

# Bionic Smart Factory 4.0 – Fabrikstruktur zum industriellen 3D-Druck

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# Light Experts – Competence Center for Light Engineering

## LIGHT EXPERTS

**LIGHT**  
CONSULTING

Implementation plan for ...

- strategy
- product
- process



ENGINEERING IN  
**Light**  
PHOTONIC SOLUTIONS  
FOR RESOURCE EFFICIENT PRODUCTS

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BIONIC PRODUCTION 

Development  
Research

Production

Post-  
processing

Quality  
assurance

Design

Material

Prototyping

Quality  
management

Bionic Smart  
Factory 4.0

Competence creation and network

**Light Academy**

**Light Alliance**

## LZN and its partners were awarded for outstanding achievements

### Finalist of “Innovationspreis der deutschen Wirtschaft“



### First additive manufactured metal part for civil aircraft

#### ...developed by

- Bionic lightweight construction design in TiAl6V4
- Successfully tested
- First flight successfully completed

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hofmann innovation group

 **AIRBUS**

**LZ<sup>N</sup>**

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Fabrikstruktur zum industriellen 3D-Druck (2016)

### Deutscher Zukunftspreis 2015 – Awarded „Circle of the best“

#### Project Team

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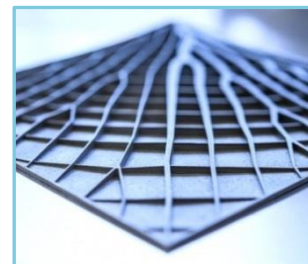
**LZ<sup>N</sup>**

#### Project

*„3-D-Printing in civil aircraft production –  
the next industrial revolution takes off“*



**DEUTSCHER ZUKUNFTSPREIS**  
Preis des Bundespräsidenten  
für Technik und Innovation



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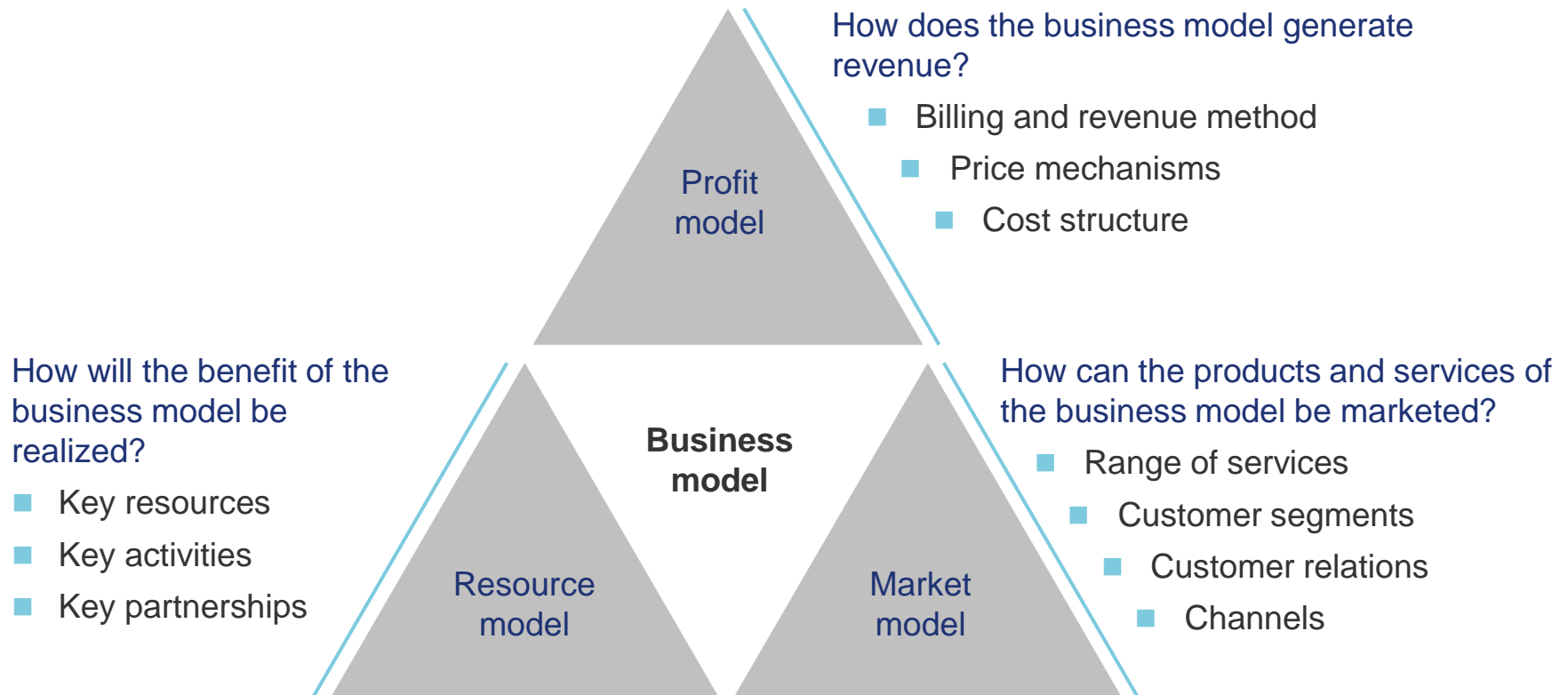
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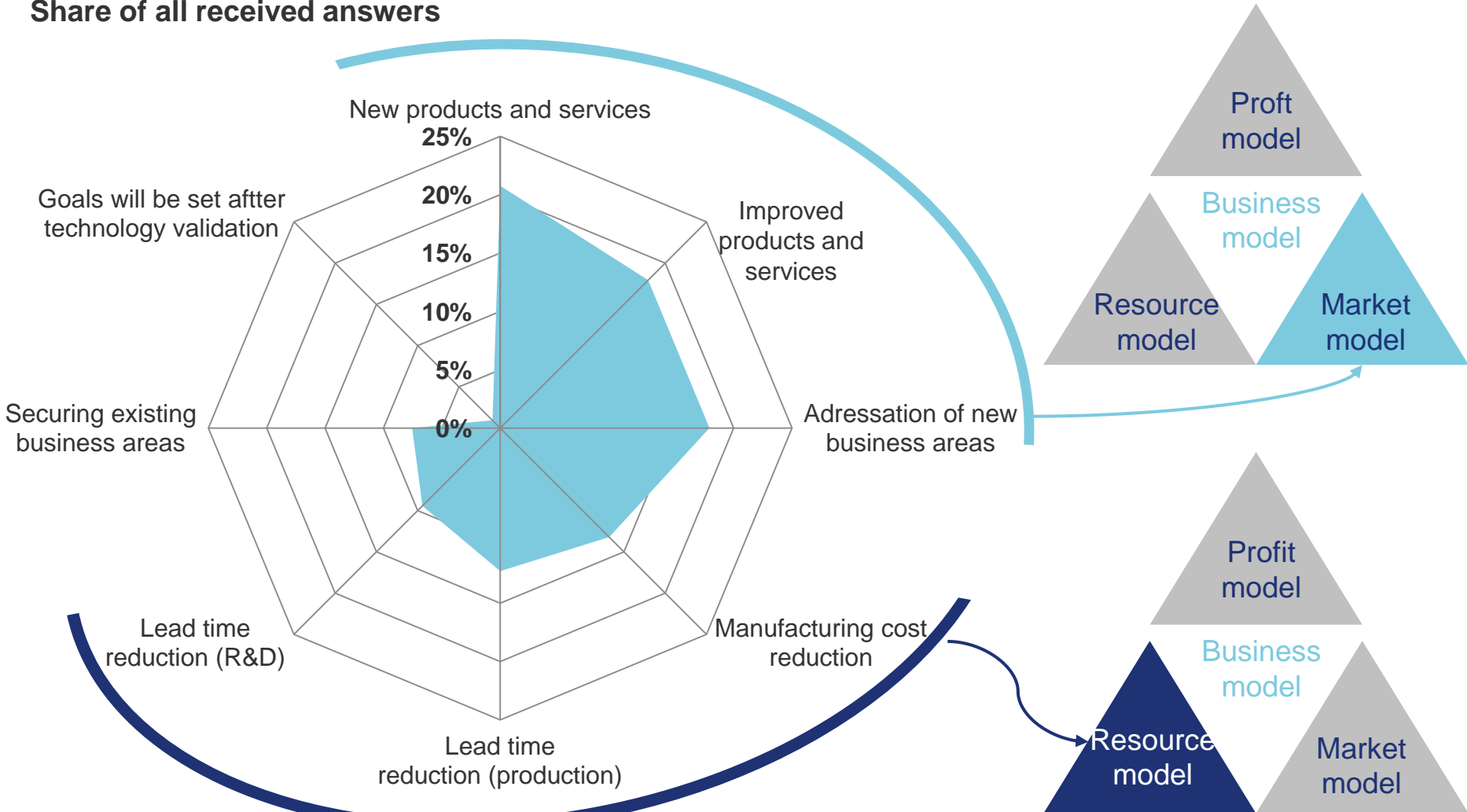
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## Business models are a combination of market, resource and profit model – Overview



# Primary focus on new markets and products, followed by improvement of resource model

Share of all received answers



Source: LZN Light Alliance survey 2016



# Additive manufacturing – The technology enables for change of old and invention of new business models

## In place... (selection)















Machine  
manufacturing

Smart platform  
approaches

## First applications known... (selection)





...

