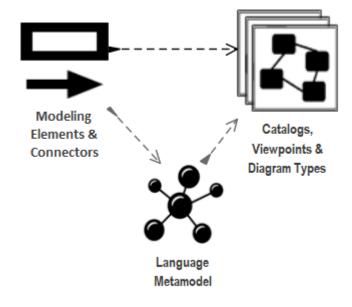


## Unified Framework for Driving Transformations

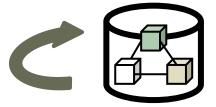
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## Labnaf Customization Steps

 Customize the language following your organization requirements

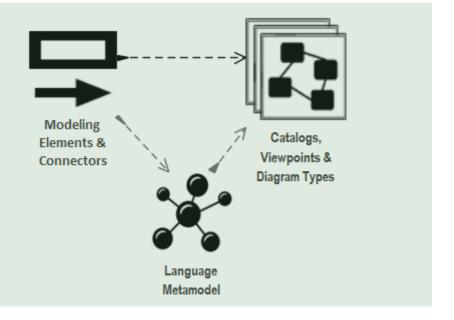


2. Adapt existing repository content



### **Labnaf Customization Workbench**

1. Customize the language following your organization requirements



2. Adapt existing repository content



## Sparx EA Modeling Languages What's in the box

#### Many model repository options

- Local Microsoft Access database
- Shared database: SQL Server, MySQL, Oracle...
- Possible version control: Subversion, CVS, TFS...

#### Many languages & Toolboxes

- (Too) Many languages
- No integration of standards
- Scope / domain-specific
- Switch between many complex toolboxes

#### **Sparx SDK**

- Tailoring the tool for an organization
  - Language
  - o IDE
  - document generation
  - web publication
  - o .

Built-in MDGs and related Toolboxes		
Use Case	XML Schema	GoF Patterns
Class	Documentation	ICONIX
Object	Test Domain	LieberLieber AUTOSAR Engineer
Composite	Dashboard	MindMapping
Communication	XMLTransform	NIEM
Interaction	ArcGIS	ODM
Timing	#ChiMate	Project Management
WAP dor	Arch Mate2	skTaxonomy
Activity	BPMN 1.1	SOMF 2.1
Component	BPMN 2.0	SPEM
Deployment	BPMN 1.0	User Interface - Simple
Profile		SoaML
Metamodel	UML Standard Profile	Strategic Modeling
- Inclumout	Business Rule Model	UMM 2.0 Profile
Analysis	CodeEngineering	UPCC 2.0
Business Modeling	Data Flow Diagrams	UPCC 3.0
Custom	Data Modeling	UBL Model Management
Requirements	Entity Relationship Diagram	WebModeling
Maintenance	Eriksson-Penker Extensions	Whiteboard
User Interface	GML	User Interface - Win32
WSDL	GRA-UML	Wireframing

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### What we want

- Merged Standards & Best Practices
- One Strategy & Architecture Process
- One Modeling Language
- One Tool & One Repository
- **Extensive On-line Documentation**

### Sparx EA Software Development Kit (SDK)

#### Multiple levels of customization

**Higher level of customization = more work** 

UML Profile

Integrated set of UML stereotypes

UML Stereotypes

Individual custom element types

**Sparx MDG** 

Language +
toolboxes +
diagram types +
tagged values +
scripts + custom
searches + images
+ report
templates +
workspace layout

tighter integration in IDE

Sparx Add-on

More complex but more features and

MDG package + extended programming in C#

**Applications/robots** written in C#

**Scripts** 

**Document Templates** 



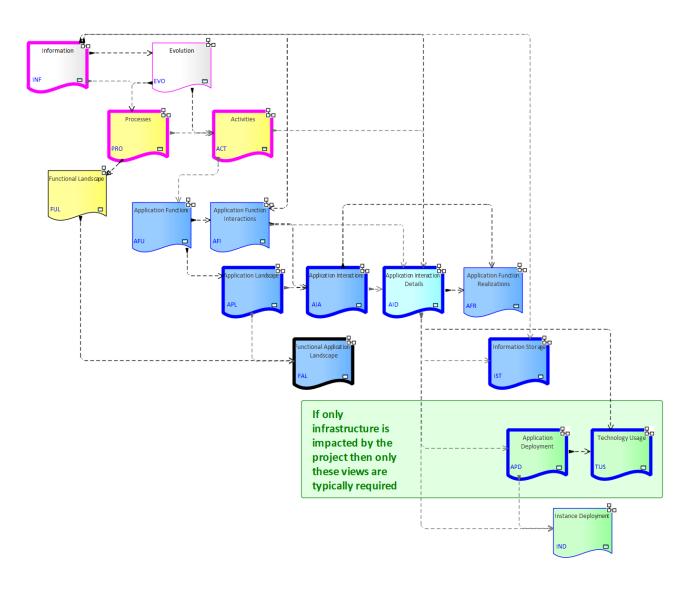
**Customization Workbench** 

(Dev-Test-Prod)

Simpler but more limited features and less integration in IDE

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We need one modular language and tool but address specifically each type of view

