Maturity of preliminary design information				Information produced and assessed by:		Date of assessment:
self-assessment by information producer		(part name/number/unique identifier)				
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COMPLETENESS Maturity relating to content of the preliminary information	Coverage How well is everything in place that I know has to be there?	The document I am providing contains all needed sections - regardless of how detailed each section is worked out yet. I am sure that no section is still missing that should be there.		Most sections that shall go into this document are already there, only a few sections might have to be added.		I know several sections that should be there are not there yet.
	Depth How fine-tuned is the information (are all aspects detailed or do rough placeholders exist)?	The document is worked out until the finest level of detail that is necessary.		Some parts of the document are already fine-tuned, others contain bullet-point lists covering the important aspects and just need to be properly phrased.		Several sections are rough as they either just consist of the headline and their body is either empty or a rough bullet-point list.
	What is the information's formal or informal status?	The document has reached its highest possible stage we use in our organisation, either by being formally signed-off and/or the highest PLM status has been assigned or if no such formal stages exist, it could be a "deliverable" to an internal/external customer.	The document is "enabled" to be published for official validation process.	The document is "exhibited" for the purpose of getting insights from my personal network.	The document is a "draft" almost ready to be shared.	The document is not even a "draft" but just an idea or a hypothesis I have in mind but not to be shared yet.
CLARITY Maturity relating to presentation of the preliminary information	Nomenclature How rigorously are suitable units, symbols and definitions provided?	I have checked the entire document for units, symbols, definitions to be clearly expressed and never contradicting. I also included a list of acronyms and uniformly converted other inputs ([inch] to [mm] etc)		I have roughly checked the document for symbols and definitions, but probably, I will have to repeat this check as I am likely to have overlooked some cases, and some different units might have been used.		I have not yet checked the document for suitable units, and symbols or if I have provided useful definitions.
	Conciseness How confident am I that the lack of waffle/unnecessary repetition was minised?	The document can't be summarised more efficiently and is therefore on point.		The document was roughly checked for wordiness and repetitions , but some iterations might still be required.		The salient points have to be extracted from the document and might be occluded by less relevant information . I have not re-read and checked if parts could be expressed less wordy and/or I have not checked if some parts might be repeating.
	Vagueness How confident am I that there is no room for interpretation?	This document leaves no room for interpretation at all.		Given appropriate background information (jargon etc.), the document should leave only some room for interpretation.		Only experts might be able to 'get my point', others might struggle with the extent of interpretability.
CONSISTENCY Maturity relating to meshing of the preliminary information within itself and with relevant context and Ambiguity.	Compatibility How well is the infromation meshing with its environment or other information?	All the information used as an input to my document has been double- checked - e.g., copy-pasted (CAD-)screenshots, figures, tables and definitions from other documents have been checked to be the latest versions, other documents referring to this document have been considered; if applicable a standard template has been used.		I have checked most references and other files referencing this document, but not all, yet.		I have neither checked if my references are up to date nor if other pieces of information that use this document have been informed about the updates I made.
	Coherence How well is the data meshing well within itself?	Sections within my document are never contradicting and follow a clear narrative.		Most of the content has been consolidated, contradictions between sections are unlikely, and the narrative is mostly established.		It might be that several instances are referring to different versions of the same values, which have to be consolidated to avoid contradictions, and the narrative might not be established yet.
	Ambiguity Am I confident in the mental model of the content?	I have a complete mental model of how to write this document (e.g. I know what sections need to be included, where to get my data/resources to use etc.)		I have a rough mental model of how to write this document (e.g. I know what sections need to be included, where to get my data/resources to use etc.)		I have to find out what is required for this document.
DYNAMISM Maturity relating to anticipated future change in the preliminary information	Change Extent How significant do I expect the information to change?	This document is final. Only minor changes like orthographic corrections etc. are expected.		Until the end of the project, I expect some sections to be moved around and rewritten in part.		Many sections might have to be added either as I haven't found the time yet, or after several awaited inputs are received. The current document is expected to change substantially.
	How often do I expect the information to change?	The document is stable as I do not expect changes it to change anymore.		The document might change infrequently , such as at design reviews or quality gates during the project runtime.		As this document I am providing shall be understood just as an initial draft, I expect it to change very frequently , either as new information becomes available or at the weekly meeting with my boss.
	Predictability How well-known is the overall target and the related size of the problem to be overcome?	I know exactly what the final version of this document shall look like and have a clear impression of how much effort this will entail (how big the problem to overcome is).		I have a rough idea o f how the final version of this document shall look like, I can roughly estimate the amount of effort needed.		I don't know how the final version of this document shall look like, what problems have to be solved underway and/or how much effort this requires.
PREREQUISITES Maturity relating to the inputs used for producing the preliminary information	Availability How significant were the assumptions required to proceed?	In this document, I only used/mention inputs that are verified . I did not have to make assumptions .		I had to make some minor assumptions in order to complete this iteration of this document, but I am confident that these will hold/prove to be valid, and I indicated these clearly!		I had to make several assumptions in order to get this initial draft of the document out, my confidence that the assumptions I made were realistic is quite low and I didn't indicate, and differentiate these assumptions from hard facts.
	Traceability How well can I trace back the source of the information I used as an input?	All the sources of the input information used for this document can be traced back easily if needed.		Most of the sources of the input information used for this document can be traced back with some effort, some inputs are of unknown origin but can be revealed with some additional effort (such as going through my email inbox to identify the sender).		I do not know where the input information used for this document stems from.
	Credibility How confident am I that the inputs are credible?	I am $\mbox{\it very}$ confident that all the sources of information I have used for this document are credible.		I am somewhat confident that all the sources of information I have used for this document are credible.		I am not confident that all the sources of information I have used for this document are credible.
PROCESS Maturity relating to the method used to produce the preliminary information	Rigour How rigorously did I apply the method?	I used the most sophisticated features of the wordprocessor for this document (e.g. predefined headings, automated Table of Content etc), the styling of text and figures follow the company's style-guide meticulously.		I had to use some workarounds (either to cope with the deadline or because I don't know how to do it properly), if this document shall be integrated into a more official version, I shall have an expert give me feedback on the way how I used this particular wordprocessor.		I have almost no idea about the proper use of this wordprocessor, but this was the only one I had at hand, and I did my best.
	Suitability How confident am I that the method used to create the information was appropriate?	I deem the wordprocessor and its methodology adequate for this document's current project status. At early stages, I might have just formatted parts by hand, at medium stages, most of the Corporate Design and appropriate language is incorporated, at final stages, content and presentation of the document are flook professions.		The wordprocessor I used for this current iteration of the document I am providing is either a bit too basic (the target audience will be confused or disappointed) or a bit too sophisticated (I wasted hours on a LaTeX table that will have to finetuned)		The wordprocessor I used for this current iteration of the document I am providing is either way too basic (the target audience won't be able to understand it or use it in a presentation etc. and will be very disappointed) or way too sophisticated (I wasted hours on finetuning a LaTeX table that the might be completely discarded)