

# Research in Production for Factories of the Future

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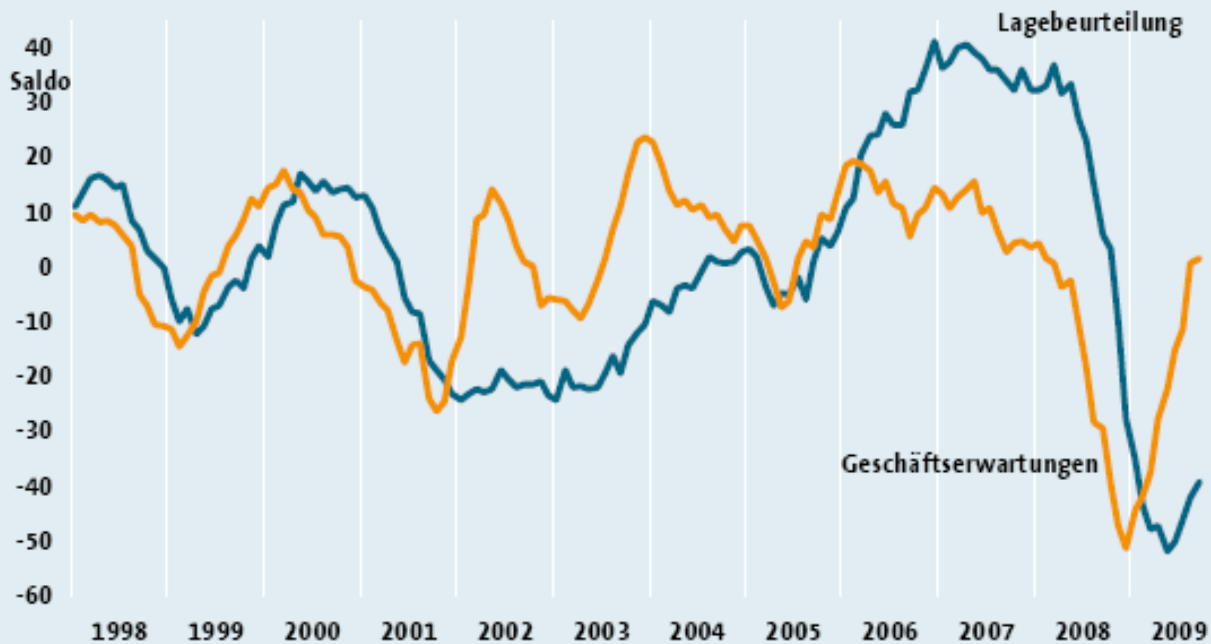
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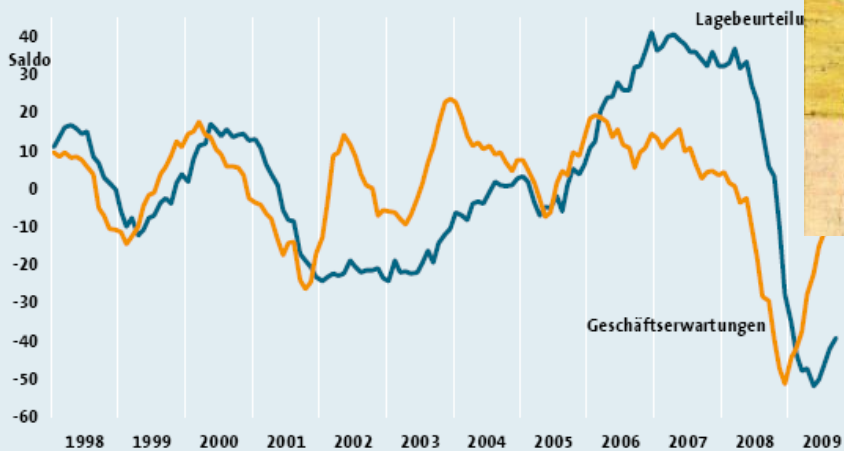
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## **Back on the fast track – by joint research**

European production technology has a worldwide leading position and contributes significantly to prosperity and employment.

### **“Strengthen strengths”**

Manufacturing and mechanical engineering must be in the focus of research in accordance with their importance.

### **“Setting the right priorities”**

Research activities according to research areas identified by industry

### **“Challenge and promote outstanding performance”**

Research projects to foster excellence and to promote the formation of powerful networks

### **“Provide awareness”**

Public and political perception as high-tech industry



## Research and innovation against recession – in Europe



[www.manufuture.org](http://www.manufuture.org)



**„Manufacturing industry  
is important for Europe“**

Manuel Barroso



1,2 Mrd. € for EFFRA  
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# ManuFuture



**Compete by  
REDUCING COSTS**



Cheap labour

**MANUFACTURING**  
Research-Innovation based



European industrial sectors  
e.g. Automotive, Mechanical Eng.

