

# Együttműködés a bizalom alapján: A SZTAKI és a Fraunhofer Társaság két évtizedes kooperációja

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- **Some facts from our history**

- Established in 1964, as Research Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA)
- EU CoE in IT, Computer Science and Control, 2001
- Virtual Inst. on Production and Business Management (PBM), 2002
- Fraunhofer Project C. for Production Management and Informatics, Fraunhofer (PMI), 2010
- EU CoE in Production Informatics and Control (EPIC), 2017
- Common legal entity: EPIC InnoLabs Ltd, 2018
- 45 FP7 projects, 22 H2020 projects, ERC advanced grant
- Eötvös Loránd Research Network (ELKH), 2019
- Autonomous Systems National Laboratory, 2020
- Artificial Intelligence National Laboratory, 2020
- HUN-REN Hungarian Research Network, 2023

- **Basic research**

- Computer science
- Systems- and control theory
- Engineering and business intelligence
- Machine perception and human-computer interaction

- **Applied research and innovation**

- Vehicles and transportation systems
- Production informatics and logistics
- Energy and sustainable development
- Security and surveillance
- Networked systems and services, cloud and high-performance computing

- **Staff**

- ~ 380 (FTE)
- ~ 100 with scientific degree
- 6 members of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences
- 14 with DSc degree
- 73 with PhD degree
- ~ 15 members of the Hungarian Academy of Engineering



# Main industrial partners

- Computer Science: Ericsson Hungary, OTP Bank, Bosch
- Engineering and Management Intelligence: Hitachi, Audi Motor Hungaria, GE Hungary, Jaguar LandRover, Opel, Volvo, Festo, BPW, Knorr-Bremse Fékrendszerek Kft, Aventics Hungary, Denso + significant number of SMEs
- Systems- and Control: Audi, Knorr-Bremse Fékrendszerek Kft, Paks Nuclear Power Plant
- 2015: MTA SZTAKI's subsidiary in Győr (within EPIC)
- 2016: MTA SZTAKI' subsidiary in Kecskemét
- ~30 patent applications in the past 10 years, ~20 with Hitachi



# Cyber-physical lab. at the EPIC-subsiidiary in Győr



# MTA – Audi – SZTAKI – Győr – Széchenyi István University cooperation

- Centre of Excellence in Vehicle Technology Research (J3K)



# Industrial Digitalisation Days INDIGO with FhG



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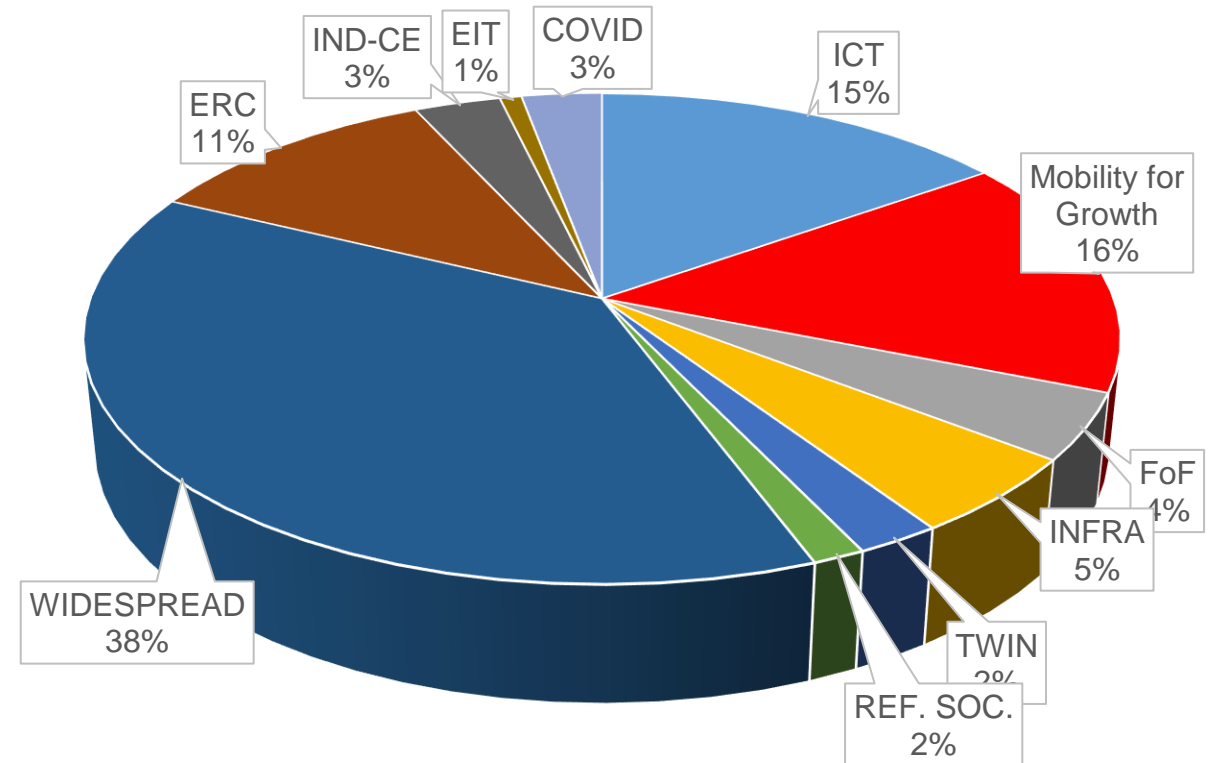
# Common presence at international fairs



