

Important Project of Common European Interest on Microelectronics and Communication Technologies (IPCEI ME/CT)

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Motivation for IPCEI

- IPCEIs strengthen important European value chains and contribute to political priorities of the Union (e.g. Green Deal, Digital Strategy) and its sovereignty,
- are complementary to R&D programs like Horizon Europe or ECSEL/KDT by also involving “First Industrial Deployment” (FID) activities on top of R&D&I,
- address critical “key enabling technologies” like microelectronics/communication, battery technologies, hydrogen, low carbon industries,
- are funded by national authorities of the member states, but approval from the EC is needed, as it is an exception to state-aid rules.

This exception is made due to **high-risk activities** involving **market failure** mechanisms and coordination problems, and due to the significant **additional value** IPCEIs bring to **European industry and society** by cooperation, dissemination and spill-over activities.

IPCEI ME/CT – Important Project of Common European Interest Microelectronics and Communication Technologies

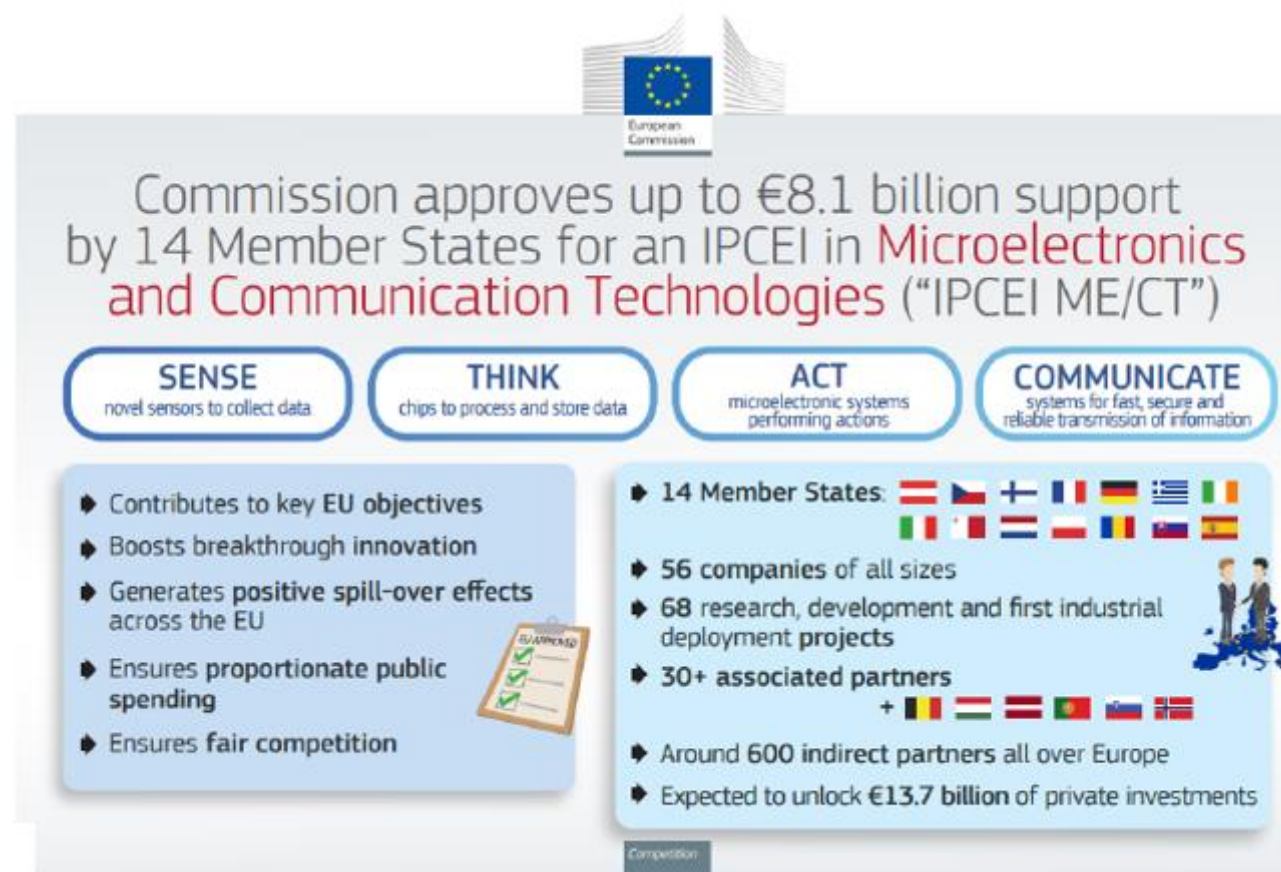
IPCEI at a glance:

~ **€22** billion program (biggest IPCEI ever):

~ **€8** billion public funding

~ **€14** billion private investments

- 14 member states + 6 associated member states
- > 56 direct partners
- > 30 associated partners
- > 600 indirect partners





Strategic Pillars | Overall Challenges

PILLAR 1

Enable the digital transformation

PILLAR 2

Energy and resource efficiency to support the Green Deal

PILLAR 3

Standardization to increase resilience in data and cybersecurity

PILLAR 4

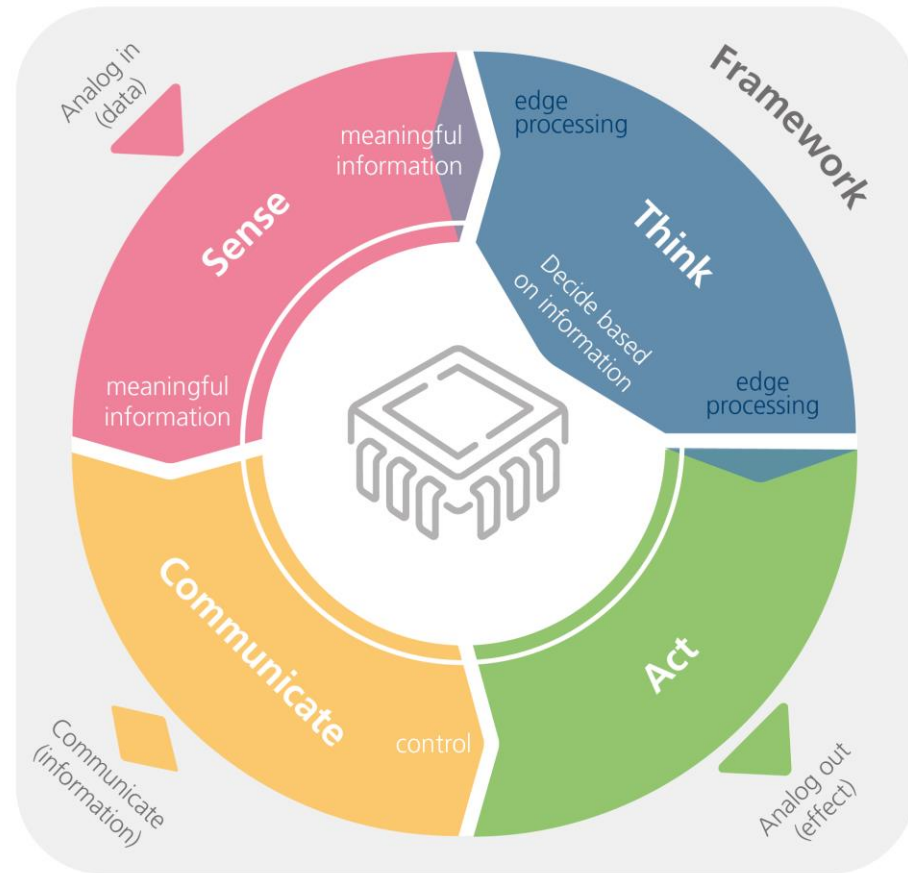
Counter market failures & reinforce the value chain to increase resilience and sovereignty

PILLAR 5

Increase the European manufacturing footprint

Project description in the Chapeau document

Four Workstreams defined



Four work-streams corresponding to the **complementary technical objectives** along the microelectronics value chain.

