



# **Factories of the Future Horizon 2020: LEIT – ICT WP2016-17**

## **FoF-12-2017: ICT Innovation for Manufacturing SMEs (I4MS)**

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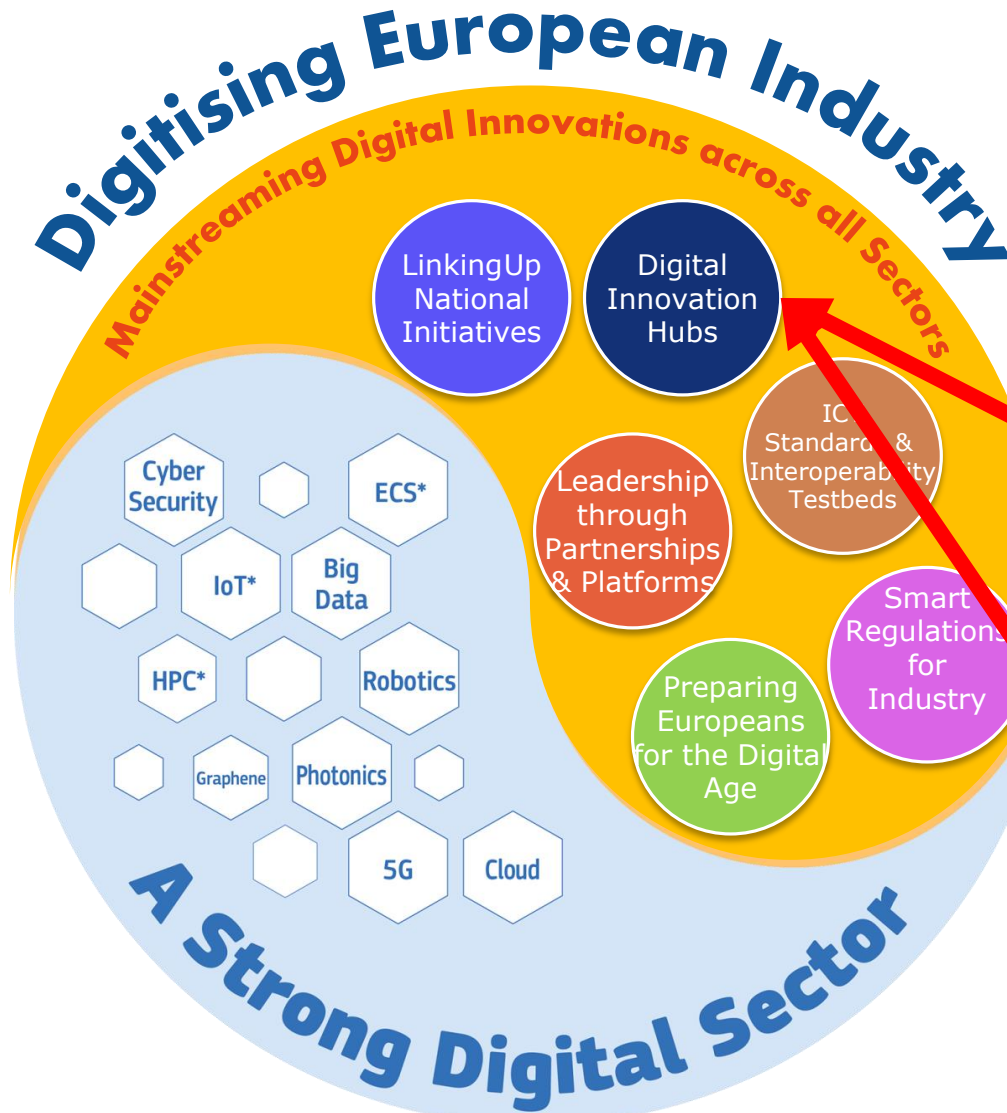
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# Political context: Digitising European Industry