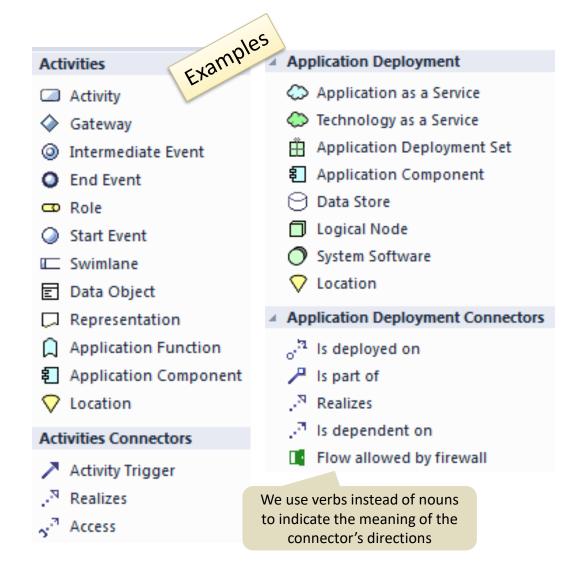


## Each type of architecture view needs to have its toolbox with element and connector types

#### **Elements & Connectors**

- Some come from standards
- Some were adapted
- Some are proprietary

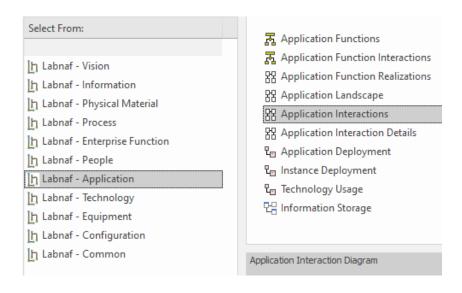
What we want



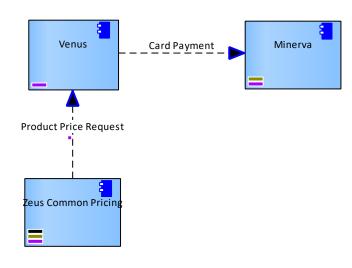
What we want

### Diagram Types

When you select New diagram / ... the following list of Labnaf perspectives and diagram types appears



A Labnaf diagram type addresses a specific strategy or architecture viewpoint

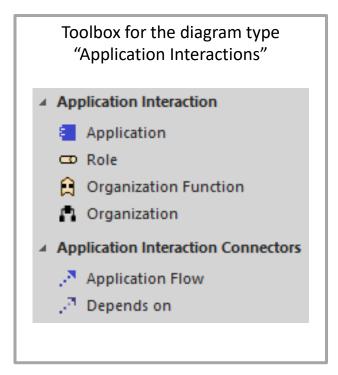


#### **Toolboxes**

#### What we want

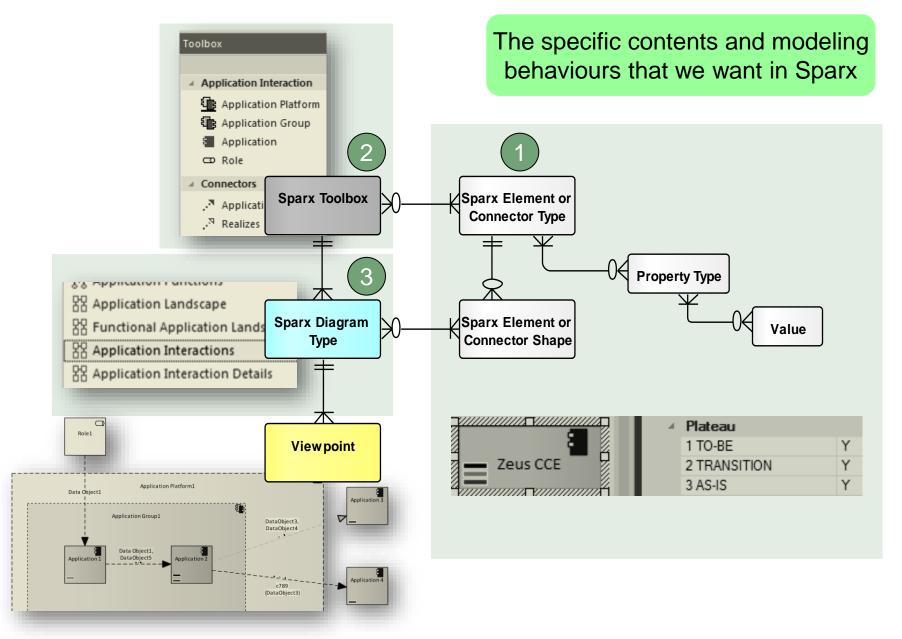
Each diagram type has its own toolbox.

Each diagram-specific toolbox only contains the elements and connectors that are relevant to this diagram type.



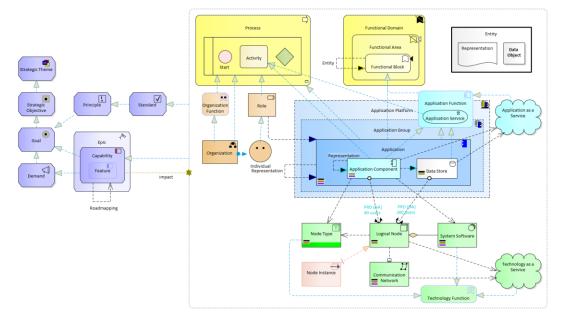


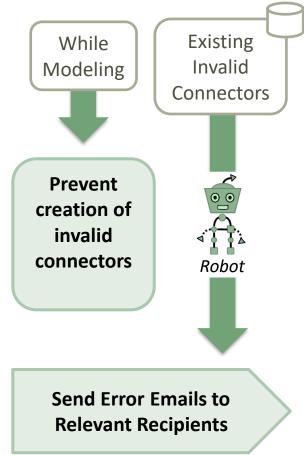
### Key items to be designed and configured