- **SENSE** addresses the *organs of perceptions* which generate the data to be processed.
- **THINK** addresses processors and memory as the *brain* of a computer.
- **COMMUNICATE** addresses the *strong nerve pathways* which network with the brain.
- **ACT** addresses the *body and muscles* of an electronic system.

Each workstream is further structured into four workpackages corresponding to the **(common) microelectronic value chain**.



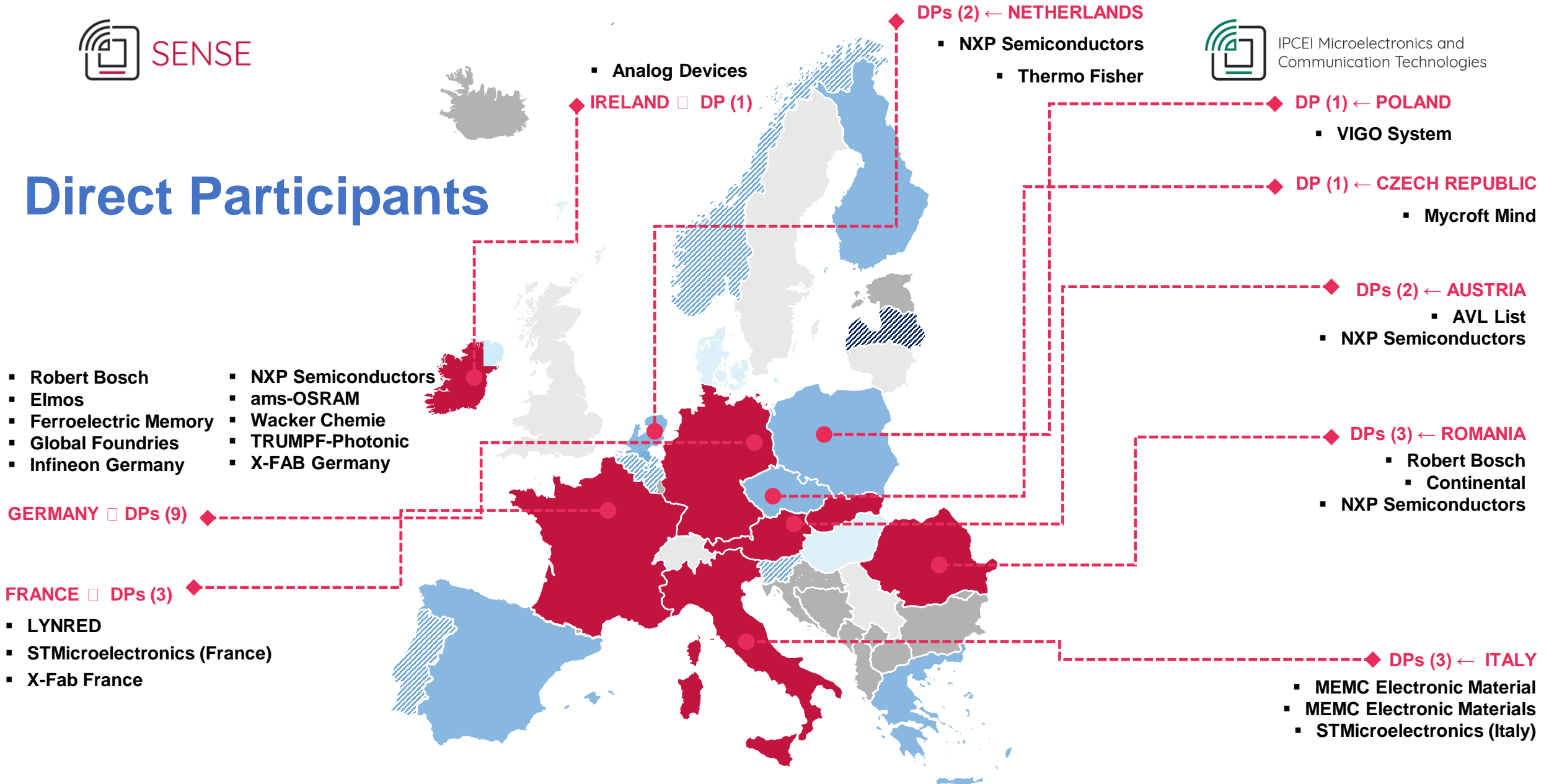
Direct Participants of the IPCEI ME/CT



Bavaria: key player in European IPCEI ME/CT

IPCEI: initiated in Munich in 2020 (Bosch, IFX, GF, xFab, NXP)			
			
			
		Facilitation group: lead by Martin Strassburg (ams-Osram) & Ferdinand Bell (NXP)	Transform group: lead by Angelika Iberl (IFX)

Direct Participants



Cooperations

Work stream leads	Pype, Patrick	NXP	Netherlands
	Thomas Fleischmann	Robert Bosch GmbH	Germany



Total: 131

Intra-Workstream: 60

Inter-Workstream: 71

WS ACT: 17

WS THINK: 27

WS COMMUNICATE: 27

Furthermore, for WS SENSE, **200** collaboration are planned with the broader IPCEI consortium (other indirect participants).

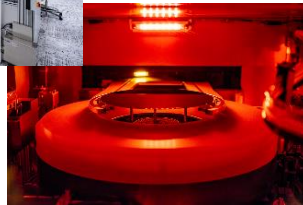
Project scope

- Technology platform with system solutions for future MEMS and sensors
- Novel component architectures and challenging complex process developments



Key innovations

- Leading edge in characteristic performance indicators and robustness
- Realization of innovative concepts through processing and first-time integration of new material systems
- Intelligent, efficient and high-quality implementation of manufacturing requirements in innovative automation solutions



Impact

- The Bavarian locations (Regensburg, Munich) will reinforce its role as important players in maintaining and improving the local network of private industry and research institutes to strengthen the regional and also the European innovation ecosystem

Spill over / dissemination

- Publications and presentations at conferences based on project results (e.g. EUROSIME 2024 in Catania), university contacts, student visits, internships, theses, internal and external events

Project scope

Innovative semiconductors for cutting-edge functions and systems
Semiconductor technology, Chip Design, integration in smart systems

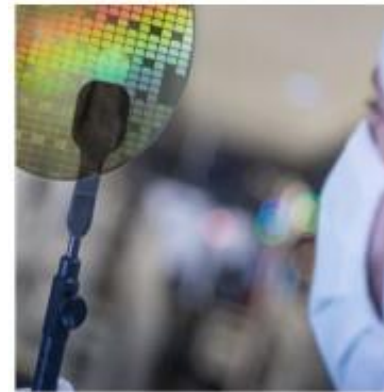
Key-Innovations

Semiconductor technologies for sensors and power electronics
Innovative AR platform modules
Systems for highly automated driving and E/E vehicle architecture

Activities in Bavaria

Design for advanced SoCs and sensor ASICs (Munich)
Pilot lines for sensor systems (Ansbach and Blaichach)

Strong collaboration within the semi-related ecosystem



Innovation field 1

Technologies for the green and digital change
300mm MEMS, CE/AE Sensors, SiC, GaN, Smart Power



Innovation field 2

Augmented reality module platform
Photonics, low-energy µC, smart assembly



Innovation field 3

Highly automated driving and E/E systems
Sensor-Systems, SoCs, vehicle computer

Efficient Optoelectronics for a Sustainable and Resilient European Semiconductor Ecosystem

R&D for innovative compound semiconductor products from Regensburg

What is the breakthrough?

