



The Al Data Robotics
Association

Welcome

Info Day and Brokerage Event

Friday Feb 3rd

9:30 - 13:00

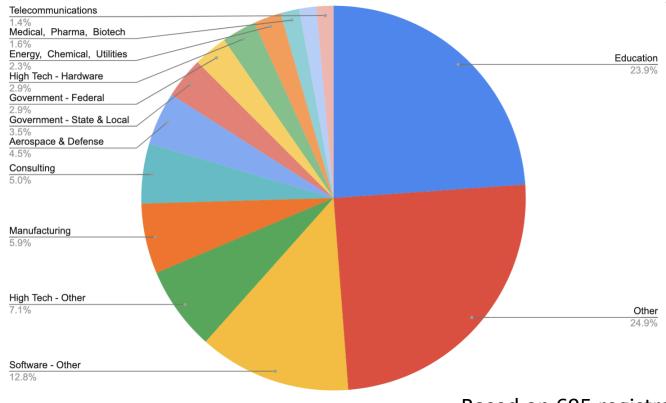


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Who are we?



adr-association.eu

Based on 695 registrants



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Housekeeping:

- Q&A post your Question in the Q&A chat on the right of the screen
- At the beginning of your question please put the speakers name or topic to make it easier to track.
- Please use the chat for general conversation.
- If you want to tweet about the event please use the hashtag #adrainfoday





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Agenda:

9:30 - 9:35 Welcome

9:35 - 10:00 Adra speaker: Rich Walker

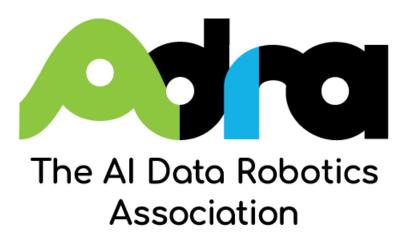
10:00 - 11:30 - European Commission speakers:

- · Evangelia Markidou, CNECT A1
- · Antonio Puente-Rodero, CNECT A1
- · Maria Tsakali, CNECT E2
- · Kimmo Rossi, CNECT G1
- · Pawel Dobosz, CNECT G3

11:30 - 11:45 - IDEAL-IST speaker: Edina Nemeth

11:45 - 13:15h – Pitches

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Adra in a nutshell

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Content

- Partnership and Association
- Objectives, Why join Adra?
- Approach and Governance
- Membership and benefits



The AI, Data and Robotics partnership (2021-2030)



European Commission
Public Side

Co-Programmed Partnership

Adra Association
Private Side



The MoU signed between Adra and the European Commission 2021

- Up to 1.3 billion euros of public investment by the European Commission (through Horizon Europe)
- Up to 1.3 billion euros of private investment through Adra





A Joint Initiative by













General Objectives of the ADR Partnership and Adra



Secure European's sovereignty over AI, Data and Robotics technologies and knowhow

Establish **European leadership in AI, Data and Robotics** technologies with high socio-economic and environmental impact





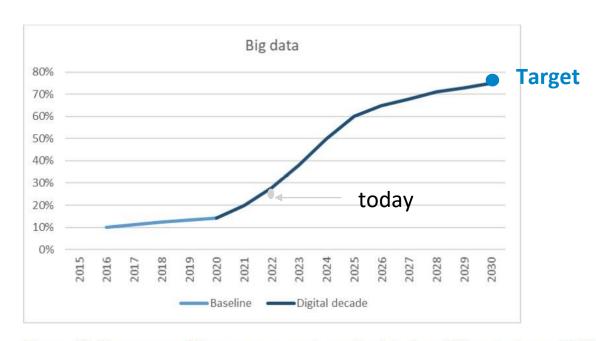
Reinforce a **strong and global competitive position of Europe** in AI, Data and Robotics



Adra is needed for the EU Digital Decade policy

Target: **75**% of European enterprises uses Big data Baseline (2020): 14%

Target: **75**% of European enterprises have taken up Al Baseline (2020): 25%



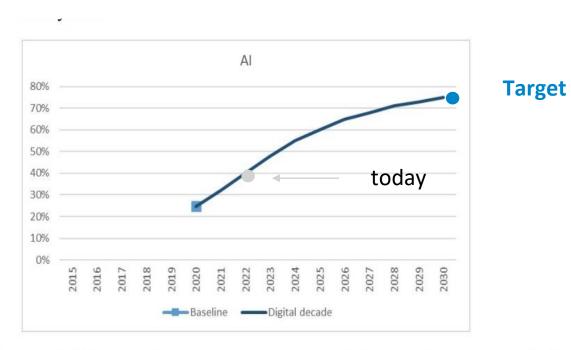


Figure 18: Percentage of European enterprises using big data (EU projection to 2030)

Figure 20: Percentage of European enterprises using AI (EU projection to 2030)

Source: Commission services based on data from Eurostat.

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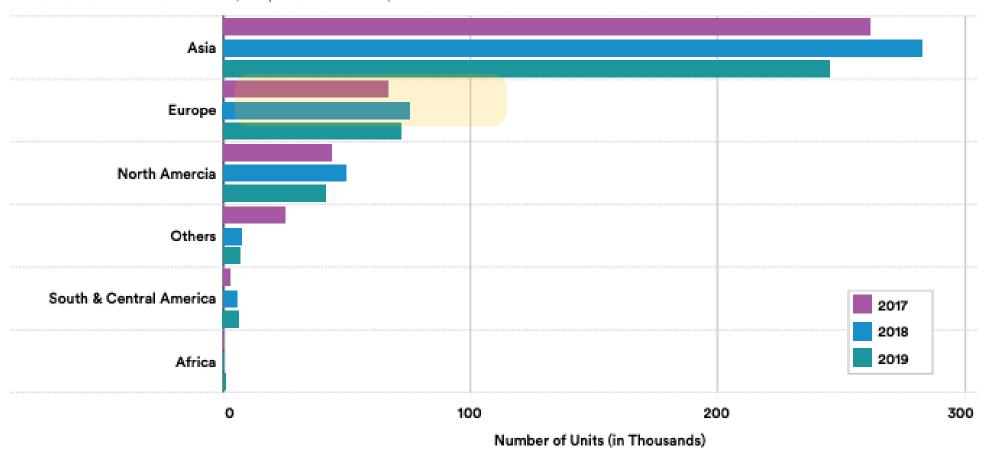




The Al Index 2021 Annual Report(1)

NEW INDUSTRIAL ROBOT INSTALLATIONS by REGION, 2017-19

Source: International Federation of Robotics, 2020 | Chart: 2021 Al Index Report





European Parliament report (May 2022): "on artificial intelligence in a digital age"

5. Conclusion: an urgent call for action!

294. Believes that the ongoing digital transformation, in which AI plays the key role, has triggered a global competition for tech leadership; stresses that the EU has so far fallen behind with the result that future technological standards risk being developed without sufficient EU contributions, oftentimes by non-democratic actors, which presents a challenge to political stability and economic competitiveness; concludes that the EU needs to act as a global standard-setter on AI;

European Parliament
2019-2024

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5-4-2022

REPORT
on artificial intelligence in a digital age (2020/204(N3))

Special Committee on Artificial Intelligence in a Digital Age
Rapporteur: Axel Voss

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Major global challenges and EU Missions



13 CLIMATE ACTION



14 LIFE BELOW WATER



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

15 LIFE ON LAND









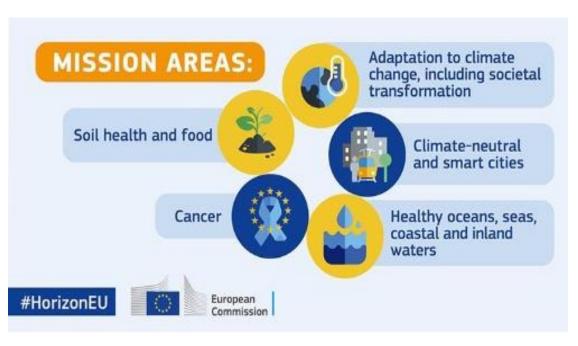




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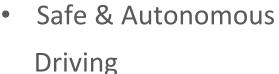
UN Sustainable Development Goals

EU Missions until 2030



Solving big challenges needs AI + Data + Robotics

Cleaning oceans



Driving





Source: Wikipedia



Source: DataBio project



Smart agriculture

Why join Adra - Value Proposition

- Adra offers its members to drive the European Future around AI, Data, and Robotics to address the major socio-economic challenges.
- Adra is the only European association able to create unique value for its members through leveraging the convergence of AI, Data and Robotics.
- Adra unifies European ADR research bodies and industry to one strong voice.
- Adra helps its members to formulate research & innovation objectives from an analysis of socio-economic challenges.
- Adra also addresses **short-term topics** and contributes to creating a of Adra European **environment** for ideas to flourish and scale-up



Value to special target groups

Big industry:

 Adra helps companies to bring the strategy discussion and analysis to next level leveraging the ADR convergence.

SMEs and startups:

Adra helps companies to enhance their products and services through the
convergence of AI, Data and Robotics and to enlarge the application domains. It
allows them to position themselves in the developing ADR field and towards the
socio-economic challenges.

RTOs and universities:

 Adra helps to formulate research objectives in solving major socio-economic challenges. Adra offers its research members opportunities to long-term collaboration with industry and to maintain sustainable ADR excellence.

End users, public sector and NGO's:

 Adra supports end users, public sector and NGOs in using ADR technologies to raise productivity and advance socio-economic targets.

Topic groups and task forces open to Adra members

- Standardization
- Policy
- Strategic Research, Innovation and Deployment Agenda (SRIDA)
- Automotive and mobility
- Communication and marketing
- National and regional ADR initiatives (in progress)

If you have questions about topic groups or are, as a member, interested to start a new topic group, please contact the Adra secretariat (secretary-general@adr-association.eu)

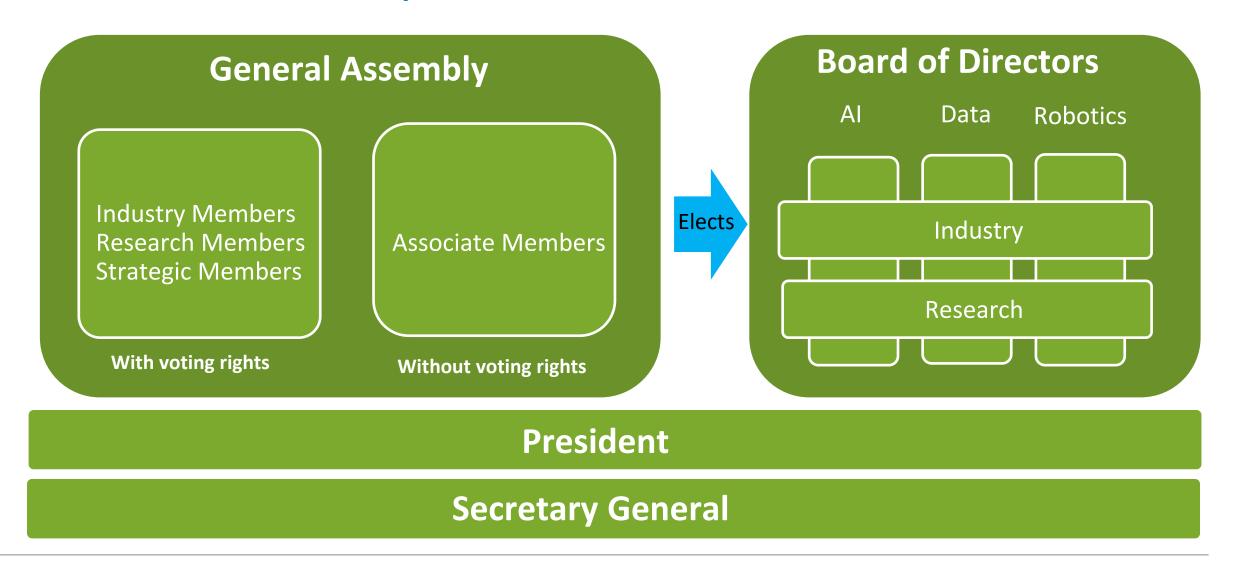


Adra's approach to European Al, Data and Robotics

- Leverage existing European strengths in AI, Data and Robotics
- Openness and inclusiveness are essential to ensure success
- A broad dialogue is essential for the European innovation eco-system (Start-Ups, SMEs, Large Industry and Research)
- Safeguard balance and representation between constituences and industry/research
- Build the AI, Data and Robotics eco-system on existing stakeholder communities.
- Ensure representation of all important stakeholders including start-ups/scale-ups,
 SMEs, regional ecosystems



General Assembly and Board of Directors

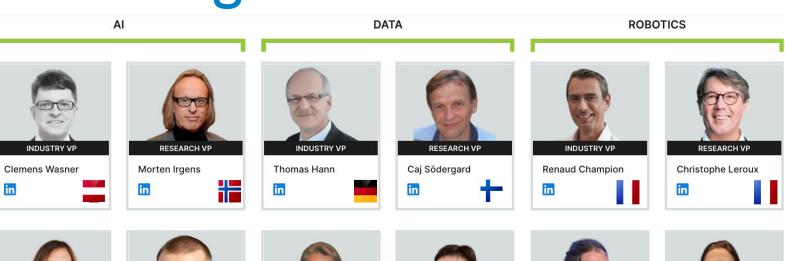




President and Founding Board



The Adra Office is supported by Adra-e, BDVA, CLAIRE Paris/Inria and euRobotics/University of Twente.





