



# New Nano-Enabled Products Pilot

## A Vanguard Initiative Pilot Project

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# 1. Introduction:

## What is the New Nano-Enabled Products Pilot?



### Vision:

- ▶ Connect regions to build industrial ecosystem in nanotechnology
- ▶ Create pilot production facilities for products based on nanomaterials
- ▶ Development of prototypes & securing the reproducibility

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### Added Value:

- ▶ Connecting regional strengths
- ▶ Create a strong European industrial fabric within nanotechnology
- ▶ Emergence of new value chains within innovative nanomaterials
- ▶ Connecting European R&D and laboratory infrastructure with different types of industries
- ▶ Strong network with extensive experience
- ▶ Supporting SME's in their internationalisation



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### Part of the Smart Specialisation Platform on Industrial Modernisation



Advanced manufacturing



Non-food Biomass



Efficient and Sustainable Manufacturing



Textile Innovation



Medical technology



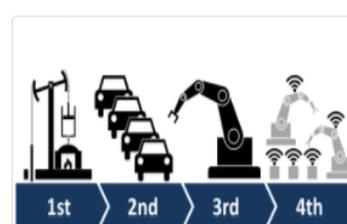
Photonics



3D-Printing



New Nano-Enabled Products



SMEs to the Industry 4.0



Sport



Digitalisation and Safety for Tourism



## 2. Cases:

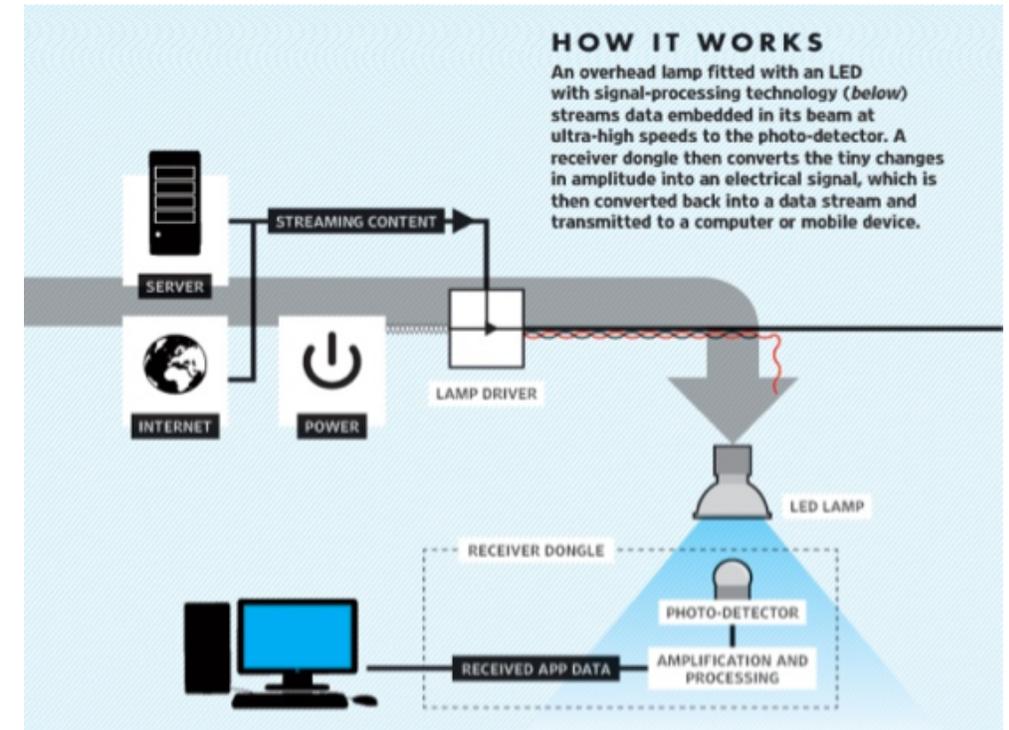
# 1: Nano Wires for ICT and Energy Applications

### Aim:

- ▶ To identify opportunities to commercialise the nanowire technology
- ▶ Address nanowire specific challenges:
  - High yield production
  - Integration of nanowire components in existing systems
  - Injection into existing value chains

### Market Segments:

- ▶ Photovoltaics:
  - Using complex geometry to serve as antennae
  - New production technology for mass production sought
- ▶ Lighting:
  - Efficiency and tune-ability of LEDs via nanowires
  - Filling the “green gap”
- ▶ Power and RF electronics:
  - Enabling cost effective high-quality substrates



GaN/InGaN high speed LEDs for optical data transmission (LiFi)