# Research projects – EU H2020 Programme

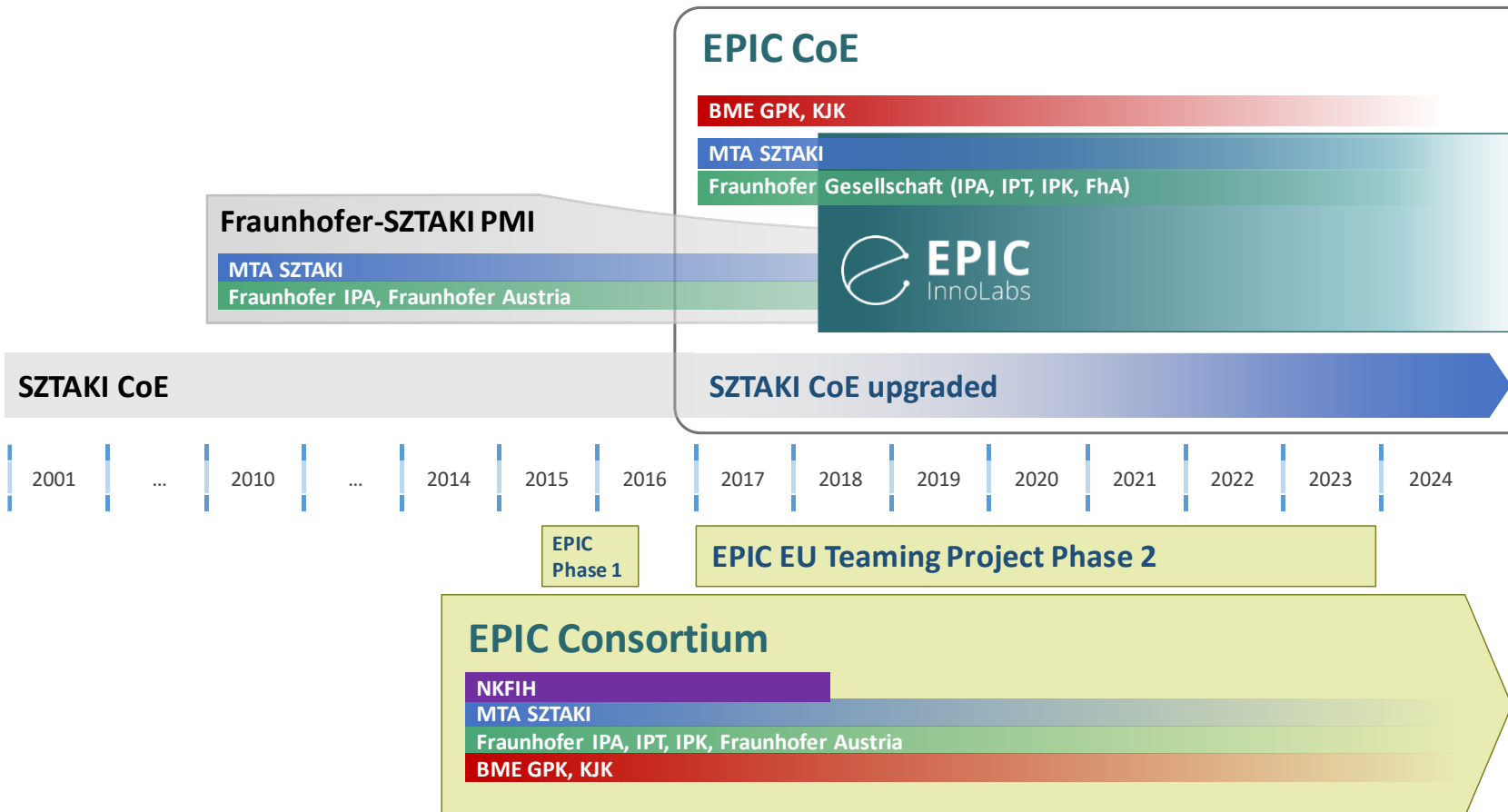
- SZTAKI participates in 20 H2020 projects and in 2 EIT
- Roles: Participant in 16 projects, Coordinator in 6 project
- Total EC contribution: ~23 M€
- In 11 H2020 projects SZTAKI works together with 11 Fraunhofer institutes (IPA, IPK, IPT, IML, IGD, IZI, FIT, SCAI, FKIE, HHI, ISS and Fraunhofer Austria).
- SZTAKI coordinates 5 from them.
- Total support from the EU and the FFG is