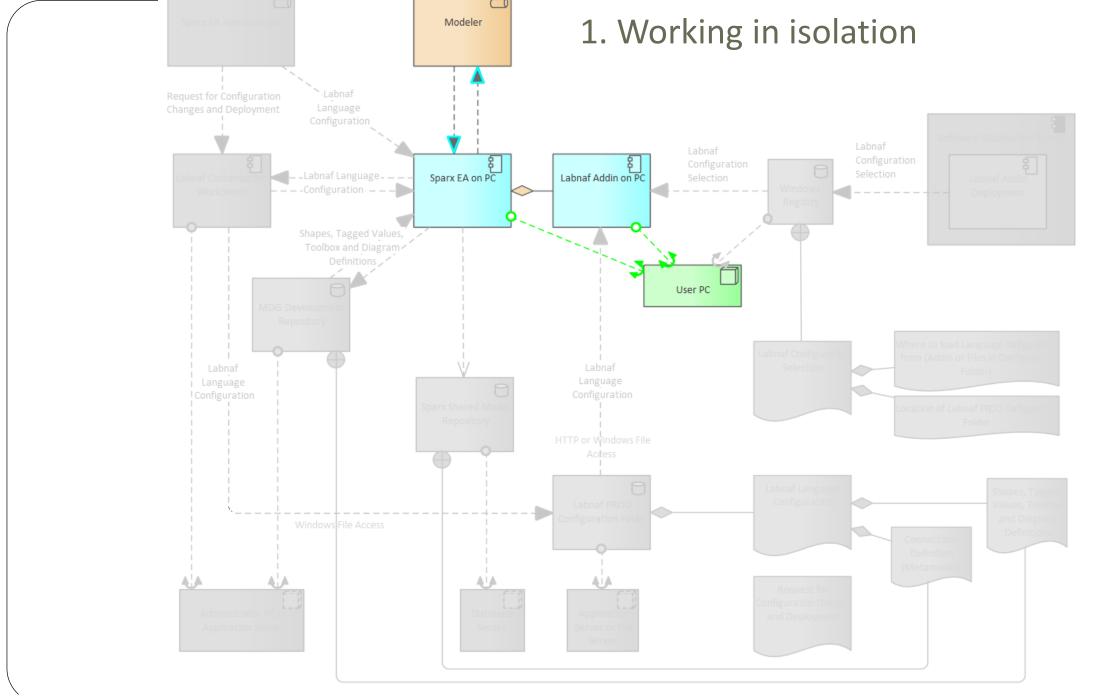
## We also want an agile Language Metamodel used both for documentation & automatic model validation