**Compete by  
HIGH VALUE ADDED  
(HVA)**



High performance  
Customization  
New business models  
People

**From cost cutting to value adding**



## „Factories of the Future“ PPP

### Objective

- Developing enabling technologies to support EU manufacturing industry across many sectors by boosting their technological base

### Topics strategic multi-annual road map

- SD1: Sustainable Manufacturing
- SD2: ICT enabled Intelligent Manufacturing
- SD3: High performance manufacturing
- SD4: Exploiting new materials through manufacturing

\* EC's Recovery Plan - IP/08/1771

SD = sub domains

## Research and innovation against recession

**Europe**



Strategic research agenda  
EFFRA - „Factory of the Future“



**National**



Research needs of industry  
Priorities of calls



**Regional**



Example: Cluster Manufuture BW  
"HiPerFacturing – Knowledge to added value fur sustainable production“



# Research and innovation against recession – in countries (national platforms)



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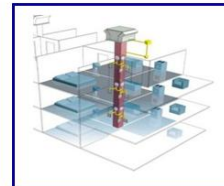
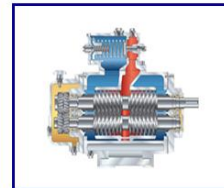
## Main focus of industrial research

Production Systems

Modules and Subsystems

Components and Elements

14 Workshops  
25 Sectors  
> 200 Companies



**TOP 1: Intelligent Products**

**TOP 2: „High Performance“  
Processes**

**TOP 3: Energy efficiency**

**TOP 4: Product concepts &  
product configuration**

**TOP 5: Adaptive production**

TOP 1

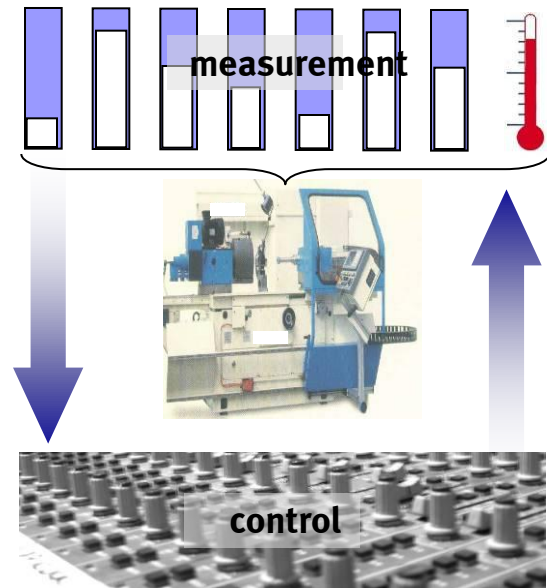
# Intelligent Products

**Self optimizing systems** via sensor-actuator integration, Identification concepts and control mechanisms.

Development of new **diagnostic systems** with improved functionality, remote diagnostics, safety functions etc.

**Improved human machine interface** via new mechatronic approach, barrier free, improved safety requirements.

## Self optimizing machine in a changing environment



TOP 2

## High Performance Processes

**Technology beyond existing borders of machining tools** with higher performance, applicability and efficiency.

Increased **speed** and **precision** with **highly dynamic components** and **sensor-actuator systems** of higher performance

**Robust** and **sensor controlled** processes

High performance in all areas of production



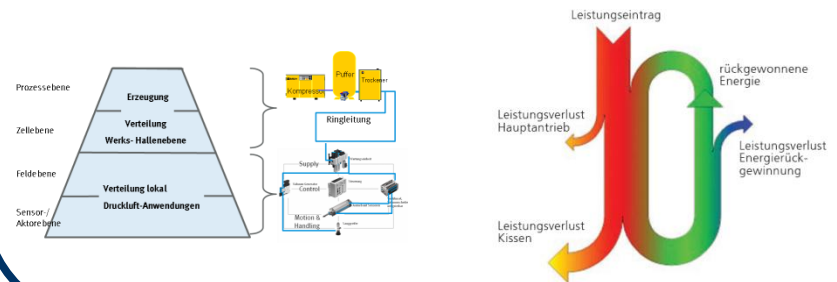
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# Energy Efficiency

Reduced **energy consumption** of machines and production systems and **reuse of energy**

Development of absolute novel technologies for reduced energy consumption: New **technologies for energy generation**, development of **self-sustaining systems**.

