



# A vision on “Vision”

The role of Vision technology in future assembly

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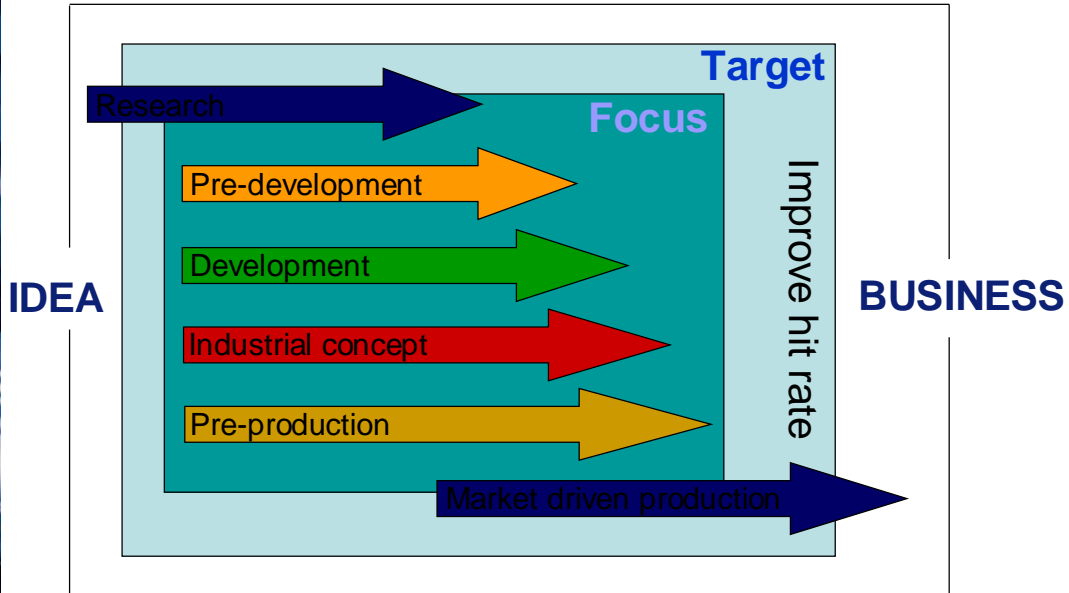
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# Key figures

## A global, leading technology center

- Origin 1968

## A multinational highly qualified workforce of ± 1300 (+ 250 temporary employees)

- University degree ± 700
  - 6 professors, 135 PhD.
- Bachelors & Engineers ± 400
- Other type of education ± 200

## Sales 2004

- 197,2 M €
- 80,7 % internal sales; 19,3 % external sales

## Worldwide representation

- 11 Locations spread over North America, Asia Pacific and Europe



Eindhoven  
San José  
Pittsburgh  
Paris



Budapest  
Vienna  
Singapore  
Bangalore  
Shanghai  
Redhill  
Leuven



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Examples of vision technology in assembly

Future needs for assembly industry

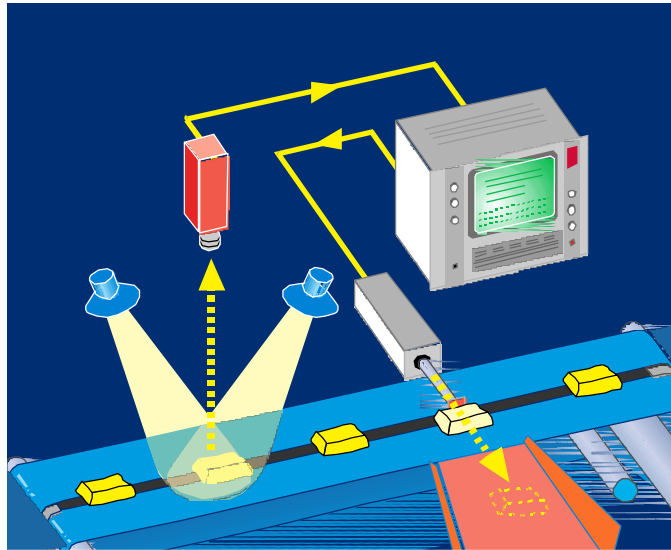
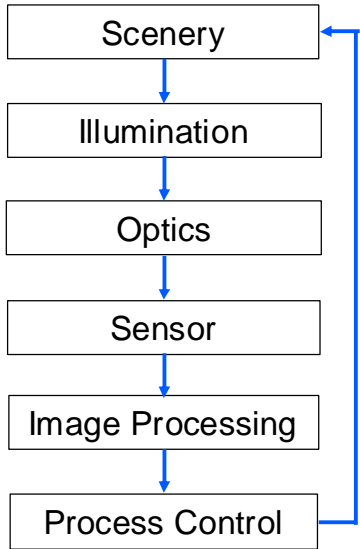
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# Machine Vision System