Mass  
customization

Bionic products –  
Fully integrated and  
resource efficient

Adapted  
business models

New business  
models

Build to print  
incl. prototypes

Engineering and  
related services

Decentralized spare  
parts on demand

Decentralized  
production (Bionic  
Smart Factory)









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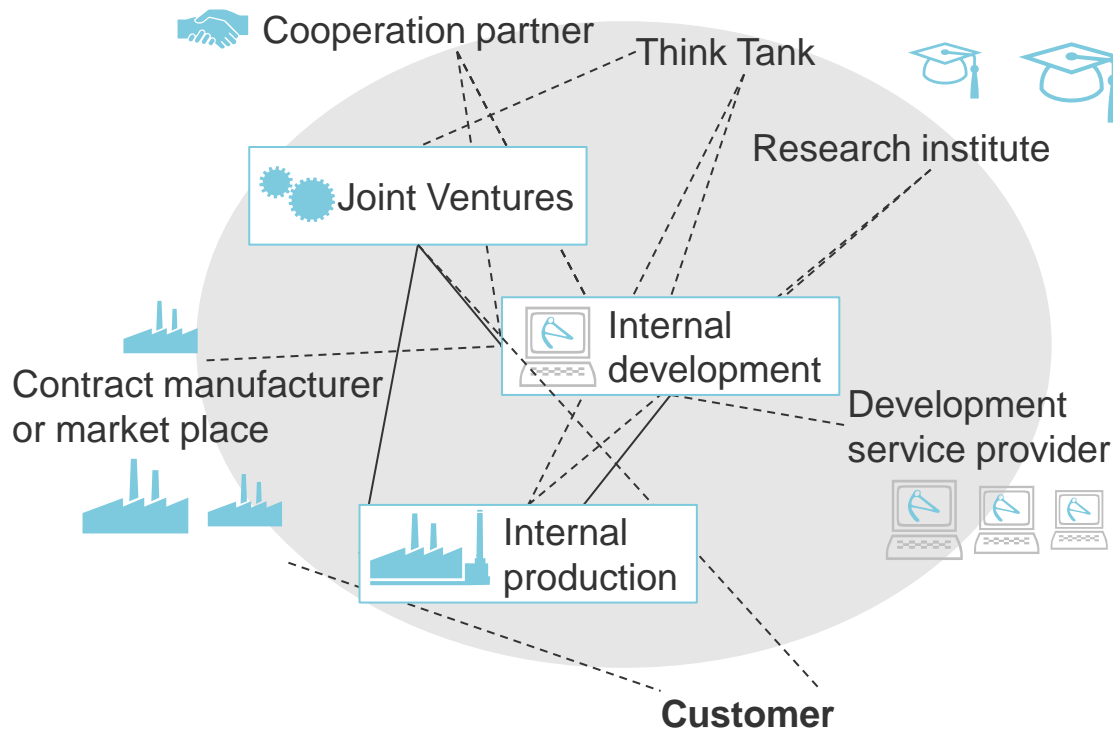







## Hypothesis: Digital merger of design and process improves time, cost and quality

### Industry 4.0 – Merger of design and process



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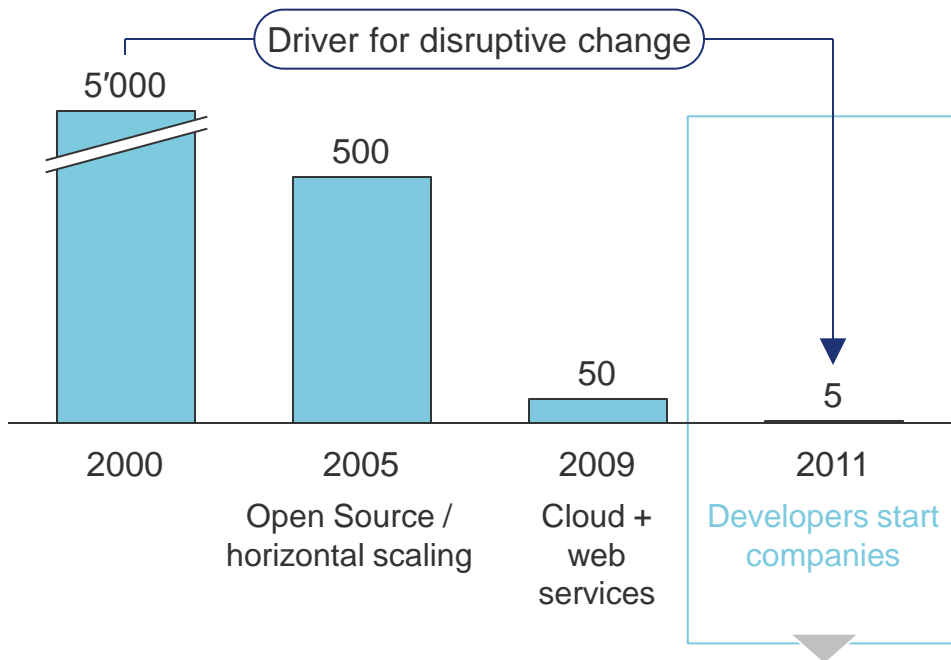
Direct production with standardized data formats enables discarding of product-specific industrialization – advantages:

- Efficient collaboration, regardless of location, internal and external with partners and service providers possible, e.g. through
  - Research institutes
  - Development service providers
- Increased merger through data exchange of:
  - Specification / development
  - Construction / design
  - Production
- Crucial: design guidelines

## Hypothesis: Design and sales of industrial goods possible through individuals in the future

### Corporate landscape industrial goods

Cost for the foundation of a internet-tech-startup  
['000 USD]



Also transferable to mechanical products?

Source: Mark Suster (Upfront Ventures)

### Details

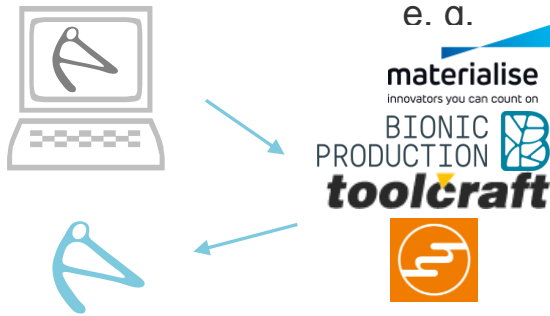
Declining capital requirements for the foundation of tech-Startups is transferred to the segment of mechanical products

- No direct access to production facilities necessary
- Investments in production facilities can be omitted

In the future, individuals are able to implement business ideas with mechanical products themselves!

## Additive manufacturing should base on a suitable cost structure

### Subcontracting

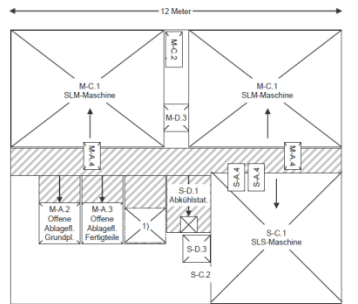


Investment: ~ 0,1 m EUR

Also integrated are ...

- Initiation and (basic) training of staff
  - Engineering services
- Subcontracted will be...
- All processing activities

### Integrated additive manufacturing

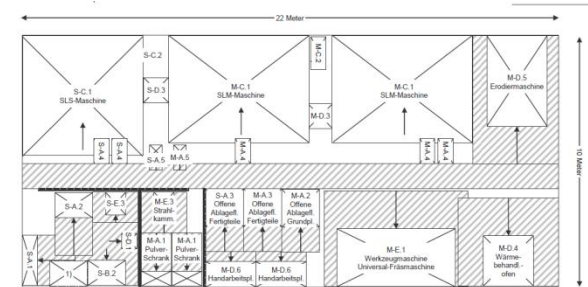


Investment: > 1,5 m EUR

Also integrated are ...

- Additive manufacturing machines for plastic und metal
  - Wire eroding
- Subcontracted will be...
- Post-processing steps

### Complete additive plant



Investment: > 5 m EUR

Also integrated are ...