- ✓ Drive systems with high efficiency ratio
- ✓ Energy supply systems of factories
- ✓ New systems to use regenerative energy
- ✓ Energy management systems



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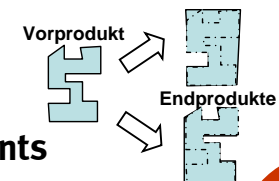
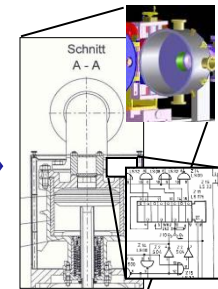
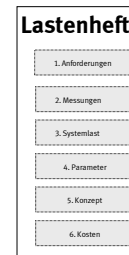
# Product Concepts and Configuration

Development of concepts and methods to **protect against product piracy: Specific solutions** for systems and components.

Methods for **modularization Concepts, Scaling Principles** and aspects of life cycle

**Configurations** for flexible combination of modules

## Conceptual methods for reliable High-Tech- Products



- ✓ **Modularized elements**
- ✓ **Product specific protection**
- ✓ **Evolutionary system design**



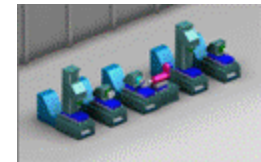
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# Adaptive Production

Development of **adaptable production equipment** for higher capacity utilization: **Flexibility** and **changeability** at considerably changing demands.

Free configurable **modular** systems, design of small **integratable units** and **scalable systems**

- ✓ Adaptive robotics
- ✓ Multi sensor systems and actuators
- ✓ Reconfigurability of machines for changing requirements
- ✓ Plug & Produce



