Transforming manufacturing companies towards Factories of the Future

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Organization of technologically inspired Belgian companies ...

1,900

Member companies in **6** industries

Aeronautics, Space, Security & Defence industries

Building, Contracting & Technical Services industries

Digital industries

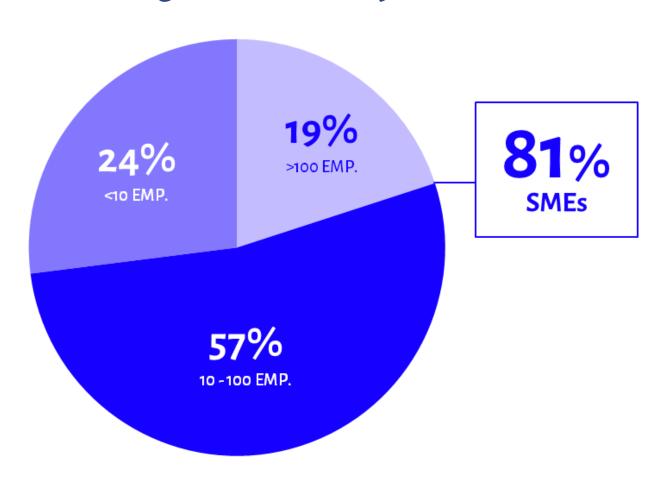
Manufacturing industries

Materials industries

Telecom industries



... driving our economy.