What we want

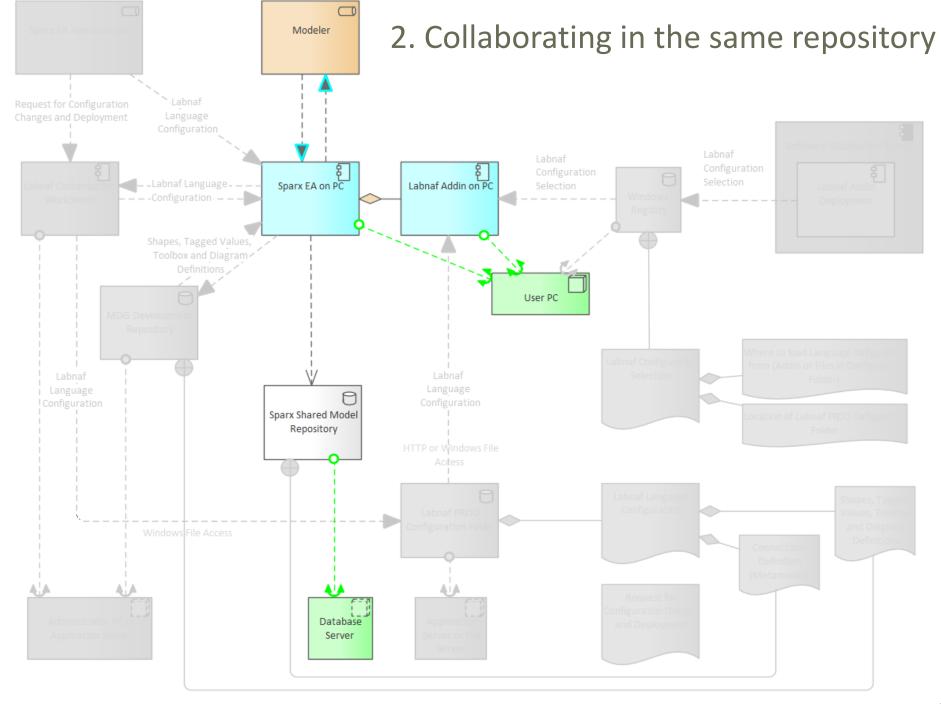


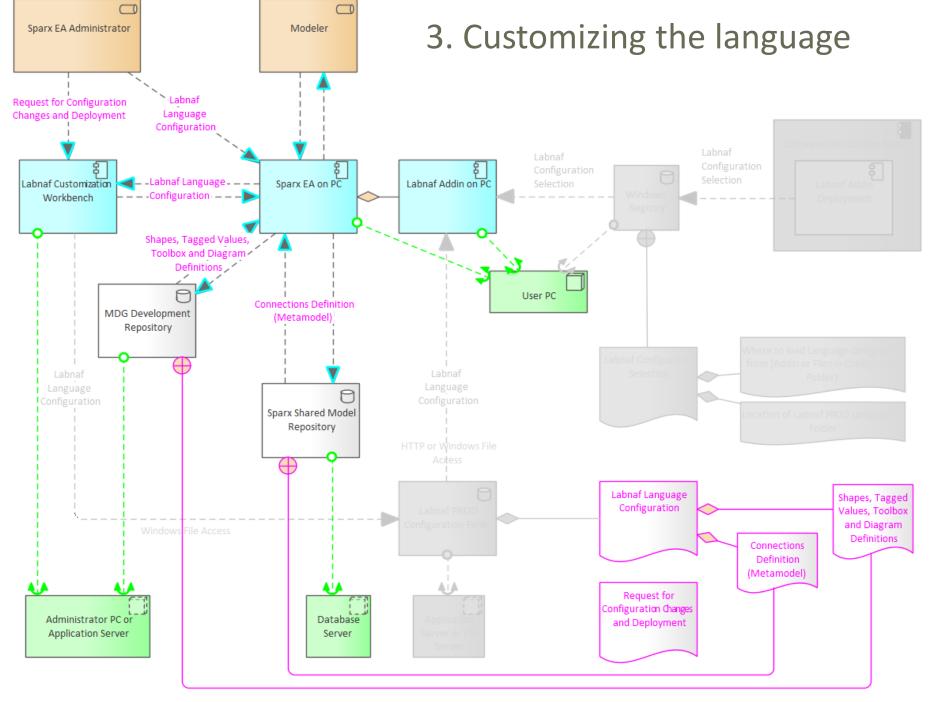


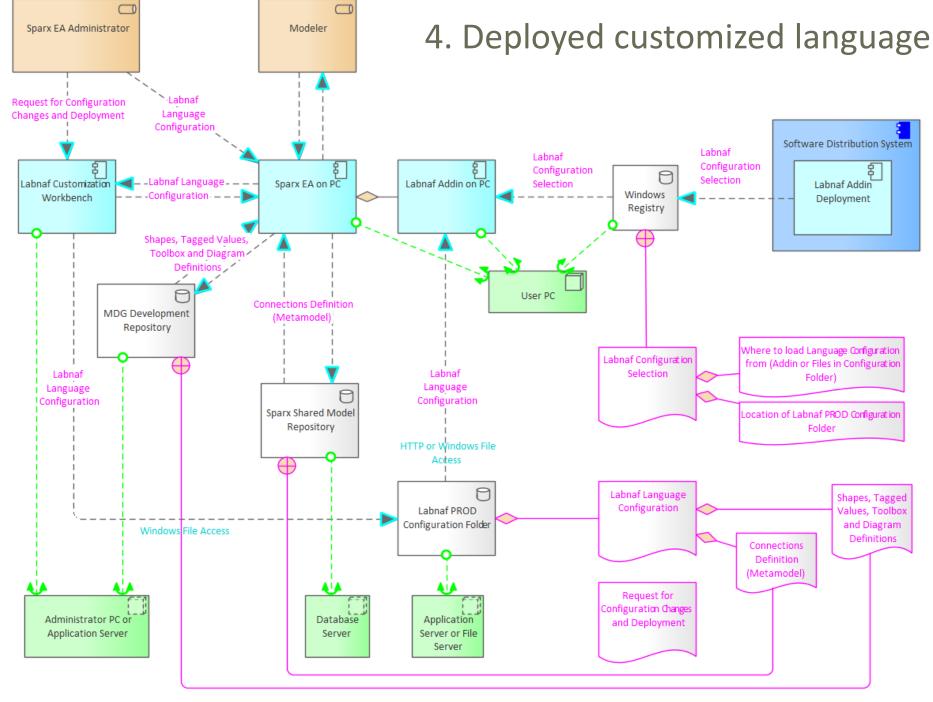




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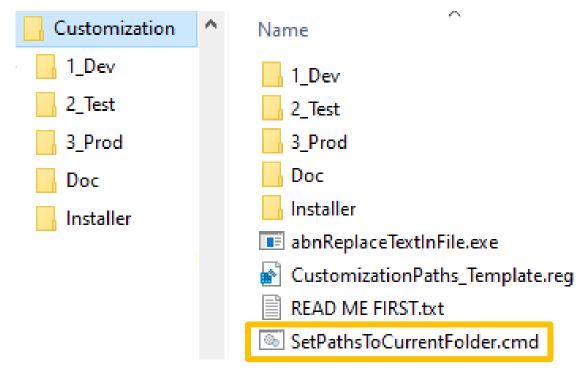




How to proceed in practice...

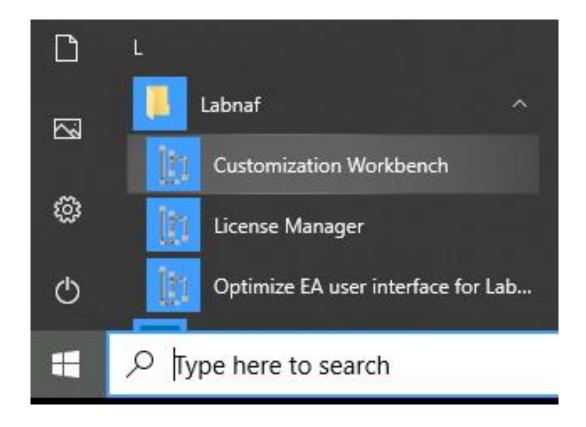
### Automatic configuration to start customization

- Copy the Labnaf\_Customization folder anywhere you want on your file system
- Double-click on "SetPathsToCurrentFolder.cmd"

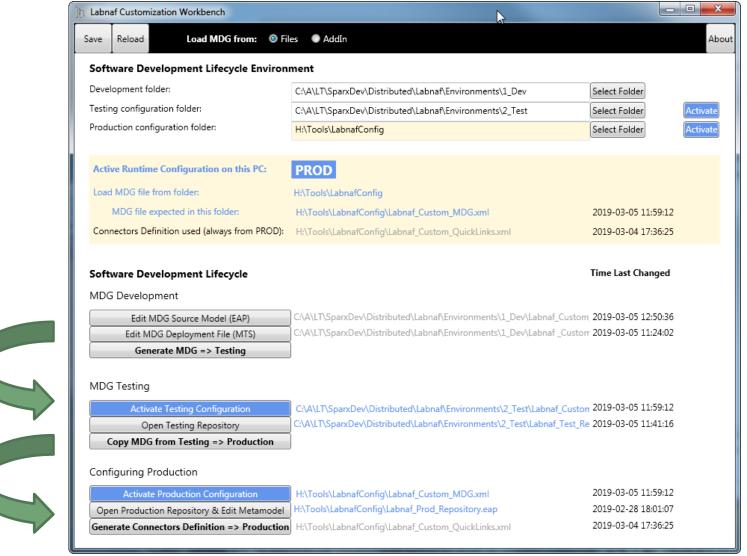


This updates the Labnaf configuration files and registry keys following the "Labnaf\_Customization" folder location.

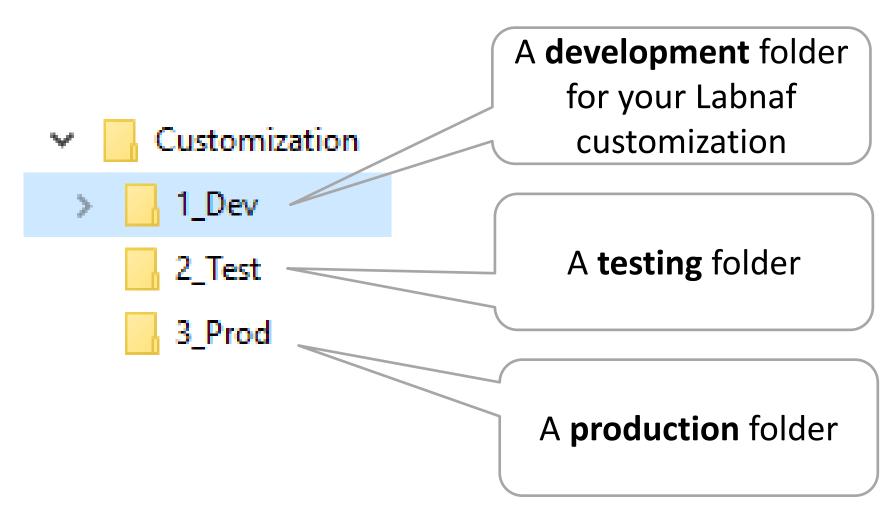
### Start the Customization Workbench...