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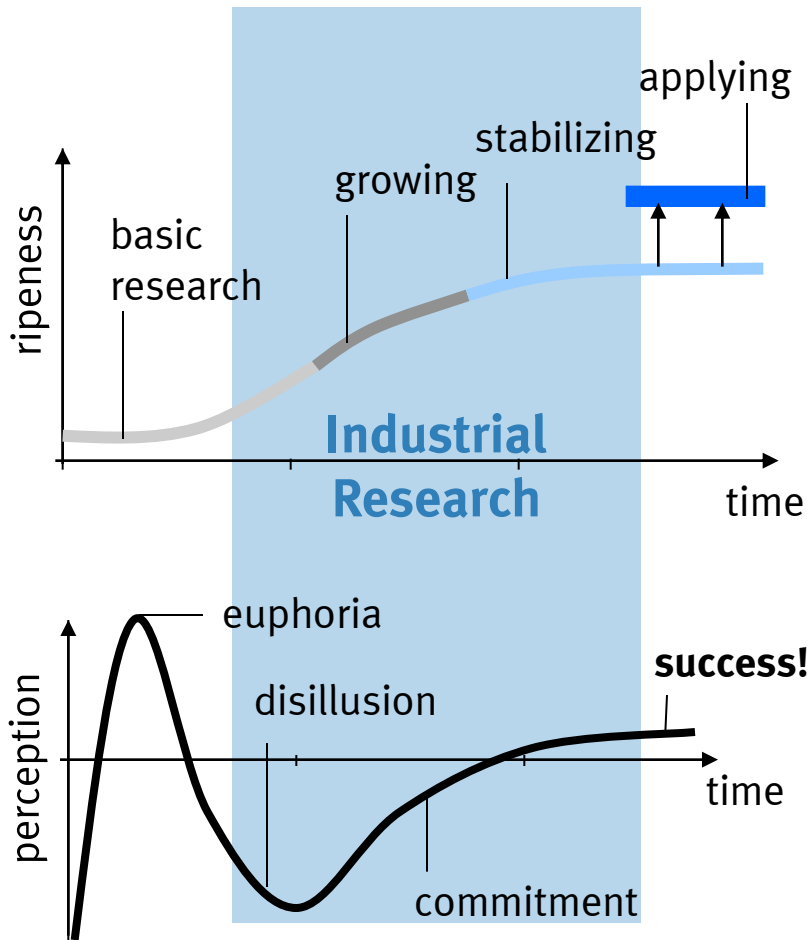
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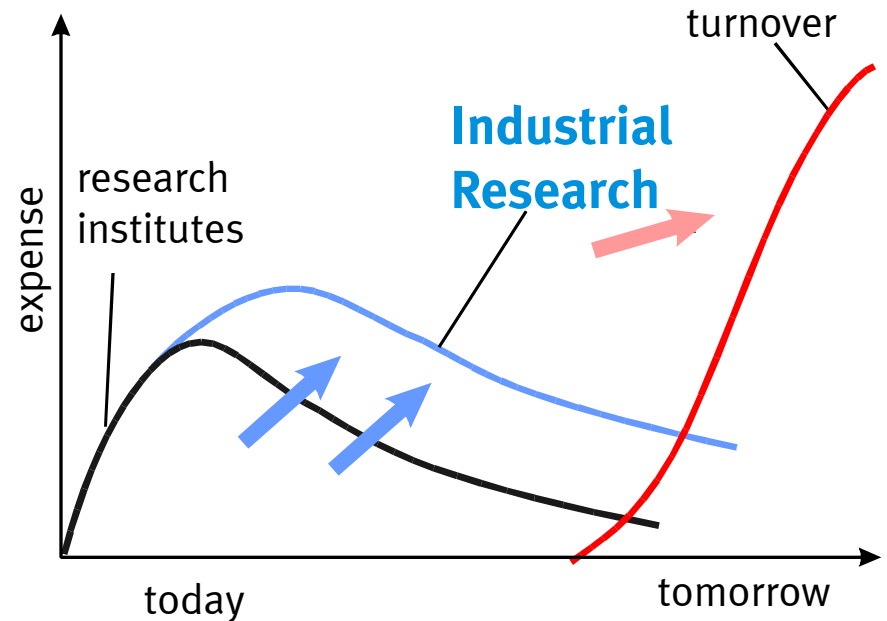
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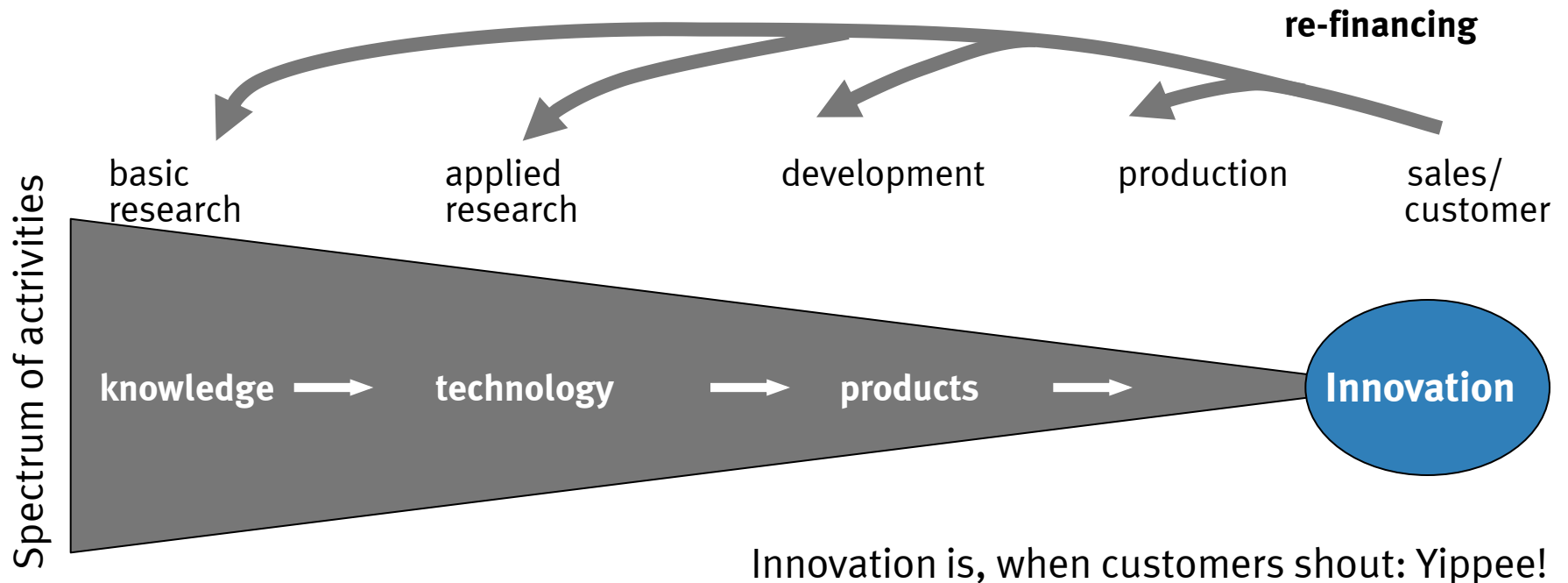
## Evaluation and establishing of new Technologies and methods for innovation