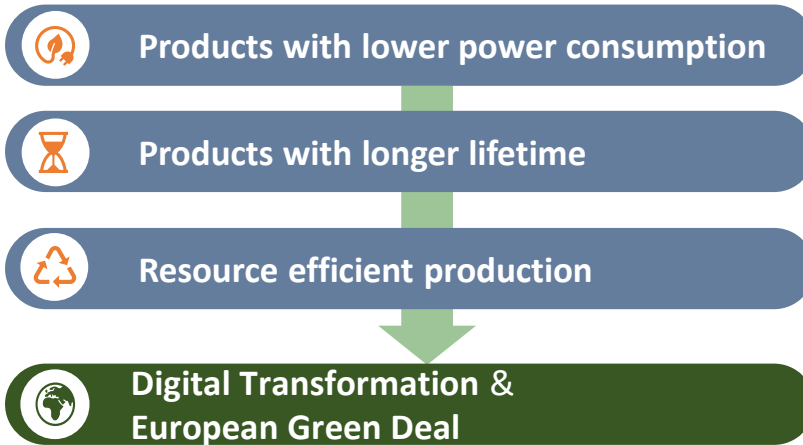


Pixelated LED-chips for smart & efficient headlamps



UV-C LEDs for disinfection & water treatment

Resource- and energy efficient components and highly automated, AI-supported production processes enabling

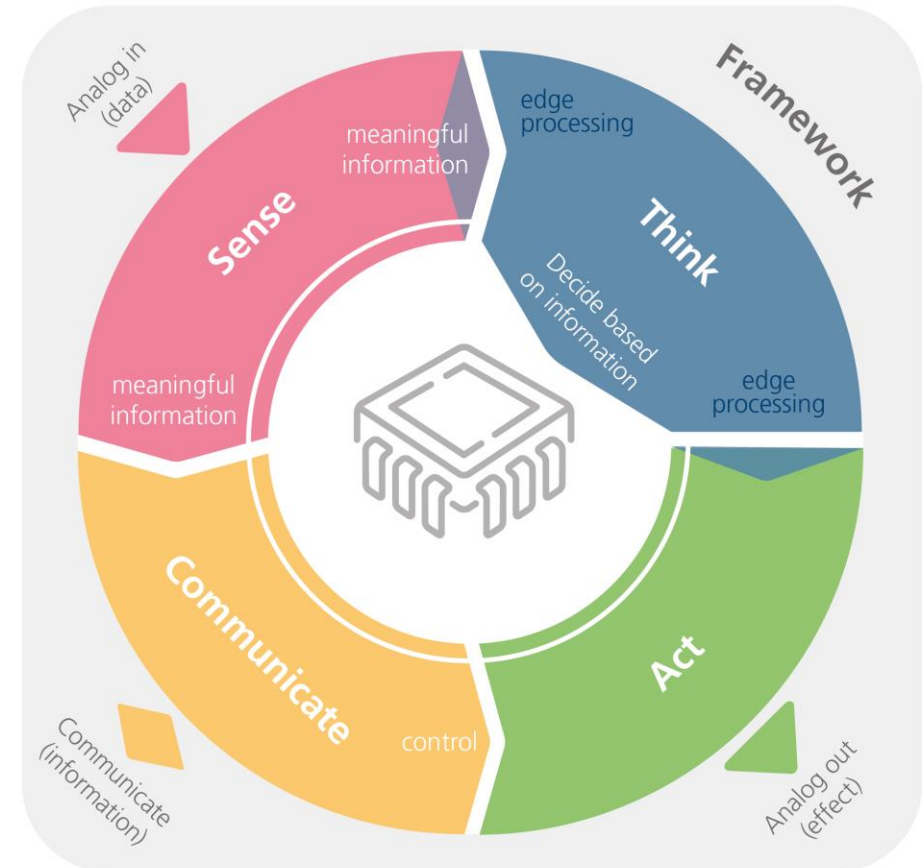


Impact for Bavaria/Germany/Europe

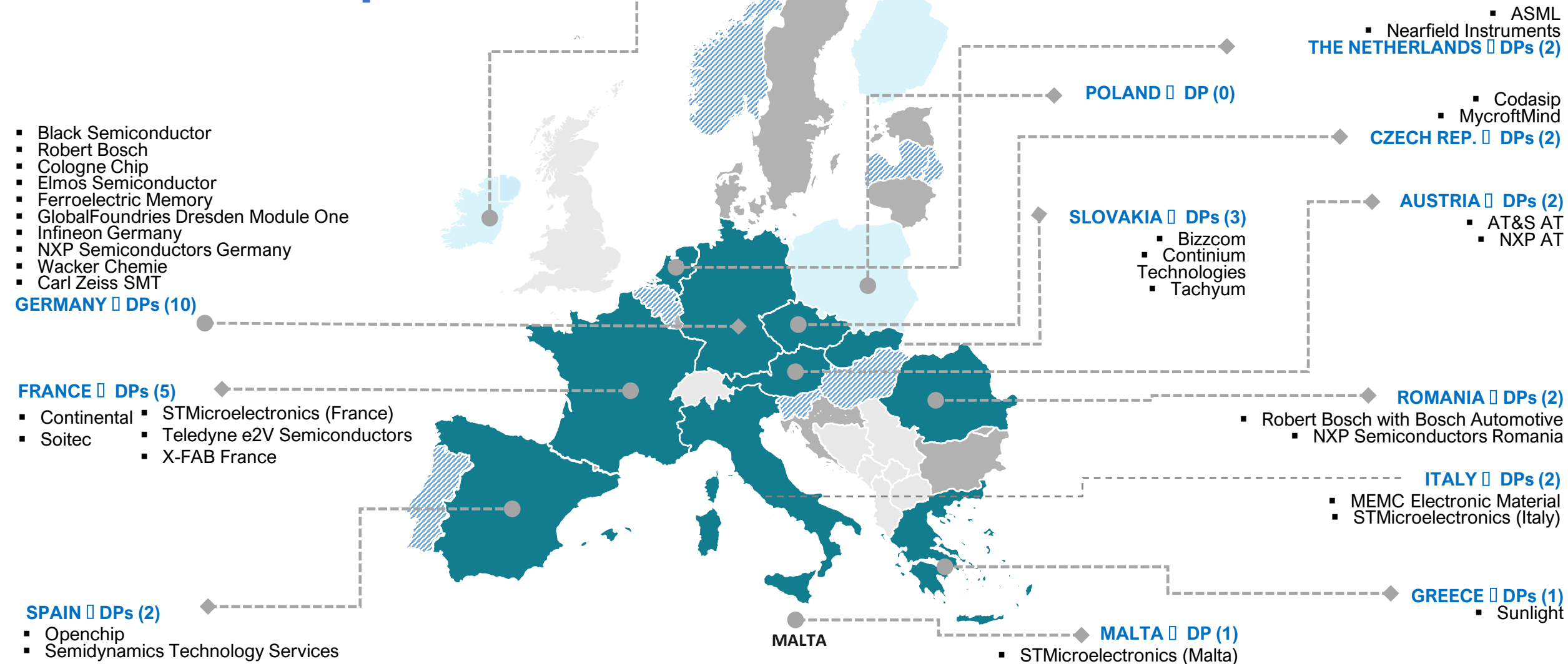
Reinforce technological sovereignty, strengthen European supply chain security, and create new high-tech jobs in Regensburg

Benefits for EU semiconductor ecosystem and the broader society through positive spillover effects such as Conferences, Fellowships, Summer Schools, Entrepreneurship Programs, ...

From SENSE to THINK

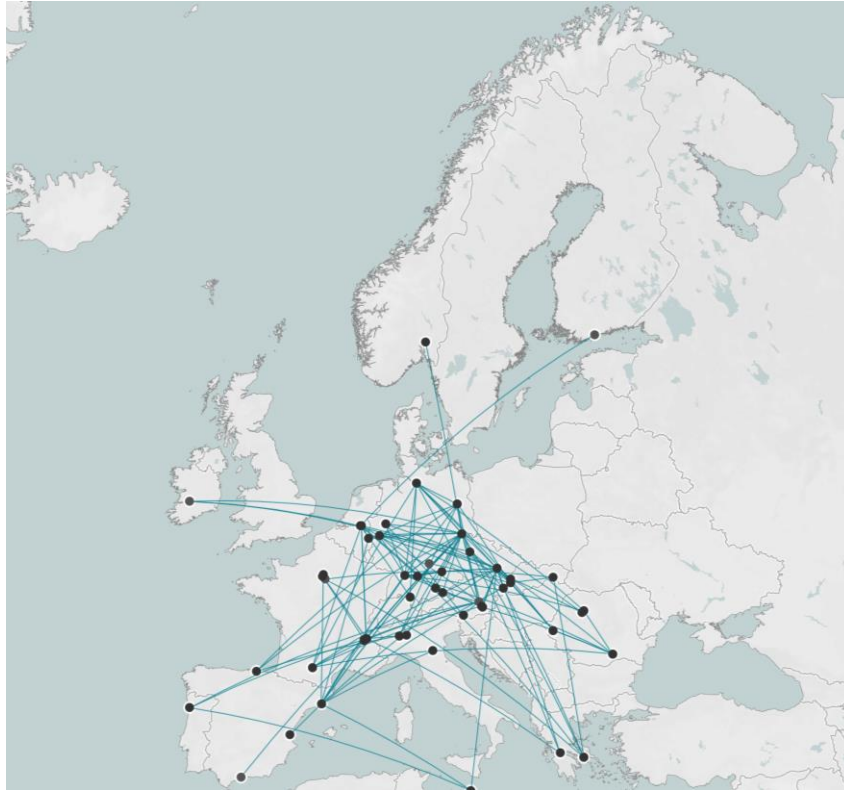


Direct Participants



Cooperations

Work stream leads	Gerhard Döll	Carl Zeiss	Germany
	Sandra Eger	AT & S Austria AG	Austria