Thematic distribution of EC contribution



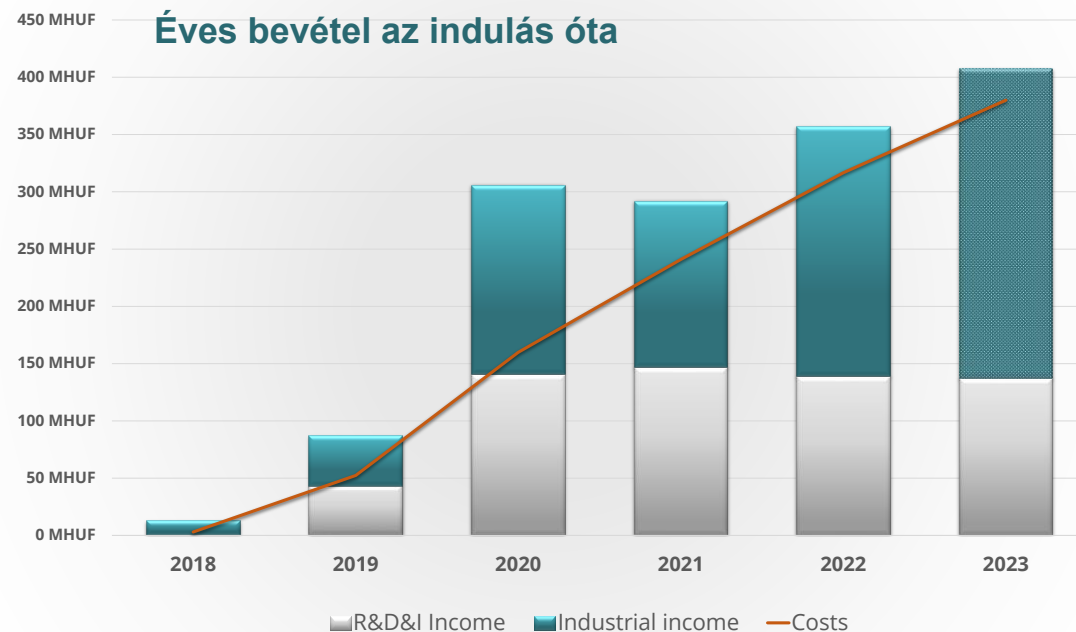


# EPIC: European Centre of Excellence (2017-2024)

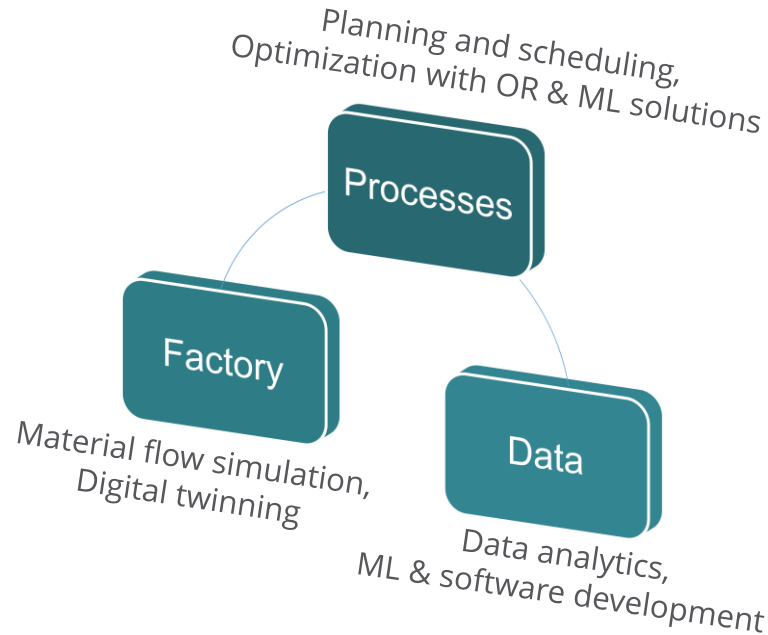


# EPIC InnoLabs in numbers

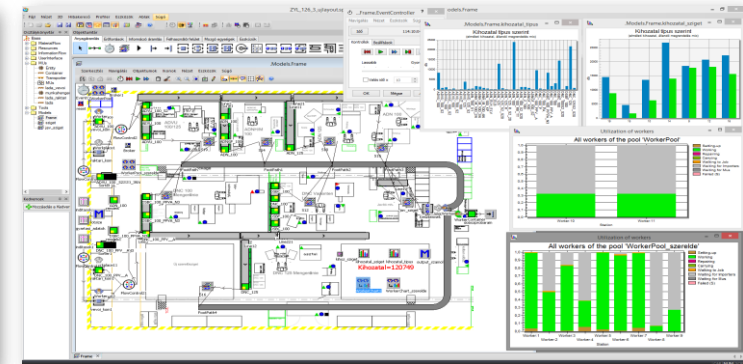
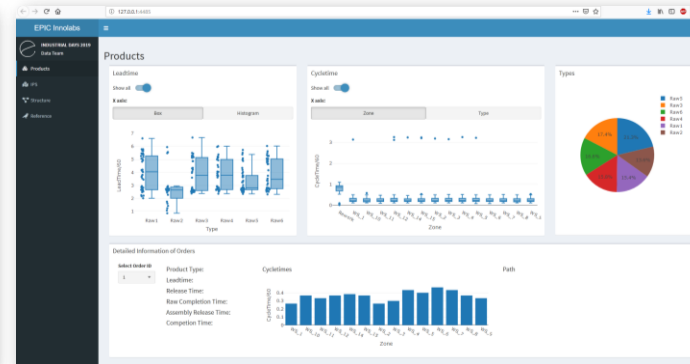
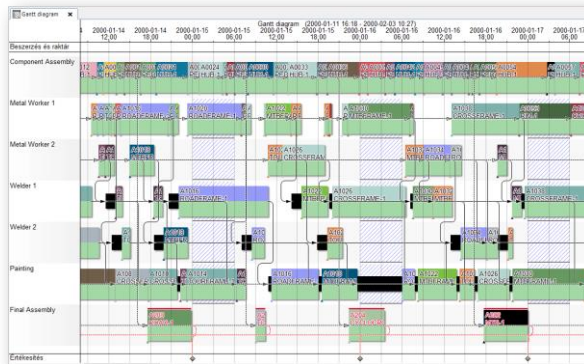
Alapítás június 2018	Projektek száma +100
Partnerek száma +50	Tapasztalat években +100



# Typical applications



- System's analysis and optimization by simulation
- Logistics and supply chain optimization
- Provision of I4.0 trainings and consultancy
- Implementation of planning and scheduling systems
- Prediction of performance KPIs with ML & AI algorithms
- Development of data analytics and BI systems
- Development of OR, AI/ML industrial solutions