**ICT-4: Smart Anything Everywhere**

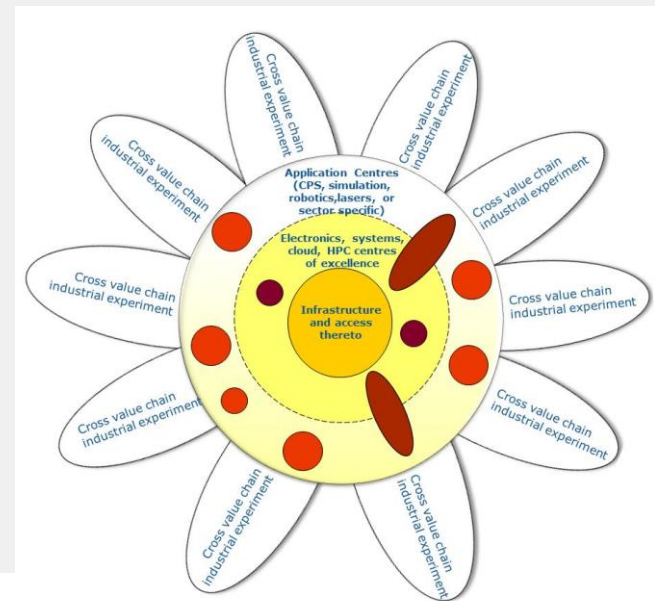
**FoF-12: ICT Innovation for Manufacturing SMEs**

## Scope:

- To take-up advances in ICT in manufacturing
- Strengthen SMEs by adopting new business models and/or service models
- Call deadline: 19 January 2017

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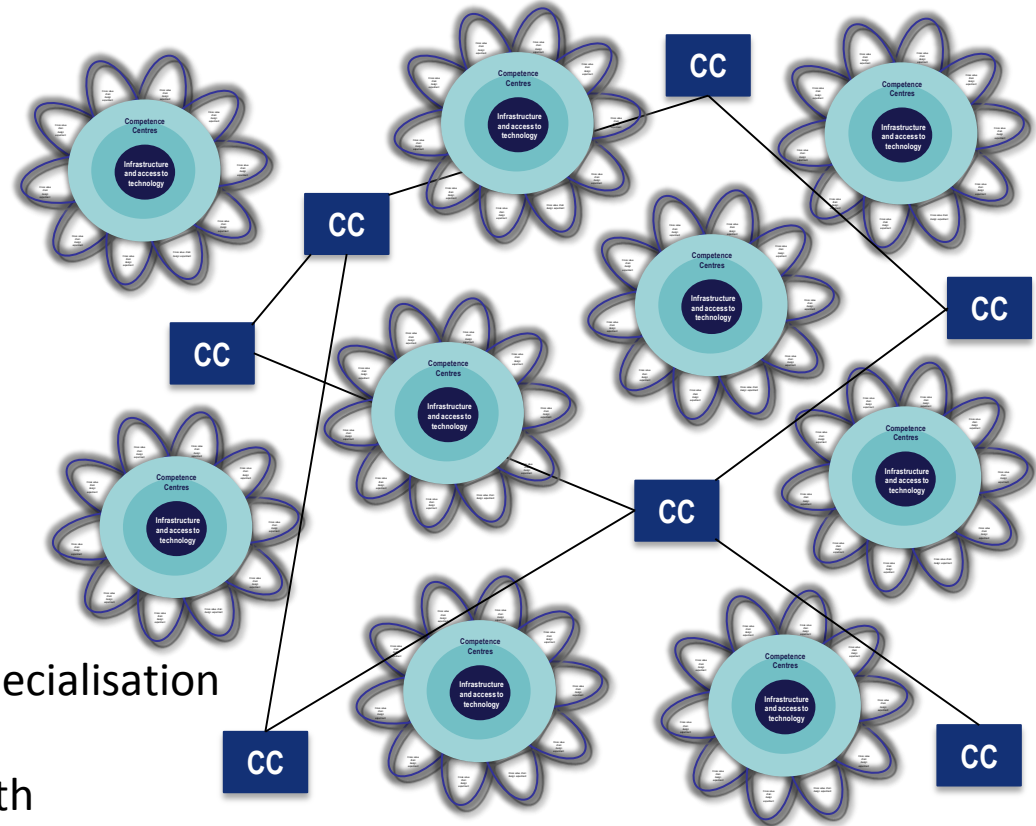
I4MS is part of the Factories of the Future PPP