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# In-line Machine Vision systems

- **Pros:**

- Quality / yield improvement:
  - 100% inspection / no defects
  - Early detection of defects
  - Objective inspection results
  - Ensure brand perception
- Save costs
  - Less labour cost
  - Prevents complaints (= costs)

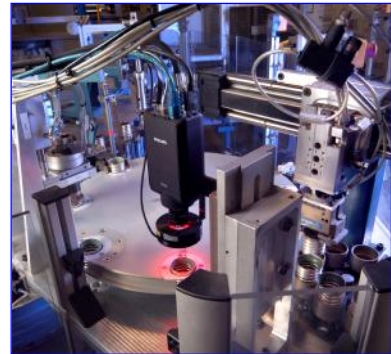
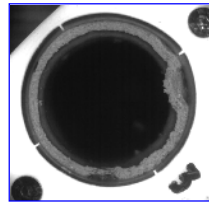
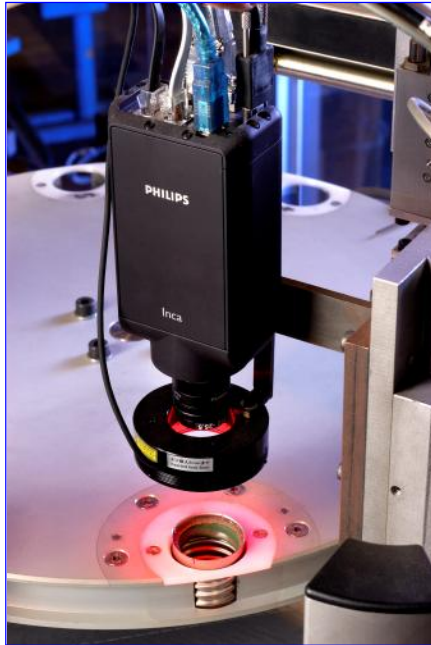


- **Cons:**

- Vision system complexity ?

# Compound filling inspection

- Inspection of compound after dispensing
- Based on *simple* autonomous intelligent camera Inca + CLICKS



# Inspection of TL-5 subassembly (“stel”)



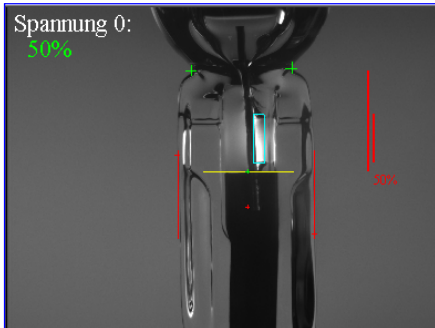
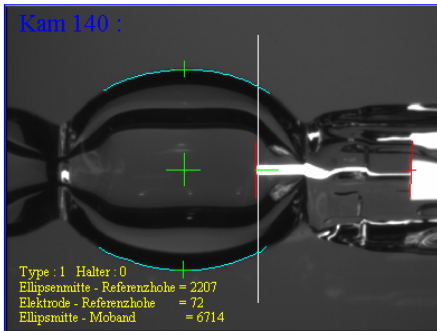
- Several checks / measurements, including Coil type check and emitter coverage
- Glass, emitter, ceramics, metal.



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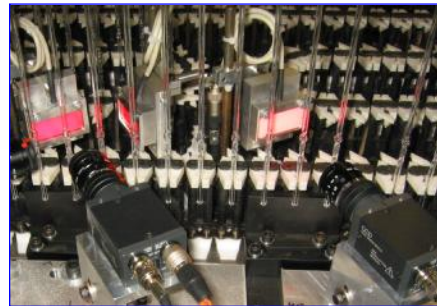
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# Xenon car light bulb inspection



Short time-to-market:

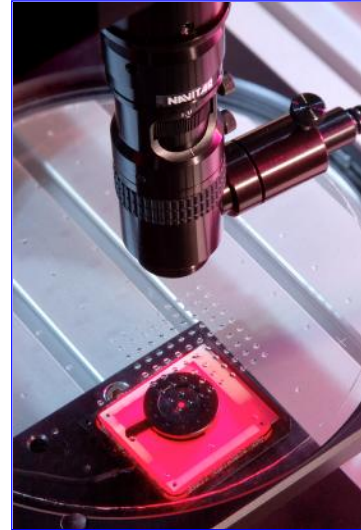
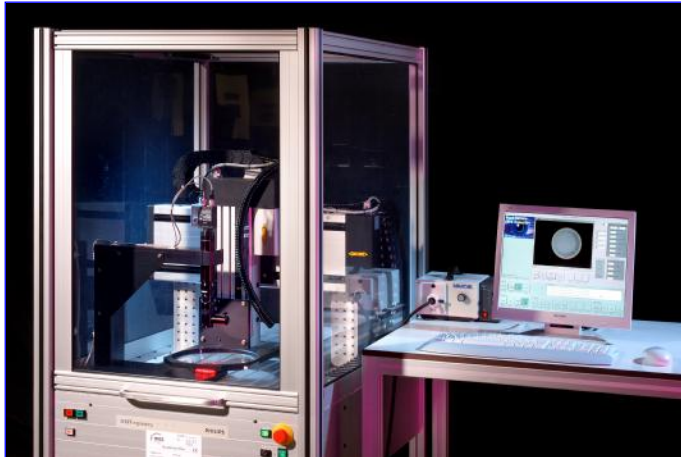
- Product changes during production preparation
- Develop several tasks in parallel



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# Cell phone lens tester



- Check individual Cell Phone lenses
- Detect particles, scratches, inclusions
- Stand-alone tester including motion stage

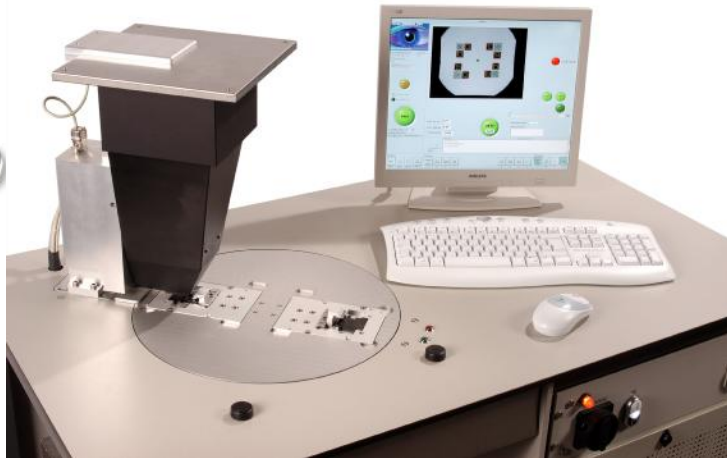
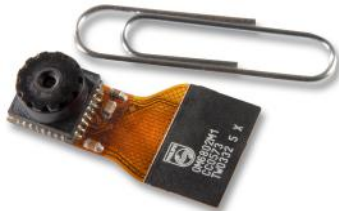
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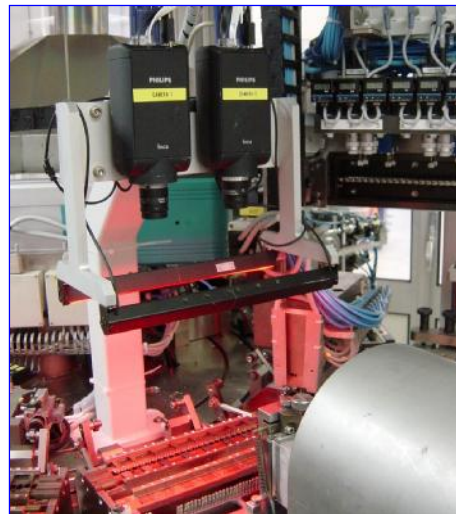
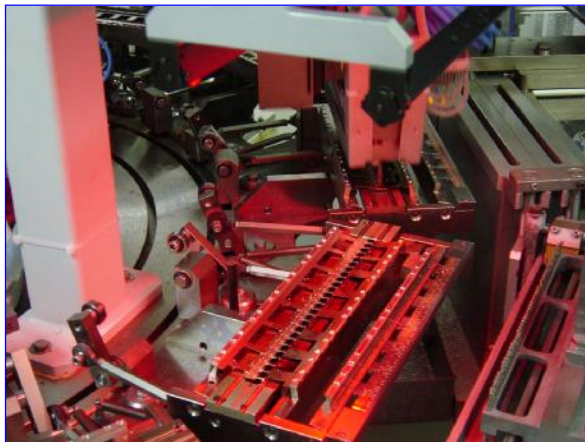
# Automatic cell phone lens focussing

- Automatic and accurate focus adjustment of compact cameras for cell phones
- Patented double-reticle principle enables simple camera design and fast focussing