- Additional additive manufacturing machines for metal
  - Heat treatment
  - Cutting finish
- Subcontracted will be...
- Capital intense post-processing steps (e. g. HIP)

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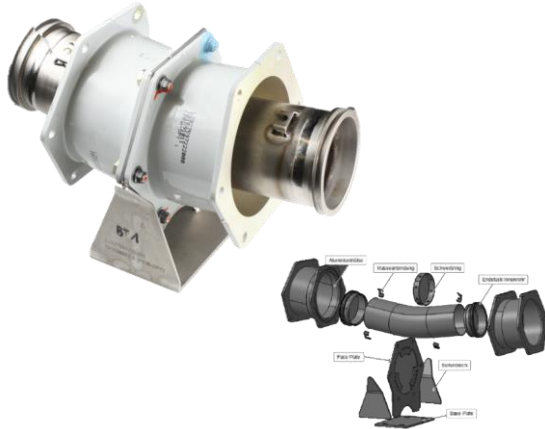
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## The complexity advantage allows applications using functional integration, bionic design and lattices

### Part Integration



Airbus Innovation Cell & LZN

### Bionic Design

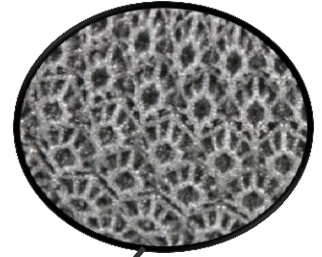


Bird bone structure

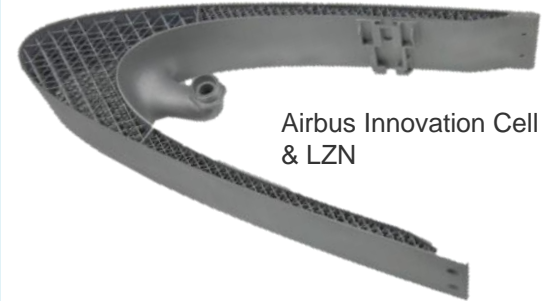


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### Lattice Structures

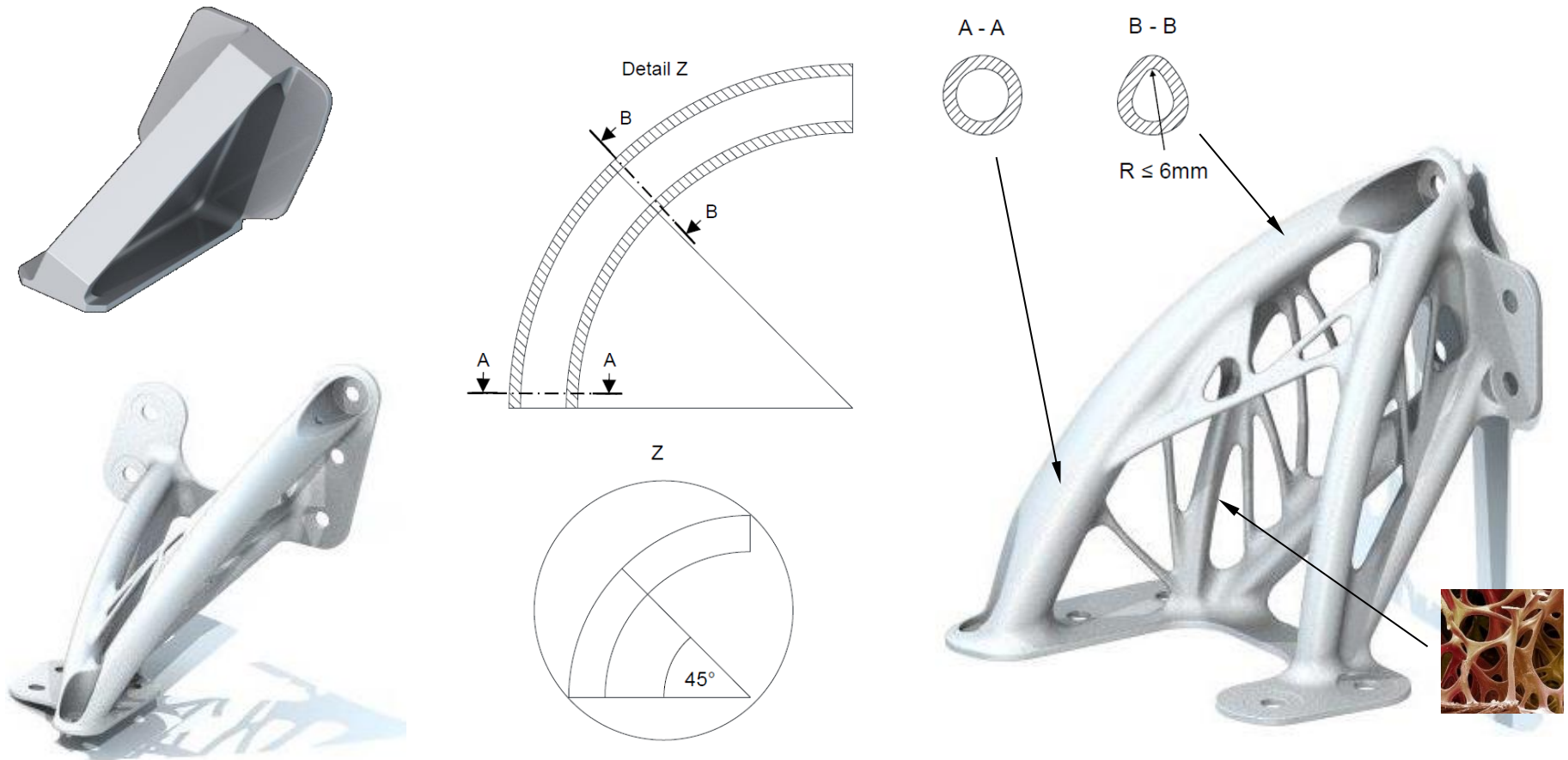


Implantcast & LZN



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## Lightweight Design through topology optimization/ bionic interpretation – Example: Brackets



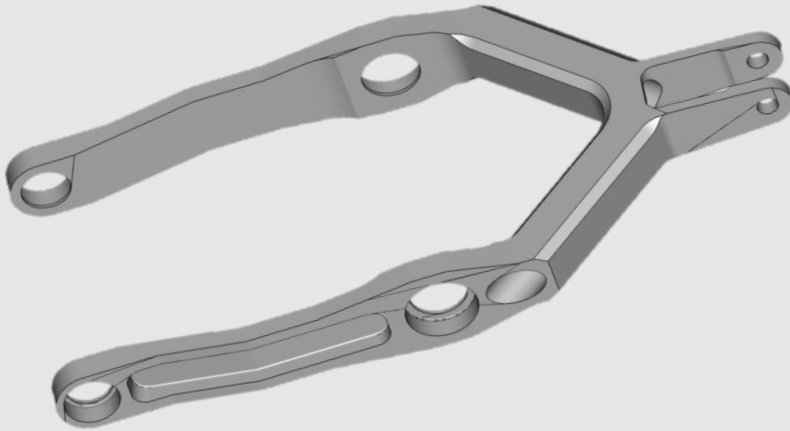
**Weight Reduction of 20 %**



## Cost reduction for series production for selected products with only low design modifications



### Conventional Design



### LAM-Design



Gefördert durch:



Bundesministerium  
für Wirtschaft  
und Technologie

aufgrund eines Beschlusses  
des Deutschen Bundestages

**Weight Reduction: 35 %**

**Cost Reduction: 20 %**

Die Untersuchungen wurden aus Haushaltsmitteln des Bundesministeriums für Wirtschaft und Technologie (BMWi), FKZ 20W1305G, gefördert.



## The best of two worlds: Hybrid space frame for new lightweight automotive concepts



- Nearly tool-free manufacturing of single components and technology demonstrators
- Virtual development of a highly functional automotive lightweight structure
- New laser-based joining concepts and manufacturing layouts



World premiere at  
The IAA 2015



A joint innovation  
project of:

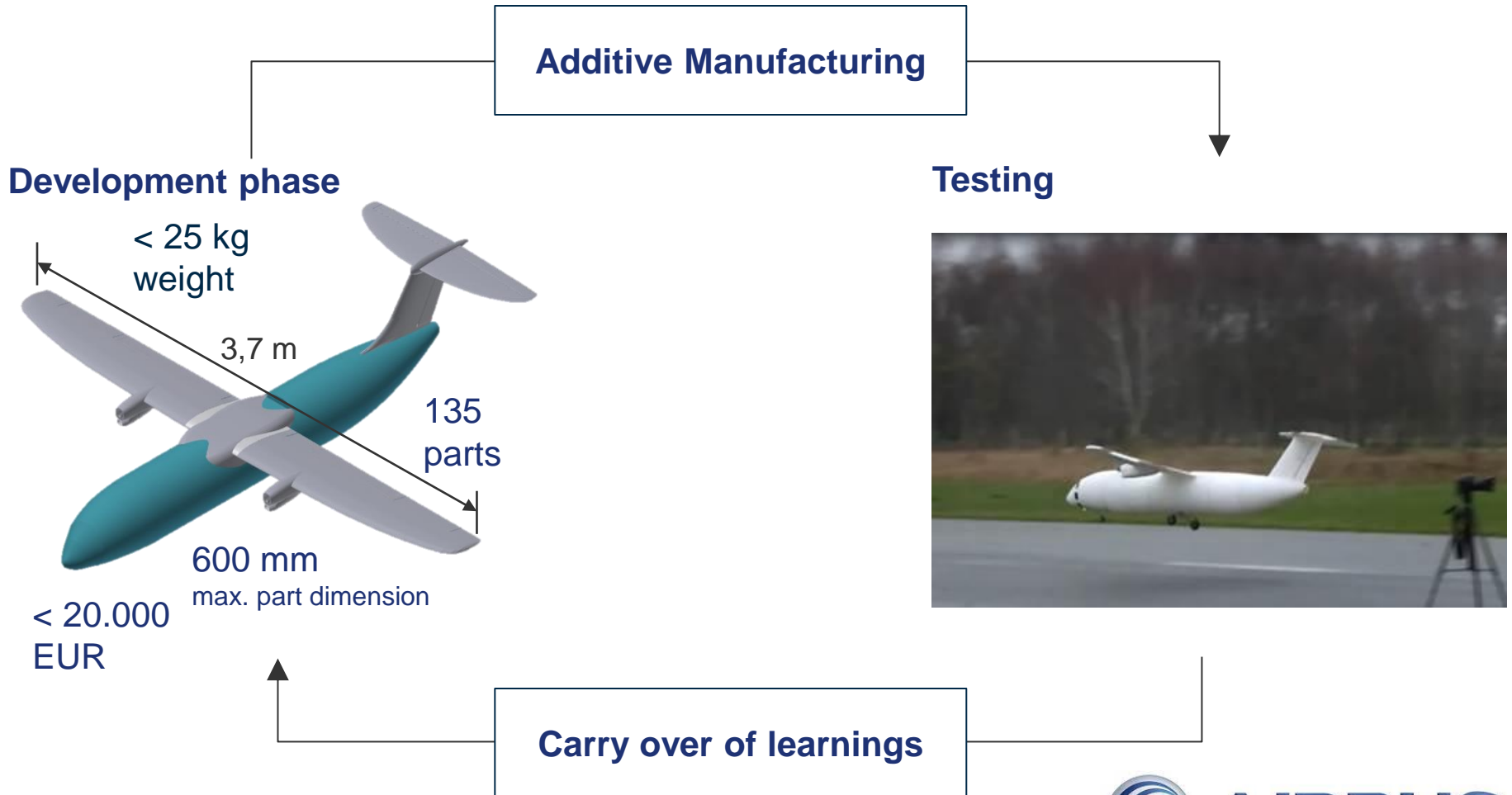


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## THOR implements agile principles in advanced development – Enabled by additive manufacturing



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# Manufacturing plants are typically developed from target setting to final layout in three steps

## Requirements and targets

Werkstoff	Aluminium	Edelstahl	Titan	PA	Nickelbasislegierungen	
Wärmebehandlung	Spannungsarmglühen (ideal)	Spannungsarmglühen	Spannungsarmglühen / Lösungsglühen	-	Lösungsglühen / Ausglühen / Ausscheidungshärtung	
Toleranzklasse ISO 2768-1	v (sehr grob)	c (grob)	m (mittel)	f (fein)		
Prozessfolge	Unbearbeitet		Nachbearbeitung			
Oberflächengüte Mittenrauwert $R_a$	5 – 12 $\mu m$	2,5 – 6,5 $\mu m$	3,2 $\mu m$	1,6 $\mu m$	0,8 $\mu m$	0,1 – 0,4 $\mu m$
Prozessfolge	unbearbeitet	strahlen	schruppen	schlichten	schleifen	feinschleifen
Dauerfestigkeit $\sigma_{0.2}$ bei $10^7$ Lastwechseln	Nicht relevant	460 MPa - Gestraht	500 MPa - Poliert	(>) 540 MPa - HIP		v räumliche für bisch-
Prozessfolge (Titan)	Nicht relevant	strahlen	polieren	HIP		

Arbeitsvorbereitung

Meetingräume

Allgemeiner Fertigungsbereich

■ SLM/SLS/FDM-Maschine

■ Nachbearbeitungsschritte ohne besondere Emissionen

Belastungsbereich – Metall

■ Strahlkabine

■ Pulverbefüllung

Belastungsbereich – Kunststoff

■ Strahlkabine

■ Pulvermischer

Abgesaugt

– Allgemeiner Fertigungsbereich

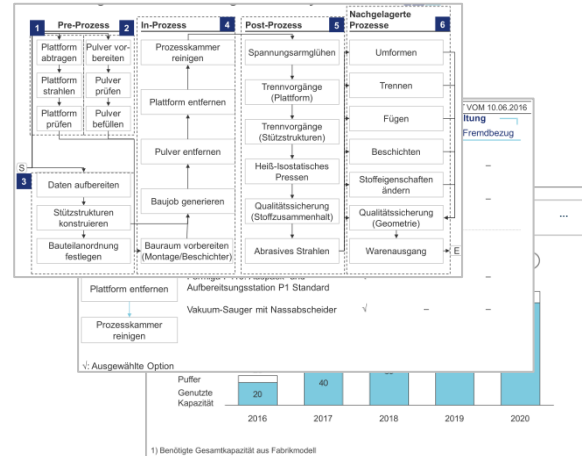
– Belastungsbereich – Metall

– Belastungsbereich – Kunststoff

■ Der Belastungsbereich wird mit explosionsgeschützter Absaugung ausgestattet

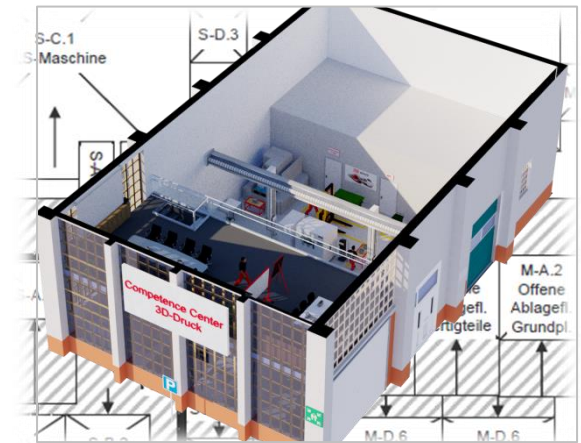
- Definition of **performance requirements** and target budgets
- Definition of **production program** (product requirements)
- Derivation of **technology sequence** from production program
- Identification of **further requirements** (e.g. existing production equipment and facility)

## Plant structure definition



- Definition of **required machinery** according to the additive **manufacturing process chain** – Based on...
  - Capacity requirements of planned products and services
  - Mode of value creation
  - Make or buy decision
- Deriving the **need for financing**
- Definition of an **organization structure**

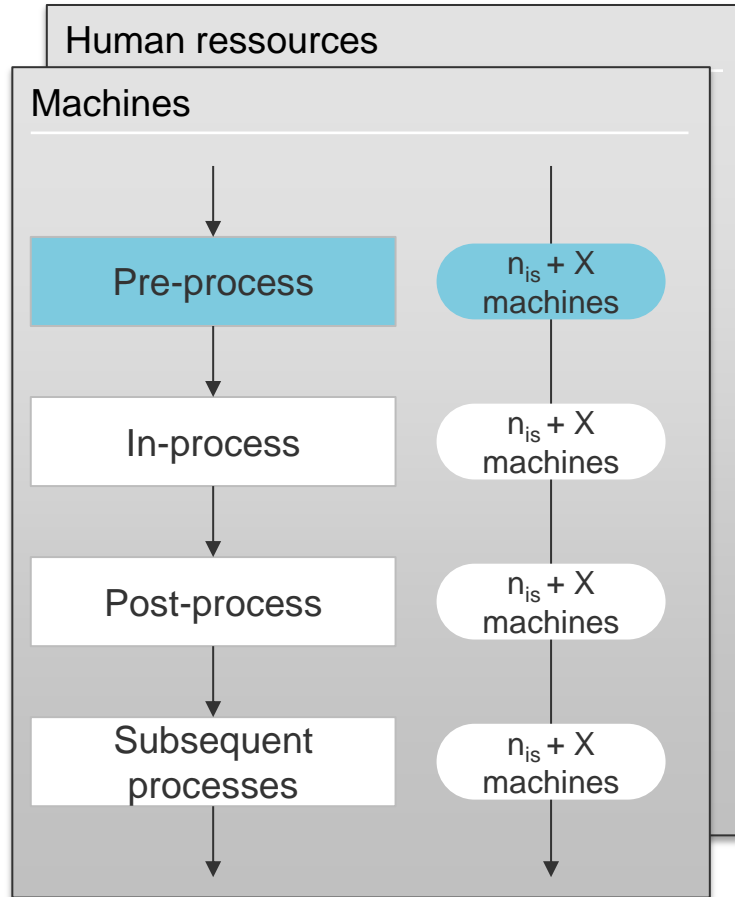
## Plant layout and visualization



- Creation of a **layout concept** to **fulfill the requirements** (machines and infrastructure) under consideration of requirements and targets
- Taking into account the **available building infrastructure**
- **Visualization** (2 and 3 dimensional)