## EU-wide network of Competence Centres Acting as the heart of Digital Innovation Hubs

### Competence Centres

- Access to technology through marketplaces
  - Service for developing products
  - Brokers between suppliers and users
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- Builds on regional strengths/smart specialisation
  - Flexible and scalable
  - H2020 funding can be augmented with
    - regional/structural funds, e.g. ESIF



# Critical Mass of Cross-Border Application Experiments



**Develop novel products or services with digital technologies.**

**Bring together actors along value chain.**

**Suppliers to assist new users in customising and applying digital technologies in their environment.**

**Financial support to third parties may be used for flexibility**

Innovation Action Proposals should address 3 aspects

**1. Establish a network of competence centres offering marketplaces for companies** that want to experiment with digital technologies in manufacturing of discrete or continuous goods. Link with regional innovation hubs.

**2. Carrying out a critical mass of cross-border experiments** bringing together key actors across the full value chain to customise the technologies according to the requirements of new users.

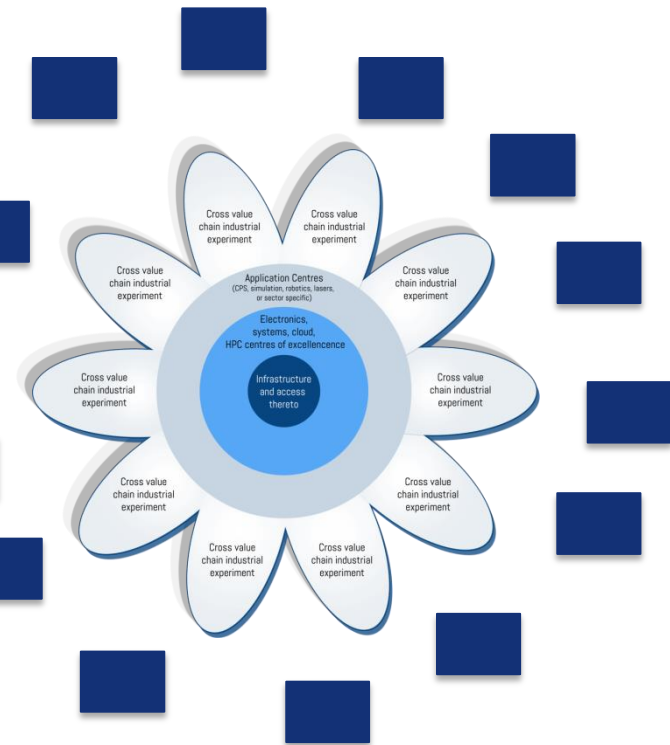
**3. Activities to achieve long-term sustainability** of one-stop shop/market place services by competence centres and the eco-system. Investors should be attracted to support business development of SMEs and mid-caps.

- ✓ collaborate on reinforcing I4MS ecosystem,
- ✓ establish links to related activities, e.g. in the IoT Focus Area, ECSEL, SPARC, Big Data PPPs.