Fredrik Heintz

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Petri Myllymäki



Laure Le Bars

in



Milan Petkovic



Rich Walker

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Anne Waltenberger

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Overview of Members

(January 2023)

Founding Organisations Membership

Membership Category

Industry Member	11
Research Member	40
Associate Member	0
Strategic Member	7
Total	58

BDVA Full	17		
BDVA Associate	4		
Claire	12		
Ellis	5		
EurAl	4		
euRobotics	22		
None	19		

Members per Country

Belgium	5
Germany	2
Spain	8
France	5
Netherlands	6
Finland	6
Ireland	2
Sweden	3
Norway	2
Greece	5
Slovakia	2

United Kingdom (UK)	2
Poland	1
Italy	1
Turkey	3
Romania	1
Luxembourg	1
Hungary	1
Denmark	1
Switzerland	1



Annual membership Fees

Type of Organisation	Description (total number of employees)	Annual fee	Maximum Discount if member of Founding Organisations	
Large Enterprise	>3000 persons employed	10,000.00 €	5,000.00 €	
Mid-caps	250 – 3000 persons employed	5,000.00€	2,500.00 €	
SMEs	1- 249 persons employed	2,000.00€	1,000.00 €	
Research and Academia	>= 50 employees	2,000.00€	1,000.00 €	
Small research entity	<50 employees	500.00 €	250.00€	
Strategic members	Any size	3,000.00€	NA	
Start-ups	Any size (3 years)	250.00 €	125.00 €	
Others	Any size	500.00 €	250.00 €	



Membership Benefits 1/2

- Access to a large network of ADR stakeholders (Industry, Research and policy makers). This facilitates match-making to enter e.g. EU project consortia
- Impact on EU research programs. As a unique contractual partner to EC, Adra is involved in writing the research programs of Horizon Europe concerning AI, Data and Robotics
- Participate in the authoring of the Strategic Research, Innovation and Deployment Agenda (SRIDA)
- Coordinated response through position documents and white papers to consultations, and policy documents
- Improved visibility at EU-level



Membership Benefits 2/2 *

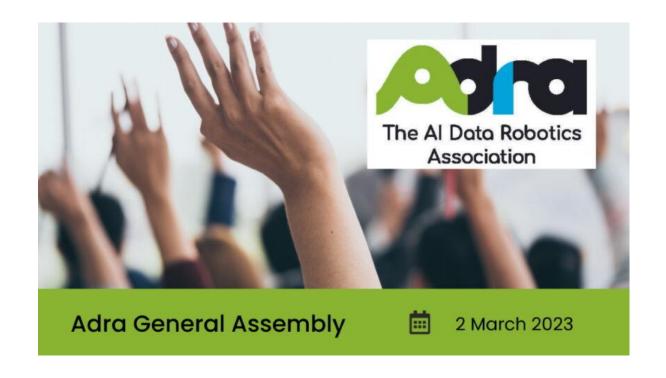
- Propose candidates to the Board of Directors
- Voting right in the General Assembly
- Lead and participate in topic groups and task forces

* for industry and research members. Slightly different rules for strategic and associate members



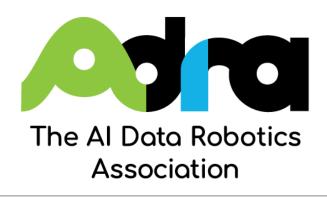
General Assembly and Board election 2.3.2023

- A whole new Board of Directors will be elected replacing the current founding board
- Adra members have voting rights
- New members: join before 10.2 and you can propose a candidate to the Board. Join before 24.2 to be able to vote.
- Joining: Go to adr-association.eu





Get in touch





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Extra slides



Europe's Digital Decade: digital targets for 2030



Skills

ICT Specialists: 20 million + Gender

convergence

Basic Digital Skills: min 80% of population



Secure and sustainable digital infrastructures

Connectivity: Gigabit for everyone, 5G everywhere

Cutting edge Semiconductors: double EU

share in global production

Data - Edge & Cloud: 10,000 climate-

neutral highly secure edge nodes

Computing: first computer with quantum

acceleration



Digital transformation of businesses

Tech up-take: 75% of EU companies using

Cloud/AI/Big Data

Innovators: grow scale-ups & finance to

double EU Unicorns

Late adopters: more than 90% of SMEs reach at least a basic level of digital

intensity



Digitalisation of public services

Key Public Services: 100% online

▶ e-Health: 100% of citizens having access

to medical records

Digital Identity: 80% of citizens using

digital ID

https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/europe-fit-digital-age/europes-digital-decade-digital-targets-2030 en



But ADR also needed for



Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) 2021 Integration of digital technology

Figure 12 Levels of adoption of AI by sector (% of enterprises)

Sector (Part I)		At least one AI technology	At least two Al technologies	Plans to use	Sector (Part II)		At least one AI technology	At least two Al technologies	Plans to use
Agriculture, forestry and/or fishing		39%	24%	18%	Accommodation		42%	22%	15%
Manufacturing	47	47%	27%	16%	Recreation activities	7	37%	24%	11%
Construction	<u></u>	36%	23%	16%	ІТ	느	63%	43%	12%
Oil and gas	R	38%	19%	6%	Finance, insurance		40%	20%	27%
	~_				Real estate	REAL STREET	42%	23%	18%
Waste management	-	31%	21%	27%	Other technical and/or scientific	28 3	43%	22%	18%
Water and electricity supply	176	45%	28%	17%	sectors	1	49%	21%	21%
Trade, retail	雷	38%	22%	20%	Education	0			
Transport	a de la companya de l	36%	22%	20%	Human health	4	47%	29%	19%
Food	Ď	36%	26%	20%	Social work	i	47%	26%	10%

ADR deployed and booming in many (all?) sectors

Base question Q1: What is the current state of adoption in your firm for [Al technologies]?; Base: EU27, N=8661. (Base size represents only EU27 Member States, excluding the UK, Iceland and Norway).

Source: Ipsos, European enterprise survey on the use of technologies based on artificial intelligence, 2020.



https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/desi



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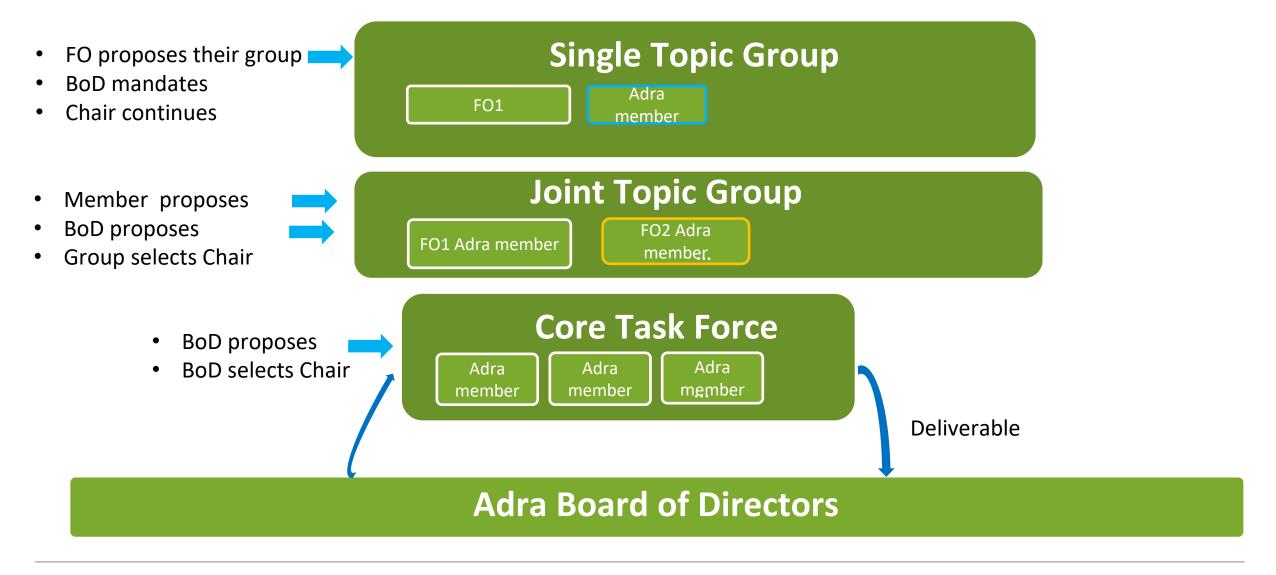
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Topic Groups





Adra asbl: Types of Membership

Members with voting rights

Industry Members

- Large companies
- Mid-Caps
- Small and Medium Enterprises ("SME") and Start-ups

Research Members

- Research and Technology Organisations (RTO)
- Universities, university colleges and university departments and laboratories or research groups of universities engaging in research, innovation and education (HES)

Strategic Members

 Not-for-profit organisations having their own members and whose main objectives are of essential value for the Purpose of the Association

Members without voting rights

Associate Members: trade unions, non-governmental organisations, regional clusters, etc. and other stakeholders not falling in the Member categories above



Adra - Partnership — Coordination & Support Action (CSA)



European Commission
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Adra-e CSA project 2022-24

 Supports Adra Association and Partnership



Adra Status – Chronology and Milestones 1/2

- First Board meeting April 2021
- Office setup April 2021
- Founding of the association May 2021
- Election of President Marina Bill June 2021
- Signing of MoU with the EC June 2021
- InfoDay organised in collaboration with EC and IDEAL-IST July 2021
- Initial website launched (www.adr-association.eu) and social media (LinkedIn, twitter)
- Start Bi-Weekly BoD meetings, bi-Weekly VP meetings (+ 45 minutes EC) August 2021
- GA (between founding members) October 2021
- Launch Event November 2021



Adra Status – Chronology and Milestones 2/2

- Open for members December 2021
- Shaping WP23-24 with EC February March 2022
- Exchange with National delegates and NCPs today
- Periodic Welcome Event starting May 17th
- Infoday with EC 16/17 June
- General Assembly Monday June 20th
- Launch even 42 HE projects Monday October 17th

Ongoing sub-committees (by the BoD):

- Communication and Marketing
- Adra Strategy and Vision
- Policy
- Standardization
- Regulations and Finance
- Recruitment of Secretary General



Bootstrapping the Adra Secretary General's office $^{A}c_{all_{for_{action}}}$

- All is general purpose technology that affects affects nearly all sectors of industry, and has profound impact on modern society and the global challenges it faces.
- The strategy for the promotion and adoption of artificial intelligence is naturally European
- The heart of the European movement of innovation of AI is the AI, Data and Robotics Association, as private partner in the ADR partnership with the European Commission
- Your engagement and coordination with existing European and national initiatives is essential to effectively generate the necessary stakeholder mobilization

Today, Adra provides a model for cooperation that leverages existing communities and their specific expertise. It is also structured to assure balance and representation. We need your support and hands to be effective.



How to apply

STEP 1: Download the template of the Adra Membership Application form from the Adra website www.adr-association.eu

STEP 2: Send an electronic copy of the Adra Membership Application Form filled in and duly signed to membership@adr-association.eu

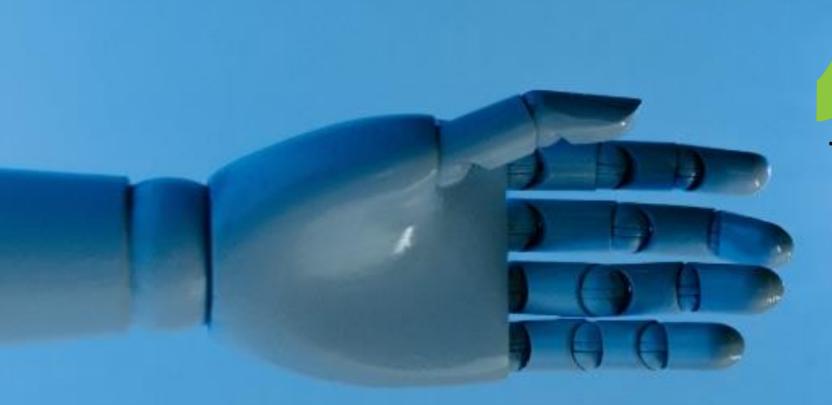
STEP 3: Your application will be reviewed by the Adra Secretary General / Office that will inform you if any modifications or additional information needed.

STEP 4: The Board of Directors reviews the application and decides on granting the temporary membership status.

STEP 5: The General Assembly grants the final membership status upon proposal of the BoD

Do you need any support? Send an email to secretary-general@adr-association.eu







The Al Data Robotics
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Welcome

HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-02

Integration of data life cycle, architectures and standards for complex data cycles and/or human factors, language (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)

EU contribution per project: **EUR 9 million**

Indicative budget of the call: EUR 45 million

Type of Action: RIA

TRL: Achieve TRL 4-5 by the end of the project

Eligibility conditions: The conditions are described in General Annex B. The following exceptions apply:

If projects use satellite-based earth observation, positioning, navigation and/or related timing data and services, beneficiaries must make use of Copernicus and/or Galileo/EGNOS (other data and services may additionally be used).



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-02

Expected impact (in the Destination 3 introduction):

Proposals for topics under this Destination should set out a credible pathway to contributing to world-leading data and computing technologies, and more specifically to one or several of the following impacts:

- Improved European leadership in the global data economy
- Maximised social and economic benefits from the wider and more effective use of data
- Reinforced Europe's ability to manage urgent societal challenges (e.g. data for crisis management, digital for clean)



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-02

Expected outcomes:

- ability to process vast volumes data as one of the key enablers for other technological developments, supporting the competitiveness of the EU's industrial ecosystems;
- successful deployment of data spaces involving several sectors of economy or society;
- improve data access (in line with the FAIR principles), data sovereignty, data interoperability and data protection as an essential factor in the development of sustainable value chains respecting all stakeholder interests, particularly SMEs, but also the public sector as data providers and innovation/market ecosystem enablers.

The European Strategy for Data calls for actions to support and promote data sharing and the use of data for social and economic benefit.

