

EPSC Working Group Digitalization

Eni Safety Virtual Training Tools

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The digital initiatives – Digital Safety



Stream



Description



Initiatives

Smart Operator

New digital technologies and latest generation devices to increase the safety of our operators

- Enhanced Operator
- e-WP
- Smart Safety

Safety Awareness 4.0

Virtual and immersive reality to enhance the training on safety and emergency scenarios and spreading the awareness of Safety Golden Rules

- **HSE Virtual Reality Training**
- Safety Golden Rules Mobile Simulator

Safety Process Digitalization

Use of machine learning and data mining to prevent risks, analyze incidents and support the decision making

- Safety pre-sense
- Digital HSE Risk Assessment
- Digital HSE Audit

Advanced Safety Devices

Cooperation with MIT to develop prototypes and innovative applications for next generation wearable devices

- Robotic Inspection
- Smart Helmet

Virtual Reality Training

Safety Awareness 4.0

Virtual Reality Training for HSE activities

Approach



Provide the Safety Competence Center with a tool to propose training sessions, focused on HSE activities, which exploit Virtual Reality systems to improve the training of workers

Main Features



Remote training

Different types of training sessions (tutorial, training, assessment) provided remotely. Recording and training evaluation



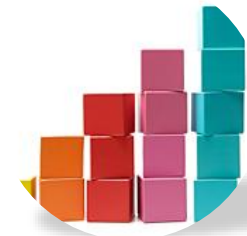
Collaborative Scenario

Several workers involved simultaneously in the interactive session



Safety simulation on complex scenarios

Allow to simulate complex scenarios and control environment conditions



Operational Scalability

Possibility to develop new scenarios based on emerging needs

Program

2017



Pilot Project approved

2018-2019



Prototype development for the Safety Competence Center

2020-23



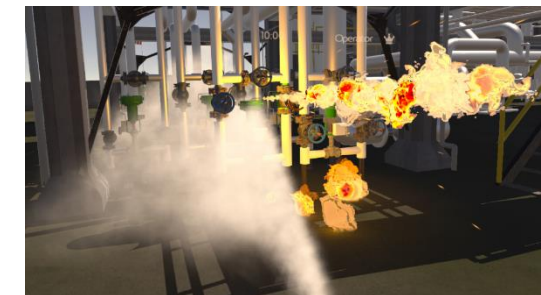
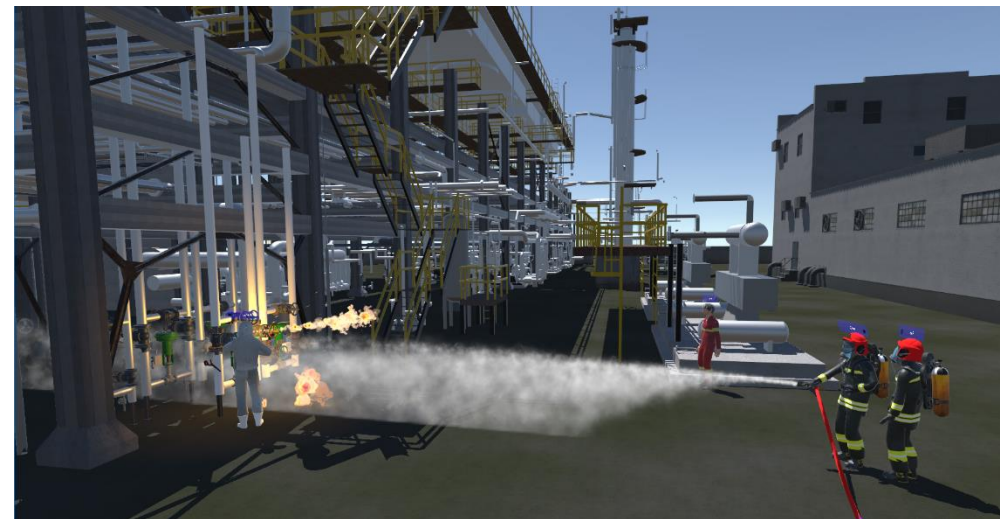
Development of different HSE scenarios and new VR Training Rooms



Virtual Reality Training

Pilot Scenario (Jet Fire)

- The simulated scenario refers to the **control of a gas jet fire** from a leaking flange, through the **interception of an upstream valve**, by the action of a **team composed by four operators**, each with a specific role.
- The scenario simulate the **right sequence of actions and behaviors** have to be adopted by operators in such situation, including the **correct use of PPE and safety devices**.
- Further actions have been defined in order to approach the **firefighting operations** properly (set-up of the hydrant, hose, nozzle, etc. and correct operational procedure and approach to the fire).