Total: 150

Intra-Workstream: 80

Inter-Workstream: 70

WS ACT: 18

WS SENSE: 27

WS COMMUNICATE: 25

Furthermore, for WS THINK **227** collaborations are planned with the broader IPCEI consortium (other indirect participants).

What?

Polysilicon with very high purity and very low contamination.

What is the breakthrough?

Enable leading edge node devices which composed of billions of transistors on a single chip. Virtually no impurities are required in the polysilicon to achieve the highest chip performance for future chip technologies.

Impact for Bavaria/German/Europe

- Industrial resilience and technology sovereignty
- Climate-neutral transformation of industry and green technologies
- More than 100 new and future orientated jobs

Spill over /dissimilation

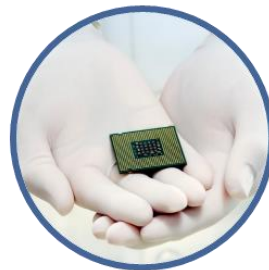
- Papers and presentations on conferences
- Internal & External Events
- Funding of Master and PhD Thesis



Polysilicium



Wafer



Mikrochip

FUTURE ME

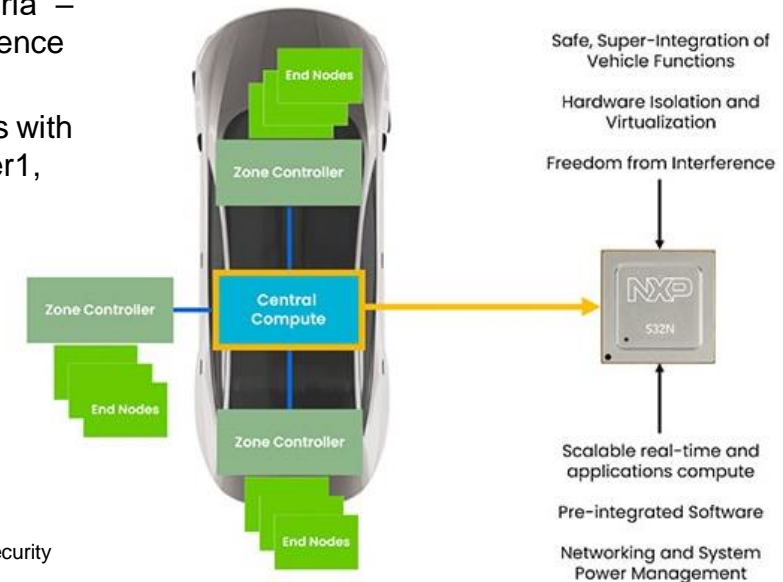
Scalable Processors, Super-Integrates Vehicle Functions for Tomorrow's Software Defined Vehicles

What is the breakthrough?

- Support the transition to future software defined vehicles
- Super-integrate vehicle functions into a single chip in a central compute ECU
- Design and offer lighter and more energy-efficient vehicles
- Design in automotive leading edge technology (5nm)

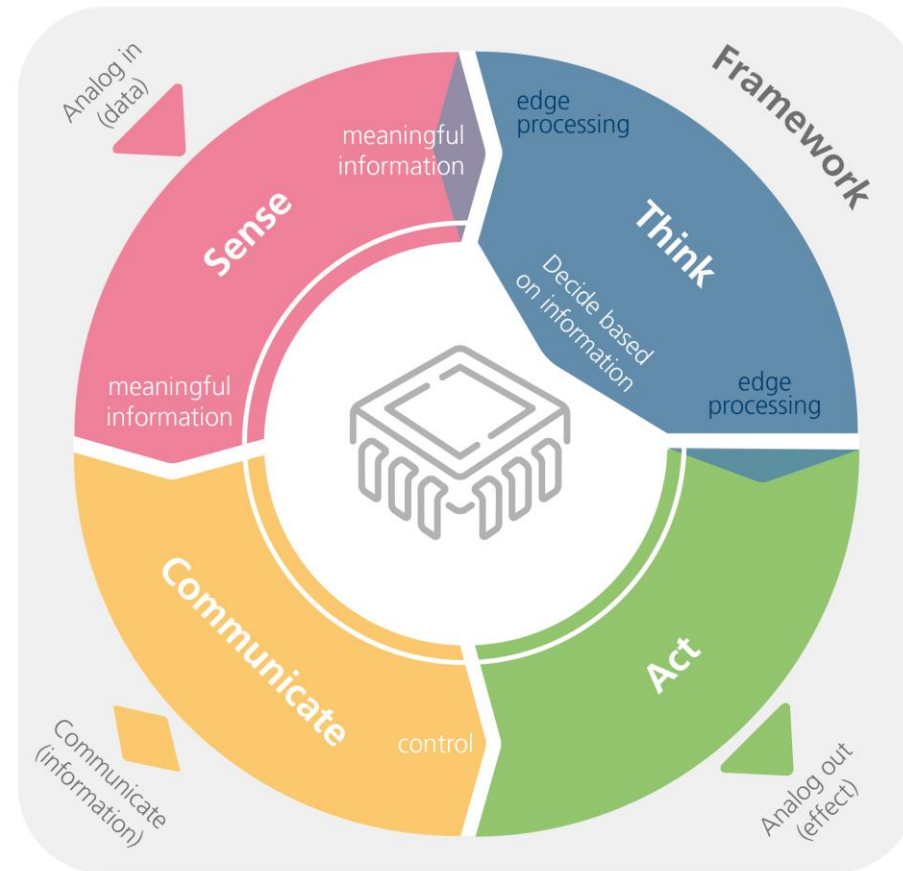
Impact for Bavaria/German/Europe

- Design is “made in Bavaria” – Includes Artificial Intelligence and Security
- Strong local partnerships with key automakers and Tier1, universities and SMEs



Functional Safety (ISO 26262) and security (ISO/SAE 21434) certified

From THINK to COMMUNICATE



Direct Participants

GERMANY (12)

- Adtran Networks
- Freiberger Compound Materials
- GlobalFoundries Dresden Module One
- Infineon Germany
- Ericsson Antenna Technology
- Nokia Solutions and Networks
- NXP Semiconductors Germany
- Rohde & Schwarz
- TRUMPF Photonic Components
- United Monolithic Semiconductors
- Wacker Chemie
- X-FAB Germany

FRANCE (5)

- Airbus
- Orange
- Soitec
- STMicroelectronics
- X-FAB France

SPAIN (2)

- Innova IRV Microelectronics
- Knowledge Development POF

FINLAND (1)

- Nokia Oyj

THE NETHERLANDS (1)

- NXP Semiconductor NL

CZECH REP. (1)

- Codaip

SLOVAKIA (1)

- Continium Technologies

AUSTRIA (1)

- AVL List

ROMANIA (1)