# Solder paste inspection

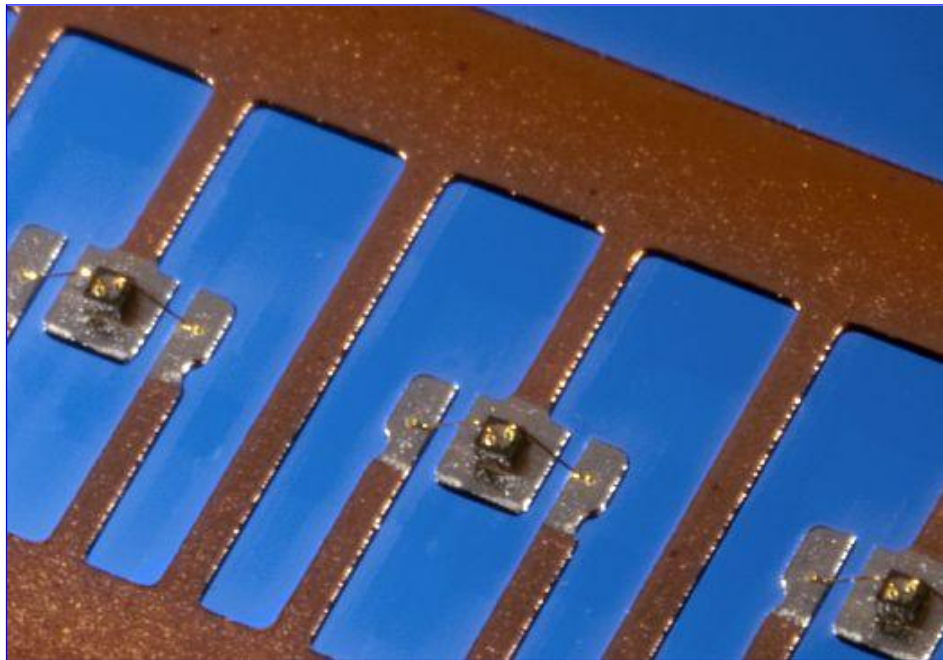
- In-line inspection of solder paste on leadframes (added)
- Quality assurance of leadframe soldering / joining process



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# Die placement / Wire bonding

