

# D.T3.5.2 REGIONAL STAKEHOLDER GROUP WITH RELEVANT INNOVATION ACTORS

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Report

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## 1. Name of the event, implementing date and place

Regional stakeholder group with relevant innovation actors as part of Best practice day 2021

- Date: 1.10.2021
- Place: On-line event, Zoom application

## 2. Number and types of participants/target groups

Total sum of participants: 100

The participants belong to the following target groups:

- Research and education: 20
- Companies: 70
- Business support organizations: 10

## 3. Topics tackled and links to deliverables, outputs

The Regional stakeholder group with relevant innovation actors was held as part of Best practice day 2021 on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. The conference aimed to present best practice examples of the use of digital lean to optimize production, eliminate errors or losses in the production process and therefore create a higher added value. The free on-line conference welcomed experts and decision-makers from companies who are involved in processes of digital transformation, especially in the field of production, development and finding new sales and supply routes.

In the afternoon session we tackled some interesting topics about tools that would help companies, especially SMEs to go on the path of digital transformation. Since the focus was on lean production and lean leadership, we discussed methodologies and strategies that could lead to leaner and more agile processes. We used the afternoon workshop as a playground, a field to test what approach would work, how new technologies can be used in companies and how we could transform these take-aways into potential DIH services.

Specifically, in the Afternoon Session the attendees discussed the DIH service on the topic of digital readiness assessment of manufacturing SME's. Since there are numerous methodologies on digital readiness assessment, we have provided the information about the 4steps methodology to the interested attendees. The presentation was followed by the debate about the concepts of Industry 4.0 for manufacturing SME's and the importance of digital lean in production. The attendees had the privilege to follow the Keynote lecture from Dr. Richard Keegan, author, advisor at EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Co-Operation, professor at Trinity College Dublin on the topic of Digital Lean. Therefore, in the afternoon session, there was a short debate on the importance of digital lean and digitalization of manufacturing processes.

The Best practice day has its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and it's therefor an important part of the digital community. With topics like Industry 4.0, digitalization, automatization and lean it is especially important to showcase best practice examples. The 4steps project was part of the event in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row and became an important part of the Slovenian community.



## 4. Expected effects and follow up

The event focused on the topic of best practice and knowledge transfer between companies or Academia/Research community with a strong focus on new interlinked technologies. This kind of knowledge transfer is crucial for the transition to Industry 4.0.

The attendees had a chance to share their experiences and offer important insight on the current and future needs of the companies. The Chamber of commerce and industry of Slovenia will collect these valuable inputs and integrate them into our services for companies.

## 5. Annexes: e.g. agenda of the event, pictures, media coverage web- links etc

5.1. Event Invitation (PDF)

5.2. PPT break (PDF)

5.3. Pictures (print screens of the event and eventpage)