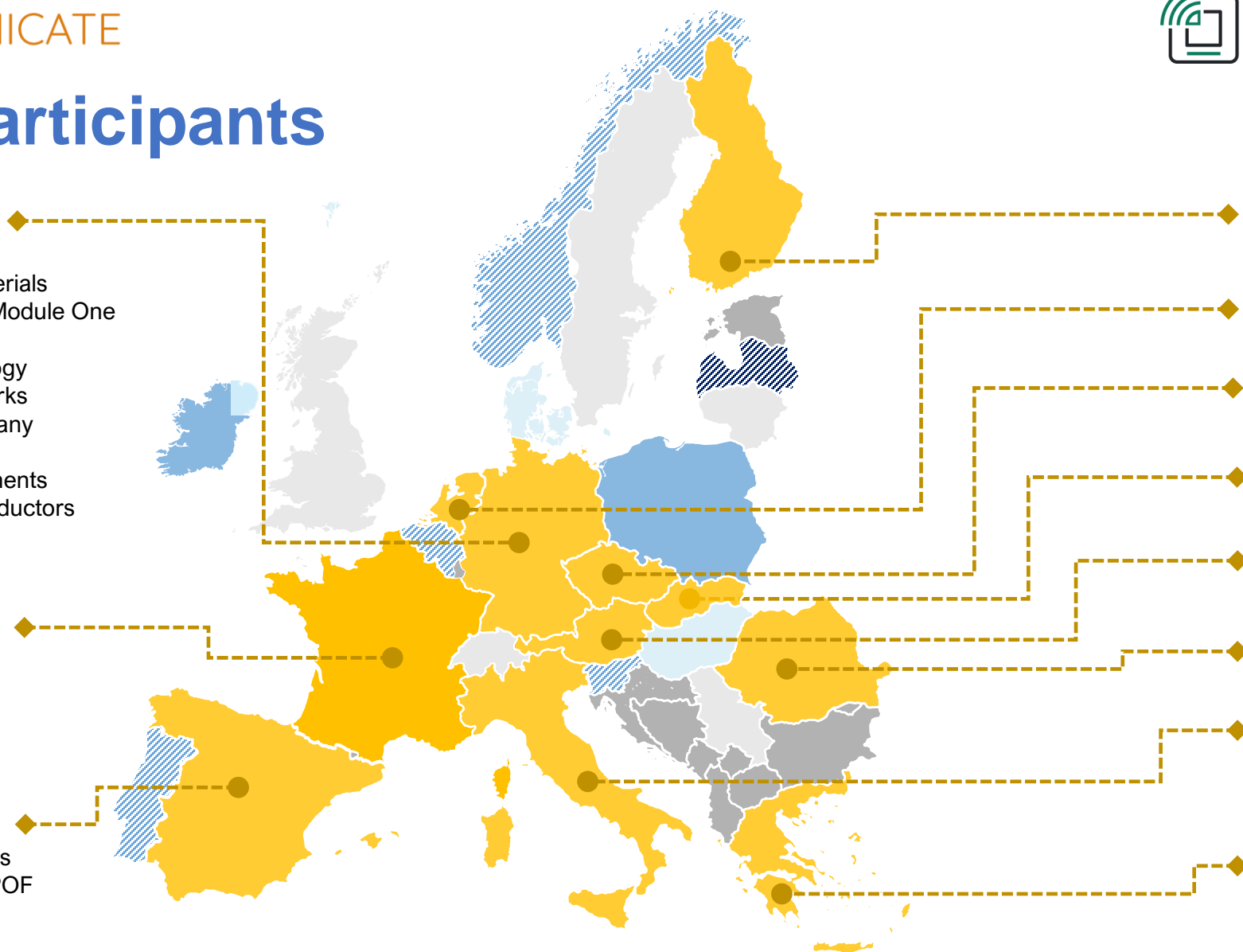
- NXP Semiconductors RO

ITALY (3)

- MEMC Electronic Material
- SIAE Microelettronica
- STMicroelectronics

GREECE (1)

- Cognitive Innovations



Work stream leads	Uwe Bäder	Rohde & Schwarz GmbH	Germany, Munich
	Francois Brunier	SOITEC	France



Total: 134

Intra-Workstream: 78

Inter-Workstream: 56

WS SENSE: 27

WS THINK: 25

WS ACT: 4

Furthermore, for WS COMMUNICATE, **287** collaboration are planned with the broader IPCEI consortium (other indirect participants).

Nokia Solutions and Networks

- **What?**

- Chip Design for Optical Networks – Development of high-capacity coherent optical transponders

- **What is the breakthrough?**

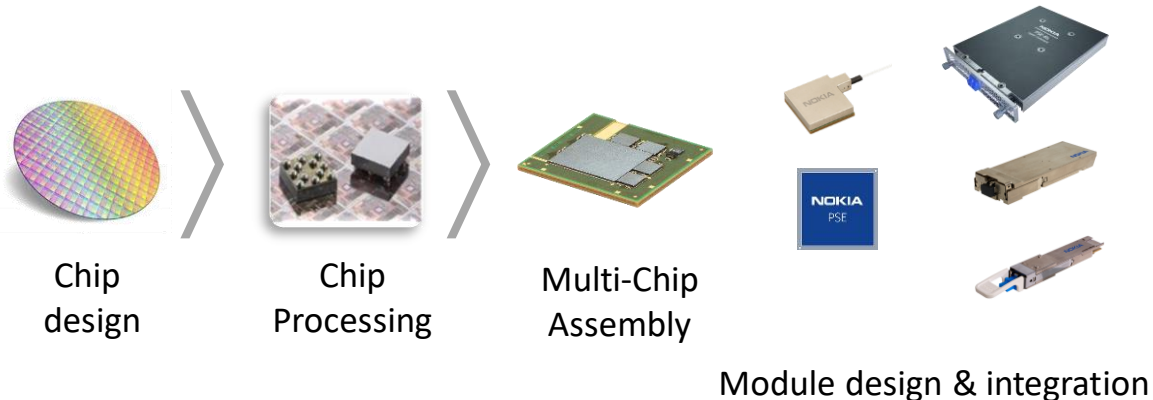
- Multi-chip integration platform for advanced coherent DSP and high data rate electro-optic components

- **Impact for Bavaria/German/Europe**

- Expanding know-how of ASIC, substrate and module design in Bavaria applying latest silicon technologies and electro-optic packaging
- Working with eco system on German/European level

- **Spill over /dissemination**

- University contacts – student visits, internships, thesis



Ericsson Antenna Technology Germany GmbH

European Microelectronics and Communication Technologies for 6G

- **What?**

Establish early technology development of critical microelectronics and communication technologies for energy-efficient Massive MIMO radios

- **What is the breakthrough?**

Drive semiconductor technology advancements and foundation needed

- **Impact for Bavaria/German/Europe**

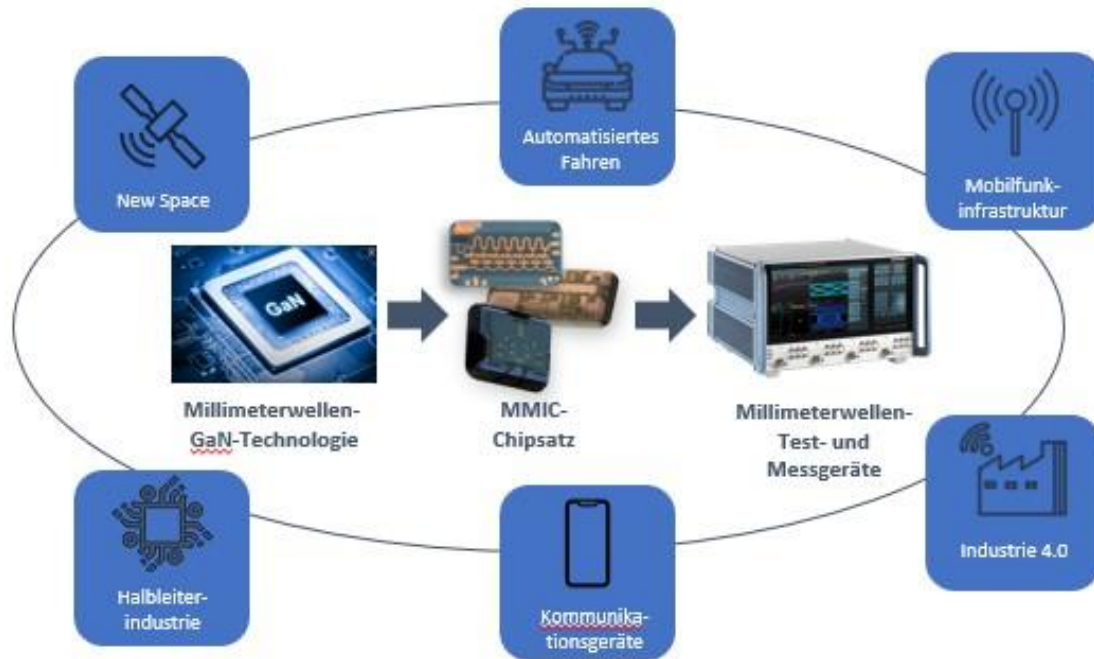
Ericsson's R&D site in Rosenheim plays an important role in building competencies in microelectronics for Massive MIMO radios and the semiconductor industry in Germany.