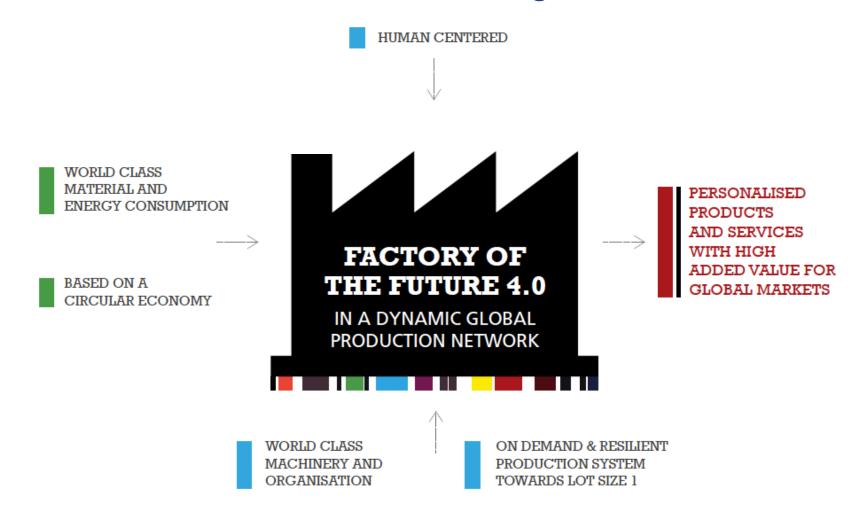


300,000 people

are employed in the technology industry

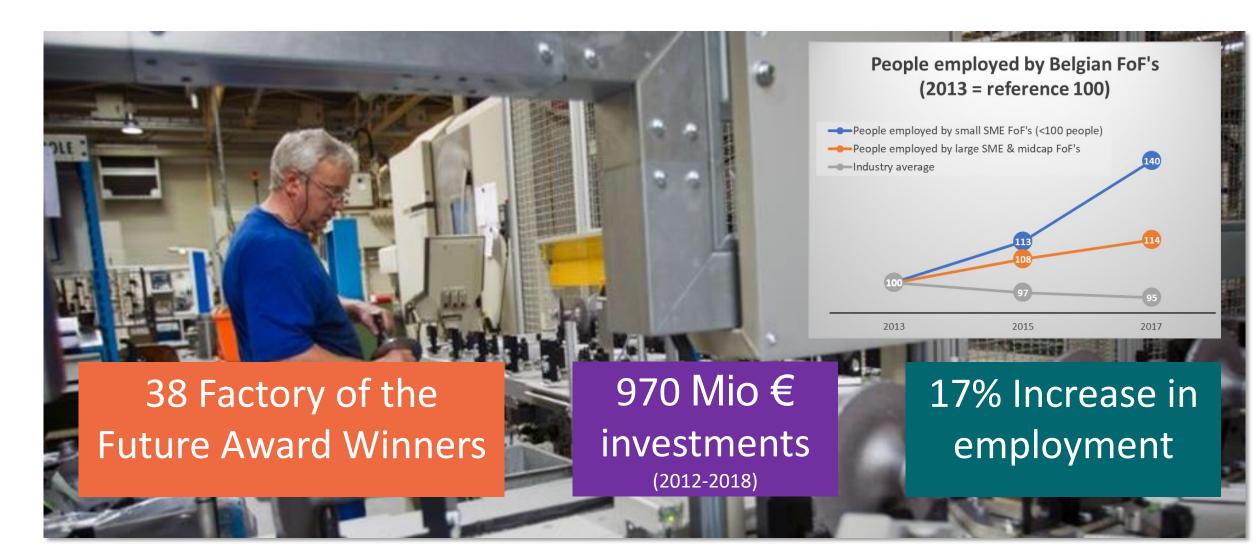


Factories of the future embrace breakthroughs...





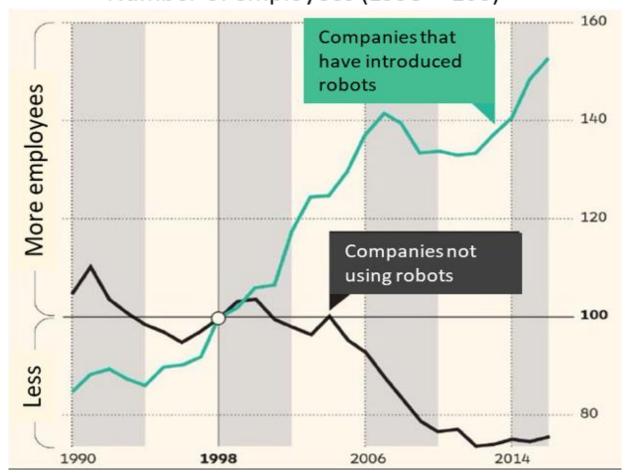
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Number of employees (1998 = 100)



1.900 Spanish manufacturing companies active in 20 different industries



Factory of the Future : what's in a name?

First simplify, then automate/digitize!

Set of "tools" to simplify/optimize current processes (production, logistics, planning, ...)

- Lean Manufacturing to standardize processes and reduce waste
- Quick Response Manufacturing (QRM) to reduce lead times
- ...



Planning before QRM





Planning after QRM





Richer man-machine work patterns by improving autonomy & self-regulation of tasks

From command & control



to self regulation





From complex organisations & simple tasks towards

simple organisations & complex tasks

- ✓ Bring control tasks to the lowest possible level
- ✓ Create combined, flow oriented tasks
- ✓ Don't move information to authority, move authority to information



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38 Belgian Factories of the Future in 6 years ...















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... covering different sectors.















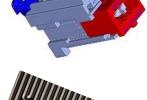


































ADMA initiative

Accompanying manufacturing SME's towards Factories of the Future

EASME/COSME/2017/018

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strong need for use cases and best practices

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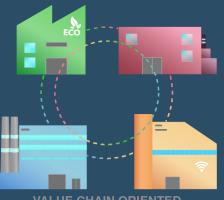






FOCUSSED ENGINEERING





OPEN FACTORY

... each with 5 maturity levels for every subtopic ...

e.g. End-to-End Customer Focussed Engineering:

| Customer focus & value proposition | The company speeds up time to market whilst maximizing customer value creation without increasing costs and risks. | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | |
| Customer integration * | Market and customer information is systematically gathered, incorporated and documented during the product, process and service development. | | | | | | |
| | Input from sales is
being used by
engineering | Key account requirements are actively incorporated in the engineering of the products. | Requirements of as many customers as possible are actively incorporated into the engineering and manufacturing of the products. | Customer requirements are systematically documented and integrated throughout the engineering, manufacturing and servicing steps of the products. | All customer requirements are continuously kept upto-date to be used throughout all engineering, manufacturing and servicing processes in order to obtain the highest possible value solution for each individual customer. | | |
| Customization | In order to meet indivi-
and documented. | dual customer's needs, | a modular Design for Manu | facturing approach is dev | eloped, implemented | | |