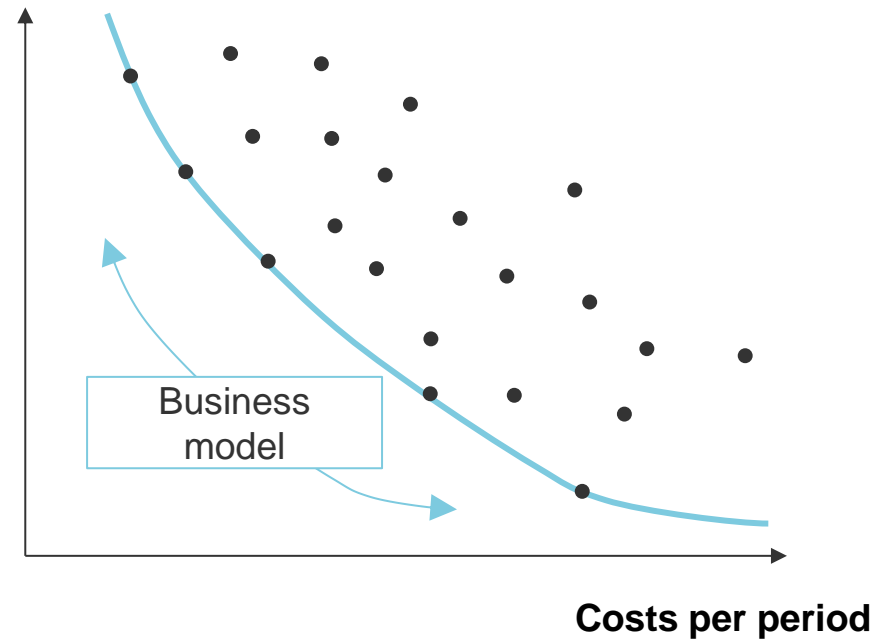
# When creating a factory structure, lead time and cost are the most important goals

## Factory structure



## Pareto front defined by lead time and cost

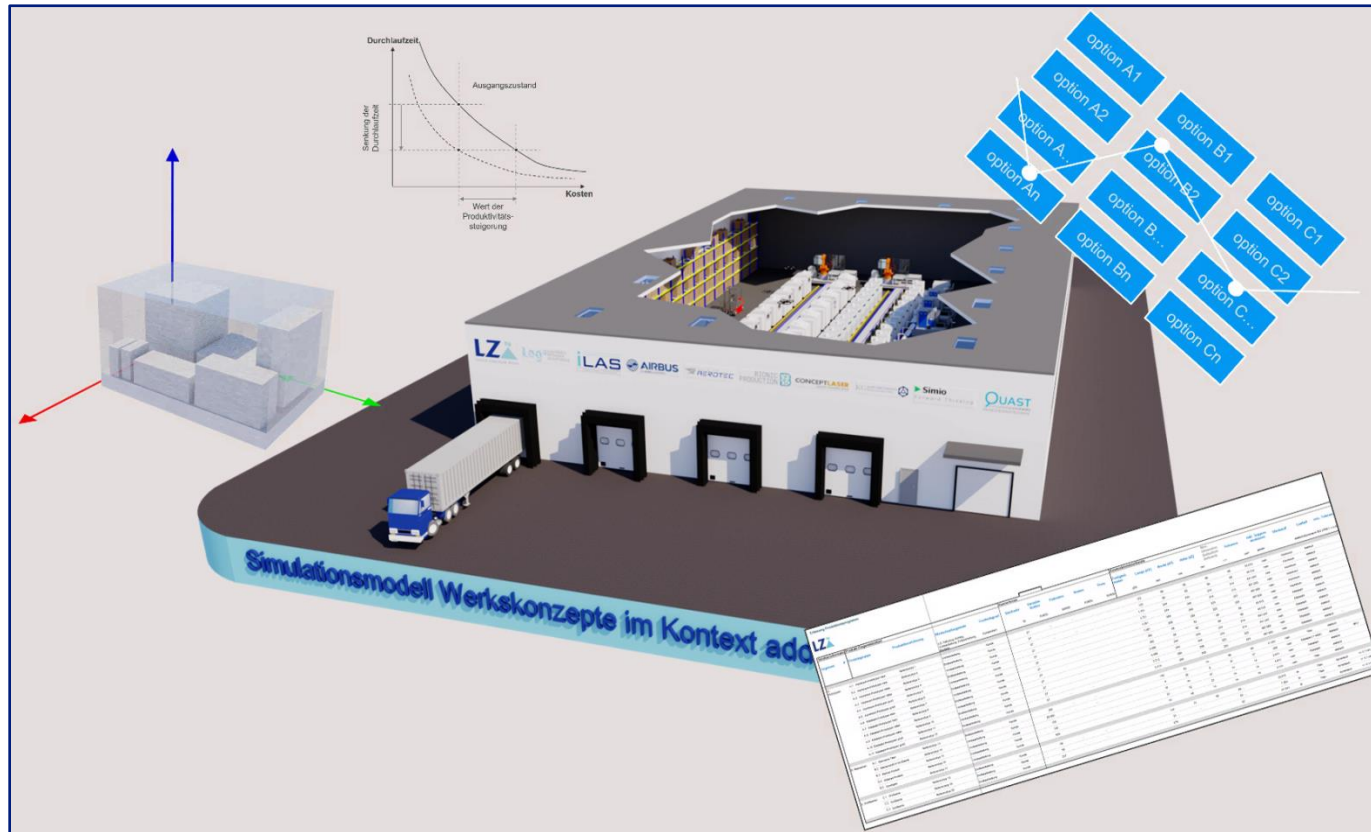
Lead time  
(average, deviation)



— Pareto frontier

• Factory's performance

## By discrete event study, different factory set-ups can be easily evaluated



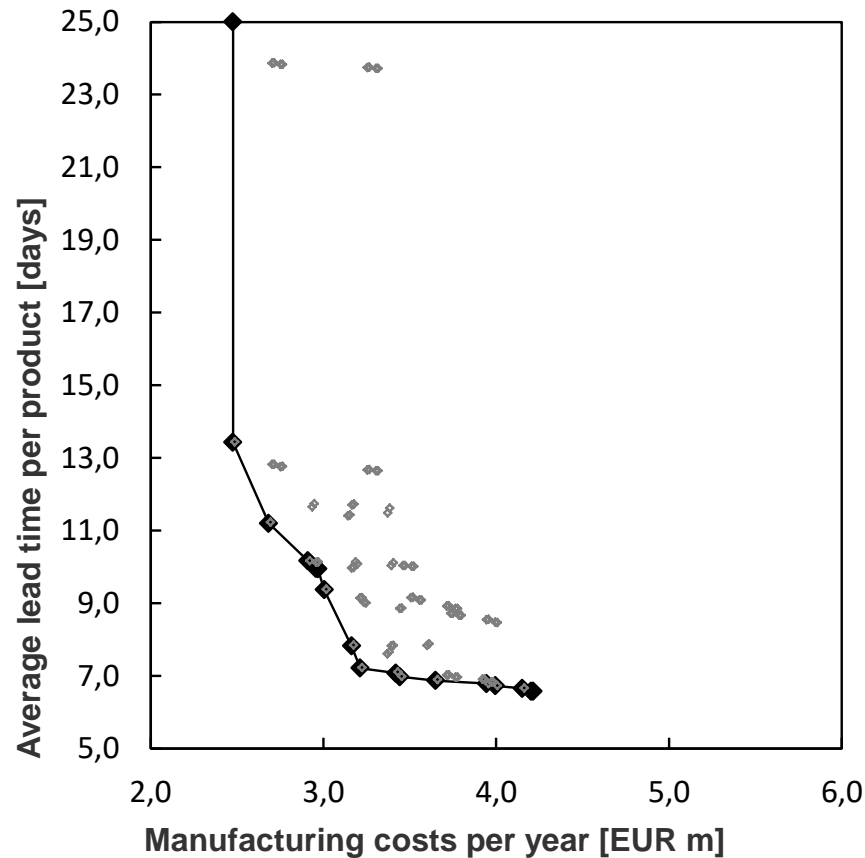
### Features

- Flexible simulation of system load and system capacities
- Comprehensive process chain in model included
- Industrial model derived from real factory observations (time management, process chain, resource requirements)

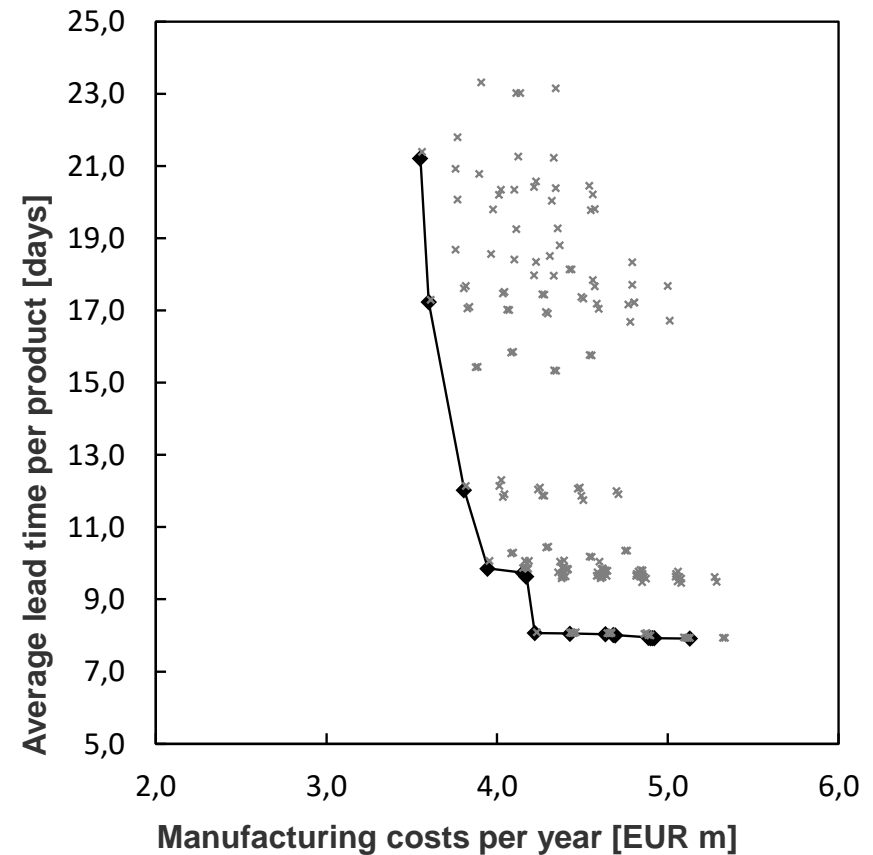
## The steep pareto front makes a business case related factory structure definition strongly necessary