- **Spill over /dissemination**

The partner collaboration will contribute to a stronger ecosystem and the evolution of semiconductor technologies in Europe.



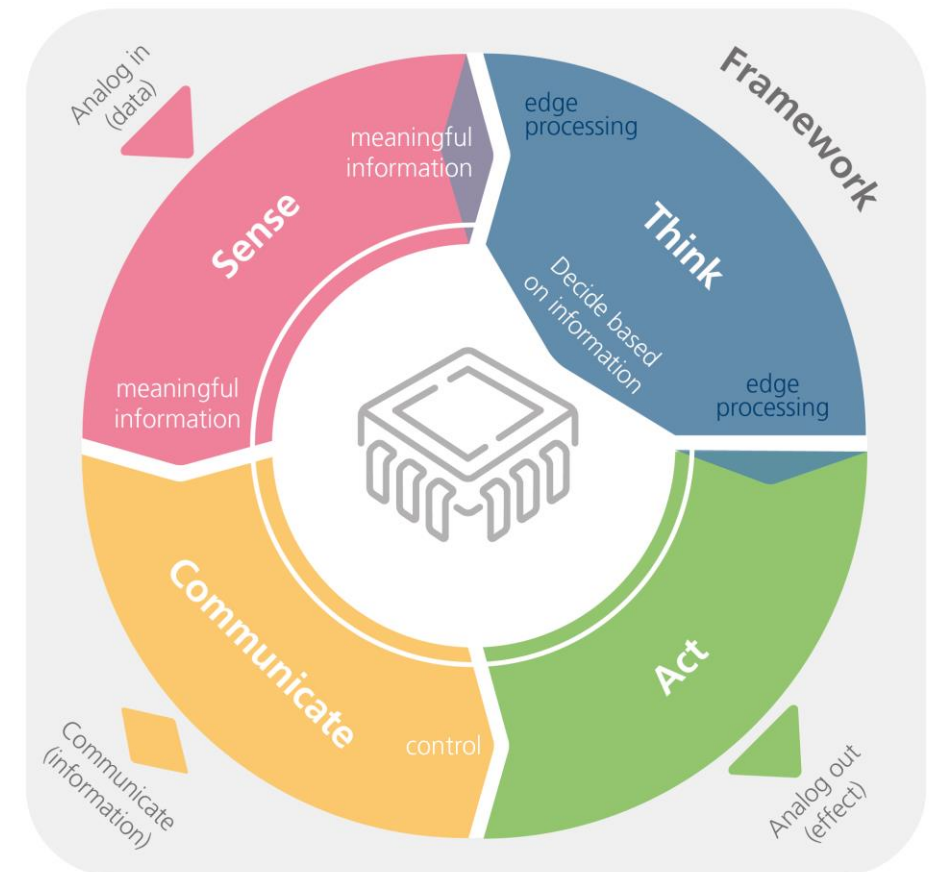
Rohde & Schwarz GmbH & Co. KG



- ▶ In diesen Schlüsseltechnologien werden **höhere Frequenzen** benötigt (sog. Millimeterwelle).
- ▶ Im IPCEI-Projekt **GANYDEM170** entwickelt Rohde & Schwarz eine europäische **GaN Halbleiter-Technologie** für Anwendungen im Frequenzspektrum der Millimeterwelle.
- ▶ Diese GaN-Technologie wird in MMIC Chipsets genutzt, welche wiederum in der **Test & Messtechnik** Anwendung findet.

GaN: Gallium Nitrid
MMIC: Monolithic Microwave Integrated Circuit

From COMMUNICATE to ACT



Direct Participants

▪ Analog Devices

IRELAND □ DP (1)

◆ (1) DP ← SLOVAKIA

▪ Semikron Danfoss

◆ (3) DPs ← AUSTRIA

▪ AVL List

▪ EEMCO

▪ Infineon AT

◆ (2) DPs ← ROMANIA

▪ Robert Bosch

with Bosch

Automotive

▪ Continental

Automotive with

Continental

Automotive

Systems

◆ (2) DPs ← ITALY

▪ MEMC Electronic Material

▪ STMicroelectronics

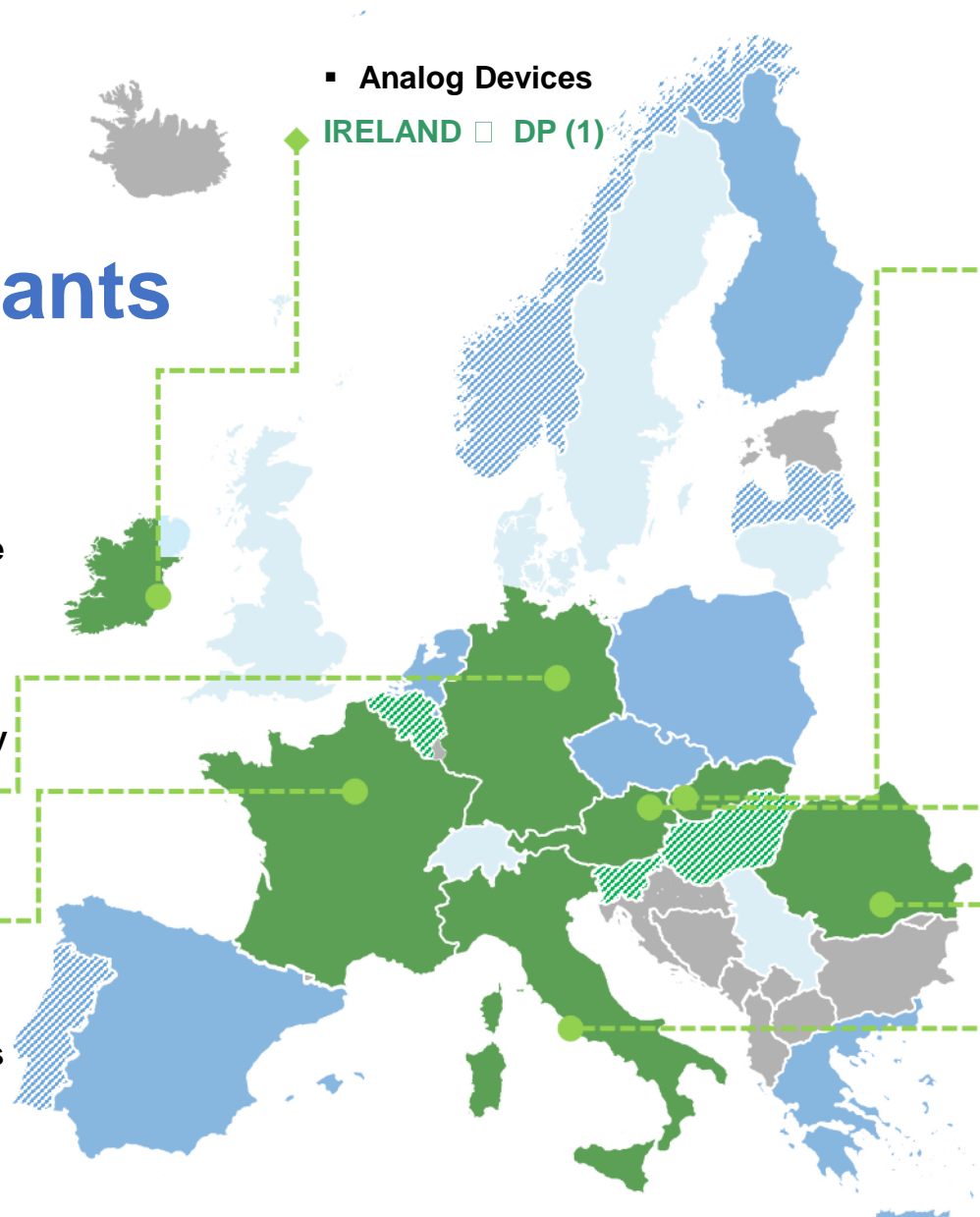
(Italy)