(firefighting team approaching the jet fire)

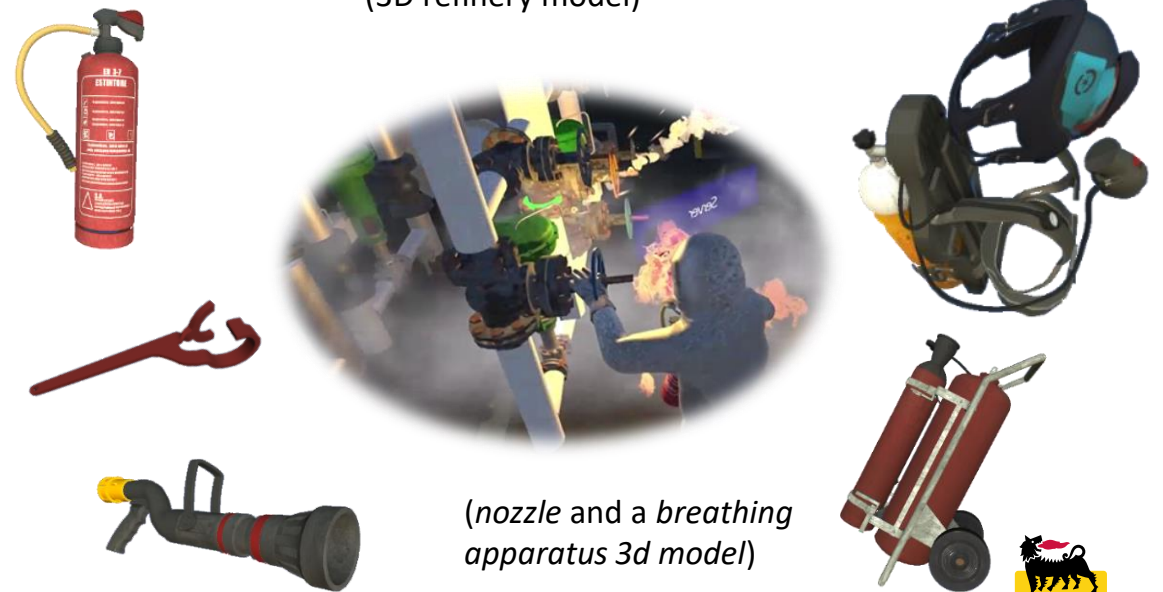
Virtual Reality Training

Virtual Environment Elements

- 3D high definition refinery model
- 3D modeling of personal protective equipment (PPE), safety devices, dynamic elements (water jet, flames, smoke) and interaction with environmental objects.
- Modeling and control during the simulation of atmospheric agents (rain, day/night, wind)
- Avatar modeling (ragdoll support, avatar visual effects e.g. blurring vision)



(3D refinery model)