### Research product cycle

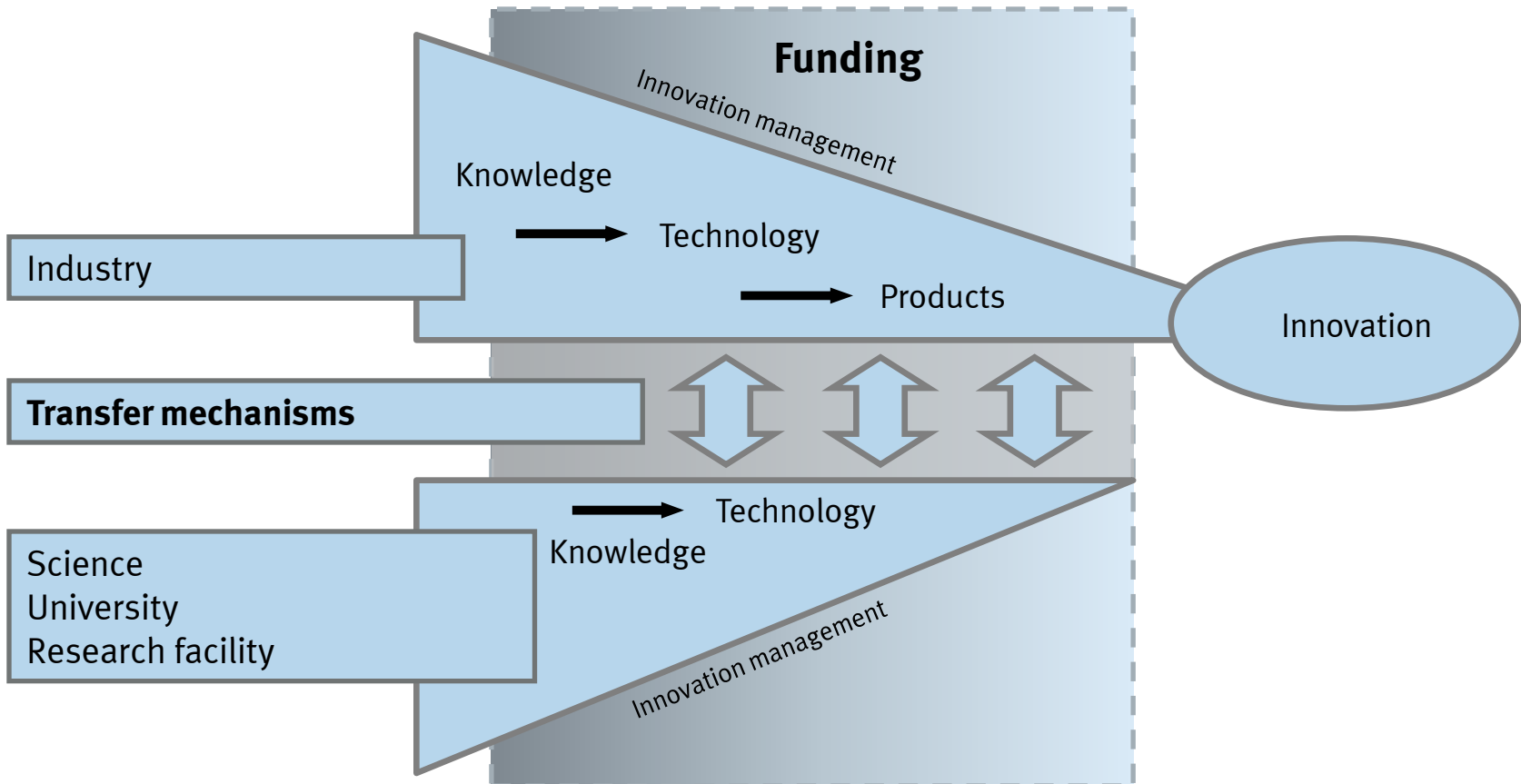


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**Problem 1: long time to market before benefit**  
**Problem 2: high investment sum with only long-term returns**