## The Customization Workbench guides you throughout the Language customization lifecycle

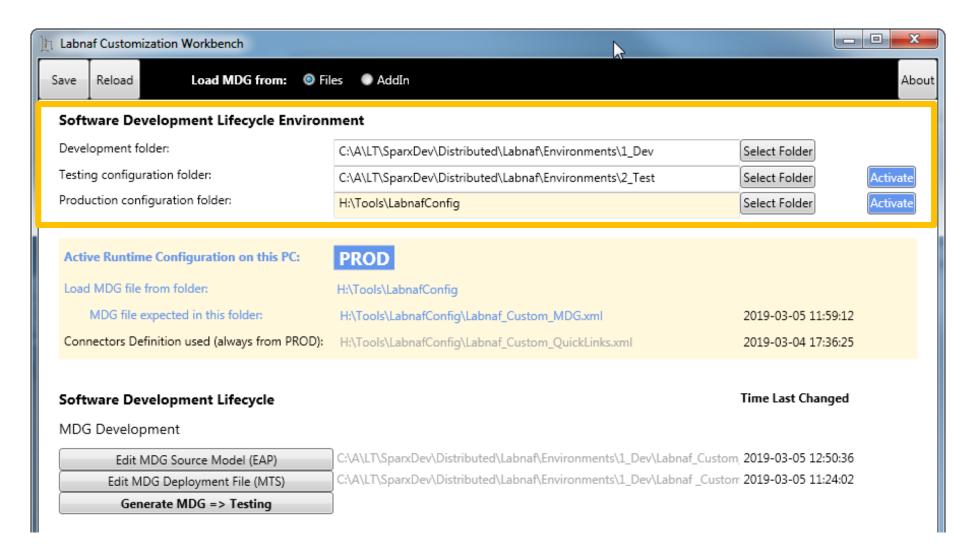


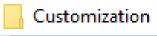
Like in any SDLC (Software Development Lifecycle), there is one environment for each Labnaf customization stage



### **SDLC Environment Setting**

Select the **Development**, **Testing** and **Production** configuration folders







2 Test



## The Development Stage

#### **Development Folder**

#### Pictures

#### WSL

LABN\_Diagrams\_01\_Vision.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_02\_Information.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_03\_Physical\_Material.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_04\_Process.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_05\_Enterprise\_Function.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_06\_People.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_07\_Application.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_08\_Technology.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_09\_Equipment.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_10\_Configuration.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_11\_Common.xml

LABN\_Diagrams\_99\_All.xml

LABN\_TB\_Activities.xml

LABN\_TB\_Any.xml

LABN\_TB\_App\_Dep.xml

LABN\_TB\_App\_Func.xml

LABN\_TB\_App\_Func\_Interactions.xml

LABN\_TB\_App\_Func\_Realizations.xml

LABN\_TB\_App\_Inter\_Details.xml

LABN\_TB\_App\_Interactions.xml

LABN\_TB\_App\_Land.xml

LABN\_TB\_Archi\_Management.xml LABN\_TB\_Connectivity.xml

LABN\_TB\_ContractsAndImplications.xml LABN\_TB\_ControlledElementValues.xml

LABN\_TB\_Corp\_Strategy\_Map.xml

LABN\_TB\_Demands.xml

LABN\_TB\_Distribution.xml

LABN\_TB\_Entities.xml

LABN\_TB\_Equipment\_Func.xml

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LABN\_TB\_Equipment\_Land.xml

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LABN\_TB\_Func\_Land.xml

LABN\_TB\_Func\_Org\_Land.xml

LABN\_TB\_Goals.xml

LABN\_TB\_HLReqRoadmap.xml

LABN\_TB\_Info\_Prod\_and\_Usage.xml

LABN\_TB\_Info\_Storage.xml

LABN\_TB\_Information.xml

LABN\_TB\_Instance\_Dep.xml

LABN\_TB\_Locations.xml

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LABN\_TB\_Org\_Func\_Realizations.xml

LABN\_TB\_Org\_Interactions.xml LABN\_TB\_Org\_Land.xml

LABN\_TB\_Owned\_By\_Ent\_Func.xml

LABN\_TB\_Owned\_By\_Organizations.xml

LABN\_TB\_Phys\_Func\_Interactions.xml LABN\_TB\_Phys\_Interactions.xml

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LABN\_TB\_Process\_Realizations.xml

LABN\_TB\_Processes.xml

LABN\_TB\_Standards.xml

LABN\_TB\_StdTechSvc.xml

LABN\_TB\_Tabular\_Report\_Template\_Design.xn

LABN\_TB\_Tech\_Func.xml

LABN\_TB\_Tech\_Func\_Realizations.xml

LABN\_TB\_Tech\_Land.xml

LABN\_TB\_Tech\_Usage.xml

Cabnaf\_Custom\_Dev.eap

Labnaf\_Custom\_MDG.xml

Labnaf\_Custom\_Profile.xml Labnaf Custom Template.MTS

#### Step 1: Develop your customized Labnaf language

- Labnaf Custom Dev.eap: A Labnaf model repository for customizing your Labnaf modeling language
- **Pictures**: Folder for storing custom language images

#### Step 2: Generate language "profiles"

- LABN Diagrams ...xml: Diagram types
- LABN\_Custom\_Profile.xml: Element & connector types
- LABN TB....xml: Toolboxes