## Existing and emerging EU networks of competence centres **can be complemented by** Satellite Nodes / Digital Innovation Hubs

### Regional Satellite Nodes/Projects

- Feasibility studies
- Best practice experiments
- Local dissemination
- Skills development
- Infrastructure provisioning



- Funded through regional/structural funds, e.g. ESIF
- Focus on regional strengths/smart specialisation
- Support actions complementary to H2020 actions
- Flexibility/little synchronisation needs

## ❑ Bootstrap innovation hubs in "non-I4MS regions"

- RTOs, academia

## ❑ Mechanisms:

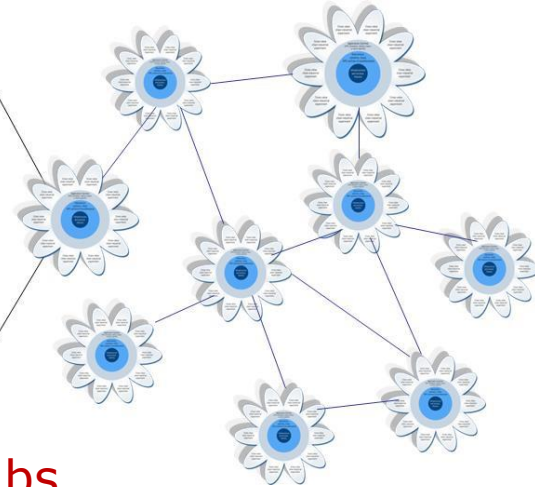
1. Call for expression of interest (EoI) for new hubs
2. I4MS competence centres as **mentors** each launch 5 **sponsoring** contracts (30-50k€)

## ❑ Role of Mentoring & Sponsorship actions

- Investigate digital needs of regional smart specialisation
- Link needs to I4MS projects and competences
- 3 feasibility studies for Best Practice experiments
- Establish links with local funding bodies

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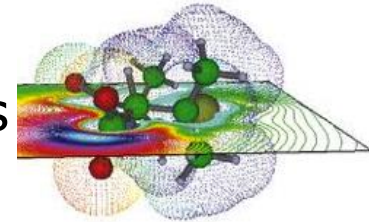
**What we ask for : Innovation Actions in one or more of the following areas of technologies**

Large projects (5-8 M€)

1. Integration of **CPS and IoT concepts** in smart production environments



2. **Robotics systems** cost effective at lower lot sizes



3. **HPC Cloud**-based modelling, simulation and analytics services focusing on sustained service models and real-time support



4. **Digital design for additive Manufacturing** focusing on link between design tools and production

