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I4MS, ICT Innovation for Manufacturing SMEs, is a European initiative **supporting manufacturing SMEs** and mid-caps **widespread use of new technological innovations** in their business operations.

Under I4MS, **SMEs can apply for technological and financial support** to conduct experiments allowing them to test digital innovations in their business via open calls.



SME support in numbers
check the interactive article!



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



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**THE EU
INITIATIVE TO
DIGITALISE THE
MANUFACTURING
INDUSTRY**

MANUFACTURING SMEs SUPPORT FOR TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION

I4MS projects provide end-users with funding, technical & business support for the implementation of Apilot projects, such as application Experiments (AEs) to allow experimentation and testing with new ICT technologies.

I4MS initiative **offers to SMEs the possibility of testing advanced manufacturing technologies** supported by I4MS. Opportunities offered to SMEs and mid-caps are: **funding, training, mentorships** and access to physical and virtual technology platforms. These activities enable the deployment of **pilot projects and experiments** to test these technologies in particular business cases.

Phase 4 projects



Discover
all the
projects!



INCREASING TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION

Application Experiments are a fast and easy way to test advanced technologies and one of the key services that the I4MS initiative offers to SMEs is the possibility of testing with one of the four technologies supported by I4MS.

The open calls for Application Experiments offer financial and knowledge-based support to manufacturing SMEs and mid-caps, allowing them to conduct small pilot projects to test Industry 4.0 technologies and assess the impact of scaling them up within their companies, as well as become an inspiration for other SMEs.



EXPERIMENTS IN NUMBERS

Selected via Open Calls, 327 AEs have already been launched by September 2019, and, when Phase 4 finalises, the number of experiments will be near 550.

The **I4MS Disruptors Awards** honour the most innovative Application Experiments. Three Disruptors Awards calls have been launched to date (2018, 2019, 2022).

The awarded initiatives are granted with the widest visibility on the I4MS ecosystem.



FSTP ingredients
to leverage impact



CATALOGUE OF TRAININGS

The **I4MS Trainings Catalogue** has been developed to enhance digital skill sets for the staff in manufacturing companies related to Industry 4.0 technologies.

To the date, **+200 pieces of training** are available, with the involvement of **+20 countries**.



WORKING GROUPS

I4MS is launching **two strategic Working Groups (WG):**

WG1: Best Practices and supporting Mechanisms on Digital Transformation.

WG2: Upskilling challenges in the manufacturing industry.

Actions implemented

- + **Connect I4MS stakeholders & community** as well as other relevant actors and initiatives.
- + **Discuss common challenges** on identified gaps affecting the whole ecosystem.
- + Identify, support and exchange **Best Practices**.
- + Set joint strategies to **leverage investments**.
- + Tackle **specific challenges** and draw **policy recommendations**.

These **Working Groups** have been the '**advisory bodies**' of the project both supporting to **validate I4MS aggregated value** proposition. These WGs have been fully aligned with the work implemented in the project and their results have been integrated and published.



Read now
the WG
reports

I4MS CONTACT POINTS

A **network of local entities, intermediary bodies, European projects and DIHs**, that help reach the manufacturing SMEs and technology providers, increasing the impact and becoming an important asset for the sustainability of the services and technology offered under the I4MS umbrella. I4MS Contact Points take full advantage of the digital opportunities and establish **business-friendly framework conditions** thanks to a deep understanding of the digital transformation in the European manufacturing landscape.

Become part

- Connect with key stakeholders of the industry 4.0 European ecosystem.
- Have access to first-hand information about digital transformation.
- Be formally linked to I4MS initiative to replicate solutions and services.



**The I4MS
Community
in numbers!**



Participate in the I4MS
online community!