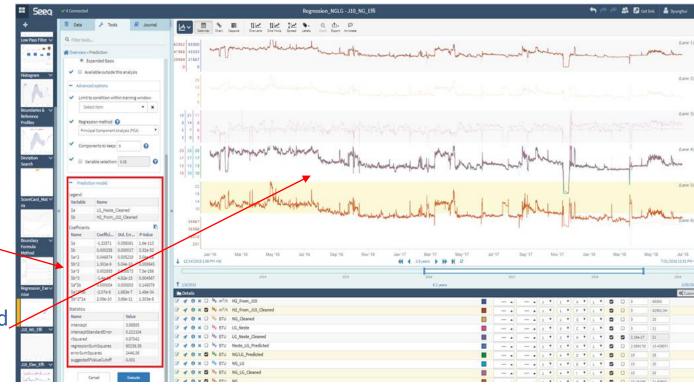
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# 4) Instant display of regression result

 Select regression methods, Scale, Training window until satisfactory regression is obtained.

 Instant Display of calculated variable with regression and comparison with actual data



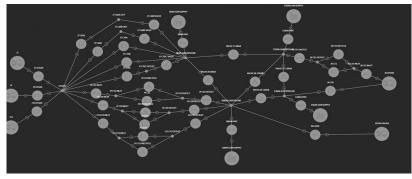


#### Step #4: Connecting with Ecosystems: AIMMS

#### **AIMMS Platform**

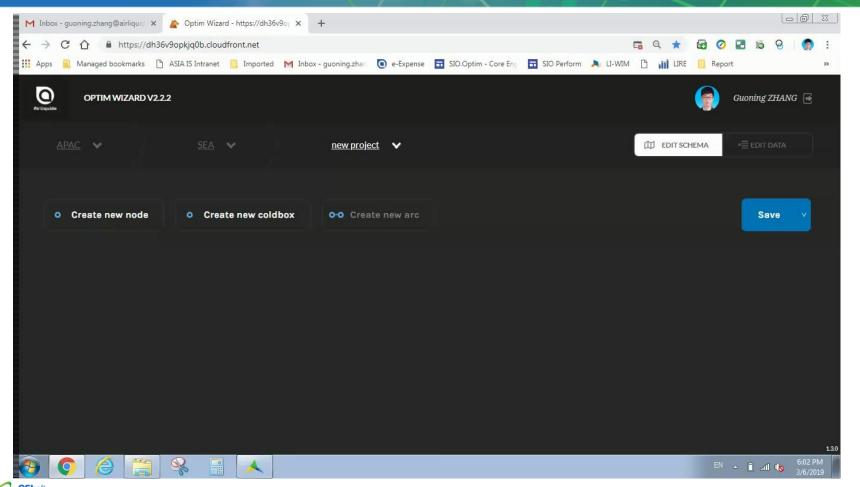


- Preferred modeling and optimization platform at Air Liquide
- User-friendly tool for non optimization experts
- Modularity and flexible user interface design
- Linked with an home made configuration wizard
- Linked with high fidelity, rich PI data
- Allows closed or open loops optimization

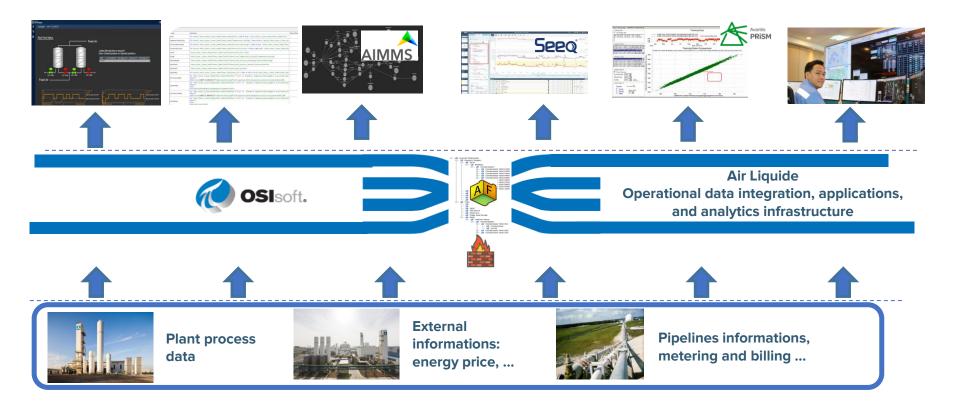


# DEMO





#### **The Smart Innovative Operations Centre**





# Air Liquide

The Journey of the PI System at Air Liquide Operations in the 21st Century



#### CHALLENGE

Leverage the millions of data collected at SIO KL to improve operations in pipeline networks



#### SOLUTION

AF implementation & leverage:

- PI tools to model assets
- SIO.Optim tool developed by AL experts
- connecting with partners like AIMMS, PRISM and Seeq





#### RESULTS

- Leading
  - **Optimization**
  - Customer satisfaction
  - Collaboration with plant operations teams, external partners
- Unnecessary energy consumption
  - CO<sub>2</sub> emissions





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