#### Step 3: Use the wizard to update

- **Labnaf Custom.MTS**: The binding of all profile files needed
- Labnaf\_Custom\_MDG.xml: Your resulting customized Labnaf modeling language (generated in the Test folder)

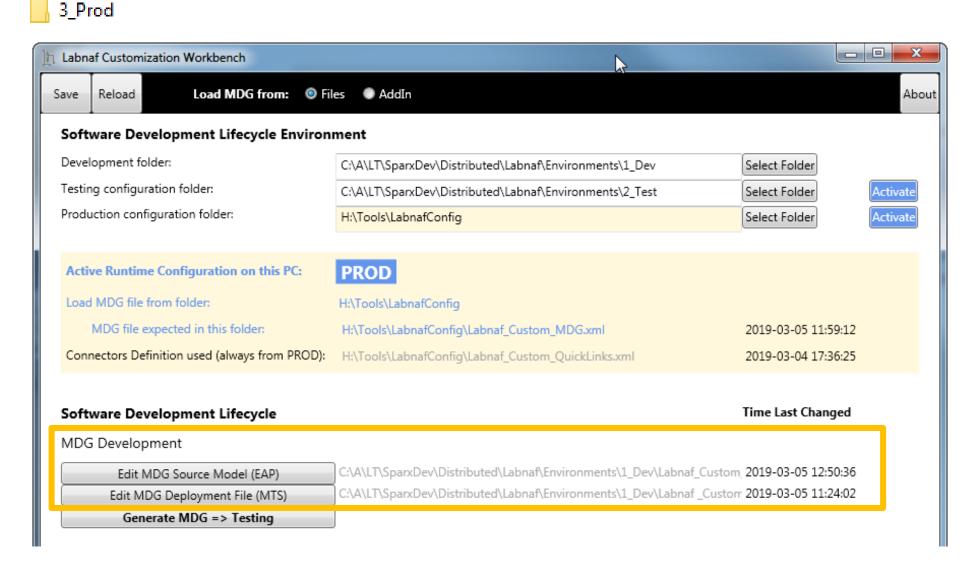
For further details, see Sparx'Systems MDG Technologies User's Guide @

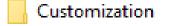
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## Develop your customized Labnaf language



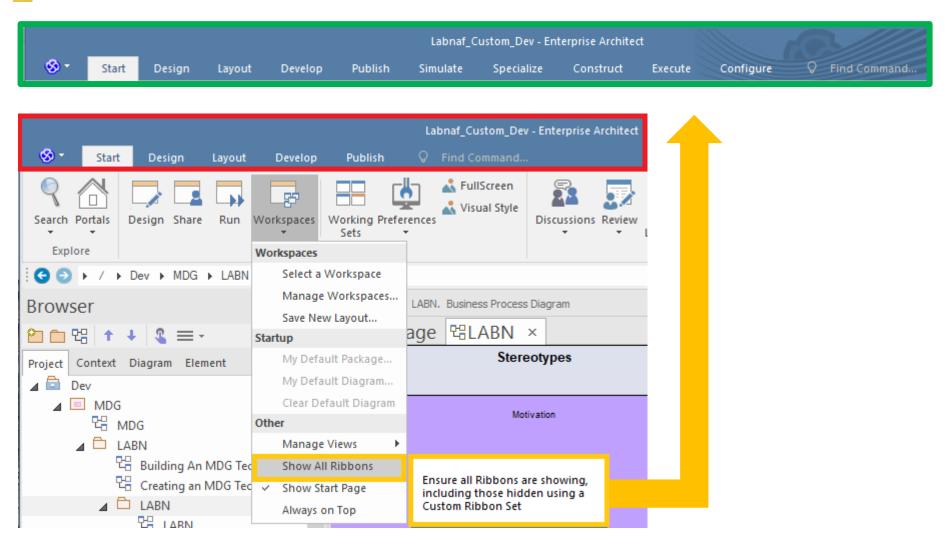


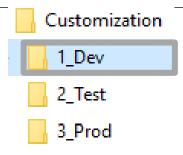
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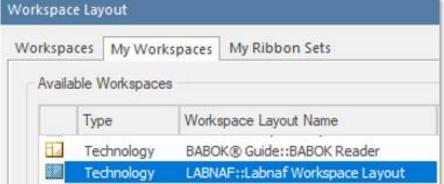
3\_Prod

## As soon as the Labnaf\_Custom\_dev.eap in open ensure all ribbons are showing





## Set up your EA workspace layout for Labnaf Workspace Layout



- This feature automatically opens and organizes all the EA windows that are useful with Labnaf including Labnaf customization
- Select the "Start" ribbon.
- Select the option "Workspaces > Manage Workspaces
   > My Workspaces > Labnaf Workspace Layout".
- Press the "Apply" button.

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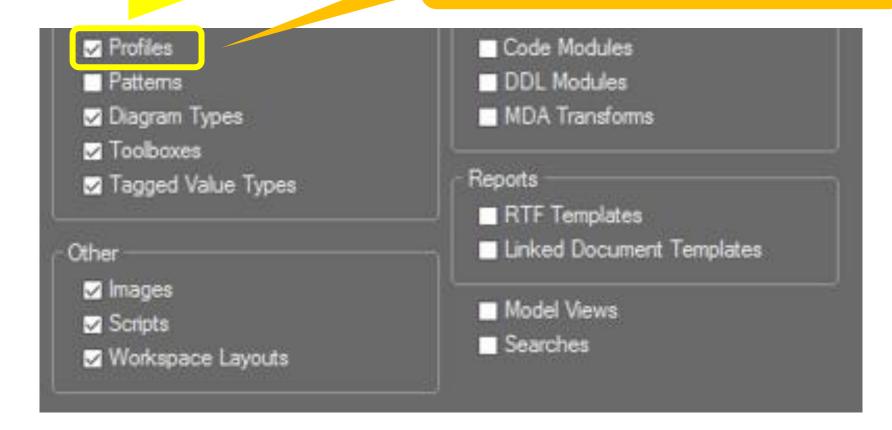
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Things you can change or add to the Labnaf\_Custom\_dev.eap

