



Megatrends

- Demographic change
- Climate change
- Urbanisation
- Globalisation...



(Mega) trends related to FoF, CPS & IoT

- Digitalisation of economy & increasing connectivity
- Rise of the individual, personalisation
- Sustainability, green thinking (sharing global responsibility)
- Knowledge as a key enabler (global knowledge society)







Manufacturing-related trends

- Continuous drive for manufacturing efficiency and quality (requiring optimisation tools and decision support)
- Rapidly evolving and pervasive ICT technologies (digitisation, visualisation, virtualisation)
- Demand by customers for individualised/highly configurable products
- Increasing hybrid cross-over products/embedded IT and integrated services
- Increasing complexity of products, processes, and supply networks









Manufacturing Business Needs

- Reduction of costs, start-up times, fast scale-up
- Increasing flexibility of production environments
- Identify/anticipate changes in demand
- Reduction of effort for integration of new equipment & tools
- Traceability cradle to grave
- Monitoring, optimisation and predictive maintenance
- More intuitive system interaction / mobile devices



BUT: Digitalisation (especially in SMEs) is mainly driven by IT solution providers and less strongly demanded by manufacturing companies (potentially underestimated)







Key Barriers and Showstoppers

Manufacturing IT landscape is a 'wild garden'.

- History of point solutions creating a heterogeneous manufacturing IT landscape
- Difficult to support and add capabilities



Manufacturing IT technologies are out of reach

- Especially for SMEs, due to the very high implementation costs
- Here future architectures could contribute to alleviating such issues, making manufacturing IT innovation more accessible

Security and privacy

Number one show stopper

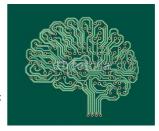
The following ICT Solutions were identified to meet these trends and needs...







- Real time data acquisition and analysis/
 Big data analysis and use for quality control
- Flexible production equipment and interconnections
- Engineering Platform for design/operations continuum
- Joint Cognitive Systems for decision support
- Supply chain visibility and decision assistance/ ICT platform for advanced supply chain decision support
- Security solutions for collaborative networks
- Modelling of virtual enterprise



ICT Solutions

- Interoperability, standards, reference architectures and tools
- Open data and system integration platform for unstructured data environment
- IT-OT convergence: integrated architecture PLM-MES-ERP
- Problem and context-centric display of only crucial information to the users
- Customer and demand data gathering for analysis
- Product and service co-design with customer









- Network-centric communication and collaboration between players, humans and systems across the entire value chain
- ICT platform for advanced supply chain decision support
- Modelling of virtual enterprises
- Cross-cutting and non-functional challenges
 - Interoperability / Standards
 - Semantic mechanisms
 - Socio-technical issues
 - Training and education
 - Cyber security









Integration

- Integration approaches for existing ICT systems and information (tackling the "wild garden")
- Integration of new smart components (e.g. new improved low cost, miniaturised sensors) for data collection, analysis and visualisation
- Development/promotion of standardisation and reference ICT architectures as well as interoperability and harmonization of different interfaces

Data and Information

- Big Data capture (live streaming for situational awareness), storage (event driven databases) and analysis (data mining ideally in real time)
- Distributed processing algorithms for data and systems in real time supported by resilient "industrial strength" cloud computing for the plant floor
- Visualisation techniques and specifically context-aware responsive visualisation of data
- Decision support systems to reduce operator load
- Unified engineering exchange of data considering provenance, accuracy, contextual awareness and semantic content of
 unstructured data

Machine Learning and Adaptive Systems to Enable Flexible and Adaptive Manufacturing

- Environments and infrastructures for machine learning, self-adapting and reconfigurable manufacturing
 - Intra-and inter- machine communication standards
 - Human-centric adaptive interfaces to enhance usability

Multidisciplinary Modelling

• Modelling of factories, information modelling and work domain modelling of socio-technological systems

Security and Privacy

- Robust Machine-to-Machine (M2M) security protocols that guarantee operational safety and reliability
- Affordable security for privacy, especially within manufacturing supply networks

Demonstrators & Education

- To convince the conservative manufacturing sector of the cost/benefits of new ICT architectures and services
- Education initiatives and training materials to increase awareness