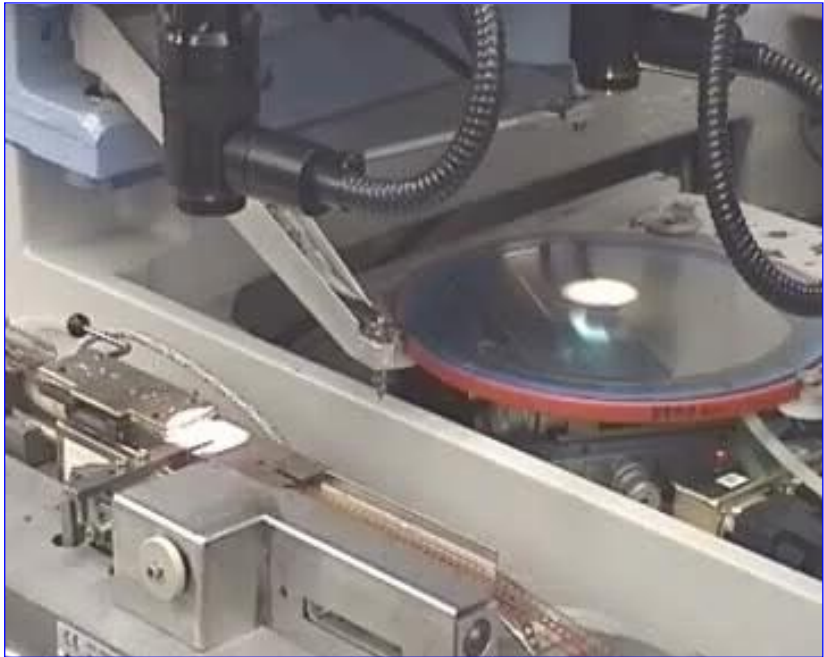


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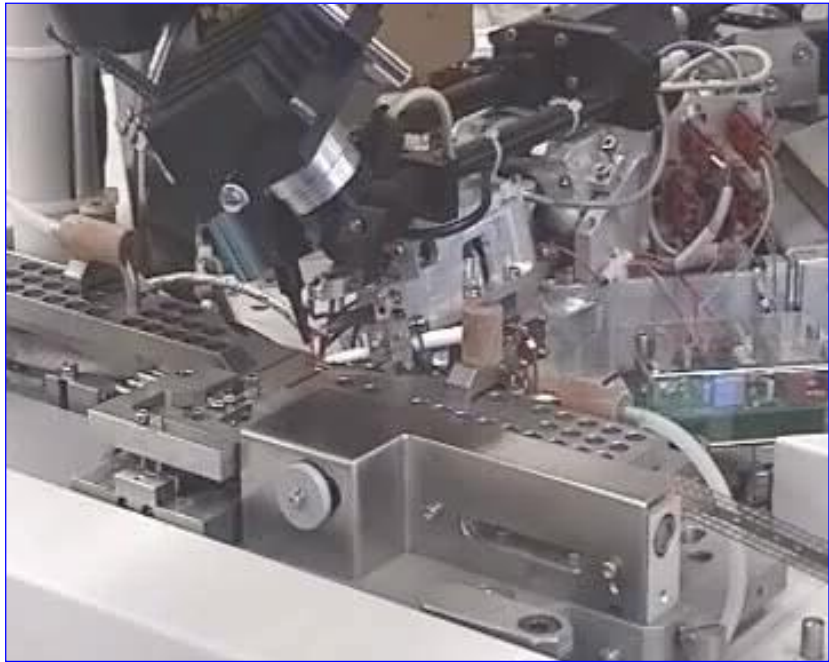
# ADAT die placement



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# Phicom wire bonder

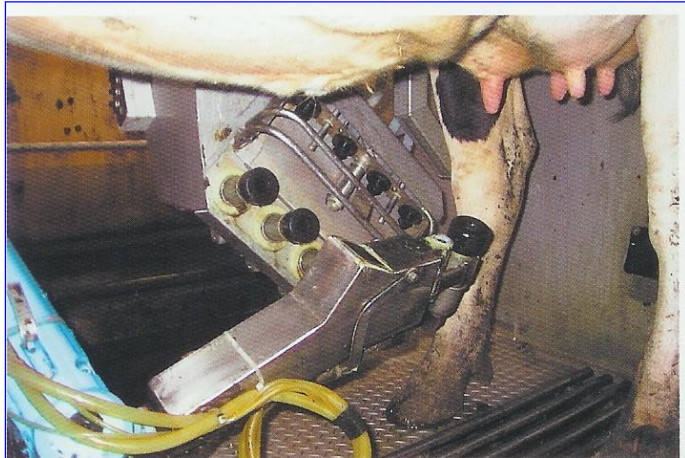
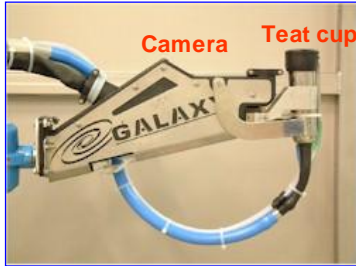


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# Cow milking robot

- Galaxy fully automatic milk system: Increase throughput of milking
- Automatic teat cup placement / “look while place”



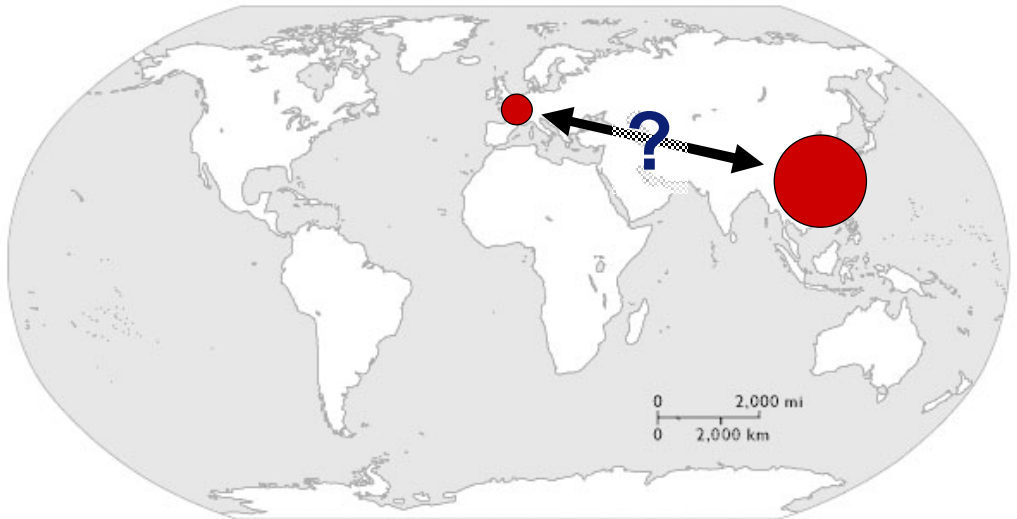
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Findings in China factories:

- Miniaturization causing lower yield and quality
- barrier to automate due to low wages
- Too high investment for short lifecycles
- (Yet) Lack of available technology