- Element & Connector types
- Tagged Values

Complex Sparx Metamodeling approach replaced by Labnaf => Simplified, readable, dynamically changeable at runtime

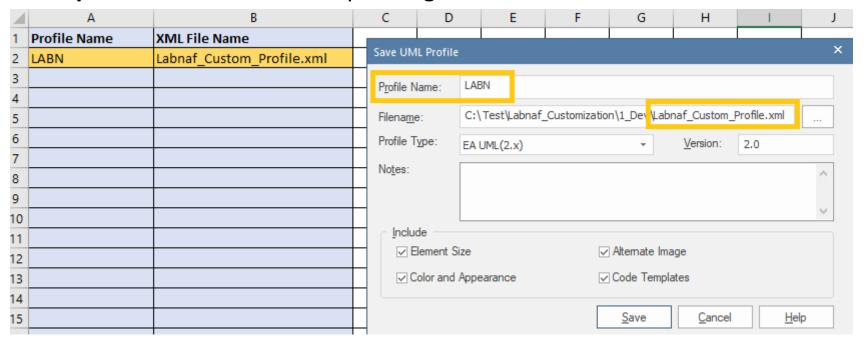


## Updating the Labnaf MDG Profiles

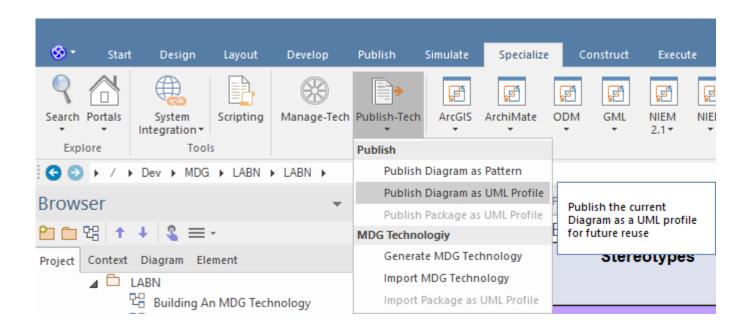
See Sparx System's EA documentation about updating

- Stereotype Profiles
- Toolbox Profiles
- <u>Diagram Profiles</u>

Refer to "Labnaf Customization - Updating Profiles.xlsx" to get the Labnaf MDG profile names and corresponding XML file names

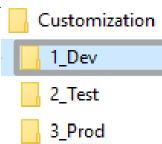


## Saving the Labnaf MDG Profiles

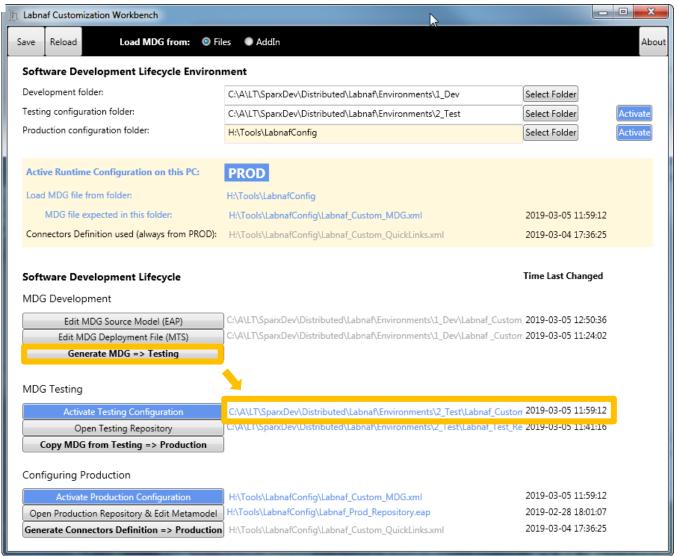


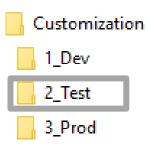
#### Working around a Sparx bug: Making sure the default colors are saved when saving as profile

- Either show the pan & zoom window
- or scroll down the length of the diagram once before you do an export
- or save the diagram fully zoomed out.



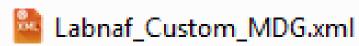
## Generate the Customized Labnaf MDG file (Language configuration)

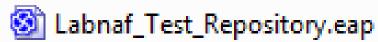




## The Testing Stage

#### **Contents of the Testing Folder**



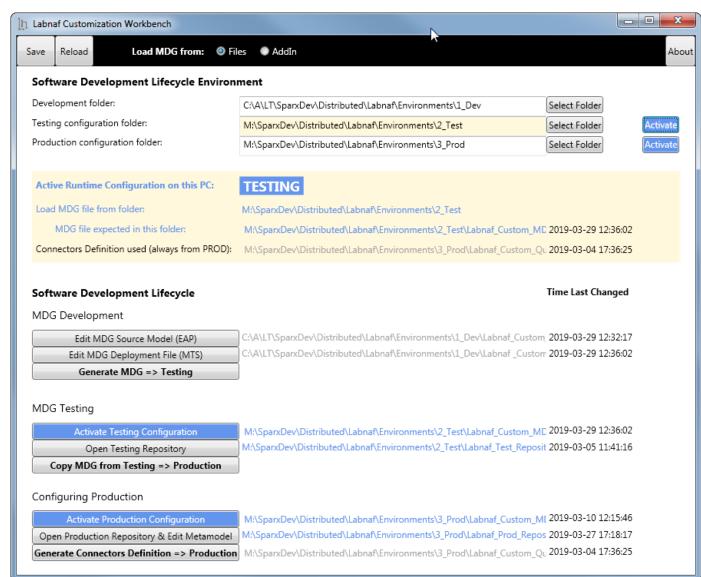


**Labnaf\_Custom\_MDG.xml:** Your customized Labnaf modeling language

Labnaf\_Test\_Repository.eap: Your model repository that you will use to test your customized Labnaf modeling language