FAIR = Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Re-usable



Topic HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-02

Scope (see the Work Programme for full text!):

- Address the **entire data life cycle** from data generation/collection to the final use and deletion of data;
- Build on existing and emerging **standards**, **models and architectures** and complement/expand them as necessary in view of **interoperability** of systems and **portability** of data, especially between sectors, between private and public sectors and between different communities/constituencies of actors;
- Enable allocation and enforcement of data-related rights, obligations and responsibilities across the life cycle.
- Address relevant human language issues at all stages of data life cycle, addressing the social and cultural factors as necessary; involve "human in the loop" when relevant/necessary
- Build on or seek **collaboration** with existing projects and **develop synergies** with other relevant European, national or regional initiatives, funding programmes and platforms
- Develop use cases or pilots addressing or involving at least three different common European Data spaces and/or related ecosystems
- Liaise with **Data Spaces support centre** (DSSC) funded under the Digital Europe programme



Topic HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-02

Useful links:

- https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/wp-call/2023-2024/wp-7-digital-industry-and-space_horizon-2023-2024_en.pdf
- https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl4-2023-data-01-02







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WORLD LEADING DATA AND COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES 2023

From Cloud to Edge to IoT HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-04

Cognitive Computing Continuum: Intelligence and automation for more efficient data processing (RIA)

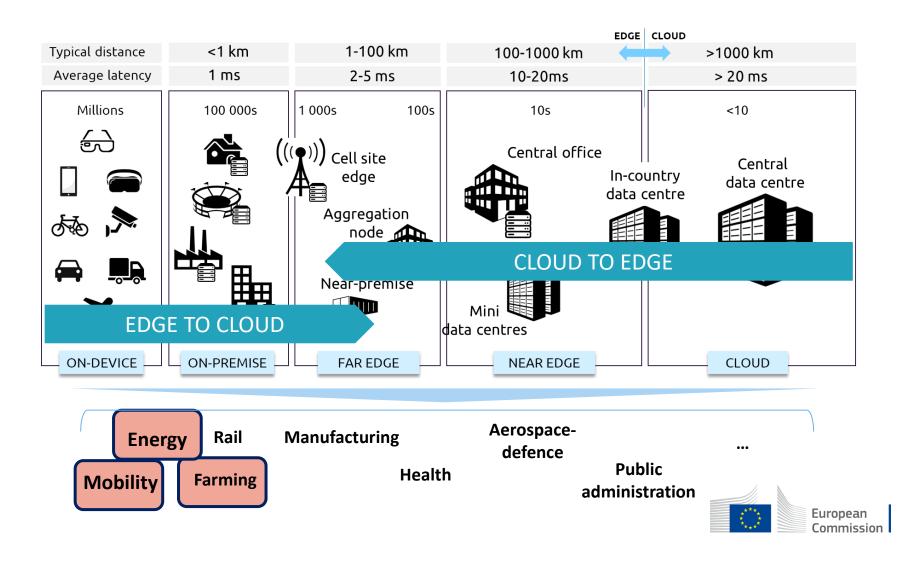


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Research and Innovation

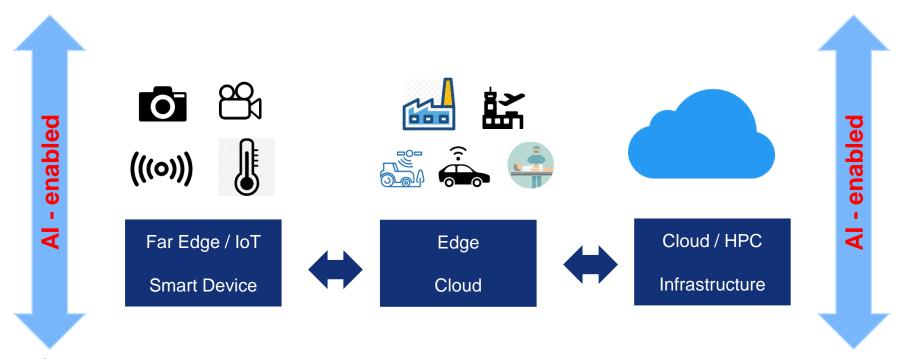
Digital Decade objectives for the cloud & edge computing continuum by 2030





Cloud – Edge – IoT computing continuum R&I on the next generation Cloud-to-Edge-to-IoT technologies

An Al-enabled Cloud-Edge-IoT Continuum



Seamless, transparent and trustworthy integration of diverse computing and data environments spanning from core cloud to edge to IoT

INTELLIGENCE, AUTOMATION and INTEROPERABILITY → ADAPTABILITY



From Cloud to Edge to IoT for European Data Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023/24

2021/22

2023/24

CSAs: Co-ordination and roadmapping

DATA-2021-01-07 / DATA-2021-01-08

Destination 4 2022-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-26

Open Source for Cloud based services

DATA-2022-01-03

Environments & tools for **Decentralised Intelligence** at edge

Destination 3

DATA-2021-01-05

Future European Platforms for the Edge: Meta OS

DATA-2022-01-02

Cognitive Cloud

Framework: Al-enabled **Computing Continuum**

CSAs: Co-ordination and roadmapping:

DATA-2023-01-07

DATA-2023-01-06

Open Source for Cloud/ Edge and Software Engineering Fundamentals to support Digital **Autonomy:**

Research TRL 4-7

- Open architectures for Cloud/Edge processing
- · Complementing on SW-level EU semiconductor projects
- Enabling EU HW for Cloud/ edge data-centre use
- · Stimulating open source communities
- Increase strategic autonomy

Industrial Cloud / Edge Technology Roadmap

Piloting emerging Smart IoT Platforms and decentraised intelligence: Innovation TRL 4-7

- Mature and customise emerging smart IoT technologies
- · Validate reference architectures and open platforms in application context
- · Foster innovation scenarios of ubiquitous data and computation in the computing continuum
- Consensus and ecosystem building in and across verticals
- Bridging between research & adoption through piloting in/across verticals

DATA-2023-01-04 **Cognitive Computing** Continuum: Intelligence & automation for more efficient data processing:

Research TRL 2-5

- Management of the computing continuum
- Swarm computing and decentralised intelligence
- End-to-end security and identity management across the continuum
- "Green" optimisation of data processing across the continuum

Key Input from:

Industrial Cloud/Edge Technology Roadmap

and

ADRA SRIDA



European Commission

Key Input: Key Input: Cloud-Edge-IoT Strategy Forum

From Cloud to Edge to IoT for European Data - HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-04: Cognitive Computing Continuum: Intelligence and automation for more efficient data processing (RIA) 28 Million EUR (LUMP SUM) TRL2-5, 4-6 mil. EUR per project

Scope:

- Al-enabled Management of the whole computing continuum enabled by Swarm computing and decentralized intelligence. This will allow services and data to be seamlessly processed across various providers, connectivity types and network zones.
- Novel automated management tools, programming models, learning and decision-making methods, and approaches able to cope with end-to-end security and identity management, resources heterogeneity, extreme scale and fault-tolerance together with elasticity to flexibly allocate resources and tasks.
- Intelligent compute, data and code orchestration mechanisms to allow efficient value extraction from the huge volumes of generated data while supporting resource dynamicity and scalability across the compute continuum.
- **➢Optimization of energy efficiency** and ecological sustainability taking into account endto- end data processing across the continuum.



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TRL2-5, 4-6 mil. EUR per project



Expected Outcome:

- Enhanced openness and strategic autonomy in the evolving data and AI economies across the computing continuum including adapted system integration at the edge and at device level, validation of key sectors and nurturing European value chains to accelerate and steer the digital and green transitions.
- ➤ Paving the way to strategic industrial cooperation in data processing required to support future hyper-distributed applications by building open platforms, underpinning an emerging industrial open edge ecosystem critical to establishing a mature European supply chain.
- Establishment of adaptive hybrid computing, cognitive clouds and edge intelligence beyond today's investments on data infrastructure.
- ➤ Better international collaboration with trusted partner regions, guaranteeing a minimum level of interoperability, portability thereby fostering competition in the Cloud/Edge services market for the European cloud/edge and software industry and facilitate European access to foreign markets.



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Other Important aspects:

RIAs:

- For security and identity management, proposals are expected to apply state-of-the-art technologies, develop synergies and relate to activities and outcomes in *Cluster 3 (namely, HORIZON-CL3-2023-CS-01-01: Secure distributed platforms (IoT, Edge, Cloud, Dataspaces) and HORIZON-CL3-2023-CS-01-02: Privacy-preserving and identity technologies)*.
- Projects are expected to develop synergies and relate to activities and outcomes of the <u>Digital Europe Programme (DEP)</u> (topics 2.1.1, 2.1.2 and 2.1.3) and any existing or emerging Important Projects of Common European Interest (IPCEI) initiative, <u>IPCEI on Next Generation</u> Cloud Infrastructure and Services.
- Interoperability approaches (based on open standards, interoperability models and open platforms) should be considered where appropriate.

RIAs and CSAs:

- International cooperation is encouraged, especially with Japan and S. Korea.
 - NO FUNDING by the EU for international entities! They need to secure their own funding!



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-04: Cognitive Computing Continuum: Intelligence and automation for more efficient data processing (RIA)

What are we looking for?

Development of <u>generic</u> and <u>advanced</u> <u>Al-enabled</u> <u>Cloud/Edge technologies</u>, <u>mechanisms</u>, <u>techniques</u>, <u>etc. covering the whole continuum</u>.

Research on cloud/edge technologies! not in Al

- For example: hyper-distributed computing approaches encompassing resources from IoT and far-edge constrained devices, to federated fog/edge computing nodes to central cloud computing centres and hybrid cloud models which exploit Artificial Intelligence techniques
- ➤ Beyond State-of-the-art, not incremental type of research → cutting-edge novel approaches, TRL 2-5.
- The proposals should demonstrate the applicability and viability of the proposed technological solutions across multiple application domains.

What do we **NOT** want?

- Using existing Cloud/Edge technologies as an enabler for research in other domains (e.g., Al, IoT, BigData, 5G, etc.)
- Any User Application development <u>using existing Cloud/Edge/Al technologies</u>



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-04 & 06

Current Project Portfolio and Future Outlook

- HE cloud-edge-iot projects https://eucloudedgeiot.eu/
- H2020 Cloud projects https://www.h-cloud.eu/projects/research-innovation/ and Funding and Tenders (F&T) portal: ICT-15, <a href="https://www.h-cloud.eu/projects/research-inno
- Roadmap published by the Alliance on Industrial Data and Cloud
- White paper on future cloud research https://www.h-cloud.eu/news/h-cloud-publishes-final-version-of-white-paper-cloud-computing-in-europe/
- Related videos on future research https://www.h-cloud.eu/videos/
- DEP and IPCEI on Next Generation Cloud Infrastructure and Services



Lump Sum https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/other/event221020.htm





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http://ec.europa.eu/horizon-europe https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/cloud-computing



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HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01

Novel paradigms and approaches, towards AI-driven autonomous robots (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)

We are looking for:

- Achieve substantial "next step autonomy" in robots, undertaking nonrepetitive tasks in realistic settings, including Human-Robot interactions, as well as robots acting in isolation, demonstrated in key high impact sectors where robotics has the potential to deliver significant economic and/or societal benefits.
- Deliver a step change in autonomy essential for the diffusion of robots in various industries, sectors and services.
- Accelerate enabling conditions essential for the diffusion of robots in various industries, sectors and services.
- TRL: start at 2-3 and achieve 4-5 at the end of the project
- Indicative project size ~8M€ (Indicative budget: 30M€)



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 Novel paradigms and approaches, towards AI-driven autonomous robots (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)

We do NOT want:

- Proposals with **limited ambition** on robot autonomy delivering only incremental progress over the scientific state of the art.
- Non-realistic settings disconnected from actual needs of key industries, sectors and services (end-user involvement is key)
- Focus on low impact sectors with little potential to deliver economic or societal benefits.
- **DO NOT DEVIATE FROM ADMIN/FORMAL requirements**: e.g. transfer of essential information to annexes to overcome page limits, font size and formatting imposed by the templates...