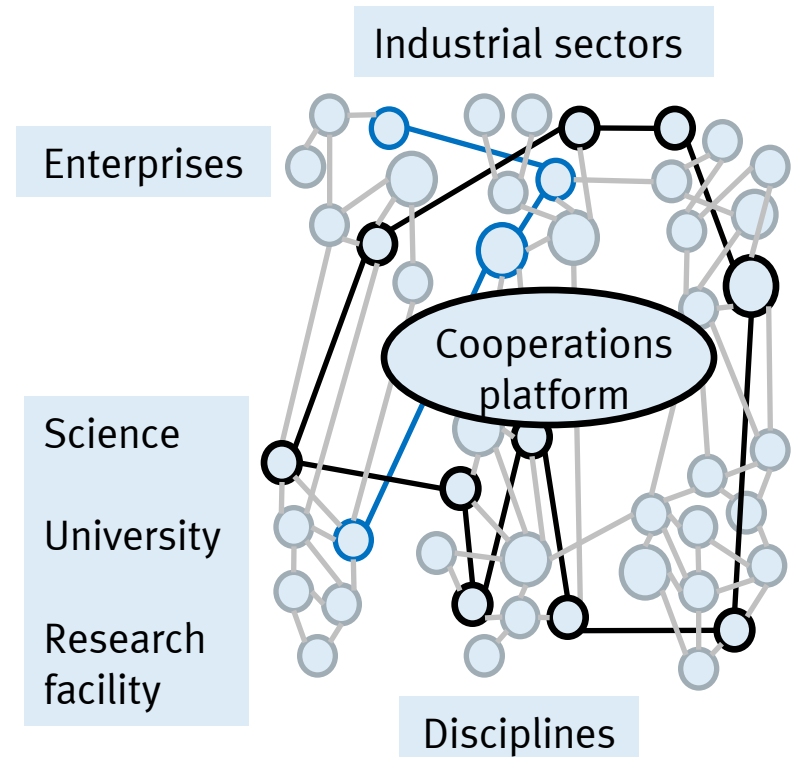
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## Systematic management of networks for applied industrial research

- Networking between
  - research centers
  - industrial cooperation partners
  - governmental funding institutions
- Holistic platforms for research
- Fund raising
- Development of long term strategies
- Technology transfer between partners
- Speedup of innovation process



