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### Factories of the Future – FoF-13-2016 Photonics laser-based production

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## Photonics support to manufacturing Background



- World market of <u>laser-based manufacturing systems</u>
   2012: 8 B€
- Expected growth rate (CAGR): 7% (from 2011 to 2020)
- EU market share 2012: 33% but in 2008: 39% due to fierce competition mainly from Asia
- · → reverse the decline
- Large economic leverage effect in a wide range of industry
  e.g. automotive, aerospace, electronics, medical, consumer goods, etc.
  medical examples: pace makers, synthetic bones, endoscopes, stents, ...
  - Need to keep European technology at the forefront of innovation
  - Need to bundle forces on a European level addressing research issues efficiently and effectively



# Laser systems for manufacturing: support in the past



#### Support in FP7 and H2020 via

- ICT Photonics programme
- Factories of the Future initiative (FoF PPP)
- Programme on Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and new Production Technologies (NMP)

#### Examples of research themes in FP7 and H2020:

Lasers for industrial processing:

high peak/average power lasers, widely tuneable lasers, ultrashort pulse lasers, fibres and fibre lasers, diode lasers, component integration, new wavelengths and frequency conversion, remote processing, on-line adaptation of beam properties, process monitoring and related devices, synchronization of sources and devices, multiple beam processing

**■ Funding** ≈ **80 M€ Photonics and FoF** (FP7 & H2020 2014, 2015)

(+ projects from NMP)



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### Examples of projects in FP7:

Project Acronym	Project Title
APPOLO	Hub of Application Laboratories for Equipment Assessment in Laser Based Manufacturing
BRIDLE	BRilliant Industrial Diode LasEr
HALO	High power Adaptable Laser beams for materials prOcessing
IMPROV	Innovative Mid-infrared high Power source for resonant ablation of Organic based photovoltaic devices
ISLA	Integrated disruptive componentS for 2um fibre LAsers
QCOALA	Quality Control of Aluminium Laser-welded Assemblies
UV-Marking	Development of new UV laser for customization at industrial level trough high quality marking on different materials
LASHARE	Laser equipment Assessment for High impAct innovation in the manufactuRing European industry
RLW Navigator	Remote Laser Welding System Navigator for Eco & Resilient Automotive Factories
TiSa TD	Ultrafast High-Average Power Ti:Sapphire Thin-Disk Oscillators and Amplifiers (under negotiation)
Ultrafast_RAZipol	Ultrafast Lasers with Radial and Azimuthal Polarizations for High-efficiency Micro-machining Applications
LIFT	Leadership in Fibre Laser Technology
ALPINE	Advanced Lasers for Photovoltaic INdustrial processing Enhancement
POLYBRIGHT	Extending the process limits of laser polymer welding with high-brilliance beam sources



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### Examples of projects in H2020:

Project Acronym	Project Title
ADALAM	Sensor based adaptive laser micromachining using ultrashort pulse lasers for zero-failure manufacturing
COMBILASER	Combination of non-contact, high speed monitoring and non-destructive techniques applicable to LASER Based Manufacturing through a self-learning system
MASHES	Multimodal spectral control of laser processing with cognitive abilities
RADICLE	Real-time dynamic control system for laser welding
HIPERDIAS	HIgh throughPut LasER processing of DIamond and Silicon
ultraSURFACE	Ultra Dynamic Optical Systems for High Throughput Laser Surface Processing





#### FoF-13-2016 Photonics Laser-based production

- a) "From design to piece" Excellence in laser-based additive industrial manufacturing
  - Research and Innovation Actions (RIA)
  - Funding 15 million Euro
- b) Rapid individualised laser-based production
  - Innovation Actions (IA)
  - Funding 15 million Euro





#### a) RIA: Additive industrial manufacturing (laser-based)

Market of AM in 2012: 1.7 B€ (materials, systems and services) (Roland Berger consulting) Expected Growth: 2018: 4,5 B€ 2023: 7,7 B€ CAGR ~ 14,7%

#### **Challenges**

- Huge potential, advantages over conventional manufacturing:
  highly flexible & customisable process, freedom of design, e.g. geometry,
  material composition, intrinsic properties Complexity Digital Photonic
  for FREE Production
- Currently used prototyping and smaller markets, e.g. medical applications, rapid prototyping, repair
- HOWEVER: AM is not yet competitive on a larger scale
- Problems include: production speed and costs





a) RIA (ctd): Additive industrial manufacturing (laser-based)

#### **Challenges:**

- → need to:
  - increase productivity
  - bring AM a significant step further towards industrial manufacturing

by better mastering all stages of the production process AND their interaction

Note: complementing the topic FOF-1-2016





#### a) RIA (ctd): Additive industrial manufacturing (laser-based)

#### Scope:

- From design to final work piece: Laser based additive industrial manufacturing of metallic materials
- all process chain steps may be addressed (e.g. CAD, modelling, additive process, different materials in a single work piece, process control, QA, combination additive/subtractive, surface finish, etc)
- significantly improve the overall performance in terms of speed and costs whilst producing high quality work pieces
  - at least two important steps and the links between them
  - laser based process
  - metallic materials
  - address standardisation as appropriate
  - be driven by concrete business cases
  - contain outline of business case and <u>industrial</u> exploitation strategy
  - include relevant partners of the value chain in the proposal



Should





a) RIA (ctd): Additive industrial manufacturing (laser-based)

#### **Expected impacts:**

- Reinforced industrial leadership in laser-based Additive Manufacturing
- Substantially improved production speed, improved productivity and substantially reduced costs of laser-based Additive Manufacturing

#### **Funding:**

2-4 million Euro per project (other amounts possible)

#### **Budget available:**

15 million Euro





pilot facilities

b) Innovation actions: Rapid individualised laser-based production

#### **Challenge:**

- Laser based manufacturing:
  - backbone of modern production processes
  - highly accurate mass production
  - wide range of products, industries
  - highly flexible
- Problem: Changes of lots require interventions, down times
- Trend to individualisation requires:
  - a high degree of digitization
  - highly autonomous and automated tools and systems to reduce production time and costs





#### b) Innovation actions (ctd): Rapid individualised laser-based production

#### Scope:

- Development and set-up of highly flexible high throughput pilot facilities on the basis of existing laser-based production processes
- **Validation in real settings**
- Advances needed in a number of aspects (eg intelligent networking and machine cooperation, data handling, modelling, work piece handling, beam delivery, integration of different processes, monitoring, process control etc.)
  - **Industry** driven
  - MUS Include the key stakeholders running the pilot facility
- industrial exploitation strategy Should **Outline business case and**







b) Innovation actions (ctd):

Rapid individualised laser-based production

#### **Expected impacts:**

- More efficient, more flexible and higher throughput of individualised laser-based production.
- Improved competiveness and strengthened Europe's market position of laser-based manufacturing industry (equipment and suppliers) and the end-user industry.

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#### **Budget available:**

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### For more information



#### National Contact Points

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national\_contact\_points.html

Participant Portal

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/home.html

**≻** Horizon 2020

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/

Photonics21 and Photonics Public Private Partnership:



http://www.photonics21.org