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 Key actors

Types of stakeholders that are addressed:

- Academy and research organizations
- Robot system manufacturers and integrators
- End users
 - Pay attention to requirements on multidisciplinarity + SSH (if human interaction)



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 Topic evolution

The main focus of this topic is new, but it has close relationship with some topics of the work-programme 2021-2022:

- HORIZON-CL4-2021-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-11
 Pushing de limit of robotic cognition (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2021-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-12 European Network of Excellence Centres in Robotics (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2022-DIGITAL-EMERGING-02-06
 Pushing de limits of physical intelligence and performance (RIA)

This topic is complemented by the topic:

• HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics – advanced human robot interaction (IA)



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 Topic evolution

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Current project portfolio of RIAs in robotics (Horizon Europe)
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2021-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-11 Pushing de limit of robotic cognition:

101070066 REGO

101070292 HARIA

101070254 CoreSense

101070165 AGIMUS

101070381 PILLAR-Robots

101070227 CONVINCE

101069536 MOZART

101070136 IntelliMan

101070310 SESTOSENSO

2021-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-12 European Network of Excellence Centres in Robotics

101070596 euROBIN



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02

Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics – advanced human robot interaction (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

We are looking for:

- Proposals must target one of these two scopes (to be identified in the proposal):
 - 1. Development of innovative solutions to address major application-driven challenges (min 50% FSTP),
 - 2. **Large scale pilots** bringing major industries from key application sectors in Europe (FSTP optional)
- To reach the point where human robot interaction adds value and improves the quality of outcome for complex tasks.
- To address challenges in key industries and develop solutions that address human robot interaction at all levels from physical interaction to social interaction in a variety of working environments.
- Boost the innovation potential for wide uptake of AI, Data and Robotics.
- Proposals should include a clear business case and exploitation strategy.
- TRL: start at 3-5 and achieve 6-7 at the end of the project
- Indicative project size ~10M€
 (Indicative budget: 30M€)



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics – advanced human robot interaction (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

We do <u>NOT</u> want:

- Academic exercises with **limited potential for commercial exploitation** of the results after the end of the project.
- Non-realistic settings disconnected from actual needs of key industries, sectors and services.
- Focus on low impact sectors with little potential to deliver economic or societal benefits.
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HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 Key actors

Types of stakeholders that are addressed:

- Robot system manufacturers and integrators
- Tech-transfer institutions (e.g. DIHs, competence centers...)
- Academy and research organizations
- End users
 - Pay attention to requirements on multidisciplinarity + SSH (if human interaction)



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 Topic evolution

The main focus of this topic is new, but it has close relationship with some topics from the work-programme 2021-2022:

- HORIZON-CL4-2021-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-11
 AI, data and Robotics for the Green Deal (IA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2021-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-12
 AI, Data and Robotics at work (IA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2022-DIGITAL-EMERGING-02-05
 AI, data and robotics for industry optimisation (including production and services) (IA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2022-DIGITAL-EMERGING-02-07
 Increased robotics capabilities demonstrated in key sectors (IA)

This topic is complemented by the topic:

• HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 Novel paradigms and approaches, towards AI-driven autonomous robots (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)



HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 Topic evolution

Current project portfolio of IA (Horizon Europe):

101070080	DARROW	101070588	HACID

101070076 CLARUS 101069994 EARASHI

101070046 ALCHIMIA 101070600 SOFTENABLE

101070115 TUBERS <u>101069499</u> FAIRWork

101070405 DIGIFOREST 101070440 FEROX

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101070320 ROMAIN 101070604 SIMAR

101070321 GRINNER

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HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01

Efficient trustworthy AI - making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership)





HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01 Efficient trustworthy AI - making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)

- EU contribution per project: EUR 7-9 million
- Indicative budget of the call: EUR 35 million
- TRL: Achieve TRL 4-5 by the end of the project
- Eligibility conditions are described in **General Annex B**. The following exceptions apply: If projects use satellite-based earth observation, positioning, navigation and/or related timing data and services, beneficiaries must make use of Copernicus and/or Galileo/EGNOS (other data and services may additionally be used)
- To ensure a balanced portfolio coverage, grants will be awarded to applications not only in order of ranking but at least also to the highest ranked proposals for each of the two focus areas, provided that the applications attain all thresholds



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01 Efficient trustworthy AI - making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)

We are looking for:

- Optimized AI solutions: optimizing model design and data usage to maximize accuracy and robustness.
- Ensure in general, the pipeline of high-quality, representative, unbiased and compliant training data for AI development in all relevant sectors
- Support data preparation and AI training processes that lead to efficient and more trustworthy AI



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01 - Focus

- automated and AI-based mining, harvesting, selection, cleaning, annotation, and/or enrichment/augmentation of data for AI; generating and using synthetic data to reduce the need for large volumes of real and potentially sensitive data; validating the efficiency of these processes in AI systems;
- lighter, less data-intensive and less energy-consuming AI models, optimized learning processes that require less input (data efficient AI) without degrading the quality of the output; machine learning methods and architectures that deal with lower volumes such as transfer learning; one-shot learning; continuous and/or lifelong learning.

! Proposals should clearly mention which of the two areas will be their main focus area.



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01 Efficient trustworthy AI - making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA) - additional information

- contribute to increasing data efficiency and energy efficiency of AI, and rationalize the provision of data for AI. The work should support appropriate AI paradigms (central, distributed, dynamic, hybrid), responding and adapting easily to the needs of the use situation, and to the changing characteristics, availability and use conditions for data.
- Target AI systems should be appropriately evaluated, and results analysed and fed back to ensure continuous improvement of the "data for AI" pipeline.



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01 Efficient trustworthy AI - making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA) - additional information

- The proposal should describe the **characteristics and availability** of the data to be used within the project and explain how the possible privacy and IPR issues related to the data are addressed.
- In order to achieve the expected outcomes, **international cooperation** is **encouraged**, in particular with Canada and India.



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01 Efficient trustworthy AI - making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)

We do NOT want:

 Proposals with limited ambition delivering only incremental progress over the scientific state of the art.

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HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02

Large Scale pilots on trustworthy AI data and robotics addressing key societal challenges(AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)







HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02 Large Scale pilots on trustworthy AI data and robotics addressing key societal challenges (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

- EU contribution per project: EUR 8 million
- Indicative budget of the call: EUR 24 million
- TRL: Achieve TRL 6-7 by the end of the project
- Eligibility conditions are described in General Annex B.
- All proposals should demonstrate the assessment criteria upon which the proposed sectors/use-cases have been selected (e.g. in terms of socioeconomic factors, etc.)
- involvement of end-users in the requirement and validation of the pilots to ensure humancentric approach and maximise acceptance



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02: Large Scale pilots on trustworthy AI data and robotics addressing key societal challenges (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

We are looking for:

- Strengthening EU's ecosystem of AI, Data and Robotics excellence and innovation in world class foundational and application-inspired and application-oriented research;
- Technology progress in AI addressing major challenges hampering the deployment of AI, Data and Robotics technologies;
- Wide uptake of AI, Data and Robotics technologies by industry and end-users towards the Digital Decade targets for 2030.



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02

We do NOT want:

- Academic focus with limited potential for commercial exploitation of the results after the end of the project.
- Lack of or limited **end user** involvement (human-centric approach)
- Lack of critical mass of industry and therefore non-realistic settings disconnected from actual needs of key industries, sectors and services.
- Focus on low impact sectors with little potential to deliver economic or societal benefits.
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HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02 Key actors

Types of stakeholders that are addressed:

- Academy and research organizations
- Critical mass of industry in targeted sectors/applications (incl. SMEs and startups)
- End user involvement (human centric approach)

Key group of actors driving this:

 AI, Data and Robotics Partnership <u>https://adr-association.eu/</u>



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04

Open innovation: Addressing Grand challenges in AI (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (CSA)







HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04 Open innovation: Addressing Grand challenges in AI (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (CSA)

- EU contribution: EUR 4 million
- Indicative budget of the call: EUR 4 million
- **TRL:** Achieve **TRL 4-5** by the end of the project
- FSTP: minimum 50% of the requested EU funding
- The support to third parties can only be provided in the form of prizes.
- The maximum amount to be granted to each third party is **EUR 500.000** to address open innovation challenges on key important S&T challenges and drive general progress on important tasks through a common challenge/benchmark problem.
- Eligibility conditions are described in General Annex B.



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04

We are looking for:

- Demonstrate and reinforce Europe's research excellence in AI by driving substantial scientific progress in the following major scientific & technological AI areas
- Develop prestigious AI open innovation challenges that will mobilise wide participation of top scientists from academia, industry including start-ups and as well as young teams and rising stars from all over EU and Associated countries.
- Substantially increase interest from industry in AI (incl. SMEs and start-ups), in particular from key socio-economic sectors for Europe, and contributing to uptake of research results by industry



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04

Aim of open innovation challenges:

- Attract outstanding talent and the best research teams to tackle key scientific and technological AI challenges, of relevance to industry.
- Drive substantial and broad scientific progress in key AI areas with the aim to reinforce the research excellence in Europe.
- Enable strong cooperation and co-creation between academia and industry
- Attract industry and business interest in demonstrating advanced performances
 meeting the needs of user industry, in view of fostering deployment and business
 opportunities in Europe.
- Define a process that fosters the uptake of developed algorithms/solutions across Europe



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04:

CSA should prepare **at least** three open innovation challenges addressing challenges in collaboration with the projects funded under the following topics:

- Optimisation (in collaboration with CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01)
- natural language understanding and interaction (in collaboration with CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-03)
- Explainability, robustness (with CL4-**2024**-HUMAN-01-06)
- and collaborative intelligence (with CL4-2024-HUMAN-01-07)

The projects funded through these calls should participate in the respective open innovation challenges, and can receive rewards, but will not be eligible to receive prize money as they are already funded.



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04:

Proposals are expected to:

- Provide a sound methodology for the design of AI challenges as open innovation challenges and/or benchmarks
- Provide a convincing approach to attract the best teams from academia and industry, incl. start-ups and SMEs, students, rising stars and newcomers
- Address all aspects of running open innovation challenges and best exploit them to maximise the visibility of AI to the wider audience.
- Mobilise external partners (incl. from industry)
- Collaborate with the AI on Demand Platform, the AI, Data and Robotics
 Partnership, the Networks of AI excellence centres, and projects funded
 under CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01+03, CL4-2024-HUMAN-01-06+07, as well as
 other relevant initiatives.



HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04 Open innovation: Addressing Grand challenges in AI (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (CSA)

We do NOT want:

- Proposals with limited ambition and plans delivering only incremental progress over the scientific state of the art.
- Lack of expertise to organize, plan and to attract and engage outstanding talent and best research teams in the challenges
- Limited visibility of the innovation challenges

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HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04 Key actors

Types of stakeholders that are addressed:

- Academy, research organizations and organizations having experience with carrying out innovation challenges
- industry (incl. SMEs and startups)

Key group of actors driving this:

 AI, Data and Robotics Partnership https://adr-association.eu/







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HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-03: Natural Language Understanding and Interaction in Advanced Language Technologies (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)

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Natural Language Understanding and Interaction in Advanced Language Technologies



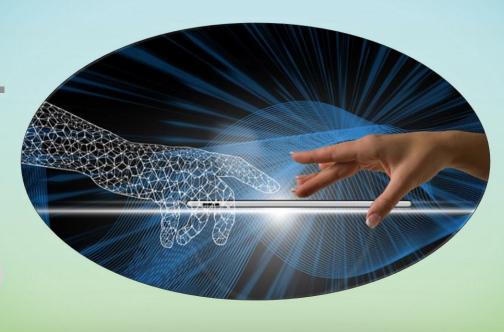
(Al Data and Robotics Partnership)



CHALLENGE

Effective Al-based humanmachine interaction and collaboration







TOPIC BUDGET

EU CONTRIBUTION PER PROJECT



TRL









20 Mio

6-8 Mio

(3 projects)

RIA

TRL 2-5



What are we looking for?





EXPECTED OUTCOMES (1/4)

Development of natural language understanding and interaction in advanced language technologies, based on context-aware language models able to

- further integrate long-term general knowledge and
- derive meaning

in order to

- develop automated reasoning
- and enhanced interaction skills.



EXPECTED OUTCOMES (2/4)

Effective multilingual and biascontrolled language models, capable of

- learning from smaller language corpora,
- efficient in computing and
- respectful of European values.



EXPECTED OUTCOMES (3/4)

Al systems and solutions based on novel multilingual pre-trained language models that have assimilated

- cross-language and
- cross-cultural knowledge through
- textual and
- speech input.



EXPECTED OUTCOMES (4/4)

Higher uptake of innovative language technology solutions by European companies, providing extensive language coverage of Al-enabled applications and services in Europe.



SCOPE (1/6)

Improve context-aware humanmachine interaction to increase

- understanding and
- exploitation

of

- the interaction context and
- content in multimodal settings,

thus increasing responsiveness of interactive AI solutions, such as

- smart assistants,
- conversational and dialogue systems,
- content generation models, etc.





SCOPE (2/6)

..support and enhance seamless human-to-human communication across languages e.g. by means of

- automatic translation or
- interpretation (incl. automatic subtitling) in real time
 with a greater understanding of
- the communication context and
- the meaning involved in it.





SCOPE (3/6)

AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Developing novel methods and techniques for producing context-aware models, which incorporate
 - factual-based structured and
 - unstructured knowledge



in

- broader situational and
- temporal information, and continual learning to achieve natural
- behaviour and
- reasoning
 in all intended settings.



SCOPE (4/6)

Improving large pre-trained multilingual language models to cover a large set of languages, with



- a high level of natural language understanding and
- the ability to efficiently add more languages, including low-resource ones, via
- transfer or
- language-independent learning methods.



SCOPE (5/6)

Improving language-independent and bias-controlling algorithms and methods for language model training and usage efficiency in terms of data, time and energy consumption while retaining performance, accuracy and general usability.







SCOPE (6/6)

Developing language representations, encompassing an effective combination of multilingual, symbolic and sub-symbolic knowledge and allowing systems to perform cross-cultural reasoning in various contextual tasks.









CONDITIONS (1/2)

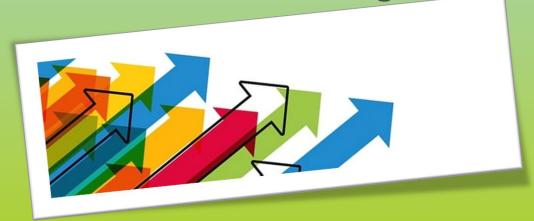
- ✓ Appropriate expertise, incl. data science, computer science, computational linguistics, machine learning, natural language processing, biases in language models, etc.
- ✓ Building on existing standards and contributing to standardisation.
- ✓ Resulting in findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable research data including metadata schemas and ontologies.





CONDITIONS (2/2)

- Embedding mechanisms to assess and demonstrate progress (qualitative and quantitative KPIs, benchmarking and progress monitoring, as well as illustrative application use-cases demonstrating concrete potential added value).
- ✓ Sharing communicable results with the European R&D community through the Al-on-demand platform, Common European Data Spaces (esp. Language Data Space), etc.
- ✓ Participation in the innovation challenges.





What do we NOT want?

- Simple copying / refreshing of existing ideas/ technologies/ solutions.
- Proposals where language modelling technologies and their evident applications are not the main subject.
- Proposals with a vague / imprecise description of the action.