Smart manufacturing Level 4



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AO5nbbNjZEw&t=10s



provan factory of the future EN

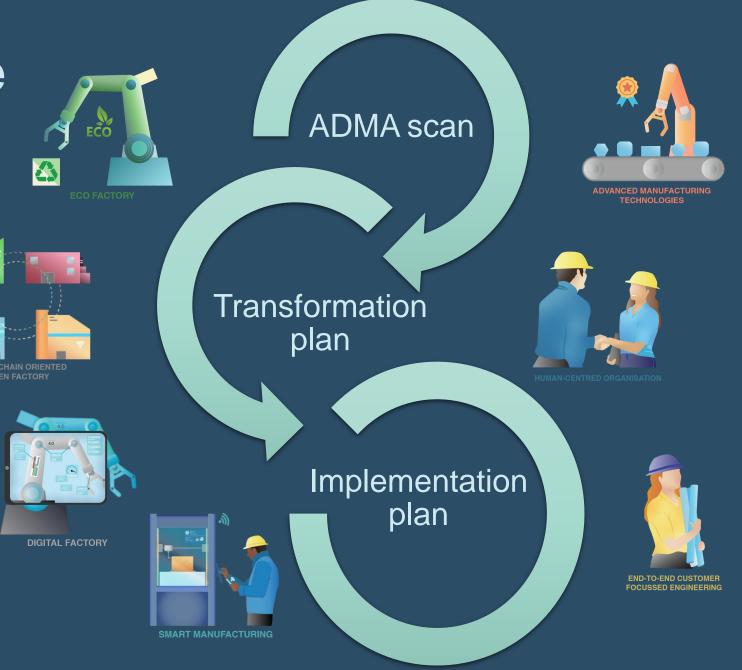
Provan, a family owned metal components supplier, has one simple goal: **zero inventory**! This means: ever smaller series and a lot of production changes during the day. Provan organized itself to be able to process **3000 orders** a month without having a planning department! Linking office cells with the production dept, a digitally implemented Quick Response Manufacturing systems has made it possible that every production department has become its own planning 'hub'.



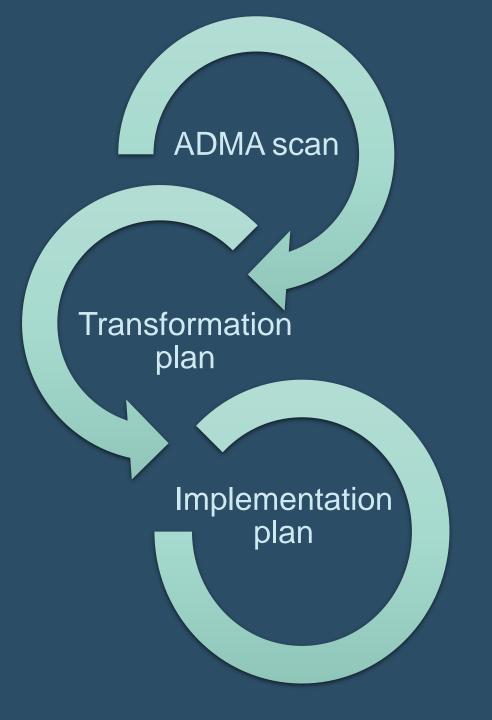
It means that every machine operator decides independently what he/she will produce next. Of course an intelligent ICT-system supports him taking the right decisions. As a result, employee involvement is extremely high at Provan. Moreover work-in-progress inventory levels decreased by a factor **9** and assembly throughput times moved down from 4 weeks to **3 days**!

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highlight the company's transformation maturity





Your individual Factory of the Future Maturity Summary.

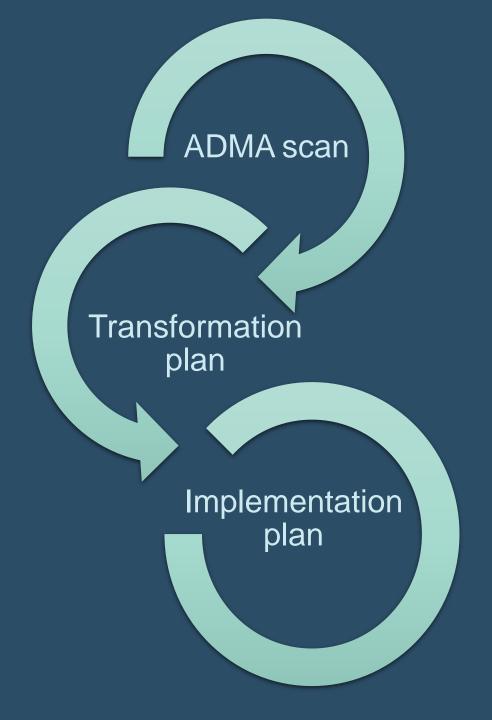
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| | Company | Sector | Size | Country | Average Maturity Level |
|---|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| I | | Metals and mineral products | Small | Belgium | |
| I | First Name | Last Name | Job Title | Email Address | 2,5 |
| I | Ward | | Production engineering & IT | | 1 |





