



Towards a European Roadmap on Research and Innovation in Engineering  
and Management of Cyber-Physical Systems of Systems

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# CPSoS Roadmap

European Roadmap on  
Research and Innovation in  
**Engineering and Management of  
Cyber-physical Systems of Systems**

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## What are Cyber-physical Systems of Systems?

Large, complex, often spatially distributed **Cyber-physical Systems** that exhibit the features of **Systems of Systems**

### Cyber-physical Systems (CPS)

#### Tight interaction

of many distributed, real-time computing systems and physical systems



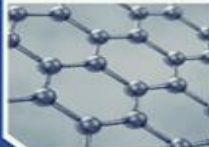
#### Examples

- › Airplanes
- › Cars
- › Ships
- › Buildings with advanced HVAC controls
- › Manufacturing plants
- › Power plants
- › ...



#### Many interacting components

##### Examples



- › Large industrial sites with many production units
- › Large networks of systems (electric grid, traffic systems, water distribution)

#### Physical connections



- › Material/energy streams
- › Shared resources (e.g. roads, airspace, rails, steam)
- › Communication networks

### Systems of Systems (SoS)

#### Dynamic reconfiguration

Components may...



- › be switched on and off (as in **living cells**)
- › enter or leave (e.g. in **air traffic control**)

#### Continuous evolution



Continuous addition, removal, and modification of hardware and software over the **complete life cycle** (often many years)

### Examples of Cyber-physical Systems of Systems

#### Integrated large production complexes

- › Major source of employment and income in Europe
- › Major consumer of energy and raw materials
- › Many interconnected production plants that are operated mostly autonomously with distributed management structures



#### Transportation networks (road, rail, air, maritime, ...)

- › Vital to the mobility of EU citizens and the movements of goods
- › Large integrated infrastructures with complex interactions, also across national borders
- › Involve multiple organizational and political structures



**Many more examples**, e.g. smart (energy, water, gas, ...) networks, supply chains, or manufacturing

#### Partial autonomy

Local actors with local authority and priorities



##### Autonomous systems ...

- › ... cannot be fully controlled on the SoS level
- › ... need incentives towards global SoS goals

##### Examples

- › Local energy generation companies
- › Process units of a large chemical site

#### Emerging behavior

The overall SoS shows behaviours that do not result from simple interactions of subsystems



Usually not desired in technical systems, may lead to reduced performance or shut-downs

##### Examples

- › Power oscillations in the European power grid
- › Oscillations in supply chains

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# Analysis of the State of the Art



Kick off of 3  
Working Groups  
(35 members)

Analysis of relevant  
programmes

38 interviews

the art –  
reports

3 public meetings  
with 100+  
participants

CPSOs State of the  
art document and  
initial roadmap

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- **Distributed management of cyber-physical systems of systems**
- **Methods and tools for the engineering of CPSoS**
- **Cognitive CPSoS**
- See the roadmap document at [\*\*http://www.cpsos.eu/roadmap/\*\*](http://www.cpsos.eu/roadmap/)



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# **Medium-term Research and Innovation Domains in Cyber- physical Systems of Systems**

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# Overcoming the modelling bottleneck



- Faster model development and better model reuse, automated modelling
- Model maintenance and adaptation
- Collaborative environments for model exchange between competing companies, trust in models from others
- Integration of legacy system models
- Combination of models of different depth and different formalisms in system-wide models of CPSoS, co-simulation, hierarchical modeling, appropriate levels of abstraction
- Meta-modelling and model management to ensure model consistency
- Modelling over the full life cycle of the system
- Combination of model- and data-based optimization
- Economic / socio-technical modelling



- Dynamic requirements engineering
- Plug-and-play integration and live removal of components
- Configuration control
- Incremental live validation of modifications to the system
- Integrated engineering over the full life-cycle
- Reference architectures, open platforms and easy-to-test interfaces for integration, semantic integration to simplify the interactions of existing systems as well as the deployment of new systems
- Standardization



- Coordination mechanisms for systems with autonomously managed units
- Understanding how the management and control structure (centralized, hierarchical, distributed, clustered) influences system performance and robustness
- Dealing with uncertainty, neglected couplings, stochastic effects, user interactions
- Combining model-based and data-based optimization
- Involvement of humans

# Resilience in systems of systems



- Strategies for system-wide fault detection and mitigation
- Integrated cross-layer handling of disturbances and break-downs
- Advanced integrated monitoring of the state of the system and triggering of preventive maintenance to improve long-term performance



- Filtering and appropriate presentation of information to human users and operators for the acceptance of advanced computer-based solutions
- Investigation of the human capacity of attention and of measures to provide motivation for sufficient attention and consistent decision making
- Analysis of the cognitive models of system operators
- Monitoring of the actions of the users and anticipating their behaviours and their situation awareness
- Social phenomena (dynamics of user groups)
- Combination of the capabilities of humans and algorithms in real-time monitoring and decision making (collaborative decision making and control, e.g. autonomous cars)

- On-line data stream analysis to monitor the system performance, to detect faults and degradation, and to identify characteristic situations
- Combination of (semi-)rigorous and data-based models
- Data-based prediction and its use for control and optimization
- Visualization of the results of online data analysis
- Automatic reconfiguration and adaptation, learning good operation patterns from past examples
- Trust in data

- New ICT infrastructures for adaptable, resilient, and reconfigurable manufacturing processes
  - Seamless and low-effort reconfiguration of manufacturing systems for fast adaptation to changing customer demands
  - Self-adaptation of production machines and robots
  - Semantic system integration of decentralized manufacturing systems across the complete value chain
- Data and information visualization for decision support in manufacturing
  - Automatic extraction of crucial indicators from large amounts of data
  - New HMI paradigms for responsive data visualization to maximize the real-time situational awareness of human operators



- Development and exploitation of ICT to support multi-disciplinary, multi-objective optimization of operations in complex, dynamic, 24/7 systems
  - Improve capacity, efficiency and reduce cost
  - Maintain continuous operation and provide resilience to disruption and failures
  - Reduce emissions
- Safe, secure and trusted autonomous operations for systems with humans in the loop
  - What systems should be made autonomous and what should be left to the human operator?
  - Homogeneous HMIs
  - Societal acceptance, trust, privacy
  - Liability



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# **Thank you very much for your attention!**

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