## Challenges

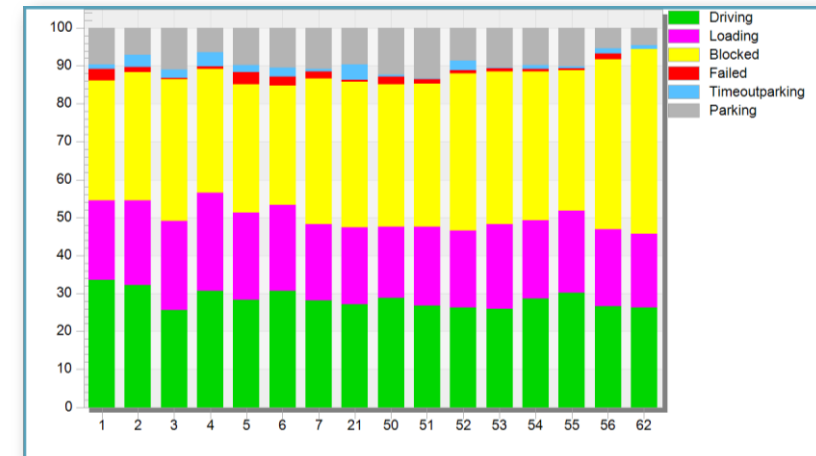
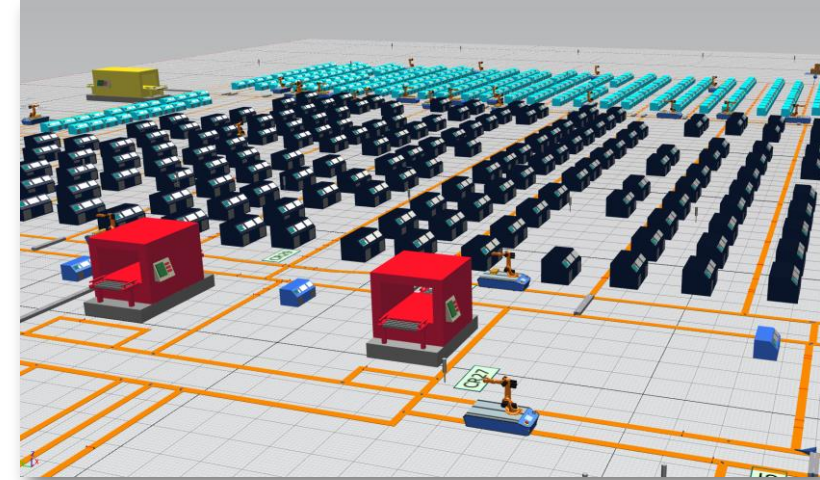
Originally fully automated factory turning into human logistics support  
Increasing product types, but constant output  
High traffic and ARV blocking ending in underutilized machines

## Solution

Experiments with different task distribution logics  
Analyzing task lead times, monitoring ARV and machine utilizations  
Detailed execution and control with digital twinning

## Results

Auto rate: +9% improvement – now 99%  
Finished tasks: 20% improvement  
Lead and task duration time: ~ 30% reduction  
ARV fleet: 2 ARVs can be allocated to other areas



## Challenges

Two plants for manufacturing and assembly with different scheduling rules

Manufacturing plant: long lead times with 1-2 operations

Assembly: short lead times with 5+ operations

## Solution

New scheduler has been developed to handle various routings for parts

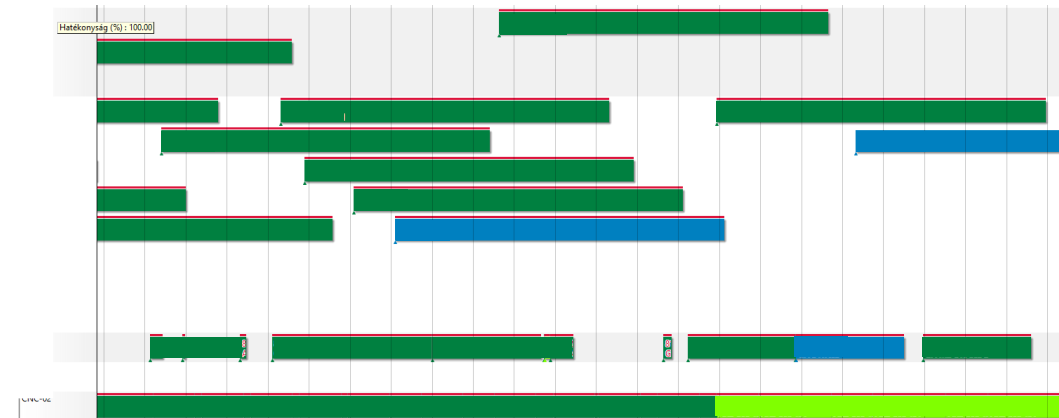
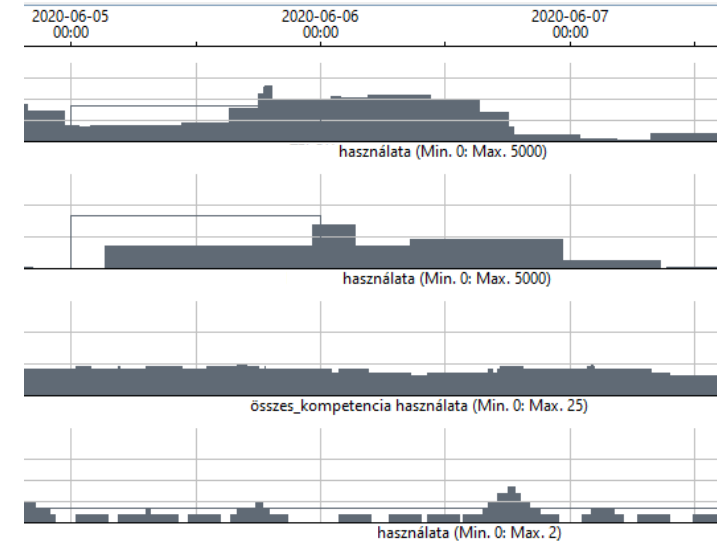
Two different models have been implemented for the plants