Indicative

**Production program**  
single piece and small series



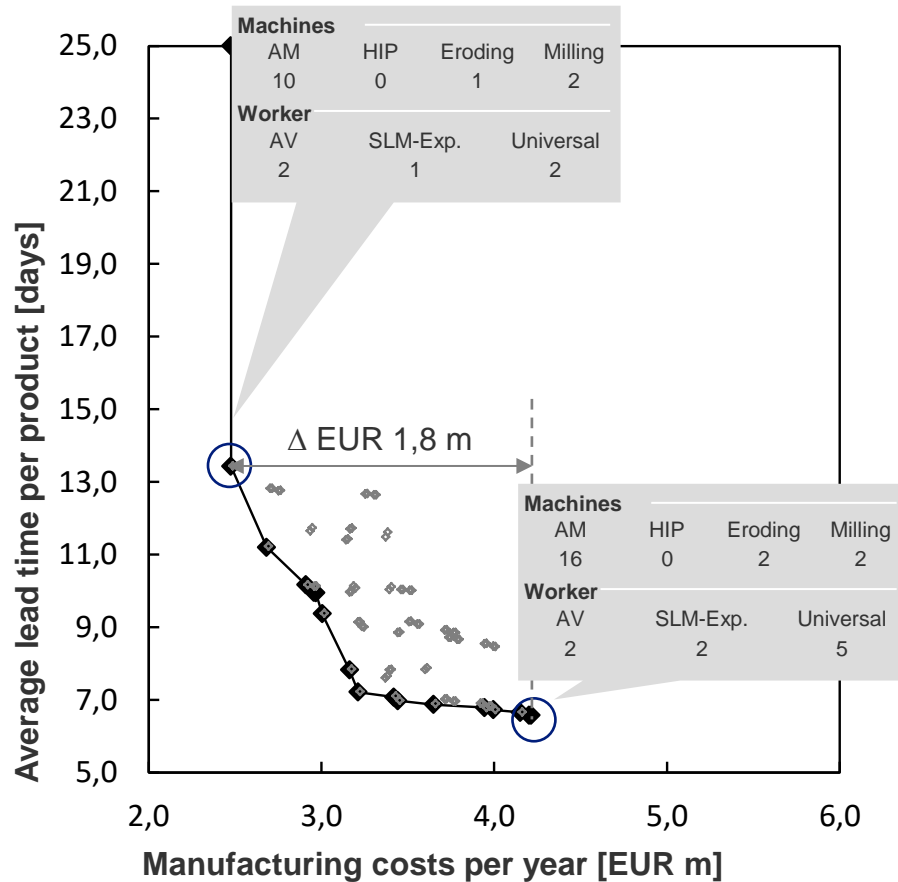
**Production program**  
Mass production



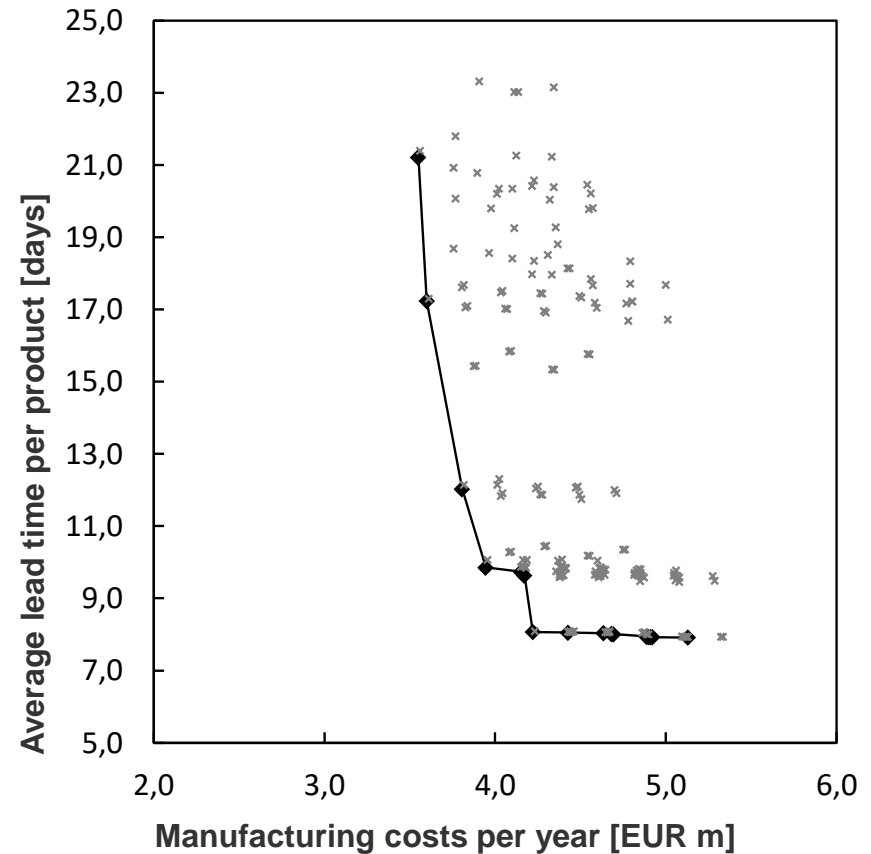
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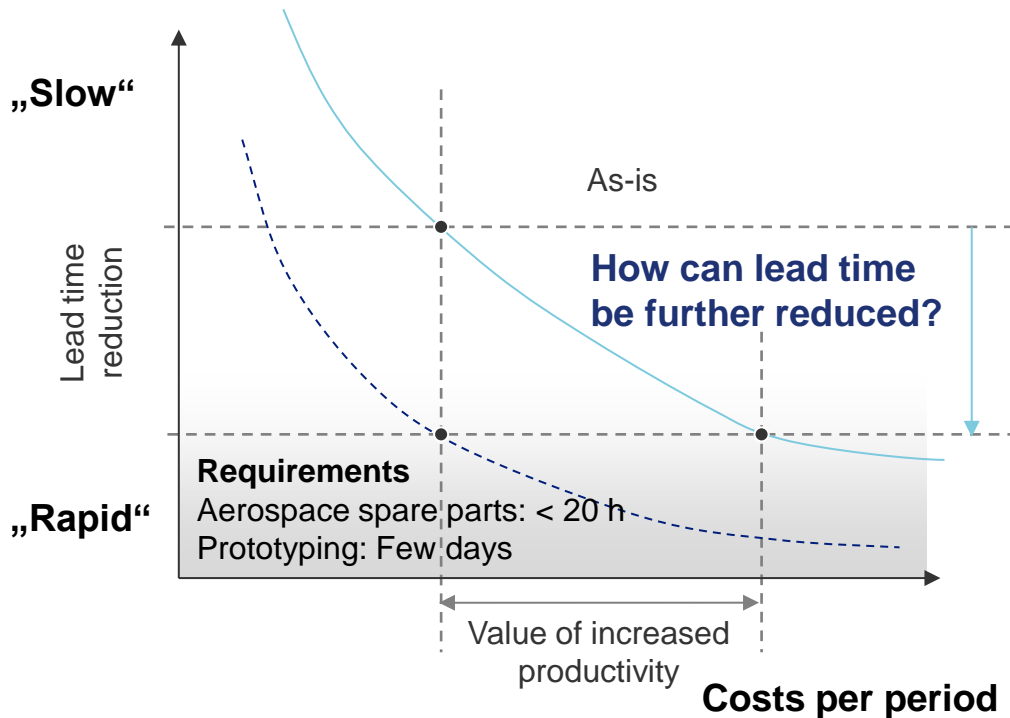


# Full process chain lead times can be fast, but how can they become really rapid?

## Pareto front defined by lead time and cost

Lead time

(average, deviation)



## 1 Process improvement



## 2 Product design

- Design for cost/bionic design
- Design for low post processing effort (HIP, machining)
- ...