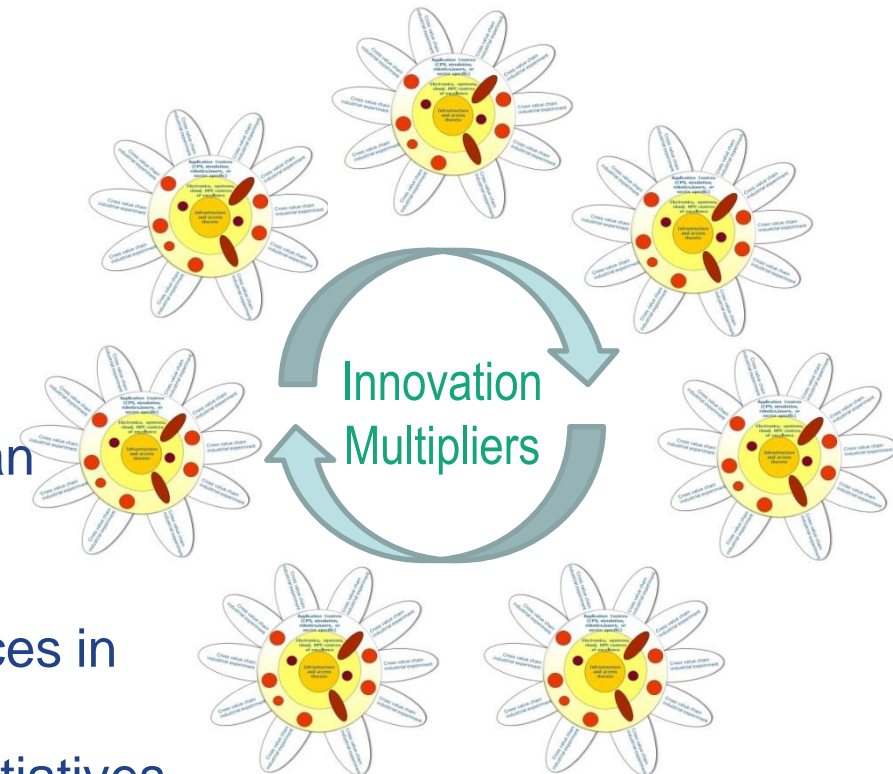
Budget  
32 M€

Budget  
1 M€

## *Coordination and Support Actions*

Scope: To advance the I4MS Ecosystem

- Single portal for newcomers
- Sharing of best practices
- Dissemination
- Brokering between users and suppliers
- Identifying new ICT technologies that can benefit from I4MS scheme
- Levering further investment
  - mapping and matching competences in and between regions
  - linking up with regional/national initiatives



Close cooperation with  
European Factories of the  
Future Association (EFFRA)

Address **all** of the following impact criteria **providing metrics to measure success** when appropriate:

- Exploration of new application areas for advanced ICT in manufacturing at large, a significant number of new users, in particular SMEs and Mid-caps
- More innovative and competitive technology suppliers, in particular SMEs
- More competitive European service providers through provisioning of new types of services and strengthening the presence on local markets
- Creation of a self-sustainable ecosystem of competence centers, users and suppliers covering a large number of regions and their smart specialisation
- A critical mass of pan European experiments covering the whole value chain to demonstrate innovative and sustainable business models

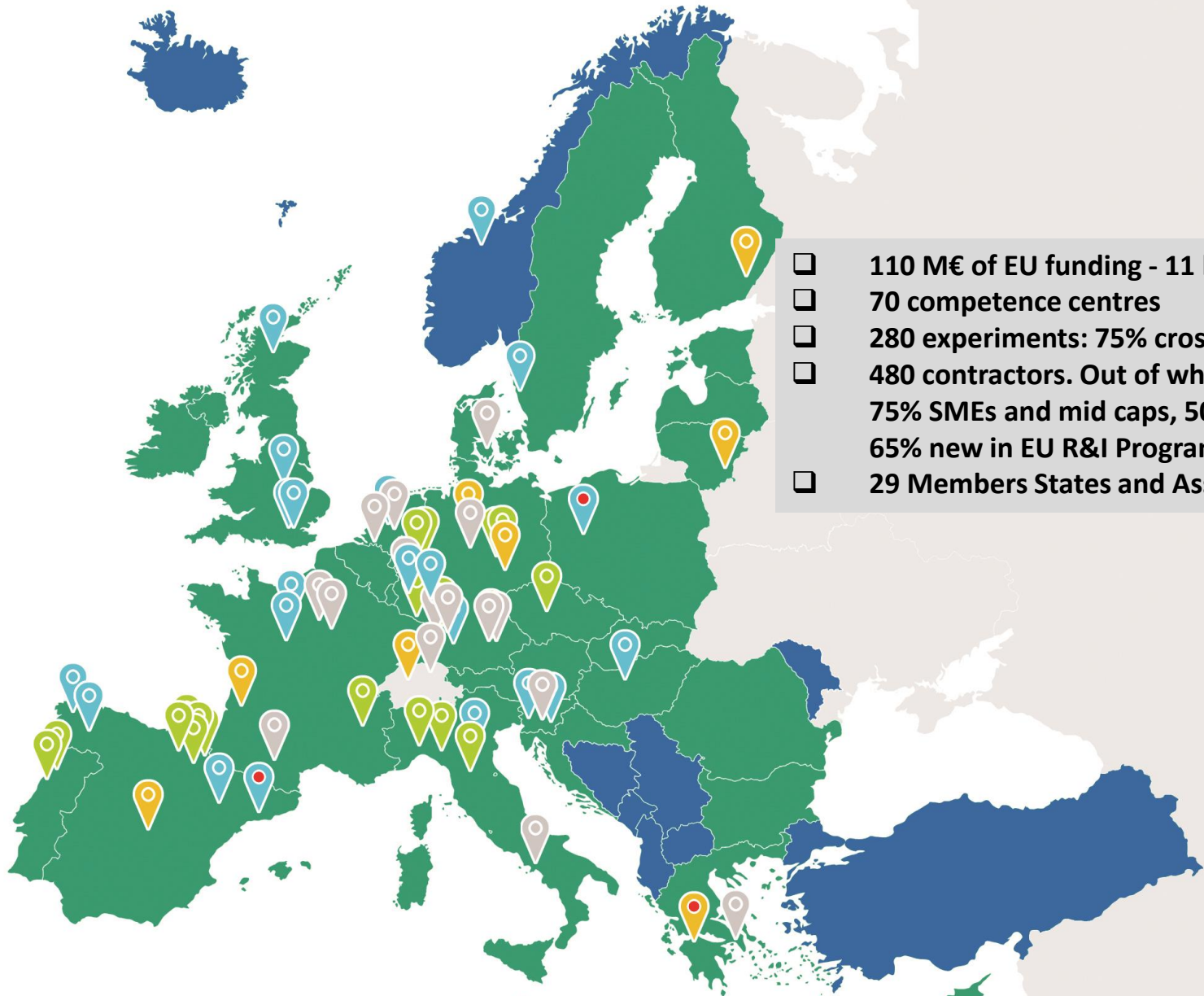
# Open call: Part K of the General Annexes & Article 15 of MGA