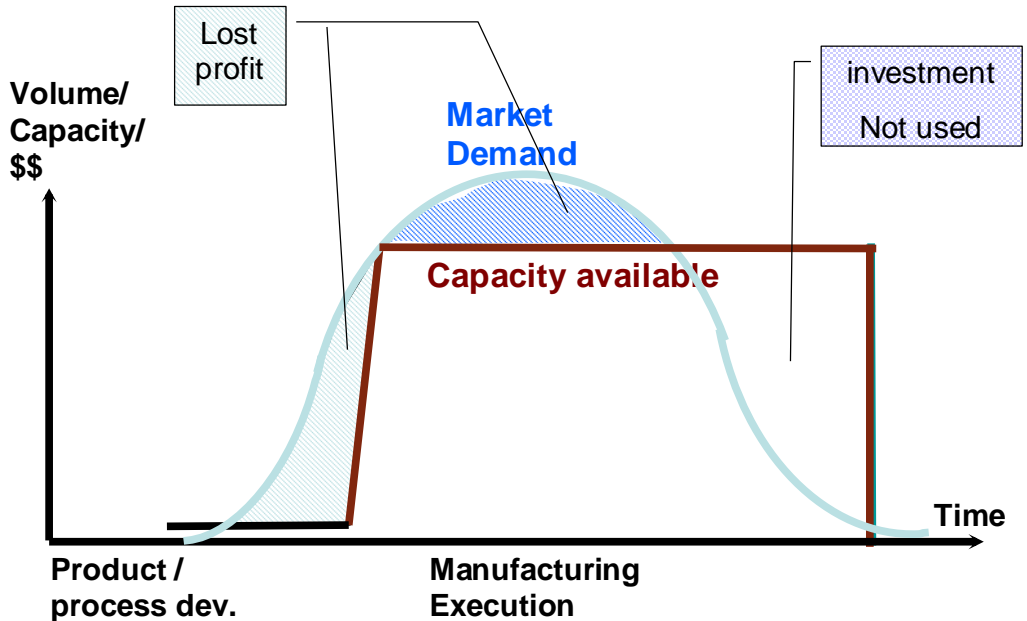
So: Opportunity for Europe in micro assembly

# Future needs in assembly technology

- Increasing industrial need for ultra precise micro assembly technology.
- Short start-up and stop of production, time to market.
- Flexible in ramp-up, follow the needs of the market.
- And of course ... lower cost

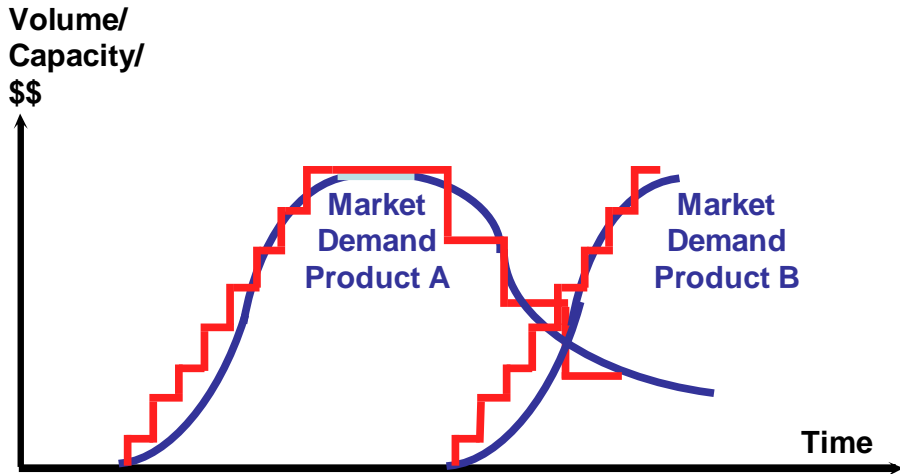


# Current equipment investment





# Wishful thinking ?



# EUPASS mission

- Ø “To facilitate the development, implementation and promotion of **affordable**, **cost effective** and **sustainable** ultra-precision manufacturing solutions by offering **rapidly deployable** ultra-precision assembly services on demand “

Assembly systems based on:

- Reconfigurable and modular units
- Standardized and based on an open architecture
- Ultra precision solutions

Enables:

- High equipment **re-use based on** EUPASS module depots
- Evolvability, continuous growth in maturity

# EUPASS facts

- European project, subsidized by the EU
- Kick off: November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004
- Duration: 4 years
- Budget: 21 MEuro
- European wide 21 partner network
- Coordinator Philips Applied Technologies