## Results

Fully functional APS implemented integrating two scheduling models

Seamlessly connected to the ERP system, synchronized scheduling

Improved on-time delivery performance and commitment



## Challenges

- Missing transparency level by widening explicable time window
- Difficulty in detection of problematic steps, locating the bottleneck events
- Non-existing knowledge of the cause of delays

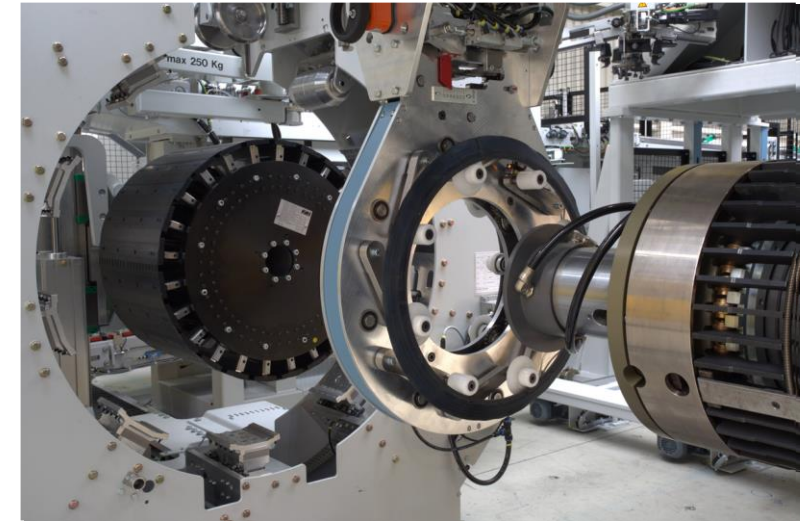
## Solution

- Decrypted and validated model of machine's behaviour by data analytics
- Online dashboard for the analytical results
- Recommendation system for production planning and scheduling

## Results

Reactive tool with filtering for a specific time window and product type in order to:

- Find the cause of delays
- Compare the performance of machines
- Analyse message network in details



*A long journey becomes easy when you find a right partner. And for us EPIC InnoLabs is one such reliable partner that is walking with us and supporting us in each step in this journey called Digitalization of Manufacturing.*

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**Nitin Kaushik**  
Head - Digital Manufacturing  
Apollo Tyres

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*It has been a pleasure working with EPIC InnoLabs. I really appreciate their depth of expertise on optimizing manufacturing, their insightful and creative thinking, their engagement and commitment to our partnership. They are willing to go that extra mile to find the right solutions for our process.*

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**Jhun Vitualla**  
Project Manager  
Western Digital

