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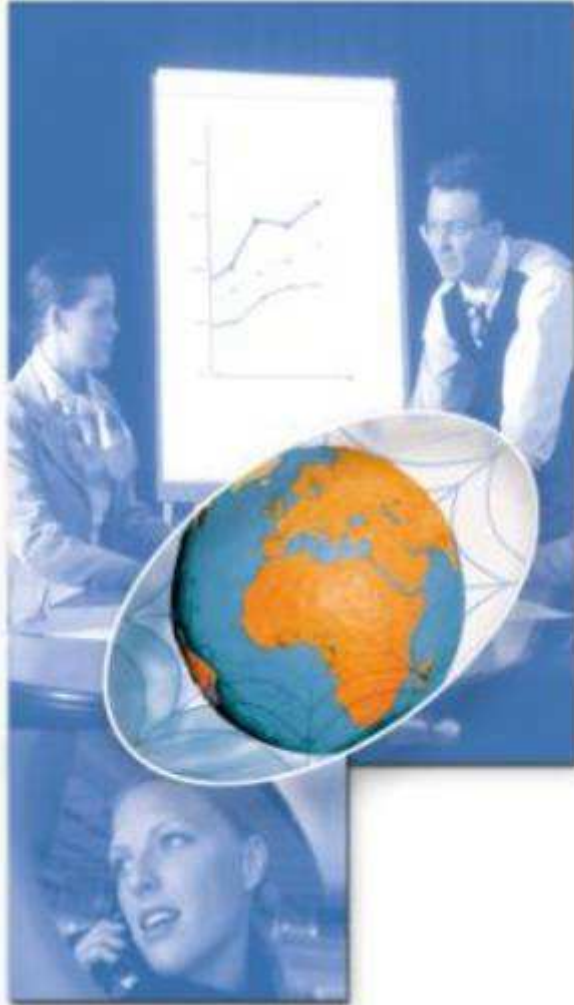
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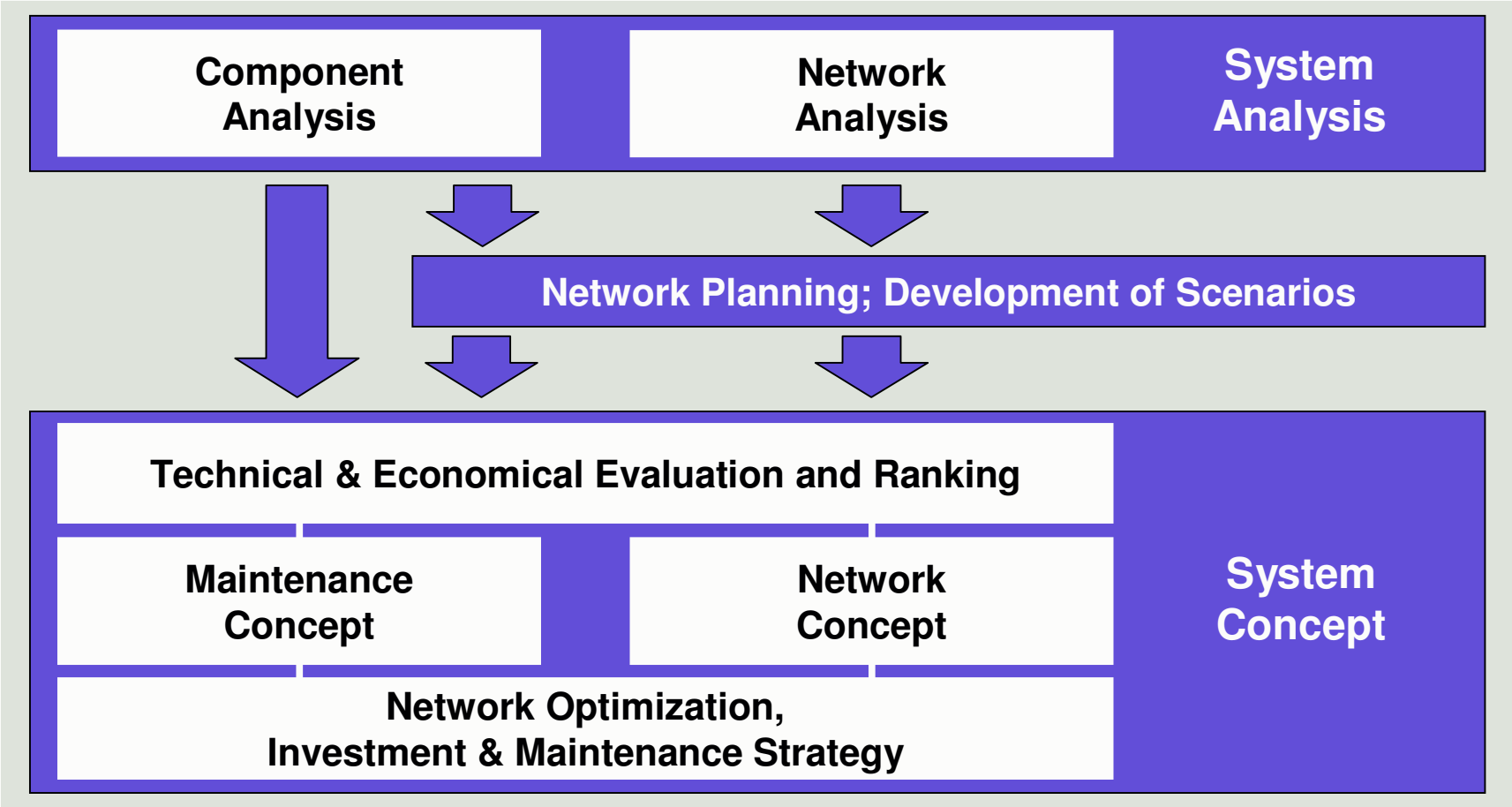
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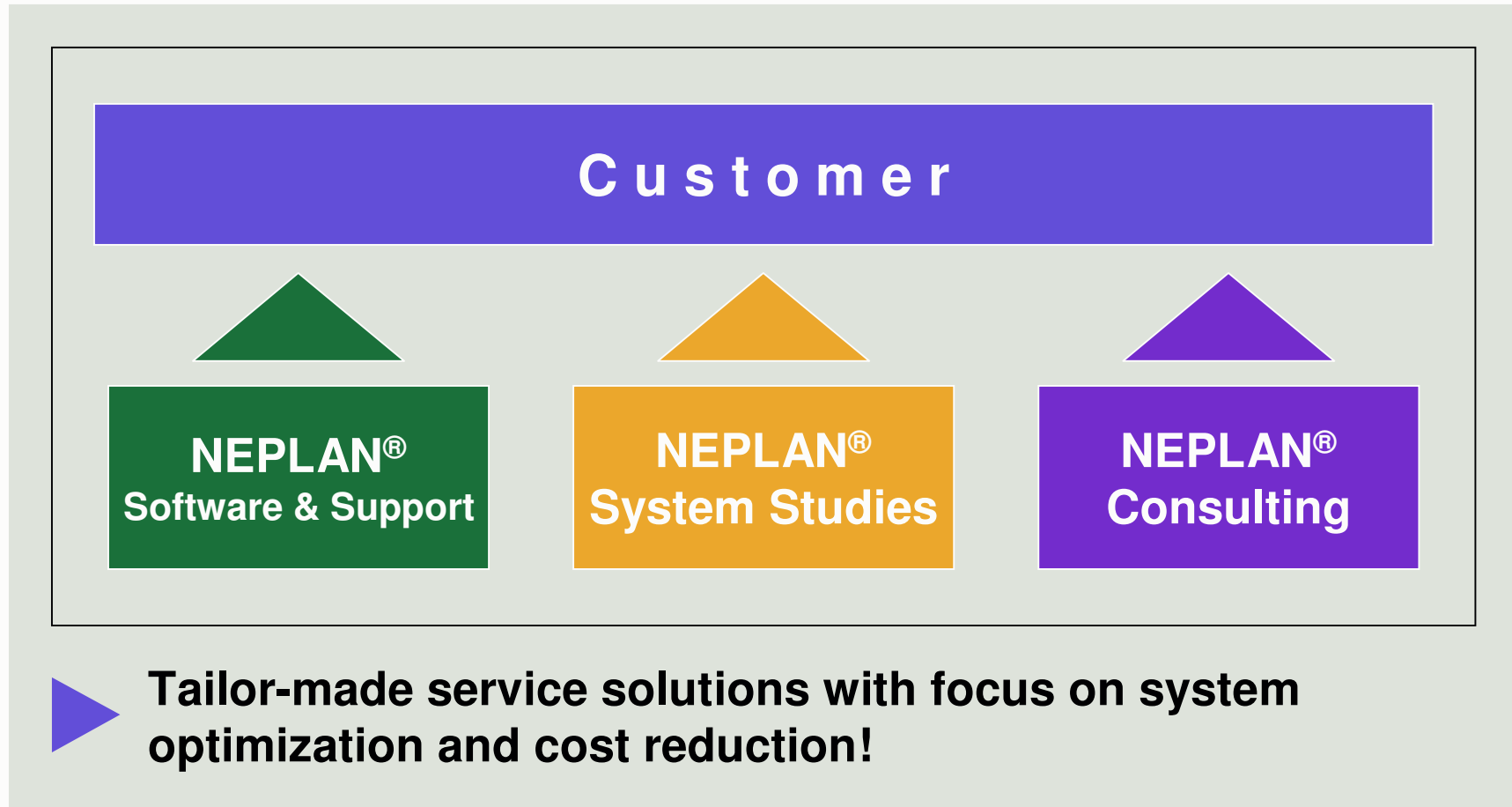
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 - references about more than 800 performed system studies