**Industry:**

Philips - NL

Bosch - D

Festo - D

Electrolux - IT

Flexlink - S

Beckhoff - D

**SME:**

TQC - UK

Feintool - CH

IEF Werner- D

Masmec - IT

**R&D :**

TIA - IT

Fz Karlsruhe -D

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Fraunhofer - D

**Academic:**

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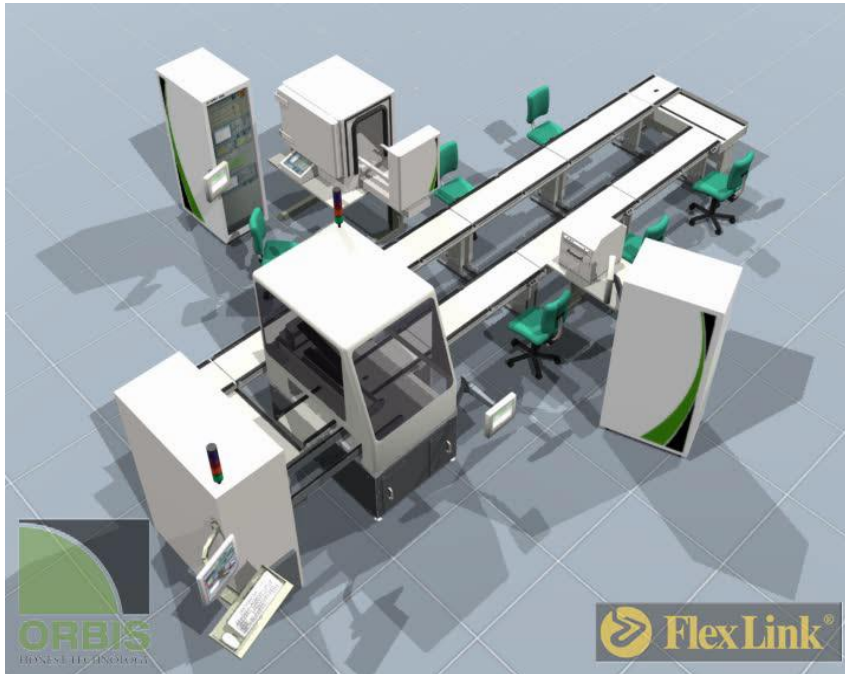
# EUPASS kick-off meeting



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# Evolvable / reconfigurable systems

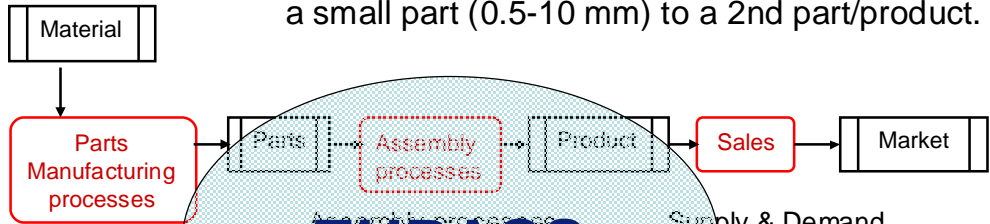


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# EUPASS definitions

- Accurately ( $0.1\text{-}20\ \mu\text{m}$ ) manipulating and joining a small part ( $0.5\text{-}10\ \text{mm}$ ) to a 2nd part/product.



Manufacturing processes:

- Cutting
- Grinding
- EDM
- LIGA / Dry etching
- LBM
- ECM, etc.

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- Feeding in/out
- Picking/releasing
- Manipulating, navigating
- Joining