- Robert Bosch
- Freiberger Compound Materials
- GlobalFoundries Dresden Module One
- Infineon Germany
- mi2-factory
- SGL Carbon
- Semikron Danfoss
- ZF NewCo IV with Wolfspeed Germany

GERMANY □ DPs (8)

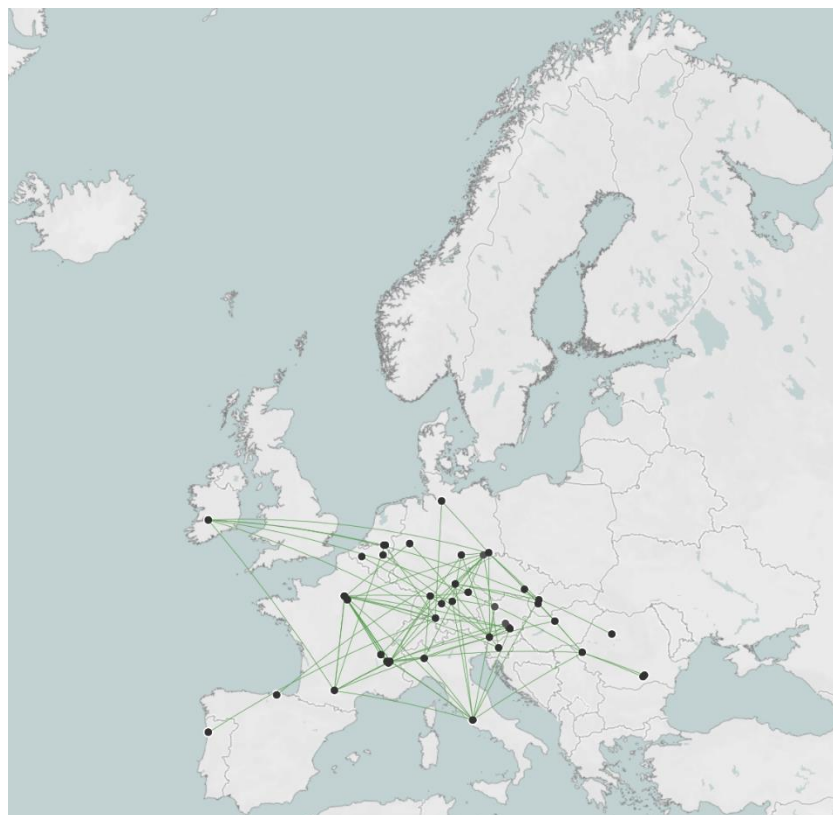
FRANCE □ DPs (8)

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| ▪ Aledia | ▪ STMicroelectronics (France) |
| ▪ Continental | ▪ Valeo + Valeo-Siemens eAutomotive |
| ▪ Renault | ▪ Vitesco |
| ▪ Soitec | ▪ X-FAB France |



Cooperations

Work stream leads	Musca, Cosimo	ST Microelectronics	Italy
	Batissou, Cathy	Renault	France



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Intra-Workstream: 73

Inter-Workstream: 39

WS SENSE: 17

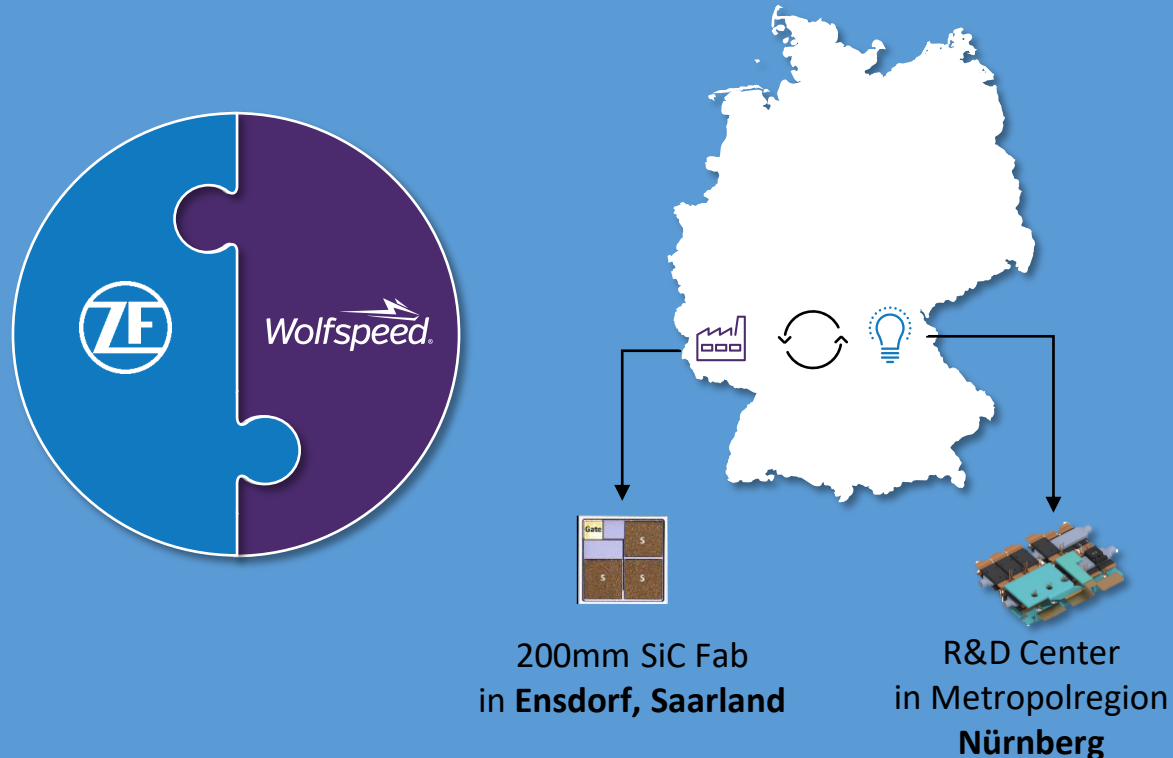
WS THINK: 18

WS COMMUNICATE: 4

Furthermore, for WS ACT, **148** collaborations are planned with the broader IPCEI consortium (other indirect participants).