Topic evolution

HORIZON-CL4-2021-HUMAN-01-13 eXtended Reality Modelling (RIA)





HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-03

Natural Language Understanding and Interaction in Advanced Language Technologies (Al Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)



Current project portfolio

SERMAS (Socially-acceptable Extended Reality Models and Systems)

https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101070351



UTTER (Unified Transcription and Translation for Extended Reality)

https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101070631

VOXReality (Voice driven interaction in XR spaces)

https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101070521

Key actors

Leading research entities with expertise in:

Artificial Intelligence, especially Natural Language Processing, Data Science, Computational Linguistics, etc.



Communication, Telepresence, Smart Assistants, Chatbots, Content Generation, Internet of Things, Robotics, etc.



Additional/ background documents



https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/language-technologies

https://www.european-language-technology.eu/

https://live.european-language-grid.eu/

https://european-language-equality.eu/

https://www.lr-coordination.eu/



Future Outlook

Artificial Intelligence Index Report 2022

Stanford University

https://aiindex.stanford.edu/report/



Future Today Institute

https://futuretodayinstitute.com/trends/

State of AI Report 2022

Nathan Benaich, Ian Hogarth

https://www.stateof.ai/





More information

Call opening: 8/12/2022

Call deadline: 29/03/2023

Call page: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-

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pic-details/horizon-cl4-2023-human-01-03







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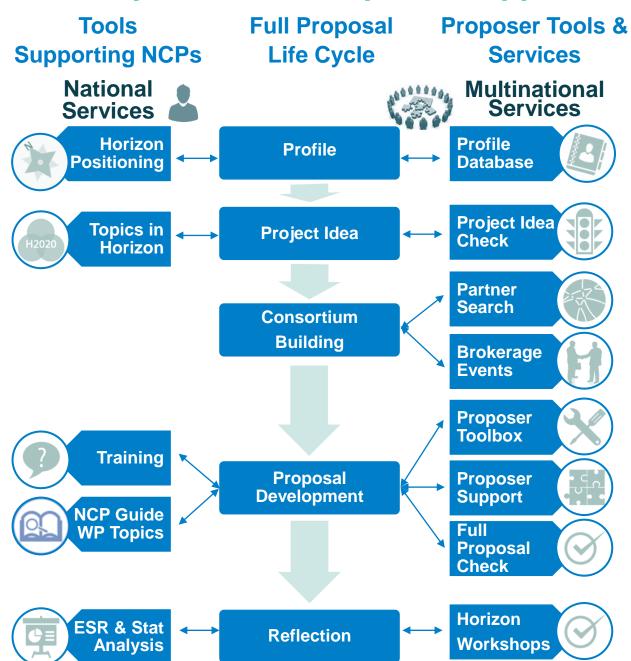


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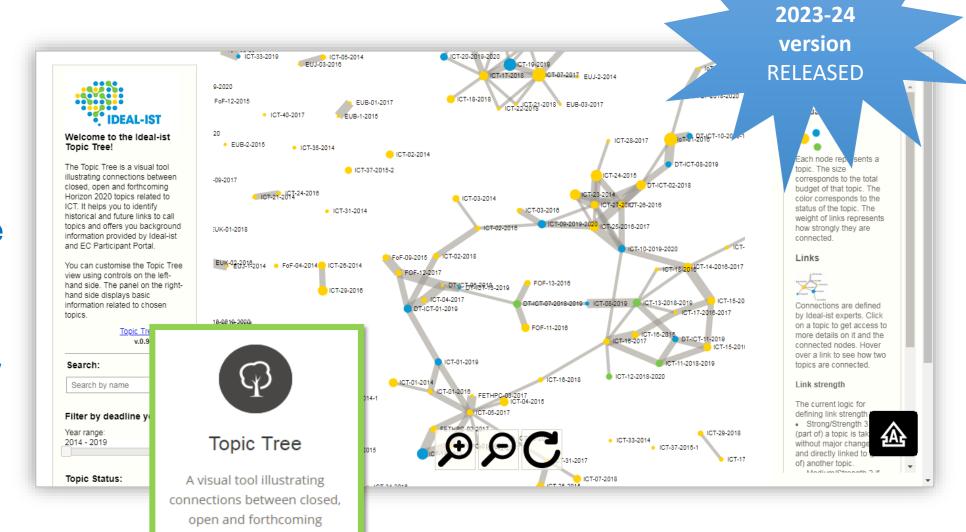
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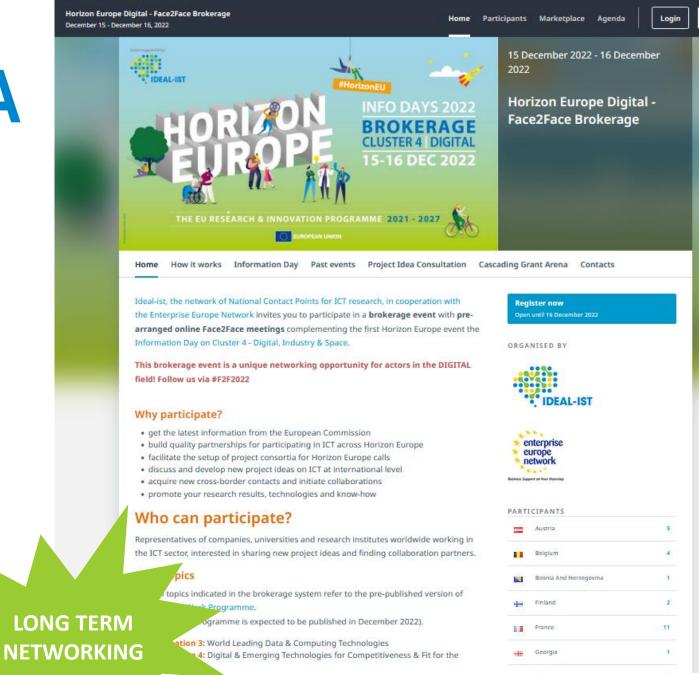
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PROBLEM & SOLUTION

Our solution:

Stand-alone easy-to-use non-invasive BCI with dedicated graphical and auditory interface for communication and ALS daily needs





MODEL X MODEL C



Reading brain waves and muscle impulses

BirgerMind AI engine

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Real-time signal interpretation into 5 controls for typing and browsing

BirgerMind UI

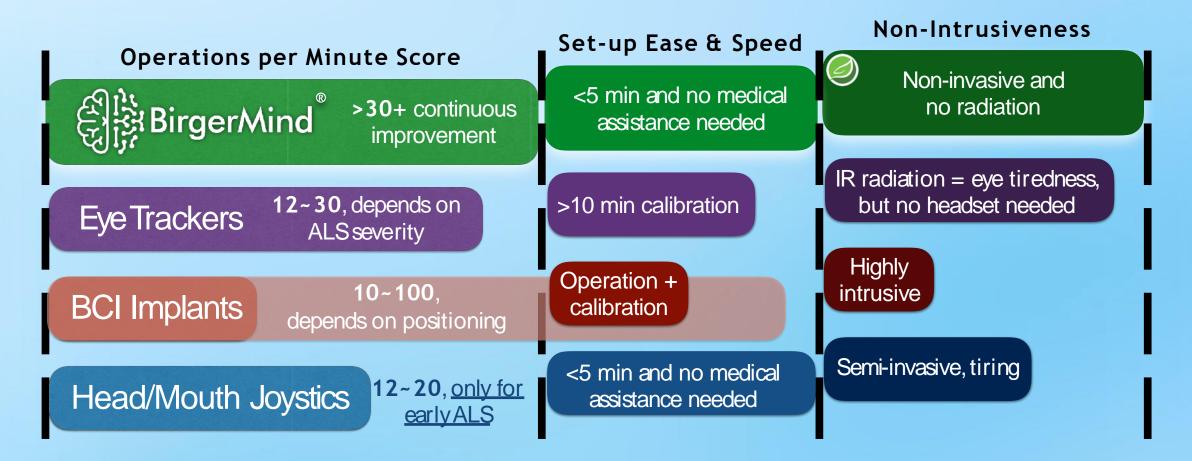


Text-to-speech, e-mails, chats, ALS browser for social media & news...









FASTER AND EASIER COMMUNICATION



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic: HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01

Type of project: Research and Innovation Action

Project objectives:

A system design for autonomous dispatch of data collecting workers (UAVs).



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WANTED

Competences & Skills wanted

Coordination, Writing, Domain expertise

Types of partners sought

Industry, University research partners, public authorities

Work to be performed

System prototyping, system development and integration, data aquicition



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EXPERTISE OFFER

Experimental cluster facility access

Systems development (kubernetes, worker-queue systems, etc)

Data science (earth observation, edge computing)

Growing history of projects related to analysis of drone data (lidar, optical, etc)

5G-edge APK development for drone image collection pipelines





The work on AI of the CAOS research group

Axel Brando, Jaume Abella, Francisco J. Cazorla CAOS Research Group (www.bsc.es/caos)

Barcelona Supercomputing Center (BSC)

CAOS (computer architecture / operating system or the high-performance real-time group)

- International and multidisciplinary (~50 members, 15+ years of experience)
 - Multiple (EU projects (+7) coordinated, (+10) participated, bilateral contracts with industry, spin-off creation
 - 200+ publications in top conferences and journals, several best paper awards
- Design and validation safe, time predictable, and high-performance hardware and software solutions for Embedded and safety-Critical Systems (ECS)
 - Al is central due to increasing autonomy of systems (cars, planes, space missions, robots, etc.)
- Key Al-related research topics in CAOS
 - Designing robust machine learning models and AI-based systems:
 - Uncertainty quantification
 - Improve explainability and traceability
 - Combine with Extreme Value Theory (EVT) to enhance AI forecasts
 - Modelling of uncertainty
 - Applicable across multiple domains (e.g., autonomous cars, financial, pharmacological)
 - Increase the reliability, robustness and trustworthy of any AI-based forecasting system
 - Distinguish probabilistic sources of uncertainty, apply risk mitigation measures, increase interpretability









Horizon Europe SAFEXPLAIN (coordinated project)

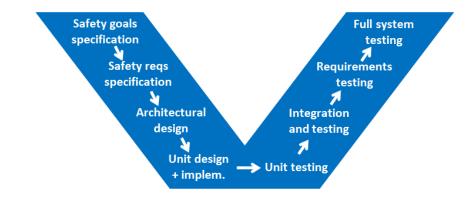
Safe and Explainable Critical Embedded Systems based on Al

- Al needed to realize autonomous systems
- But AI challenges common practice for FUSA-related software
 - Failure rates, data used for software design, etc.
- SAFEXPLAIN goals
 - Make DL components explainable and traceable by design
 - DL components built with FUSA in mind.
 - Adapt FUSA standards to allow certifying DL software
 - Make standards amenable to intrinsic DL characteristics (e.g., failure rates, data used for design).
 - Preserve sufficiently high levels of performance to meet safety goals (e.g., 25 FPS).
- Do not consider each part on its own, but keep a continuous dialogue among DL, FUSA and platform experts, along with end users to make all pieces fit together.





European Union's Horizon Europe programme under grant agreement number



- SW (algorithm) deterministic. Systematic errors management
- Data is abstracted (name, source, but not its values)
- Algorithm is "data-independent" (defined independently of how the data looks like)
- Code (SW) designed based on human expert knowledge and physical laws/operational rules
- SW (algorithm): Not always deterministic and limited predictability/explainability
- Algorithm behavior is determined by actual data (e.g., weights of a DNN)
- Algorithm is fully "data-dependent"
- Software functionality can deliver erroneous predictions



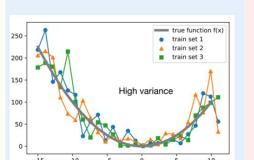




Modelling uncertainty as the barebone to build

 Analyze Al trustworthiness for its use in safety-critical systems.









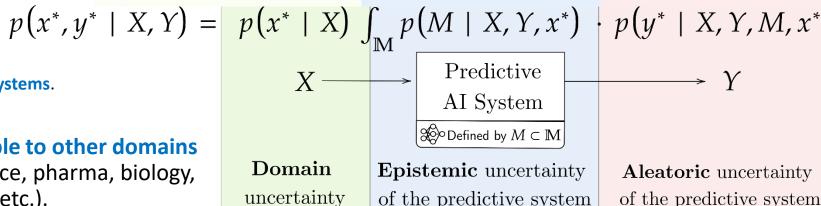
- Needed to
 - Determine safety risks.

 $p(y^* \mid X, Y, M, x^*)$

- Set appropriate mitigation.
- Enable AI use in certified systems.

 Trustworthy AI is applicable to other domains (e.g., finances, Earth science, pharma, biology,

medicine, social sciences, etc.).

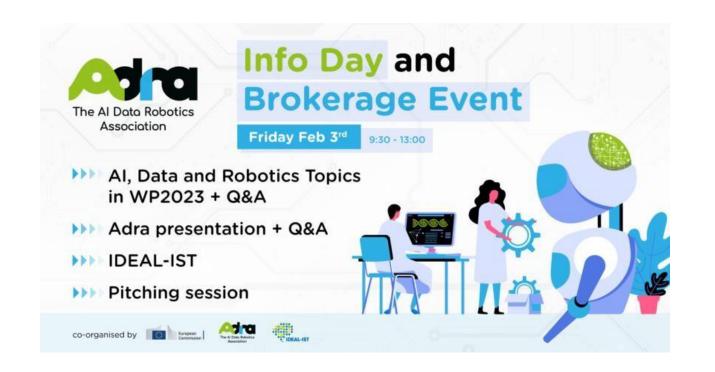


Axel Brando, Isabel Serra, Enrico Mezzetti, Francisco J. Cazorla, Jaume Abella, "Standardizing the Probabilistic Sources of Uncertainty for the sake of Safety Deep Learning", AAAI SafeAI Workshop, 2023.

Axel Brando "Aleatoric Uncertainty Modelling for Regression problems with Deep Learning". Doctoral dissertation Thesis (2022).