 - for transmission & distribution systems
 - for utility & industrial networks
- We have more than 30 years of experience and a unique knowledge about the electric power systems all over the world.
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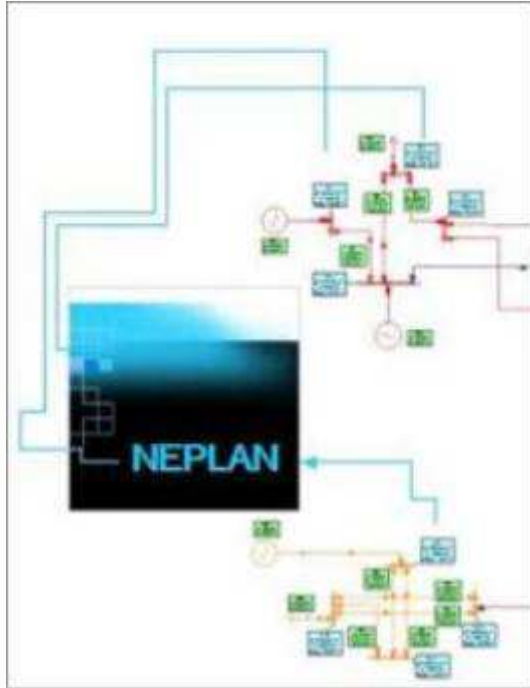
System Consulting Approach