# From research to innovation: Technology management in companies

**Festo AG & Co. KG: The Company / Technology and Innovation Culture**

**Innovation Strategy, Technology Traget, Corporate Strategy and Program and Market Strategie**

**Innovation  
Foresight**

**Research-  
and  
Technology  
Development  
Phase**

**Dezentral  
Innovation Management**

**Innovation Management of  
Infrastructure und Production**

Predevelopment

Development

Valves

Drives

Air Supply

Electronic Systems

Infrastructure

Production

**Methods and IT-Support of Innovation Management**

**Controlling and Resources-Allocation of Innovation Management**

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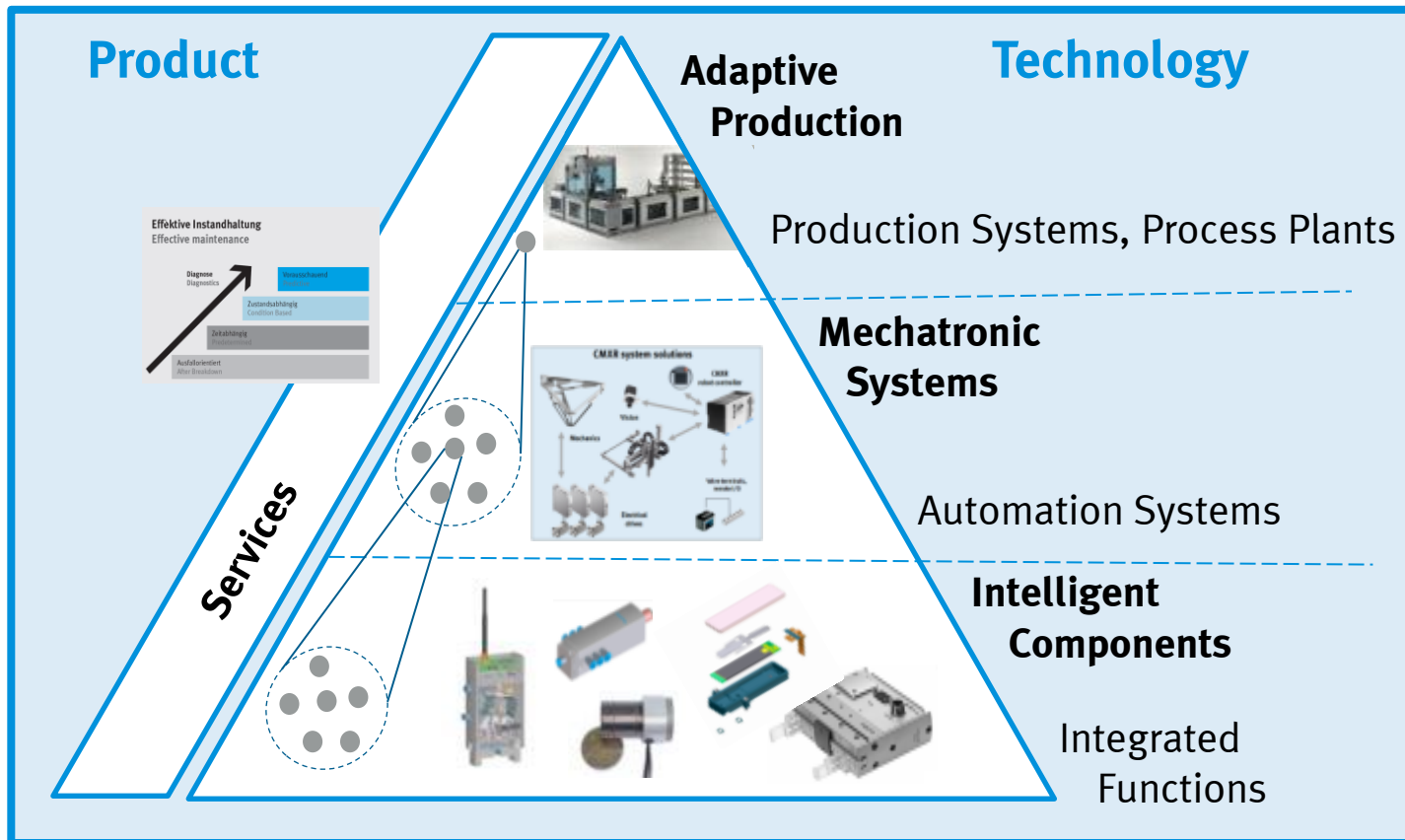
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# Mechatronic concepts for flexible conguration of systems

Integrated solutions on all levels of application



# Intelligent components with optimal energy efficiency

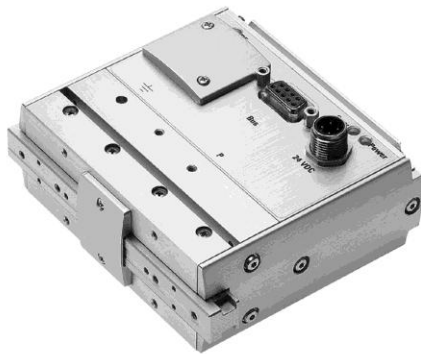
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## Highly integrated gripper HGPPI

Servopneumatic tactile gripper

Integrated functions:  
Actuator, sensors, controller

Low power piezo actuator



## „Finray“ gripper

Extremely lightweight

Bionic antetype:  
Mechanical adaptive gripping fingers

Integrated actuator



# Handling and Assembly System of the Future

## Highly flexible production platform

„Plug and Work“ process modules

Self identification on basis of  
autonomous intelligence

Flexible exchange of modules via  
standardised interfaces

## Programming and visualisation

Status visualisation

Graphical programming of material  
flow

Direct control of hardware



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**MiniProd**  
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PRODUKTIONSSYSTEME  
(www.miniprod.de)

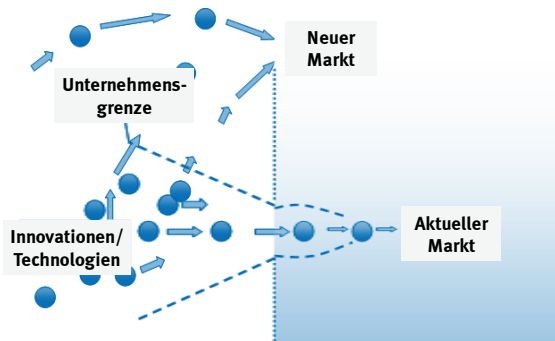
**EUPASS**  
Evolvable Ultra-Precision Assembly Systems  
(www.eupass.org)

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# Service robotics

## From closed to open innovation

- Development with lead customer
- Mechatronic design, leading edge engineering approach
- Kinematic optimisation and closed loop control with multi axis controller