- Proposals shall clearly detail the objectives and results to be obtained from the financial support to third parties, and include at least:
  - A closed list of the different types of activities supported
  - Persons or categories of persons supported
  - Criteria for award of support
  - How to calculate the exact amount of support (for instance 70% of total costs)
  - Maximum amount of support for each party (typically 20-100K€ per party. If more than 60K€ is necessary, this needs to be explained in the proposal).

Winners of the open call will become third parties, and not beneficiaries of the project!



# I4MS in a nutshell: Enhancing digital transformation in manufacturing SMEs



- 110 M€ of EU funding - 11 large projects
- 70 competence centres
- 280 experiments: 75% cross-border dimension
- 480 contractors. Out of which 340 industrial: 75% SMEs and mid caps, 50% users, 65% new in EU R&I Programmes
- 29 Members States and Ass. Countries

# I4MS Mentoring and sponsorship programme



**1.2 Mn EUR** to be assigned to most promising regional DIHs for developing their business case

**36 proposals have been received and are under evaluation**

- **CPS/IoT: 22 proposals**
- **HPC cloud modelling and simulation: 6 proposals**
- **Industrial Robotics: 7 proposals**
- **Advanced Laser solutions: 1 proposal**

# French competence centers in I4MS

Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique et aux Energies Alternatives	CPS/IoT
Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique et aux Energies Alternatives	Robotics
CETIM Centre Technique des Industries Mécaniques	Robotics
National Center for Scientific Research	Robotics
Bull Sas	Simulation
GENCI	Simulation
ALPhANOV	Laser



I4MS Website: [www.i4ms.eu](http://www.i4ms.eu)

I4MS brochure:

[http://ec.europa.eu/information\\_society/newsroom/image/document/2016-28/i4ms\\_2016\\_brochure\\_16580.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/image/document/2016-28/i4ms_2016_brochure_16580.pdf)

I4MS workshop in Amsterdam 22 and 23 June 2016:  
***Fostering digital industrial innovation in Europe***  
<http://i4ms.eu/videos/video.php?id=-1&type=a>

Digitising European Industry:

<http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/digitising-european-industry>

Factories of the Future (FoF) on the web:

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/factories-future>

ICT Proposers' day, Bratislava, 26 and 27 September

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/ict-proposers-day-2016>