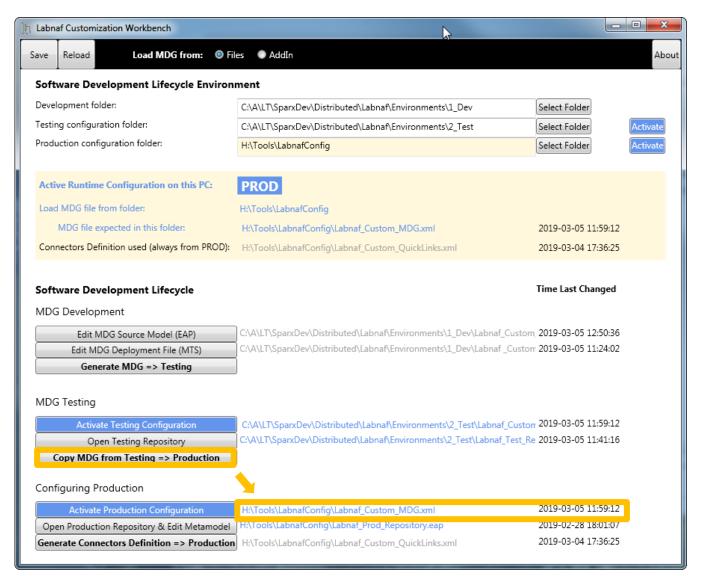
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## Activate the Testing Configuration and create some diagrams in the Testing Repository



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## Copy the Customized Labnaf MDG file to Production



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## The Production Stage

#### **Contents of the Production Folder**

- Labnaf\_Custom\_MDG.xml
- Labnaf\_Custom\_QuickLinks.xml
- Labnaf\_Prod\_Repository.eap

## The production folder can be located on a web server folder. In which case:

- The Customization Workbench accesses this folder directly on the file system.
- End users, using the Labnaf Addin, access the corresponding web folder url instead.

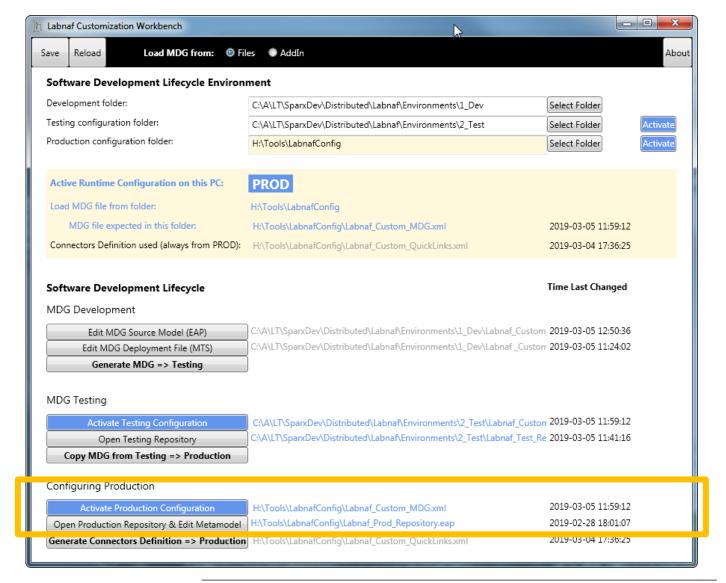
**Labnaf\_Custom\_MDG.xml:** Your customized Labnaf modeling language

Labnaf\_Prod\_Repository.eap: Your production model repository where you can dynamically customize the language metamodel

**Labnaf\_Custom\_Quicklinks.xml:** The connection rules generated from the language metamodel

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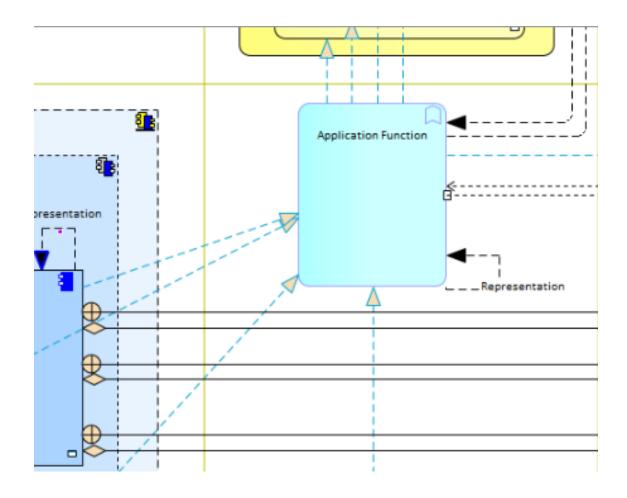
## Activate the Production Configuration and open the Production Repository



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## Update the language metamodel

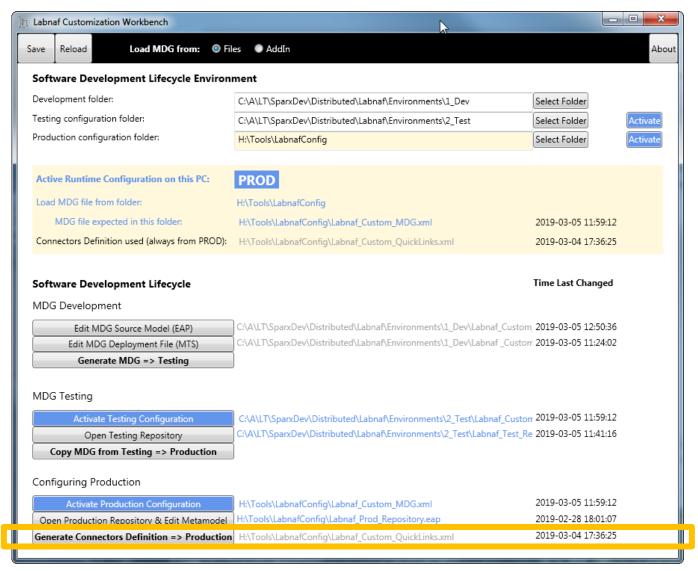
Add or delete connectors in the language metamodel



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### (Re)generate the connector definitions



### Deployment for end users of the Labnaf Addin

To deploy the customized version of the language on end users' desktops, the software distribution package must set some registry keys under

#### HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\Labnaf

- **LoadMdgFrom** = MdgFiles
- ActiveFolder and ProdFolder point to the production folder (web url or file system)
   For end users ActiveFolder and ProdFolder must have the same value.