Applied to any standard Al-based forecasting process from a **probabilistic viewpoint**:

- Anomalous (outlier) combination of input values (Domain uncertainty).
- Bias produced for selecting a certain model (**Epistemic** uncertainty).
- Irreducible variability of the correct predicted values given the same input (**Aleatoric** uncertainty).



IDEKO/AdMuRob

Advanced Multitask Robotics (machining, vision, inspection, AM) Juanan Arrieta



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Targeted topics:

- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 Novel paradigms and approaches, towards Aldriven autonomous robots (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics advanced human robot interaction (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

Type of project:

RIA or IA

Project objectives:

- Smart mechatronics & software compensations for higher stiffness/accuracy.
- Robotics machining & polishing, for both metallic/composite parts
- Robotics in-line/in-process vision & inspection
- Additional tentative functionalities: mobility, AM, handling, load&unloading...
- Digitalisation through data capture & analytics, edge/cloud computing, local/cloud apps, data-spaces and data-lakes, AAS/IDS connectors, link to GAIA-X
- Data cleaning & FAIR data, as previous step for AI implementation





Competences & Skills wanted

- Tech providers both from robotics field as well as digitalisation
- Design & engineering capabilities
- NLP and robotics programming, HMI development
- Interaction with humans and machines (collision avoidance systems)
- System integrators

Types of partners sought

- Project coordinator
- Industrial tech providers
- User-groups from industrial sectors
- RTO/Univ with competences above mentioned

Work to be performed

• Programming, System Integration, Dissemination, Engineering, etc



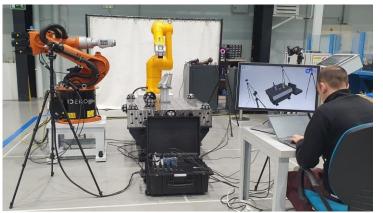
Info Day and Brokerage Event Friday Feb 3^{rc} 9:50 - 13:00

EXPERTISE OFFER

- Private and market-oriented RTO, skilled in advanced manufacturing, machine-tools & industrial production technologies.
- Close collaboration with INDUSTRY (Mondragon Corporation and DanobatGroup) as well as SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY partners (Basque Research & Technology Alliance -BRTA)
- Direct access to industry-driven use-cases in challenging targeted sectors (aerospace, railways, wind power, railways, oil&gas, etc)
- 4 robotics fields applied to manufacturing (machining, NDT inspection, vision, AM robotics)
- Development of smart mechatronics for compensation of low rigidity/precision of end-effector in robotics systems.
- Data capture & data analysis, development of IDS connector and AAS concept in multi-level industrial manufacturing (clamping/fixturing, workpiece, machine, process, system, factory domains)
- Self-diagnosis, condition-based monitoring (CBM), cloud computing for most critical components at manufacturing domain (bearings, ballscrews, guideways, gears...)
- Al for manufacturing, applied to predictive maintenance strategies (servitization) as well as optimization of manufacturing processes.









IDEKO is a research centre founded in 1986 and specialised in industrial production and manufacturing technologies, integrated into the IK4 Research Alliance. IDEKO's activity covers the design and development of products, business lines and production processes, the resolution of problems through the provision of technological services such as technical consultancy and equipment-based services. IDEKO is known for the scientific excellence developed in its 4 research groups which are aimed at advancing its specialisation.

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Main capabilities in Robotics:





MANUFACTURING PROCESSES

Design, development and improvement of production processes.





- Specialised in robotics for manufacturing and inspection.
- Robotic applications in milling, drilling, grinding, laser, additive manufacturing, composites manufacturing, NDT, etc.
- Mechatronics design and development for robot dynamics improvement.
- Robot vibration suppression solutions.
- Process and robot real-time control systems.
- Multi-domain simulation (FEM, control).
- Manufacturing process modelling and simulation.
- Accuracy increasing technologies: volumetric, thermal deformation, stiffness modelling.
- Vision based robot tracking system for accurate 6D location.
- Virtual commissioning, digital twin, system optimization.
- Cloud-based robot and process monitoring platform.
- Artificial Intelligence toolbox.









EU Research background:

- > 60 projects (50% as coordinators).
- Most recent coordinated project in robotics: COROMA



Facilities:

- Two robotic cells for manufacturing, assets of the Basque Digital Innovation Hub.
- Different industrial robots (Kuka, Stäubli, ABB)
- Two large workshops for prototype testing.
- Metrology, laser and composites laboratories.





















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PROJECT IDEA

Topic: HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01: Novel paradigms and approaches, towards AI-driven autonomous robots (AI, data and robotics partnership)

Type of project: (RIA)

Project objectives:

Next step autonomy in Human-Robot interaction, to reach the point where robots are able to autonomously adapt in order to socially interact with people in an everyday working environment.



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WANTED

Competences & Skills wanted

*Robotics and AI companies interested in any kind of autonomy such as collaborative, collective, cooperative.

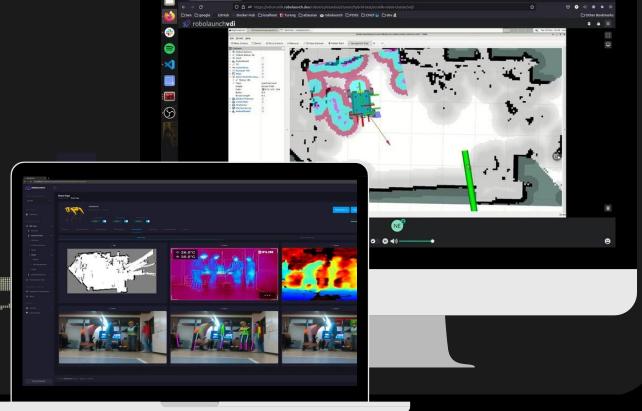
*Experience fused AI and the topics of renewable energy installations, such as wind turbines, photovoltaic farms, or in the maintenance of city infrastructure such as wastewater systems or road and rail infrastructures Complex healthcare tasks such as patient handling or in complex logistical operations such as the optimal packing of consumer goods for shipping.

Types of partners sought
Industry, SME, RTD center
Work to be performed
Programming and System Integration



ROBOLAUNCH

Cloud Scale Robotics







Who we are?



Founded in 2020



+10 Team Members



Deep expertise in Kubernetes, Cloud, Robotics&AI, 5G



Products / Expertise: Cloud Robotics Platform 3 different mobile robots

EU project experience: HORIZON-CL4-2022-DIGITAL-EMERGING-02 5G connected autonomous agricultural robots

(fleet) for carrying harvested fruits in the

agricultural field

Addressed calls/topics: HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01

HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02

HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-04 HORIZON-CL4-2024-DATA-01-01

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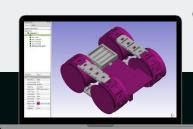






Unified

Cloud Robotics Platform.

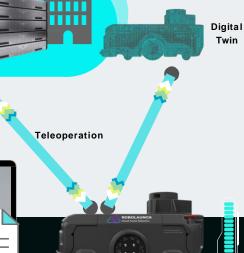












DESIGN

create 3D robots and worldviews for different use cases

DEVELOP

use Cloud based IDE without no manual software and library installation

03

SIMULATE

photo-realistic and gpuaccelerated physics simulation

04

AI/ML

use GPU accelerated Re-infocement learning for PID controller gen and usecases

05

DELIVER

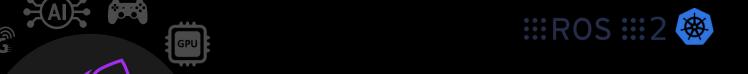
deploy robots in a declerative way "as a service" solutions for robot operators 06

OPERATE

configure, manage and monitor multiple robots and fleets in run-time

CLOUD POWERED

Mobile Robots.







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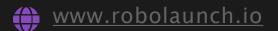


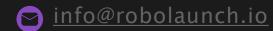
Education Robot (Skid Steering)

Agriculture Robot (Skid Steering)

Inspection Robot (Mecanum)

Thank you!







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70% of WORKFORCE ARE R&D ENGINEERS

Conversational Analytics



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic: HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-03: Natural Language Understanding and Interaction in Advanced Language Technologies

Type of project: (RIA)

Project objectives: Effective AI-based human-machine interaction and collaboration relies on grasping real meaning from natural languages, recognizing gestures and activities, understanding intention, creating and maintaining shared mental models and designing multistep interactions. Reciprocally, truly natural interaction between people and machines is essential for future AI-enabled systems across all application areas and domains.



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WANTED

Competences & Skills wanted Coordination

Types of partners sought Consortium

Use case provider candidates from SESTEK customer portfolio

- Retail Sector (Online e-commerce platform)
- Insurance Sector (headquartered in Paris with operations in 10 countries)
- Finance Sector (Private Banking Services)



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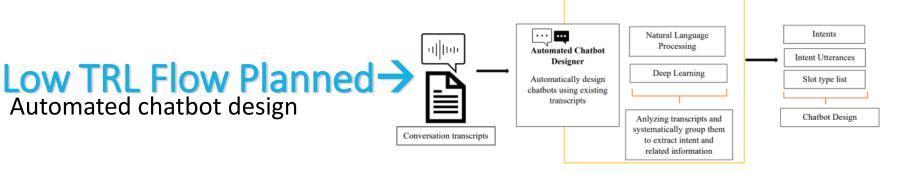
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EO

- context-aware human-machine interaction smart assistants, conversational and dialogue systems
- human-to-human communication across languages
- Potential low TRL research topics for the call:
 - New topic detection
 - Unstructured data utilization
 - Fine-grained and/or QA based intents
 - Context aware flow

EXPERTISE OFFER

- Natural Language Understanding (NLU)
- Speech recognition
- Text-to-speech
- Automatic language detection
- Conversational AI
 - Cognitive intent detection Independent dialog design Adaptive grammar engine - Named entity recognition - Multi-lingual - Spelling correction - Dialects and mispronunciations understood -Omnichannel reporting - On-premise and Cloud











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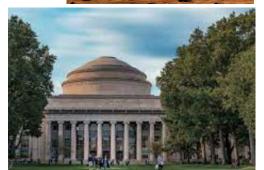










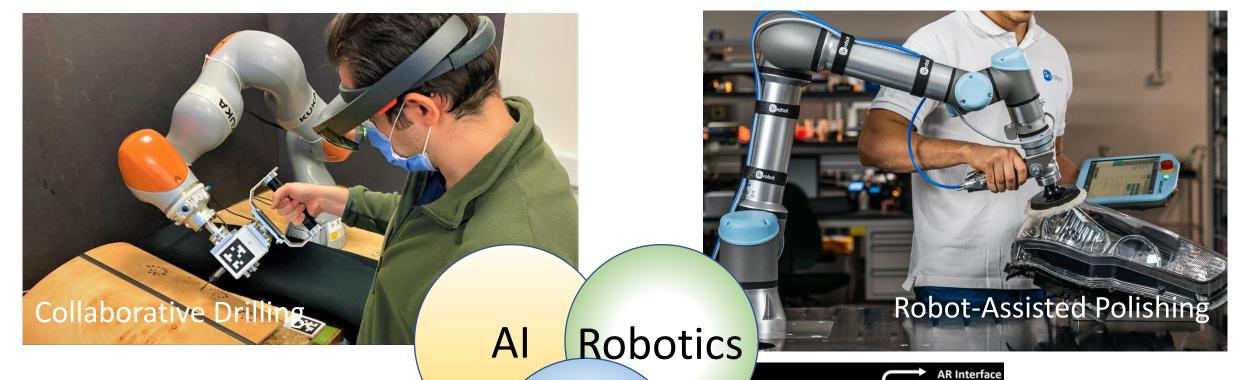












AR/VR Haptics

Collaborative Manipulation

Extensive experience with:

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→ Cobot



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic: A human-centred and ethical development of digital and industrial technologies (HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-01)

Type of project: *RIA*

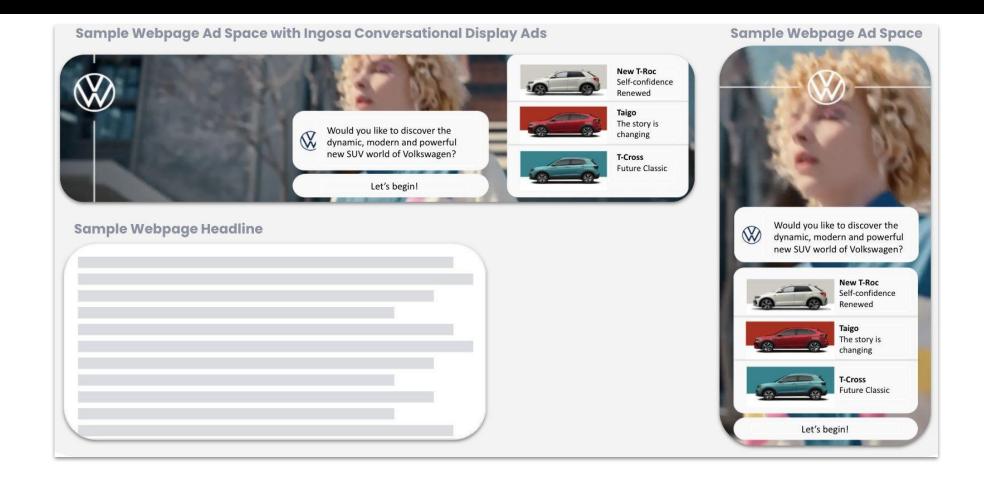
Project objectives:

- Demonstrate the value of human-machine collaboration and interaction by improved effectiveness, intuitiveness, efficiency, completeness, limits of knowledge indication and other objective or quantifiable subjective measures.
- Demonstrate how collaborative decision-making improves over human decision-making and that the collaborative decisions cover all stages of reasoning (that they are based on an improved coverage of data and knowledge sources, on an improved analytic ability to reason from input to output, and on a well-communicated decision).