Identify step change opportunities within selected transformation areas



5. Digital Factory

| | <u>Score</u> | <u>FoF level</u> | <u>Gap</u> |
|--|--------------|------------------|------------|
| Advanced Manufacturing Technologies | 3,6 | 4,0 | 0,4 |
| Digital Factory | 3,1 | 4,0 | 0,9 |
| ECO Factory | 2,4 | 4,0 | 1,6 |
| End-to-end Customer Focussed Engineering | 3,9 | 4,0 | 0,1 |
| Human Centred Organisation | 2,7 | 4,0 | 0,3 |
| Smart Manufacturing | 3,1 | 4,0 | 0,9 |
| Value Chain Oriented Open Factory | 3,0 | 4,0 | 1,0 |

The following activities for digitizing the manufacturing environment take place at XXX:

- Orders are being tracked by use of bar codes
- Operators scan orders to indicate that machining has started/stopped
- A homemade excel sheet gives an overview of machine status
- A strong digital connection has been set up with Atlas Copco for automated orde

During the feedback session the priority of the transformation has been assessed

| \boxtimes | | | | |
|-------------|------|--------|-----|-------------|
| Critical | High | Medium | Low | No priority |



Industry 4.0

In the current situation machining equipment is not directly connected to a central data platform as machine status tracking depends on manual actions. In the future a direct connection is desired and therefore Buyse Decolletage is currently examining different solutions such as Siemens Mindsphere.

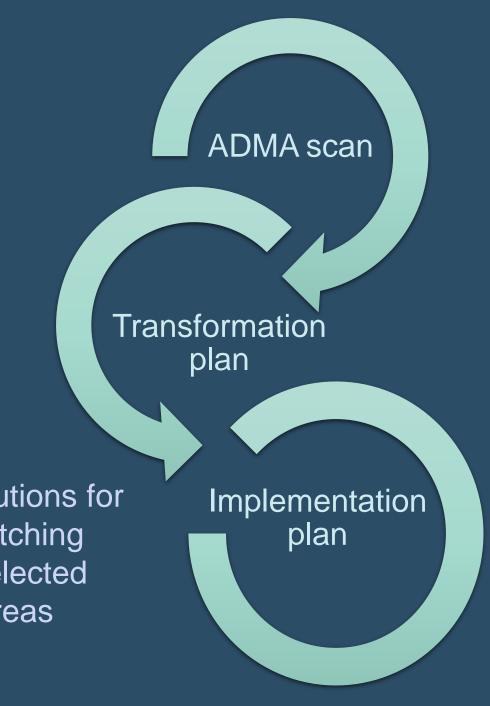
Expert on solutions within the Digital Factory transformation is

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- Best practices
 - o Duracell
 - Rf Technologies



Identify & analyse solutions for challenges and matching objectives within selected transformation areas

5.1.3 Evaluation

| Action, | Investment Return | | Risks | Type of action | | | Points |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---|-------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------|
| technology,
procedure, | | | | Implementing | Innovation project | Feasibility
study | |
| Challenge 1 | | | | | | | |
| Technology 1.1 | • | • | • | | | | XX |
| Technology 1.2 | • | • | 0 | | | | XX |
| Challenge 2 | | | | | | | |
| Technology 2.1 | • | • | 0 | | | | XX |
| Technology 2.2 | • | • | 0 | | | | XX |

5.1.4 Recommendation

The table beneath makes a recommendation on the order in which technology can be implemented, developed ore researched.

| Implem | entation |
|---------|-------------|
| XXX | |
| Innova | ion project |
| XXX | |
| Feasibi | lity study |
| XXX | |



Some practical insights

'Factory of the Future is an integrated optimisation plan that prepares the entire organisation for the future and does not just focus on technology and digitisation.'

'However, managing expectations was the most important success factor; you have to be very selective about what you promise because not all ideas can be realised.'

'We also clearly noticed that as a company we could not close ourselves off too much, that we could open some doors and share things with other companies in confidence.'

'We've also evolved a lot as regards Human Centered Production. For example, we recruited an improvement engineer who works within Operations but is a social worker who is strongly focused on Human Centered Production.'

— Henk Vincke, Supply Chain Manager, BMT Aerospace

Thank you for your attention

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