Market Approach



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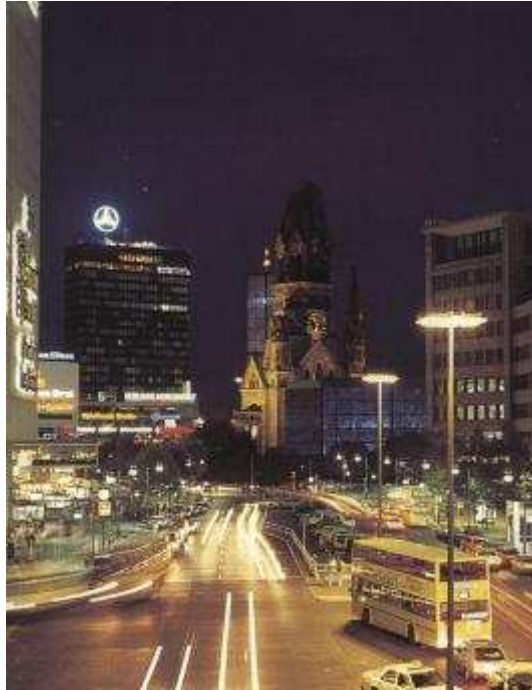
NEPLAN Functions (Extract):

- Interactive graphic for equipment, topology & GIS data
- Load flow, transient stability, short circuit
- Motor start, harmonic analysis
- Protection design & selectivity analysis
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- Cable sizing, earthing computation
- All AC voltage levels
- Unlimited number of nodes
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NEPLAN® System Studies



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- Asset maintenance strategy consulting
- Project execution at a fixed price

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NEPLAN® Consulting



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Customers Benefit

- **Total cost savings**
by technical and economical system optimization
- **Investment cost savings**
by optimum system reliability and power quality
- **Operational cost savings**
by intelligent use of modern secondary equipment
- **Maintenance cost savings**
by reliability centered maintenance

Electrical Network Analysis



- **Task:**
Integration of two historically grown networks
- **Solution:**
System study; technical and economical evaluation of alternative scenarios; identification of an optimized network concept; investment planning



Identification of a 150 MEUR saving potential compared to the original planning!

Electrical Network Planning



- **Task:**
Planning of an efficient distribution network for the extension of a metropolis in Asia (115 / 33 / 13.2 kV)
- **Solution:**
Basic and detailed planning (reliability analysis and weak-point assessment); economic evaluation of different network automation levels



Technical and economical optimized network concept taking into consideration penalties, availability level, etc.!

Extension & Investment Planning



- **Task:**
Extension planning & improvement of the quality of power supply for a regional utility in Asia
- **Solution:**
Analysis of the high voltage & medium voltage network; development of a reliability centered extension & re-investment strategy for the next 20 years

▶ **Optimization of network costs and increase of the quality of power supply up to western developed countries level!**

Reliability Centered Network Renovation



- **Task:**
Development of a re-investment strategy due to a great amount of aged assets; simplification of the network structure
- **Solution:**
Analysis of actual system reliability; development of planning scenarios for removal and replacement; reliability analysis of the planning scenarios



Savings of 10 MEUR compared with a 1:1 replacement by nearly the same system reliability!

Network Connection Concepts



- **Task:**
Reinforcement of the network connection for an industrial consumer due to diversification of production
- **Solution:**
Reliability calculation and weak-point assessment of different network connection alternatives; cost effectiveness study



Most cost-effective network connection alternative with additional increase of reliability for the industrial customer!

Power Quality Studies



- **Task:**
Re-design of the network connection for a steel mill after omission of the 220 kV network
- **Solution:**
Load flow and short-circuit current calculations; harmonics and flicker analysis; technical and economical investigation of different reactive power compensation solutions



Reduction of flicker level under allowed limit values at optimal costs; compensation of reactive power fluctuations!

Reliability Centered Maintenance



- **Task:**
Optimization of asset maintenance strategy; starting basis: time based maintenance (TBM)
- **Solution:**
Asset condition assessment; reliability analysis for asset importance determination; implementation of an reliability centered maintenance (RCM) methodology

▶ **Lower maintenance costs by nearly the same network reliability!**



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