## 3 Dispatching mode

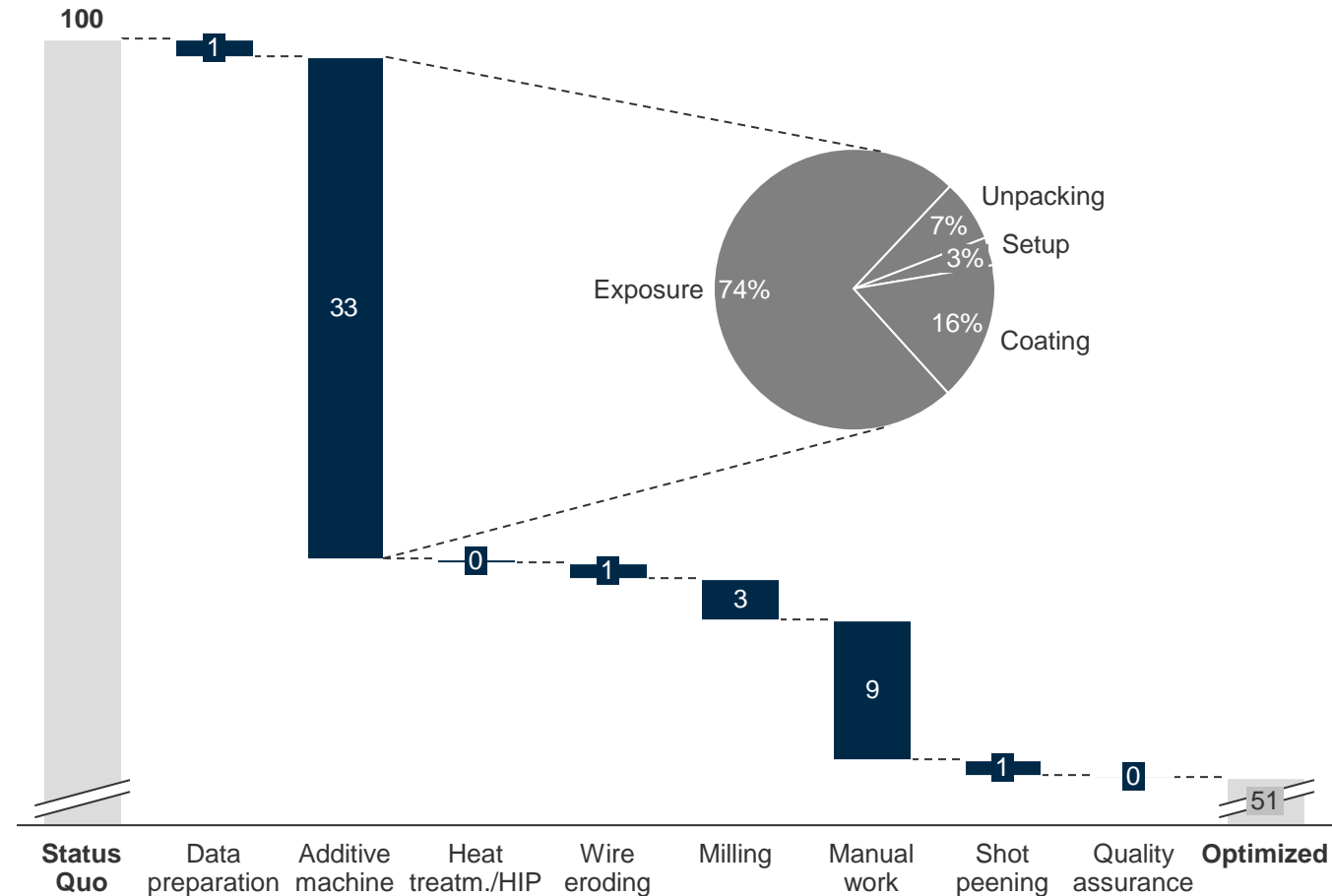
- Build job allocation
- Independent job-setup
- ...

## 4 Supply chain improvement

- Distributed/local manufacturing
- ...

# Additive machine and manual process with the most significant cost reduction potential

## Cost reduction potential when doubling machine speed [% of manufacturing cost<sup>1)</sup>]



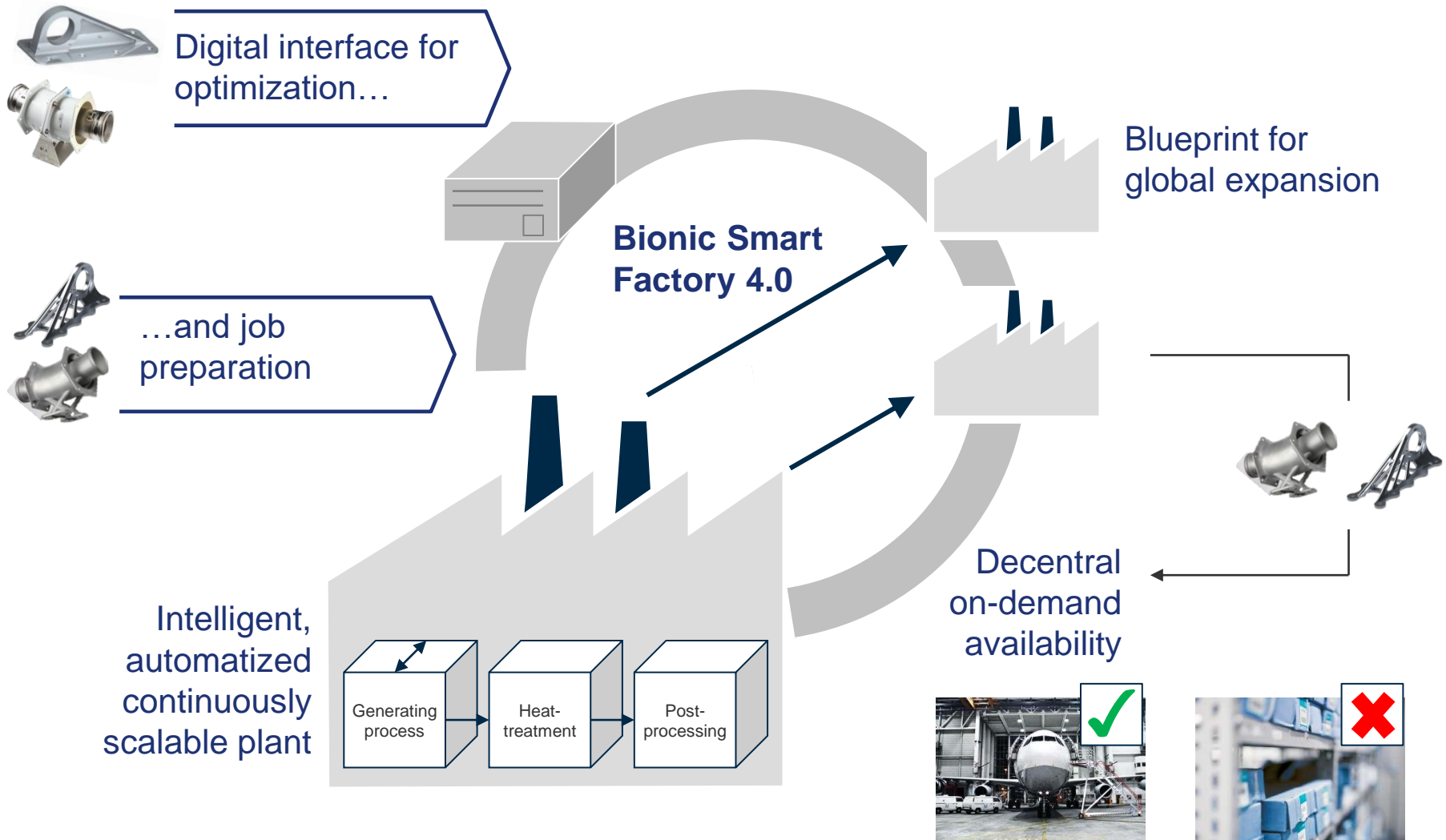
1) Excluding: material, area, building, overhead costs

### Indicative

### Details

- Considered production program:  
Single piece and small series production with annual production rate of 13.000 units
- Analysis:  
Cost reduction potential with doubled machine speed
- Basis:  
Discrete event model „Werkskonzepte im Kontext additiver Fertigung“ with industrial model from LZN/iLAS

# Bionic Smart Factory: The approach for global, digital manufacturing



# A Smart Platform simplifies data handling and enables for automation of data processing chain

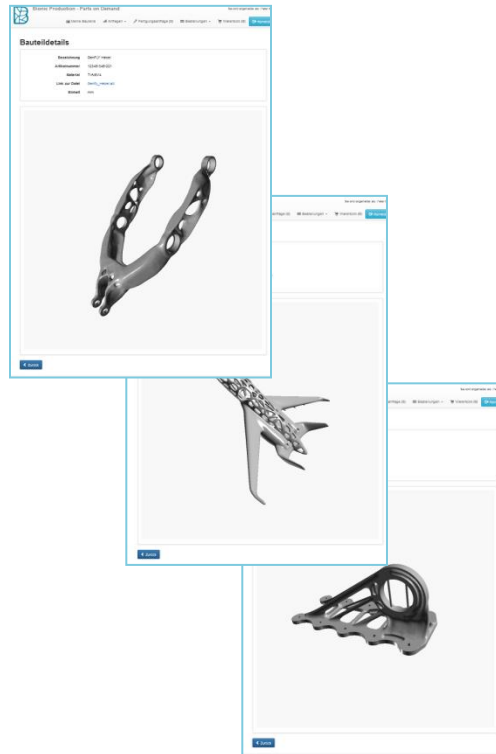
**Smart Platform:**  
Interface/optimization