Source: Lely Industries NV

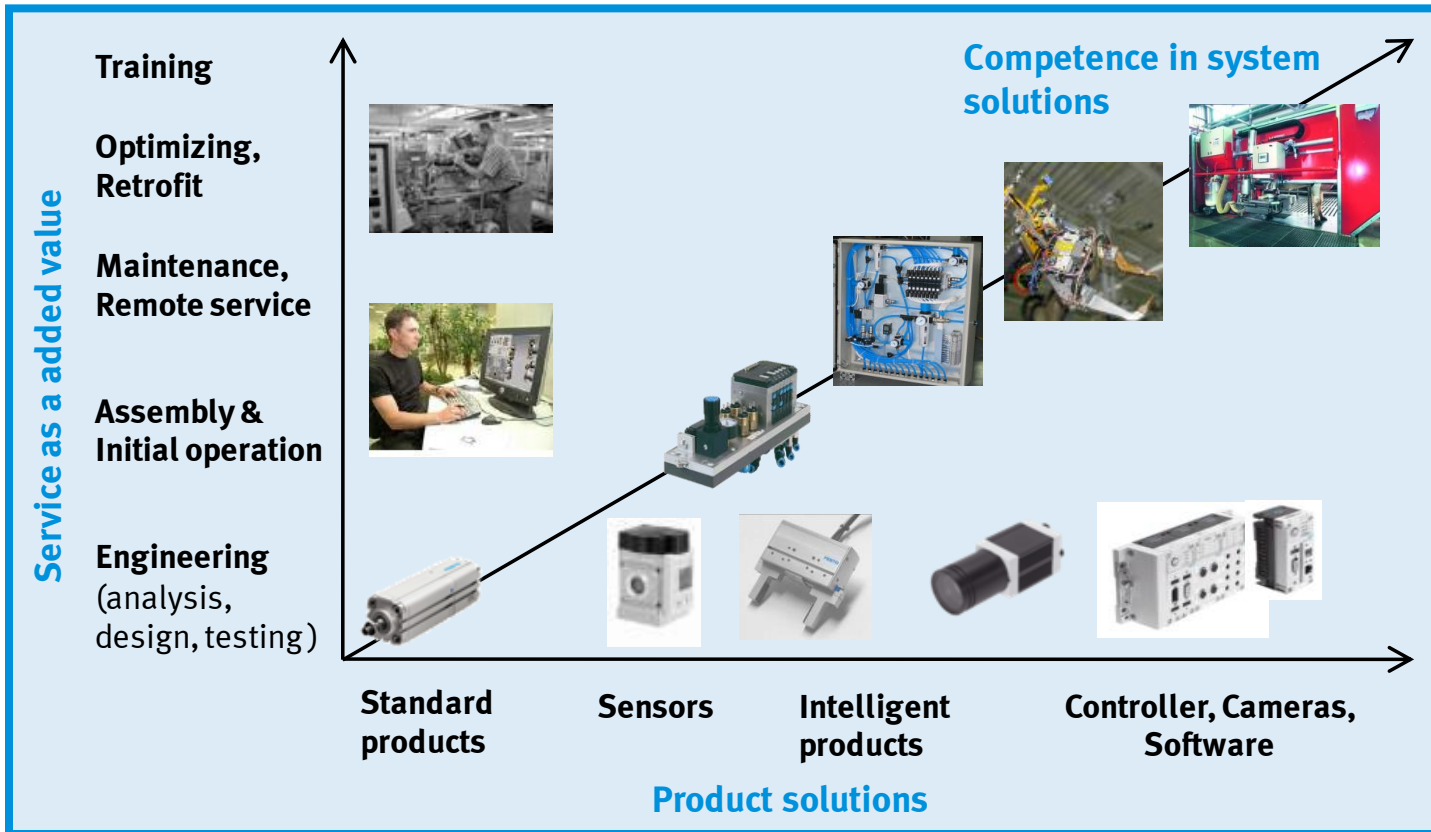
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# Customer oriented solution concepts

Hybrid portfolio: Products **plus “Added Value”**

see TOP 4



# Research in Production for Factories of the Future

- **Production technology guarantees prosperity and jobs in Europe** and contributes overproportionally to the entire value creation.
- **These jobs can only be kept** at this level if **high technology** will still be expanded and the innovation capability of industry strengthened the **industry innovation**.
- This requires that the **strategic areas of production research are defined** along the **needs of producing companies** and their facilitators.
- Most important is **to come out of research into practice**. Thus know how and competencies are developed, which can be done by **a close cooperation of science and industry**.
- The aim is: **to generate research results with highest implementation relevancy** that **move quickly and efficiently into application**.
- This also means to perform research along the entire value chain through **comprehensive networks** which have one big advantage: **they are sustainable**.

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