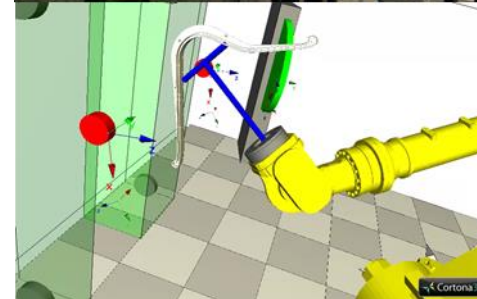
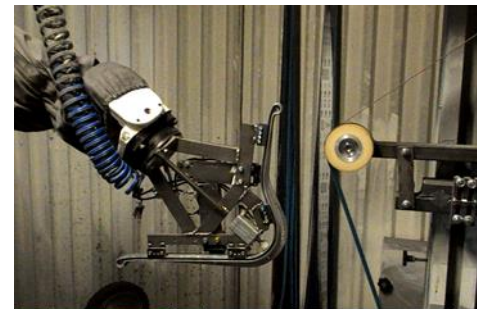
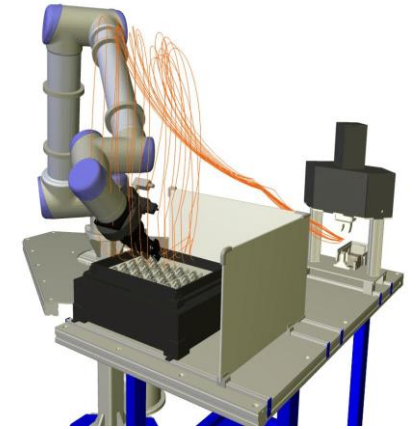
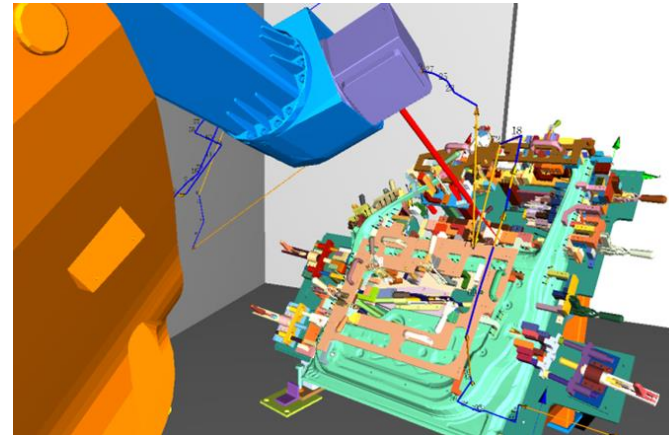
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*The joint simulation project with EPIC InnoLabs demonstrated their expertise and helped us to optimize and understand our manufacturing processes deeper.*

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**István Drágán**  
Process Engineer Manager  
Vincotech

- Objectives
  - Supporting autonomous robot behavior
  - In broad spectrum of manufacturing domains
    - Remote laser welding, grinding, machining ... pick & place ... human-robot collaborative assembly
- Solution approach – generic tools
  - Digital Twin using linkage model
  - Situation recognition, machine learning
  - Optimized task sequencing and path planning
    - Collision avoidance, human safety
  - Multi-channel human-robot communication
  - Automatic offline programming
- Combined into workcell design methodology
  - Digital „closeness” and tolerances observed
- Experimental cyber-physical laboratories
  - @ Győr, @ Budapest





2. STUTTGARTER WISSENSCHAFTSFESTIVAL | **stuttgart** 2022

## EINLADUNG



zur Eröffnungsfeier der OpenLab Ausstellung des Stuttgarter Wissenschaftsfestivals

### "ROBOTERSPIELPLATZ"

Einblicke in die Kombination von Robotik und Künstlicher Intelligenz

**29.06.2022, 9 Uhr**  
Rathaus Stuttgart  
Marktplatz 1 70173 Stuttgart  
Festsaal im 1.Stock des Rathauses

Aus Anlaß des 20-jährigen Jubiläums der Kooperation zwischen dem Fraunhofer IPA und dem SZTAKI freuen sich die Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissenschaftler, an die Ergebnisse ihrer inspirierenden gemeinsamen Arbeit zu erinnern und im Rahmen des Wissenschaftsfestivals das gemeinsame OpenLab-Projekt zu präsentieren.

**Programm 9:00-9:30**

Grußworte:  
Dr. András Izsák  
Generalkonsulat von Ungarn in Stuttgart

Prof. Dr. Thomas Bauernhansl  
Leiter des Fraunhofer-Instituts für Produktionstechnik und Automatisierung

Prof. Dr. László Monostori  
Direktor von SZTAKI (Forschungsinstitut für Computerwissenschaften und Automatisierung)

20 Jahre in 2 Minuten - Momente der Zusammenarbeit  
Besichtigung der OpenLab Ausstellung  
Sektanstoß

Die Teilnahme an der Eröffnungsfeier ist nur auf Einladung möglich.

# Wissenschaftsfestival, Stuttgart, 2022.06.29.



# Thank you for your attention!

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