Job preparation

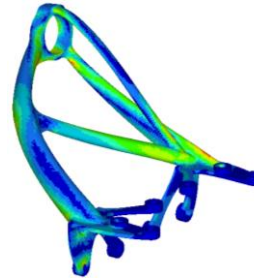
Additive  
manufacturing

Post processing

## CAD File Upload

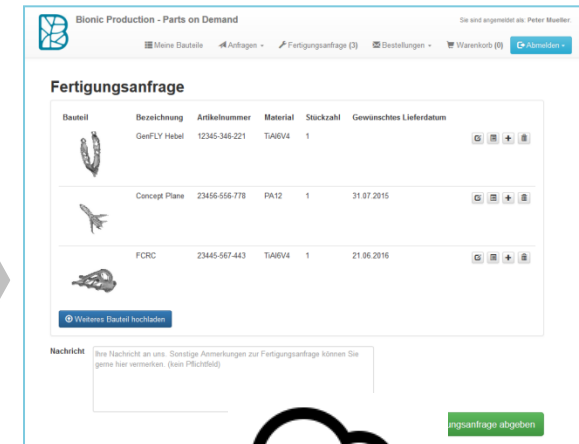


## Value Add Services

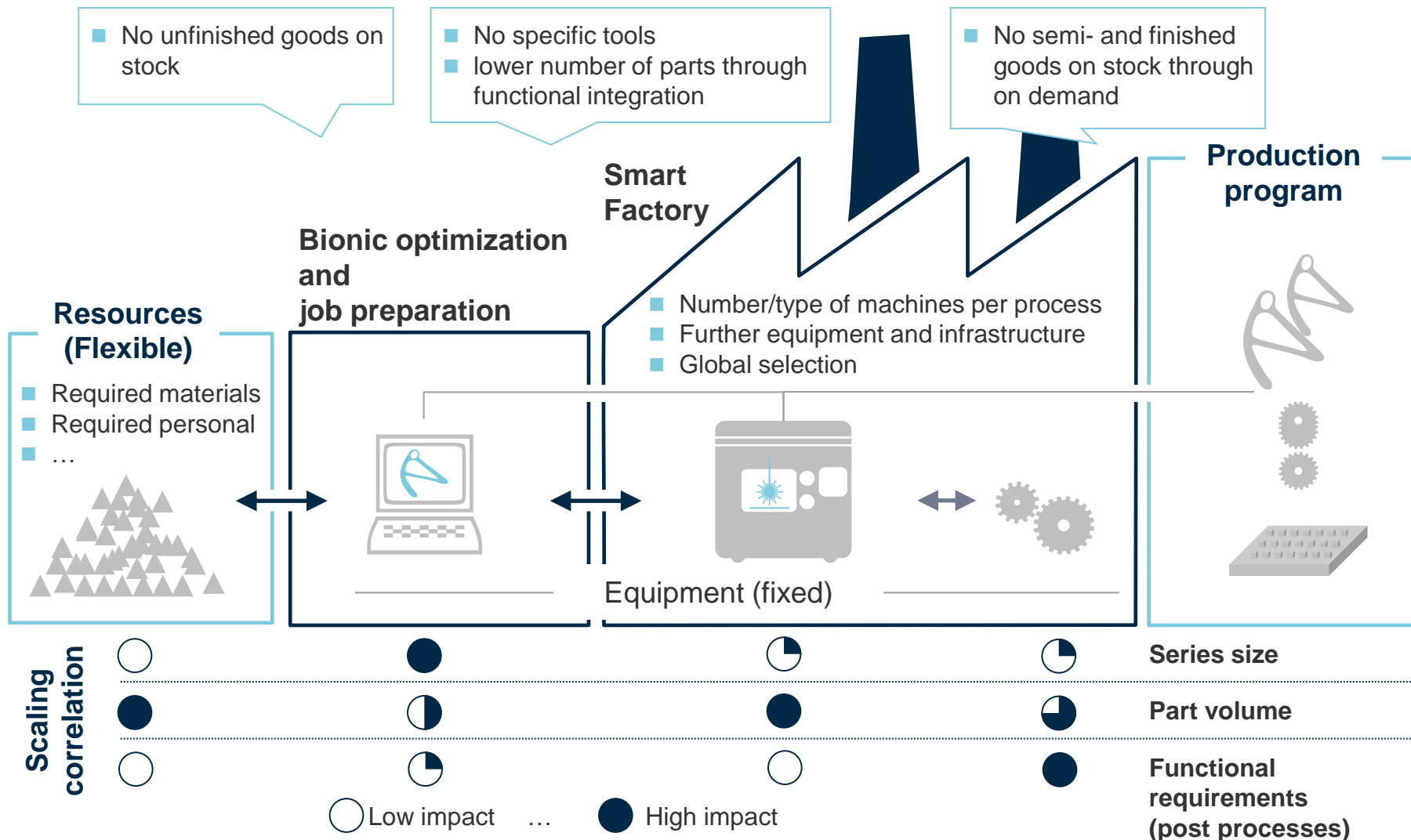


- Parts on Demand:  
Online (Spare) Parts Catalog
- Automated Processing of  
Geometry Data:
  - Offer Calculation
  - Design Checking
  - Analysis of Potentials  
and Part Screening

## Cloud Based Order Processing



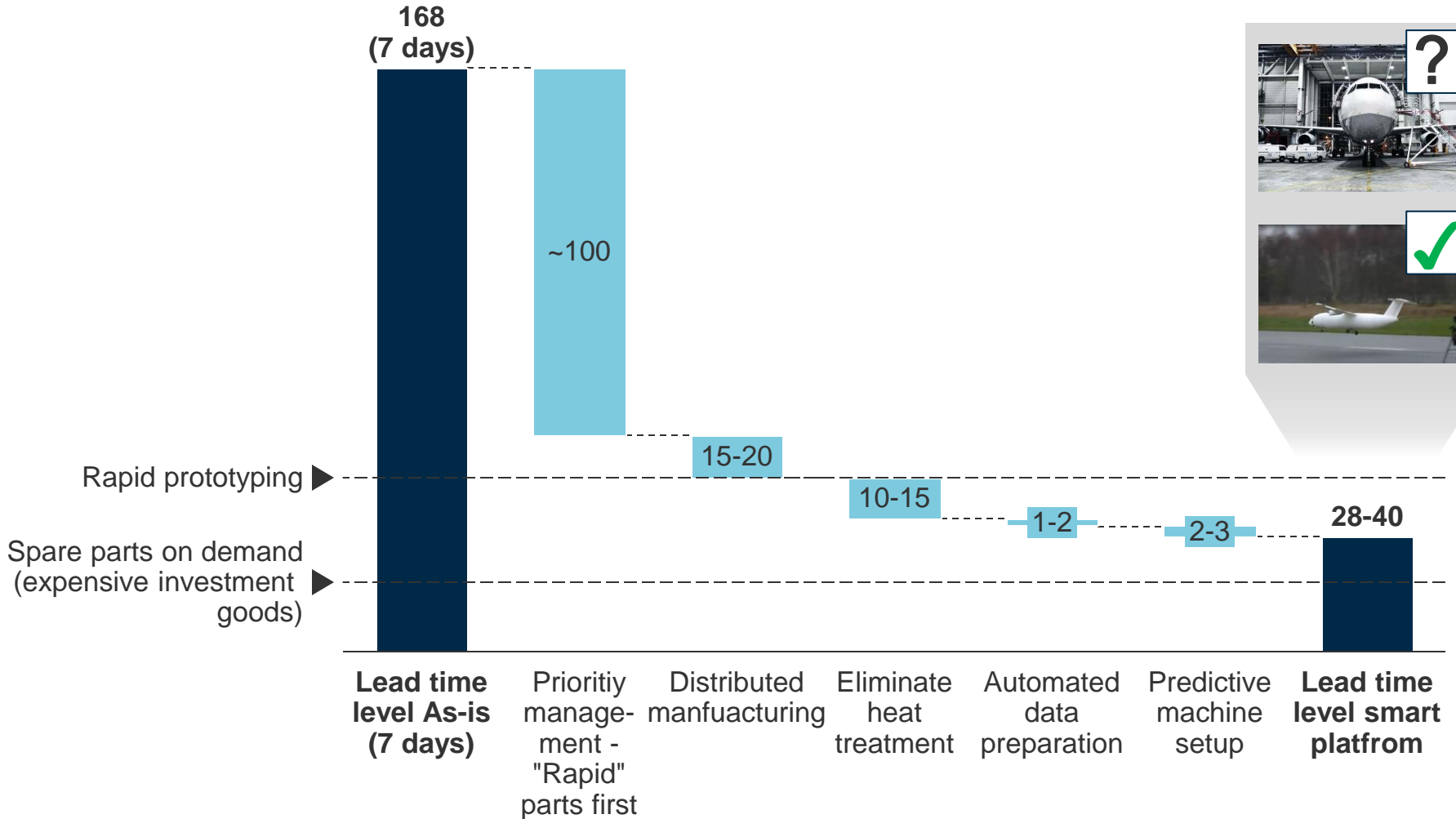
## Bionic Smart Factory is highly scalable – Quick response to a changed production program



# Bionic Smart Factory reduces lead times to near on demand – Machine productivity increase necessary

Indicative

Lead time [h]



Thank you very much for your attention!



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