Supply & Demand

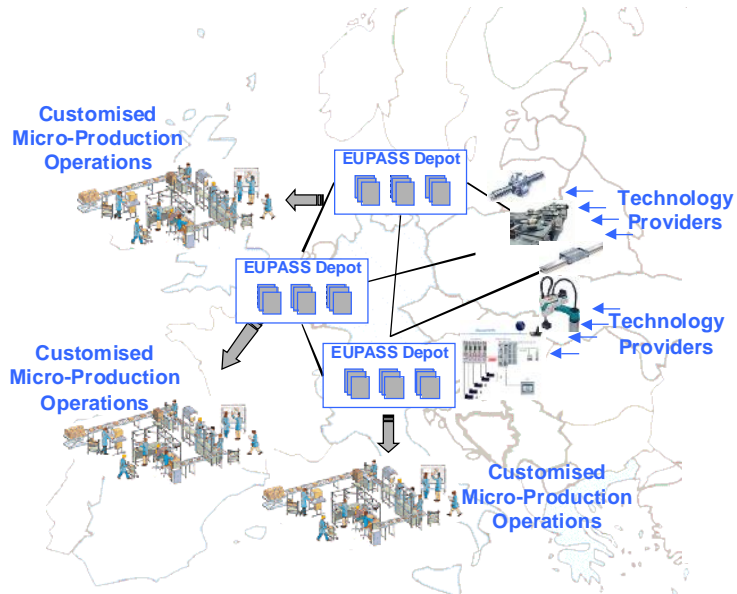
- DVR / Storage
- Fibre optics

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# EUPASS open architecture

## Service on demand

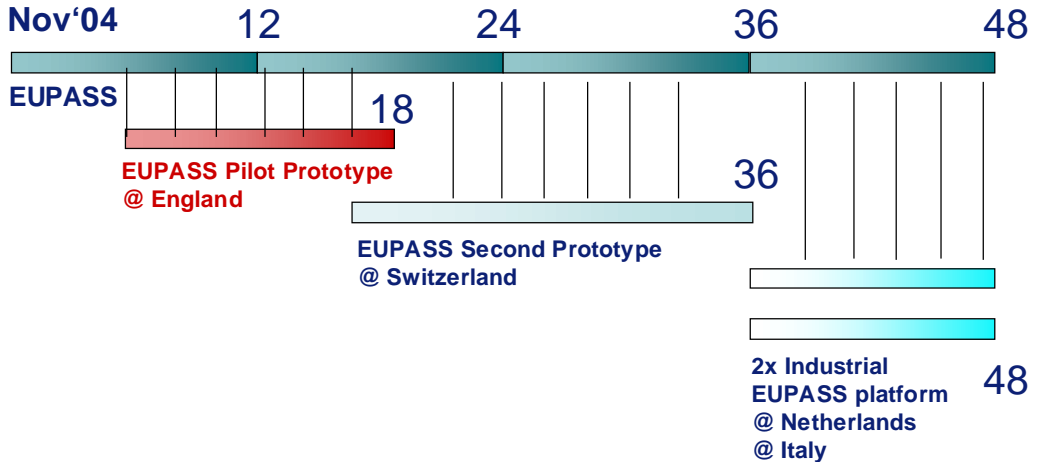


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# EUPASS Overall planning



# EUPASS Test Cases

- Philips Sound Solutions:
  - Rectangular Telecommunication (cellular phone) Speaker
- Festo:
  - Pneumatic Microvalve
- Electrolux:
  - White Goods micro-assembly (door lock)

# Future opportunities

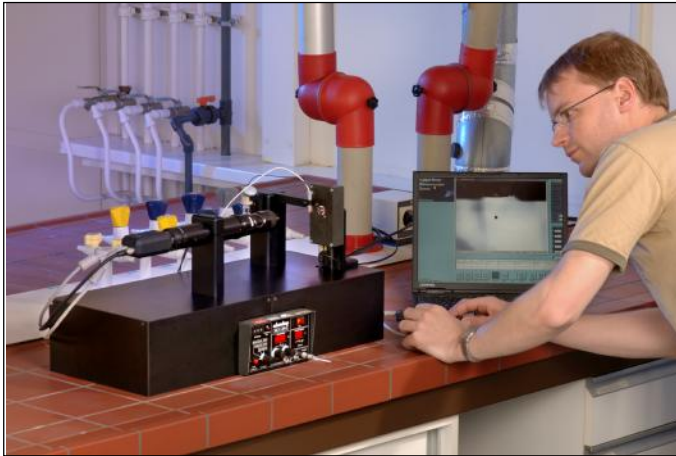
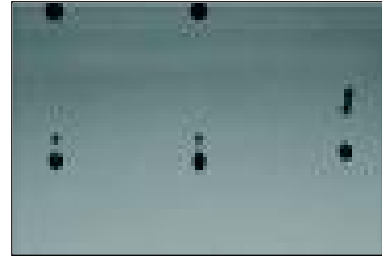
- EUPASS joins forces of technological programs of all participants
- Growing world-class in MicroSystemsTechnology by building a European wide supported methodology
- Relationship building through close collaboration
- Improve international, multi-cultural cooperation skills
- à anticipate on future ultra precision assembly needs

# Future opportunities for Vision

- Accurate assembly / joining of micro-parts:
  - Pre: alignment / pre-check
  - During: process feedback (example)
  - Post: check of the joining
- à anticipate on future ultra precision assembly needs

# (Ink)jet Droplet inspection

- Inspection of droplets “in the flight”
- High accuracy (subpixel / contour algorithm)
- Measuring volume and vector (speed and angle).



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# EUPASS: Join the ride ?



*Could this concept work for you ?*

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