### **THPV010**

# SCALING UP THE ALBA CABLING DATABASE AND PLANS TO TURN INTO AN



**ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM** 

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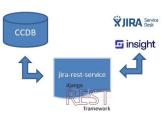
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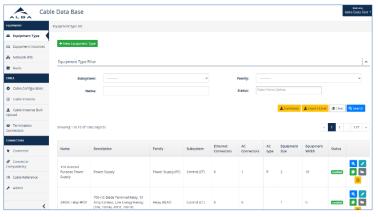
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Example of equipment instance code





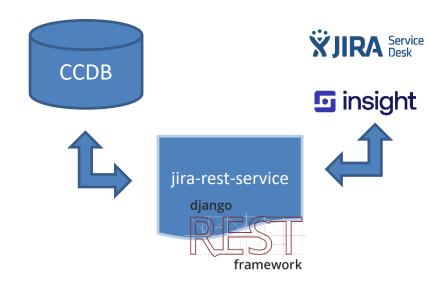
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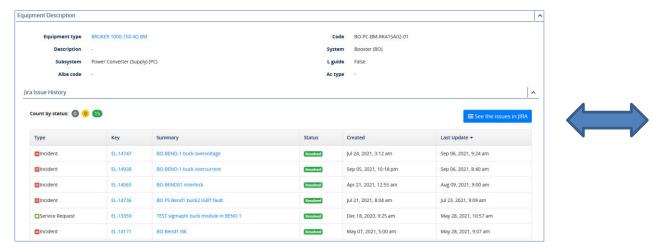
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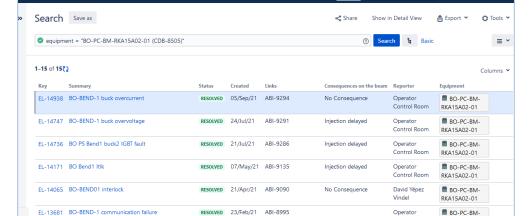


Architecture of the integration between CCDB and Jira

Control Room

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Equipment instance detail page with the list of its related Jira issues

Jira Service Desk search page filtering by the Equipment instance showing the list of issues

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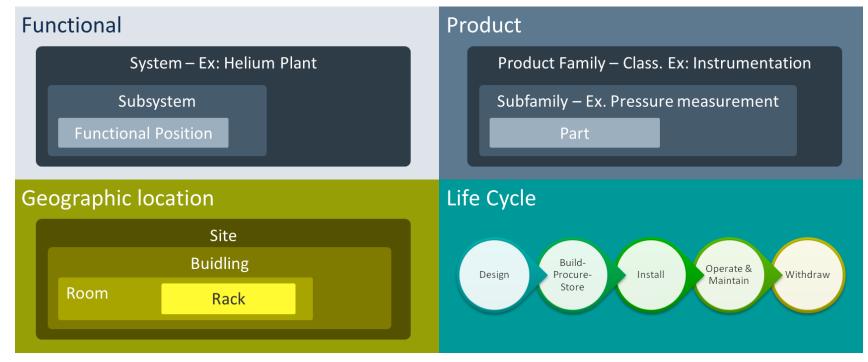
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