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WANTED

Competences & Skills wanted

(Technical, Writing)

Types of partners sought

Industry (automotive, e-commerce, health-tourism, banking etc.), SME (who has a digital advertising budget), University (academics working on big data, synthetic data and usage of that data)

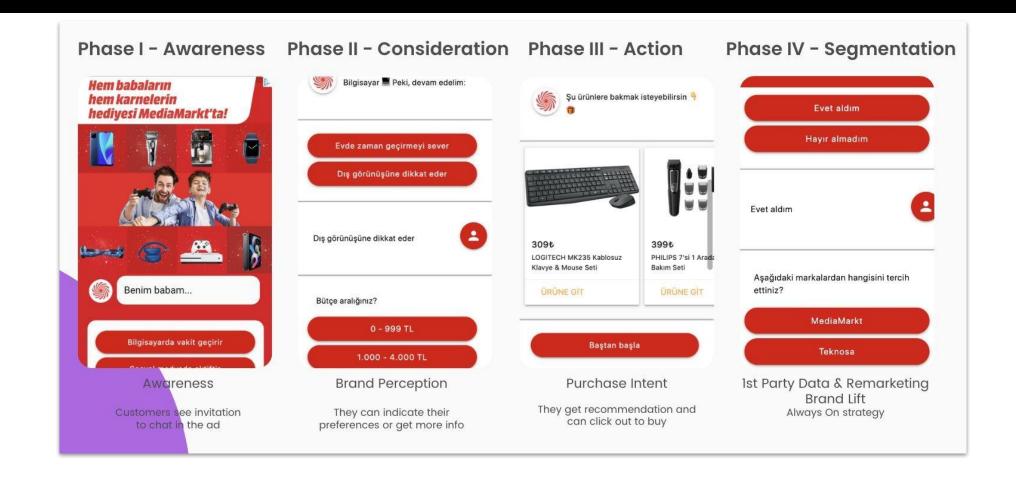
Work to be performed

(Sales, Mentoring)



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Overview

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Farplas

- designs,
- develops and
- manufactures vehicle sub-assemblies.

Farplas 1968 2500 10 250M Total R&D Production Foundation 2019 **Employment** Locations Centers Year Turnover

Customers





























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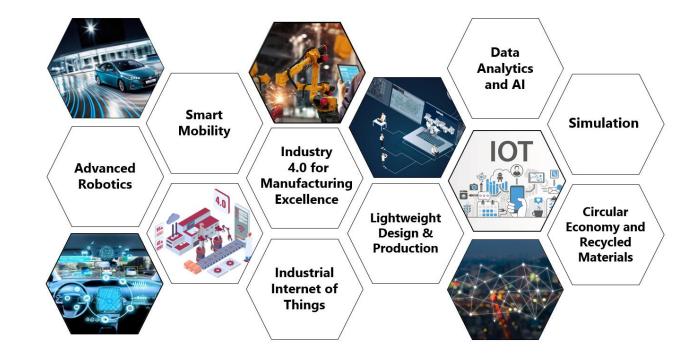
Products











- Design & Development
 - Concept Design
 - Product Development
 - Simulations and FEA
- Manufacturing Technologies
 - Injection Molding
 - Painting
 - Bonding
 - Finishing
 - Assembly
- Electronics
 - Electronic Design and Development
 - Production



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INTERESTED CALL TOPICS

Topic(s):

- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-04: Cognitive Computing Continuum: Intelligence and automation for more efficient data processing (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2024-DATA-01-01: AI-driven data operations and compliance technologies (AI, data and robotics partnership) (IA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02: Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics advanced human robot interaction (AI
 Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01: Efficient trustworthy AI making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)

Previous and Related Projects:



Human-Al Teaming Platform for Maintaining and Evolving Al Systems in Manufacturing



Industrial Data Services for Quality Control in Smart Manufacturing



Mitigating Diversity Biases of Al in the Labor Market



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic: •HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01: Novel paradigms and approaches, towards Al-driven autonomous robots (AI, data and robotics partnership)

Alternatives:

- HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02: Large Scale pilots on trustworthy AI data and robotics addressing key societal challenges (AI Data and Robotics Partnership)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02: Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics — advanced human robot interaction (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

Type of project: RIA

Use Case Offer

Koçtaş is developing Robots which can:

- Move autonomously
- Have the ability to map the store from end to end
- Make gap analysis to detect the finished products on a spesific ray
- Mark down analysis
- Control processes to inform the users / Create alert

With the following objectives which are aligned with the calls:

- To produce an autonomous operational robots which move on dynamic, complex environments
- Handle the routin repeated tasks according to the sector it is used.



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Use Case Offer

Topic: HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-03: Natural Language Understanding and Interaction in Advanced Language Technologies

In addition to Koçtaş's robots, voice response systems (NLP) can be integrated to

- Kiosks near cash boxes
- Selected rays

So that they can provide information on selected products and answer questions of customers.

WANTED

Looking for Consortia to Join for these Calls

Competences & Skills wanted

Al developers for complex tasks

New Usecase partners from different sectors

Types of partners sought

Industry, SME, RTD center, University, User-groups, etc

Work to be performed

Prototyping, Programming, System Integration,

Dissemination, Engineering



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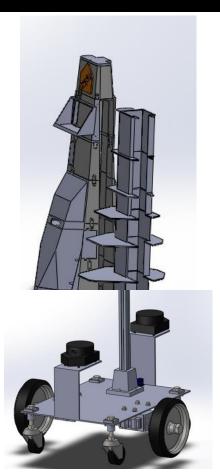
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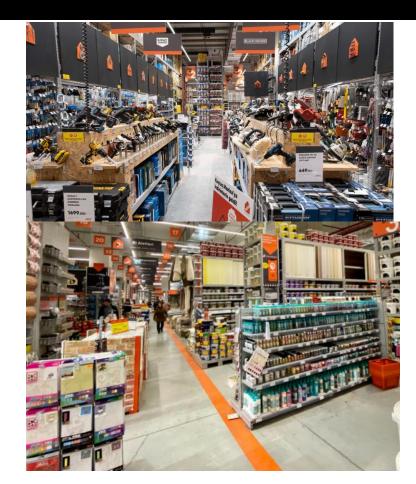


- The leader company of home improvement sector in Turkey
- 350 stores in both large and fix concept
- Online store: www.koctas.com.tr

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- ROS
- ARTAP
- Move base developments
- Hardware design (3D printing)
- Autonomous charging







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Strong Robotics and AI partner in Turkey Erol Sahin



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IDEAs: Robotic Inspection, Social Collaborative robots, etc. Topics:

- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 (Novel paradigms and approaches, towards Al-driven autonomous robots (Al, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04: Addressing Grand challenges in AI (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (CSA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02: Large Scale pilots on trustworthy AI data and robotics addressing key societal challenges (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

Type of project: (RIA, IA, CSA)



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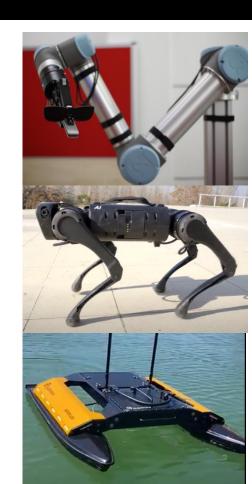
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ROMER has a large range of expertise in robotics and AI, with more than 60 faculty members under its umbrella.

Expertise includes, legged robotic system, swarm robotics, human-robotics, collaborative robots, robotic inspection, autonomous driving, deep learning, computer vision, reinforcement learning

Infrastructure includes a wide range of robotic platforms, UGVs, UAVs, Legged platforms, USVs, Mobile Manipulators, Collaborative robots, Mechatronic Workshop, Motion Capture systems etc.

Proposed activities







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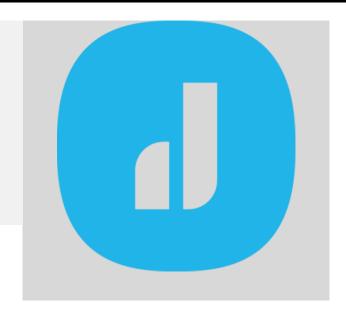
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We are a **Cloud Services & Consultancy Company** delivering services to enable our clients in their digital transformation journey.
With Large and Experienced team;

- 90+ Cloud & Data Engineers
- 30+ Data Scientists
- Implemented / ongoing projects in US, EU, META (KSA, UAE, Qatar, Turkey, Nigeria)

Retail

Telecommunications

Manufacturing

Gaming

Banking

An Agile Google Cloud Partner with E2E service capabilities

Cloud Migration

Cloud Data Warehouse

Cloud Workload

DWH implementation / Migration

Big Data Environments Hadoop, Kafka, Spark, Flink, Druid, nifi, etc

Analytics

Use Case Implementation

Data Science

Digital Twin

ΑI

Machine Learning

Data Integration

Data Reporting

Business Intelligence

Data Modelling

IoT



















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EXPERTISE OFFER:

- HORIZON-CL4-2024 DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-21
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-02
- HORIZON-CL4-2024-DATA-01-01
- HORIZON-CL4-2024-DATA-01-05

E2E services - Data collection, processing & visualization

Infrastructure services & Cloud migration

- Gap analysis between current IT infrastructure and customer business requirements
- Provide cloud transformation + data journey consultancy
- Lift & Shift, Optimize & Modernize using cloud services.
- Provide Cloud managed services + support to enable enterprises to focus on their core business instead of managing their platforms
- Timeframe 2 -4 weeks POC period

Use-Cases

Design

Services

offered

Implementation

• 3 -12+ months implementation

Data & Analytics

- Netezza, Exadata, Teradata, Vertica, Cloudera or from other cloud providers such as AWS or Azure and Google Big Query
- Assessment of current data models & best migration methodology, batch or real-time
- Visualize customized data reports
- 2-6 weeks POC period
- 3 -12+ months implementation

AI & Machine Learning

- Use-Case and scoping Workshop
- Multiple replicable Al use cases
- Multi-industry use case implementations.
- Machine Learning with Google Vertex AI and BigQuery AutoML
- Vision Al, Video Processing, Speech to Text
- 2 6 weeks POC period
- 3 6 months implementation



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic:

- HORIZON-CL3-2023-DRS-01-04 Robotics: Autonomous or semi-autonomous UGV systems to supplement skills for use in hazardous environments
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics advanced human robot interaction

Type of project: (RIA, IA)

Project objectives:

Physical support for helpers in disaster areas; Smart grippers for manipulation of any object



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Our research is dedicated to additive manufacturing, intelligent robotics, sensors and engineering.







Design



Process



Lightweight Design



Computational Mathematics: Simulation, Optimization

Grippers, Sensors, Wearables, Robotic AM



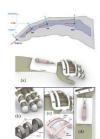


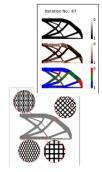




















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A Sicily-based team of industrial innovation advisors Domenico Guida



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WHO and WHERE

A team of 4 skilled and experienced professionals active in **Digital and Sustainable Innovation** projects

Based in Sicily (IT), with ongoing collaborations with manufacturing SMEs and Innovation agencies from other Italian and EU Regions





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SKILLS and EXPERTISE in

- EC funded projects writing and coordination (H2020, CEF, INNOSUP, DigitalEurope)
- CONSORTIUM BUILDING and PARTNER SCOUTING
- ECOSYSTEM BUILDING

TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE

- DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES FOR
 - INDUSTRIAL INNOVATION
 - CULTURAL HERITAGE
 - SMART HEALTH
- PROCESS & PRODUCT DESIGN
- PROTOTYPING
- DE-REMANUFACTURING
- SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS AND PROCESSES.







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Our operative connections:

IN ITALY

- Enterprise Europe Network local nodes
- Regional industrial associations
- European Digital Innovation Hubs

In Sicily: 1 awarded EDIH and a node of an EDIH with national coverage

2 other EDIHs in Italy

- National Recovery Plan / Regional Funds -funded projects
- Cultural heritage preservation foundations

IN EUROPE

- Vanguard Initiative / EC TSSP Pilot Actions
- 2 running H2020 and HE projects on AI industrial applications

Our Client SMEs are from

- Automotive sector (special vehicles for health sector)
- Recreational crafts sector / shipyards
- Winery and agricultural sector
- Tourism sector



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We are AVAILABLE for:

- Consortium building
- Proposal writing
- Task coordination
- Technical Advisory
- Product and Process Design



...or for discussing the involvement of one of our client manufacturing SMEs in your consortium!



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic: HORIZON-CL4-2023-DATA-01-04: Cognitive Computing Continuum: Intelligence and automation for more efficient data processing (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)

Type of project: RIA

Project objectives:

- Enhance the security of the supply chain in edge computing by implementing zero trust principles.
- Improve data processing efficiency at the edge by leveraging AI, data, and robotics.
- Ensure that sensitive information is protected and data privacy is maintained throughout the supply chain.



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WANTED

Competences & Skills wanted

Zero trust, supply chain, edge computing, Al-driven data processing

Types of partners sought

Universities/Research institutes, SMEs, standards organisations

Work to be performed

Theoretical research, research to technology transfer, software development



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Supply chain, edge, zero-trust, data management, Al

.....relevant to the call topic / project idea



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AUDENCIA Business School (France)

Human, Social, Societal & Ethical aspects of Technology / AI

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TOPICS TARGETED

Topics:

HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01 (RIA) — Efficient Trustworthy AI & Robotics & Key Societal Challenges HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-01-06 (RIA) — Explainable and Robust AI HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-01-07 (RIA) — Combining the best of Machine and Human

Type of projects: RIA / IA



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BACKGROUND

- Researcher (Academia)
- SSH Expert & Digital Identity, Data Privacy and Data Protection Expert (UX Perspective)
- Experience as Participant in H2020
- 10 years Experience as Expert Evaluator for the EC

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- Human, Social, Societal and Economic Impact
- Users' Requirements & Trustworthiness
- AI & Ethics



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WANTED

Joining a consortium with a need for a SSH Expert

Types of partners sought

All: Industry, SME, RTD center, University, User-groups, etc.