ZF NewCo IV GmbH with Wolfspeed Germany GmbH

- Build up of new advanced 200mm SiC Fab in combination with a new SiC R&D Center
- Joint Venture leads to a perfect match between chip, power module and inverter
- Bring beyond state-of-the-art SiC technology to Bavaria
- Boost SiC chip and module development



Nuremberg

ERLE - Highly-efficient and robust power electronics

- **What?**

- High voltage Si diode design & process technologies
- Automotive SiC power modules design & process technologies

- **What is the breakthrough?**

- Highly efficient energy conversion
- Increased lifetime and robustness



- **Impact for Bavaria/German/Europe**

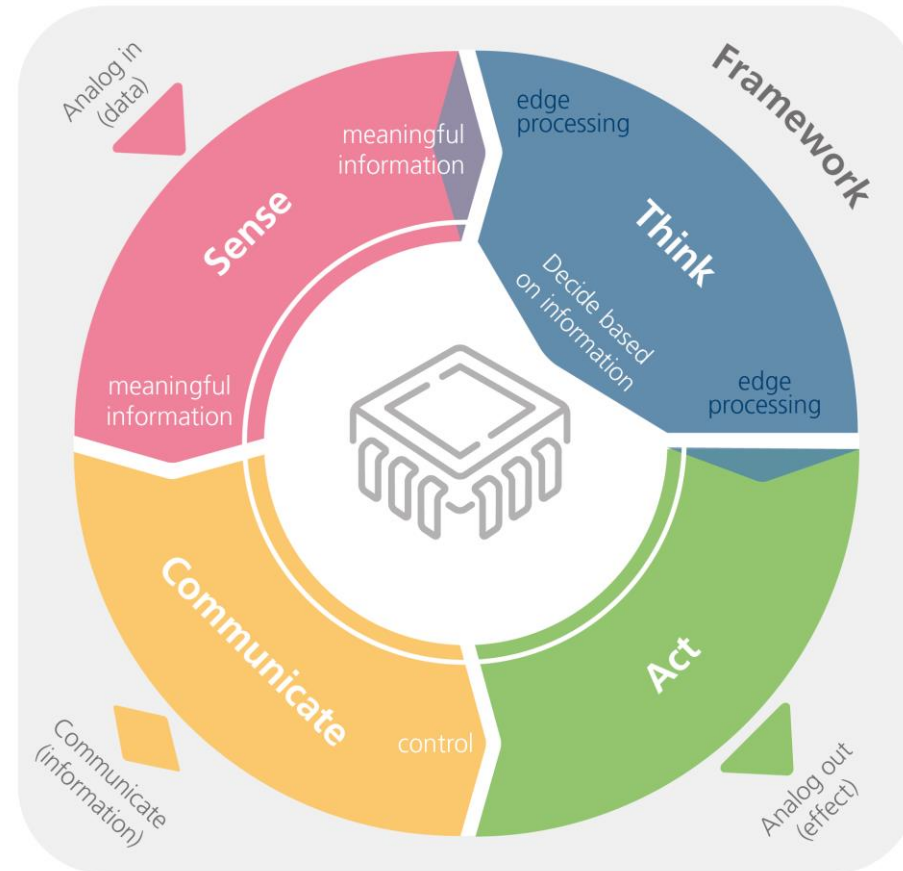
- Local cooperation(s): e.g. with ams-OSRAM, Infineon and wider power electronics ecosystem along the supply chain

- **Spill over /dissemination**

- Publications/presentations and contribution to standardization based on project results



From SENSE, THINK, COMMUNICATE and ACT to Spill-over



High Focus on Spill-over Activities

Work stream leads	Defregger, Stefan	EEMCO	Austria
	Alain Filipowicz	Conti	France

IPCEI Communication defined the following:

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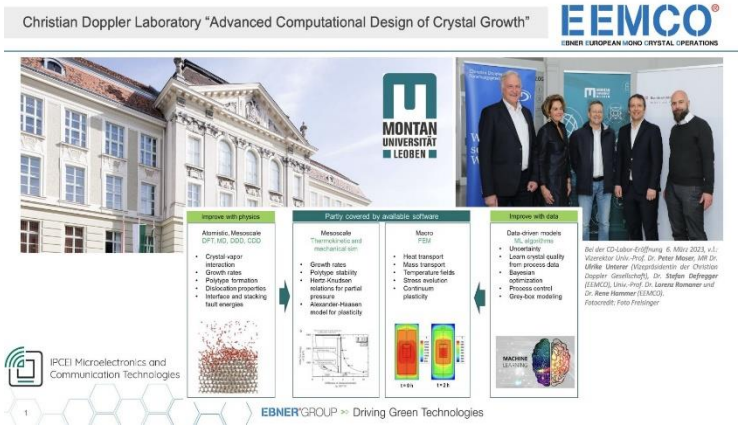
2. IPCEIs can make a very **important contribution** to sustainable **economic growth, jobs, competitiveness and resilience** for industry and the economy [...] and with **positive spill-over effects** on the internal market and the **society as a whole**.

[...]

18. The benefits of the project must **not be limited to the undertakings or to the sector concerned** but must be of **wider relevance and application** to the economy or society in the Union through **positive spill-over effects** [...] which are clearly defined in a concrete and identifiable manner.

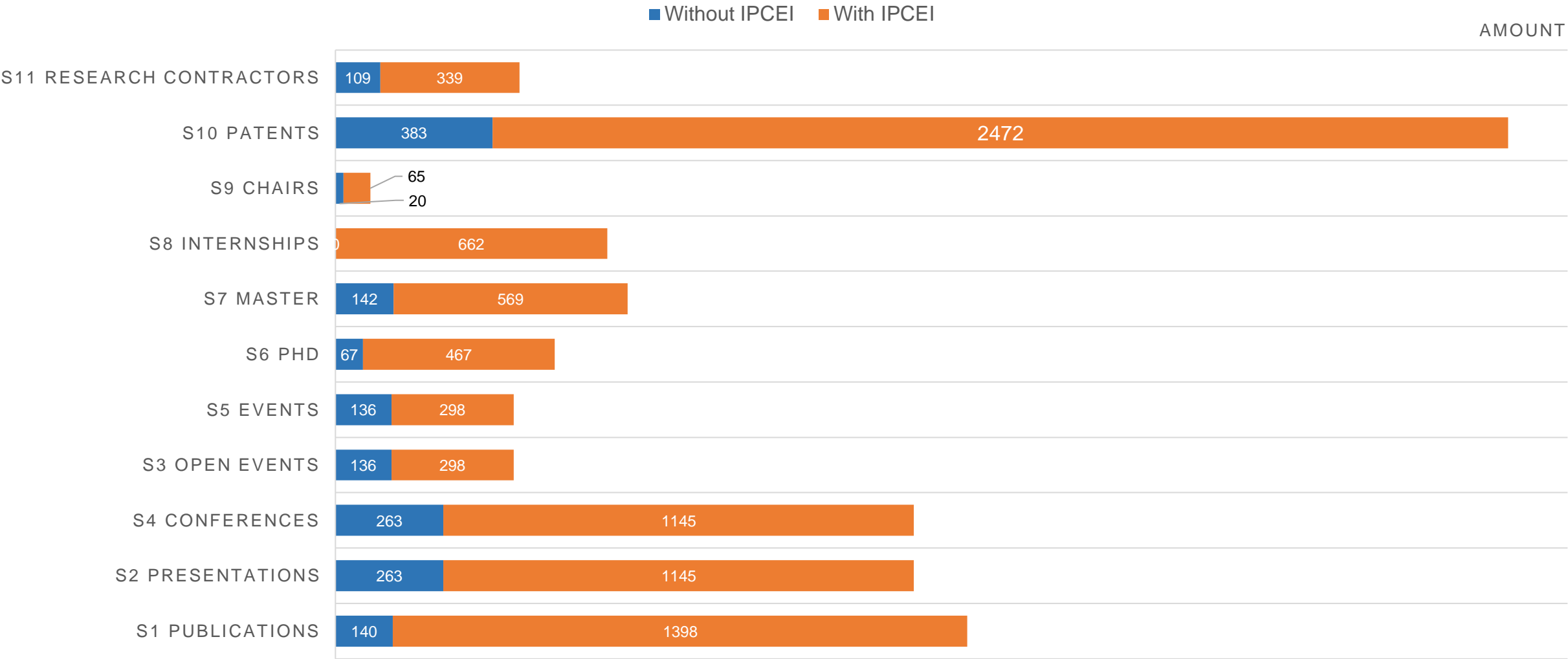
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Examples for recent IPCEI ME/CT spill-over events



EEMCO at ICSCRM Conference

Spill-over Key Performance Indicators



- Projects and Key Performance Indicators on track!
- Collaborations in progress with many spill-over activities and disseminations!
- Important hiring ongoing (proved by KPIs and linkedin offers)!
- High amount of innovative and leading edge activities in Bavaria and beyond!
- Happy to share progress in upcoming events!