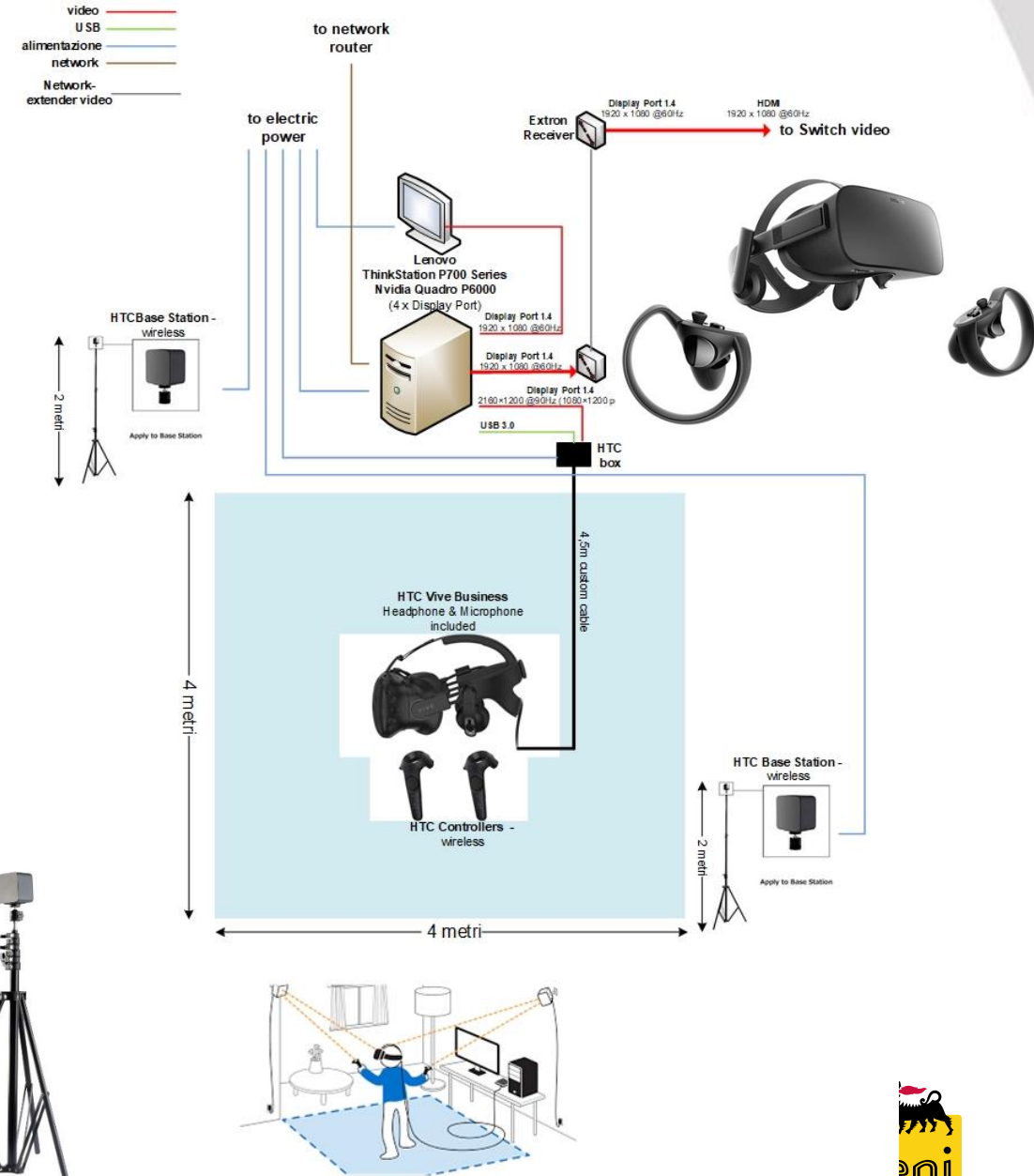


(nozzle and a breathing apparatus 3d model)

Virtual Reality Training

Pilot architettura

- The Pilot Platform is based on a Unity 3D platform developed to manage collaborative environments, that acts as accelerator for the training scenarios development.
- The system is cross-platform and the major VR devices are supported (HTC Vive, Oculus)
- The collaborative platform only communicates position differences and therefore minimizes network traffic.
- Each VR station is composed by: graphic computer; HTC Vive PRO; 2 HTC base stations for avatar tracking; 2 wireless controllers to allow avatar manage himself and virtual environment (e. g. interact with PPEs).



Virtual Reality Training

Firefighting: Poolfire, Electric cabin

The activities carried out involved the design and development of further scenarios. As part of the fire-fighting course cluster, the evolution of the Jetfire scenario has been propedeutic to the definition of new storyboards and implementation of the related scenarios: Poolfire and fire Electric Cabin also with Man Down variant.

- **Pool Fire**: fire of flammable liquid with containment and limitation of possible collateral damage, realistic reproduction of the foaming agent and dynamics according to the surrounding conditions
- **Electric Cabin**: fire of an electrical panel inside a cabin with smoke reproduction and dynamics development as a function of the wind. Realistic reproduction of the burnt painting and cabin interior. Ambient lighting modeling
- **Man Down**: extension of the previous scenario with the presence of unconscious personnel within the simulation (dynamics of man on the ground)



Virtual Reality Training

Project main features

- The system simultaneously allows the **active use** of the training scenario by **four operators** and **passive use** by the **classroom**.

Sessions:

- **Tutorial:** description of the correct operating sequence using automatic animation and 3D avatar
- **Training:** interactive simulation that allows users avatars to interact with the virtual scenario by using safety devices.
- **Assessment:** interactive session in which each operator will be evaluated according to objective criteria and KPIs defined for the role assigned.



Roles:

- **Tutor:** manages the simulation and follows the operator's actions
- **Operator:** manages the operation sequence
- **Visitor:** passive visitor who can see and hear (but not interact with) the simulation;