Work we can perform

SSH Work Package Leader

Users' needs and requirements

Users' assessment and evaluation of the solution

Communication & Dissemination Activities



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Robotics



Artificial Intelligence

Deep Learning & Reinforcement Learning



Simulation & Digital Twins

PyBullet & Isaac Sim (Nvidia)



Software Engineering



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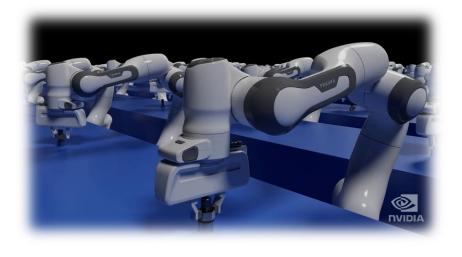
OUR SOFTWARE

Robot training in simulation (RL)



Direct transfer in real world





Focus on picking systems,
But not limited to!
(Example of other applications:
assembly, fastening,...)



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WE ARE LOOKING TO...

Collaborate on projects

Other channels than Horizon Europe possible!

Find use cases

On which to showcase our technology

Potential Horizon Europe Topics:

- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01: Novel paradigms and approaches, towards AI-driven autonomous robots (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2024-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-03: Novel paradigms and approaches, towards AI-powered robots—step change in functionality (AI, data and robotics partnership) (RIA)



Przemysłowy Instytut Automatyki i Pomiarów PIAP

Competencies in AI, data and robotics

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Mobile robotics

- Inspection, surveillance, threat detection, support for crisis management, search and rescue
- **□** Integration of third-party devices
- Integration with higher-level IT systems
- **■** Autonomy, SLAM
- **■** 2D and 3D mapping
- **#** Custom HMIs











Software, embedded systems

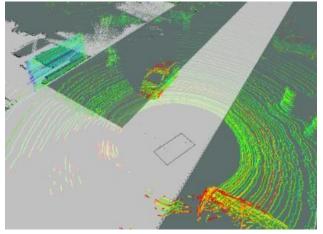
Software:

- Custom software from scratch
- **#** Simulators
- n Data fusion and processing
- m Machine intelligence
- virtual and augmented reality
- **■** Robot Operating System (ROS)
- **#** Embedded systems:

 - **#** Motherboards
 - **#** Custom devices







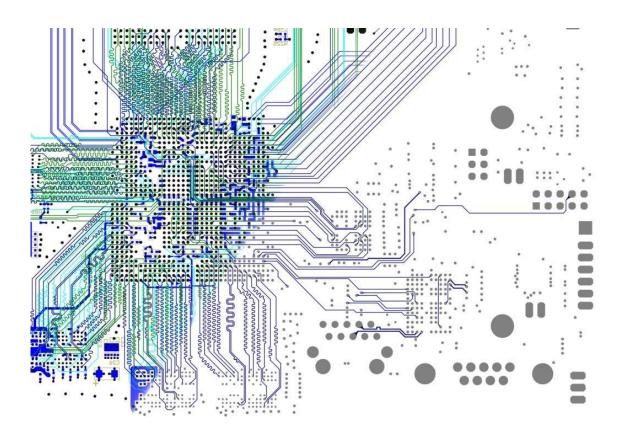




Our potential involvement

- **♯** Project partner
- ☐ Task and workpackage leader
- □ Dissemination leader
- **#** Definition of architecture, reqs, interfaces
- **#** Use-case provider / end-user cooperation
- **m** Contribution to all parts of proposal

HEU, EDF, EDA, ESA, EIT





Thank you!

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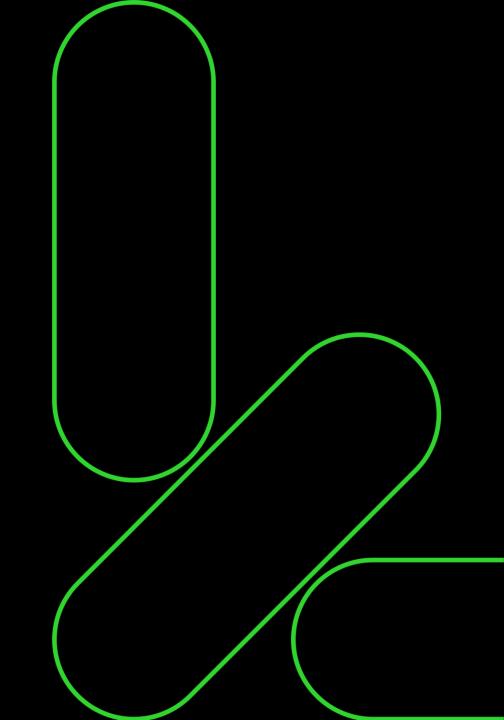












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- Generative art and literature
- Natural language processing and creativity
- Preservation of digital artefacts (digital art and literature): (How) can we archive AI?







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Topics:

- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01: Novel paradigms and approaches, towards Al-driven autonomous robots (Al, data, and robotics partnership) (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02: Industrial leadership in AI, Data, and Robotics advanced human-robot interaction (AI, Data, and Robotics Partnership) (IA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-22: eXtended Reality for Industry 5.0 (IA)
- HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-12: Adaptive multi-scale modelling and characterisation suites from lab to production (RIA)



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WANTED

Competences & Skills wanted Coordinator

Types of partners sought

Industry for Scalability, SME, RTD center, University, User-groups

Work to be performed

User Case Ownership, Test and Validation



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2 ongoin - 1 completed EC projects; 2 ongoing 2 Completed Eureka Projects

- Use Case Definition and Validation regarding to Sheet Metal Forming Industry
- Robotic Welding (Laser, Laser-Hybrid, Friction Strir Welding), Robotic Additive Manufacturing (DED-WAAM and DED-LMD(L-P))
- Close Systems for manufacturing processes
- Al Assisted Simulation Modelling for processes



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582
Customers

6

Spin-off Companies in the Market

1,8
PhD Thesis
per Researcher

[®] 118

Innovation Projects with Industry

8
Patents

Pending

3,7
ISI Papers
per Researcher

232
International Partners

12,1 M EUR
Turnover

9.267 m2

Facilities - Porto



76% Projects with Companies47% Invoicing24% International

2021 Figures & Facts

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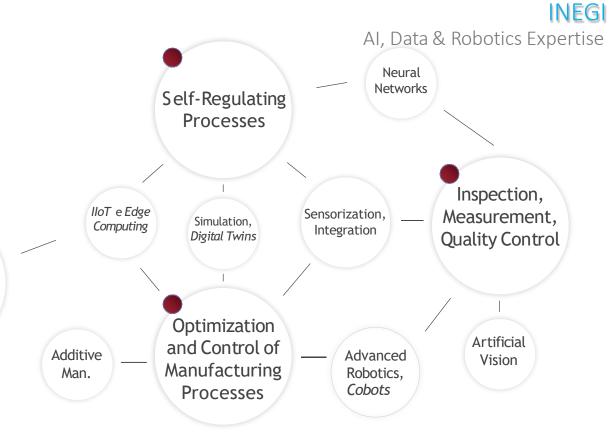
Augmented Reality Interfaces





Dashboards / Frontends







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Horizon Europe Projects with relevancy for ADRA



• AI, Data and Robotics Partnership | EARASHI - Embodied AI/Robotics Applications for a Safe, Human-oriented Industry



- Key Digital Technologies Partnership | NerveRepack Intelligent neural system for bidirectional connection with exoprostheses and exoskeletons
- Made-in-Europe Partnership | FLASH-COMP Flawless and sustainable production of composite parts through a human centred digital approach
- 2Zero Partnership | ESCALATE Powering EU Net Zero Future by Escalating Zero Emission HDVs and Logistic Intelligence
- Batteries Partnership | **REINFORCE** Standardised, Automated, Safe and Cost-Efficient Processing of End-of-Life Batteries for Second and Third Life Re-Use and Recycling (*INEGI coordination*)
- EDIHs | Produtech DIH Digital Innovation Hub
- EIT-Manufacturing | Confacts Multi-layer Connected Factories with hybrid conventional and digital components



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic(s): we focus our interest on "virtual operator", a smart alliance between co/ro-botics and vision, including AI, especially in the context of Visual Inspection.

So, we could offer our expertise on several calls with TRL4+.

Type of project: RIA & IA

HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02 HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-57 HORIZON-CL4-2023-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01 HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-51 HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02

Project objectives:

Visual Inspection of pharmaceutical vials/flasks, quality control of parts or assembly,...



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MachineSight is the concatenation of two areas of expertise:

- Machine, as we are a "complete" integrator of special machines: Mechanics, Automation, Robotics,...
- <u>Sight</u>, as we have a high end expertise in Vision, from basics to AI approach Optical Setups, Algorithms and Software Integration

From PoC to Industrial Equipments

MachineSight's R&D is dedicated to designing, developing and industrialize innovative solutions related to virtual operators in visual inspection and defect control. Our aim is to support humans in their daily quality control tasks, by lowering the mental load and increasing performance and quality. Our strength is pragmatism, using the latest technologies in robotics, automation and vision.



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PROJECT IDEA

Topic: HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-01: Efficient trustworthy AI - making the best of data (AI, Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)

HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-01-06: Explainable and Robust AI (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (RIA)

HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-02: Large Scale pilots on trustworthy AI data and robotics addressing key societal challenges (AI Data and Robotics Partnership) (IA)

Project objectives:

Define evaluation and certification processes, means and criteria for AI embedded in safety devices in industrial application (e.g. IEC 61508/61511, Machinery Directive)



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WANTED

- Competences & Skills wanted
 HW, SW and AI development, V&V, reliability and trustworthiness assessment, certification
- Technologies focused on machine learning and image recognition

Types of partners sought

Suppliers, End Users, Academics, Certification Bodies

- Work to be performed
 - formalization of development processes, test, V&V integrating data sets and learning processes
- definition of risk acceptability metrics
- setting up of specific test benches
- Standardization and certification schemes



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Ineris is a public establishment under the supervision of the Ministry of the Environment, which mission is to contribute to the prevention of risks that economic activities pose to the health and safety of people and the environment

In this project we will mobilize:

- Our expertise in functional safety: SIL certification of software and electronic safety devices, Notified Body for the Machine Directive, participation in standardization (Machinery sector and IEC)
- Our preliminary work on the issues related to the integration of AI in embedded devices

.....relevant to the call topic / project idea



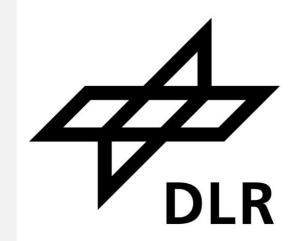
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German Aerospace Center (DLR)

Robot learning in space and terrestrial domains

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WANTED - Consortium to join

ABOUT US

German Aerospace Center Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt (DLR)

~9000 employees, 50 institutes/facilities, 30 sites research: Aerospace, Energy, Traffic, Security, Digitalization

Institute of Robotics and Mechatronics (RM)

~200 employees in Oberpfaffenhofen, near Munich 6 departments: https://www.dlr.de/rm/





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Space use cases





Orbital Robotics



Planetary Exploration Robotics





Service & Medical & Healthcare



Future Manufacturing



Field Robotics

State-of-the-art robots and systems



SARANew generation light-weight robot



Justin humanoid with reusable modules



MIRO minimally invasive surgery



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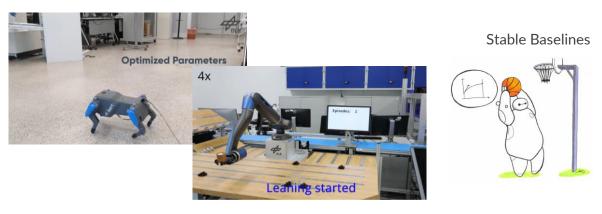
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Interactive skill learning group Dr. João Silvério



Reinforcement learning

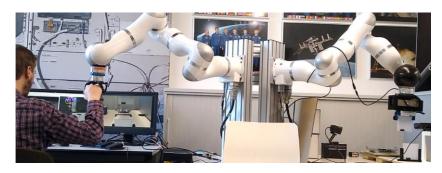


Learning from demonstration





Shared control and assisted teleoperation





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4i Intelligent Insights (Spain) /4i

Providing multimodal dialogue capabilities to Industry 4.0 solutions and to (social) robots

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- > Experts in conversational dialogue systems.
- Focus on multimodal interactions (voice and vision) running on the edge.
- Partners in research projects: Airbus, IBM, Cisco, Indiana University, Universidad de Sevilla, Sydney University.



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PROJECT IDEA

Main target topics in HORIZON-CL4-2023- (by order of preference):

- 1) -HUMAN-01-03: Natural Language Understanding and Interaction in Advanced Language Technologies (RIA).
- 2) -DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-02: Industrial leadership in AI, Data and Robotics advanced human robot interaction (IA)
- 3) <u>-HUMAN-01-22</u>: eXtended Reality for **Industry 5.0** (IA)
- 4) <u>-HUMAN-01-51</u>: Pilots for an innovative **human-centric industry** (RIA)
- 5) -HUMAN-01-52: Drivers and success factors for progress towards Industry 5.0 (RIA)
- 6) -DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-01: Novel paradigms and approaches, towards Al-driven autonomous robots (RIA)



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WANTED

Partners sought for

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Industry (4.0 & 5.0) | (Social) Robotics |
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Psychologists & Pedagogues |

Natural Language Processing | Artificial Vision | Multi-modal Sensors |

Ethics |

Artists | ...

OUR ROLE

Partner / WP Leader