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### 1: Nano Wires for ICT and Energy Applications



#### Proposed action:

- ▶ Development of a cross-regional platform on nanowires
- ▶ Objective:
  - Showcase potential of companies working with nanowire-focused products
  - Facilitate engagement of international partners in joint efforts
  - Creating new inter-regional value chains spanning throughout Europe
- ▶ This will require active participation and validation from RTOs and industrial players

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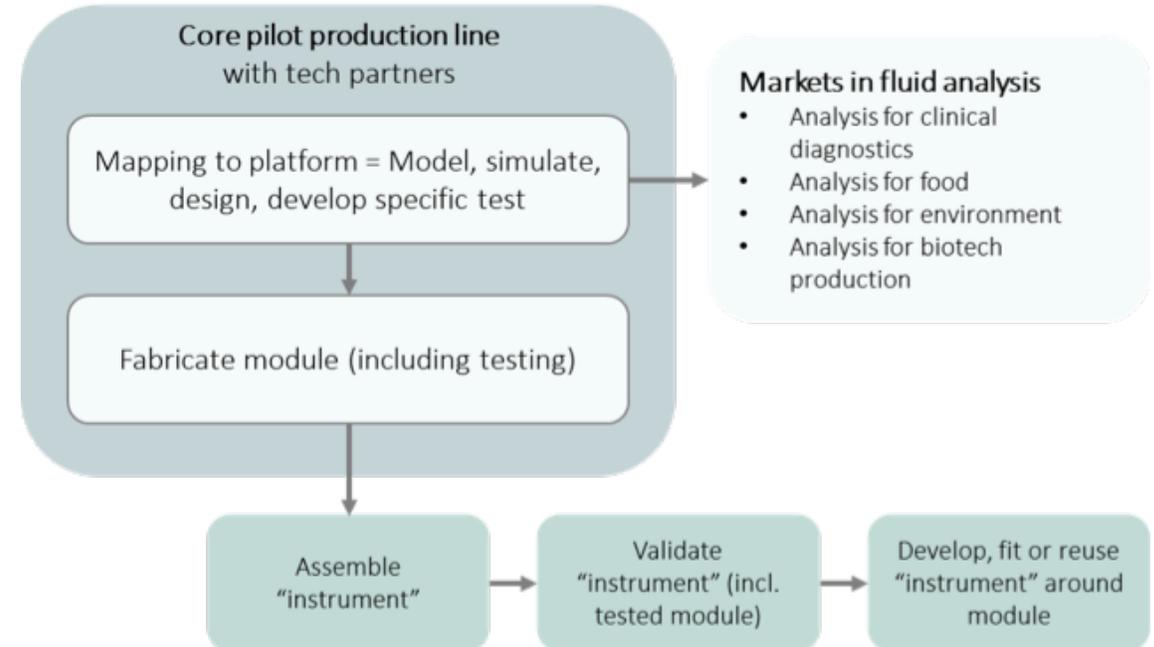


## 2. Cases:

### 2: Nano-enabled Microsystems for Bioanalysis (NeMs4Bio)

#### Aim:

- ▶ Address the microfluidic integration challenges covering aspects such as:
  - bio-functionalisation,
  - nano-functionalisation,
  - heterogeneous cross-KET microfluidic integration (Si-on-X, Si-in-X)
- ▶ Towards a module format
  - (e.g. chip carrier, cartridge)



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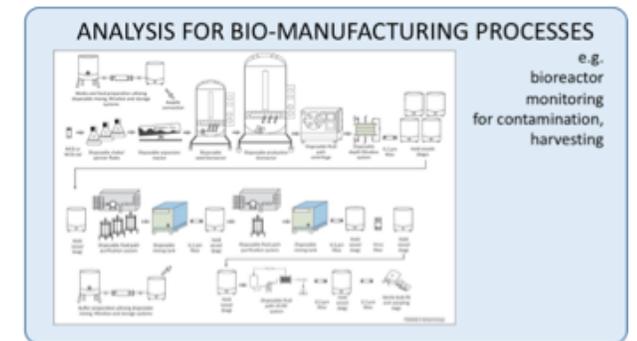


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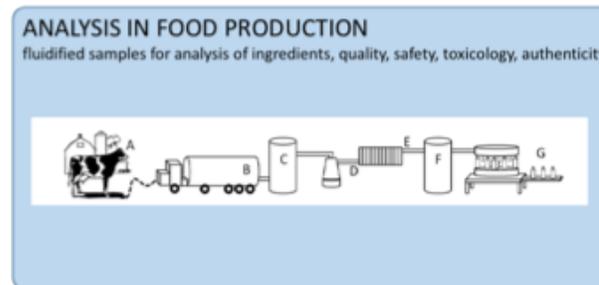
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### Markets in fluid analysis:

- ▶ Analysis for medical applications
- ▶ Analysis for food production
- ▶ Analysis for environmental lab analysis
- ▶ Analysis for bio-manufacturing processes



in flow or batch, continuous or repeated monitoring (mostly excluding single-use)



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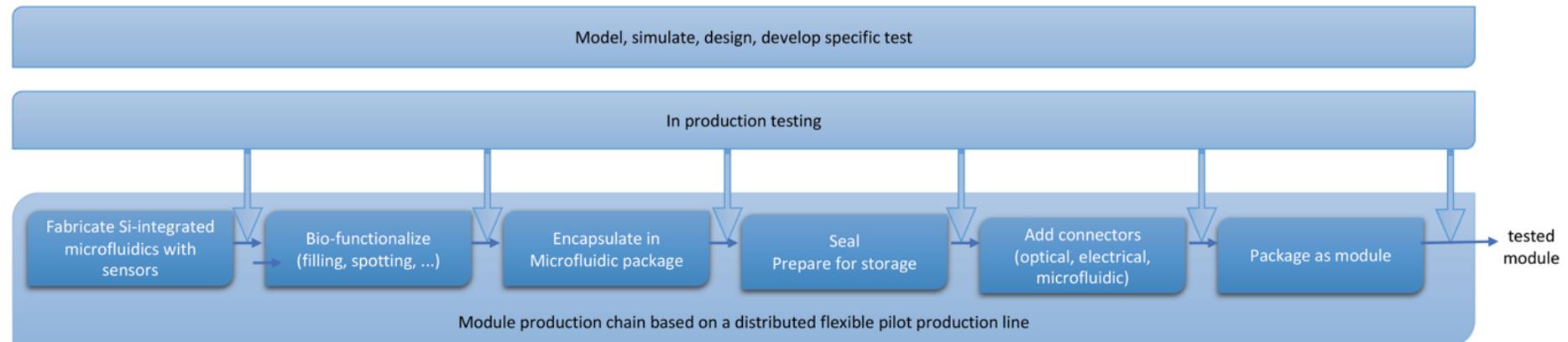


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### 2: Nano-enabled Microsystems for Bioanalysis (NeMs4Bio)

#### Proposed action for the platform:

- ▶ **Developing a network** of pilot production facilities across participating regions and involvement of core platform teams and application-specific experts, including system builders and end-users
- ▶ This will require active participation and validation from RTOs and industrial players



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## 2. Cases:

### 3: Nano-Enabled Printed Electronics



#### Aim:

- ▶ Objective is to push printed electronics to the market
  
- ▶ Potential application fields are located in:
  - Intelligent sensors (automotive, medical technology, food monitoring and smart textiles)
  - The Internet of Things (IoT)
  - Security applications
  - Energy storage and energy harvesting
  
- ▶ Challenge faced: transfer of such technologies from the lab to the market

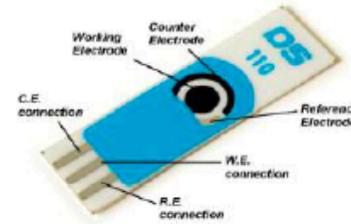


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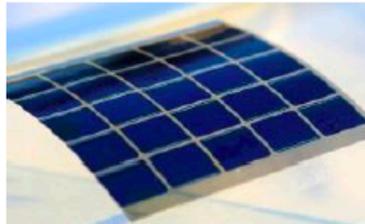
### 3: Nano-Enabled Printed Electronics



Printed battery (Enfucell)



Screen-printed electrodes for disposable devices (DropSens)



Printed solar sub-module on flexible substrate (KIT)



Inkjet-printed OLED (Merck)



Smart label w/ printed memory technology licensed to Xerox



Hybrid passive RFID w/ screen printed antenna

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### 3: Nano-Enabled Printed Electronics



#### Projects:

- ▶ Printed Smart Tags:
  - Development of an interface for the interaction with a smartphone display for variable applications
- ▶ Printed Electronics on Curved Surfaces (SHAPETRONICS)
  - Development of technologies to apply functional printed structures directly onto 3d-objects.
- ▶ Smart Textiles and Sensors
  - Product design and commercialization of integrated sensors in textiles for medical application.
- ▶ Organic Electronics
  - Development of fabrication processes and upscaling of organic electronic devices.

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# 3. Way Forward

## 1: The issue

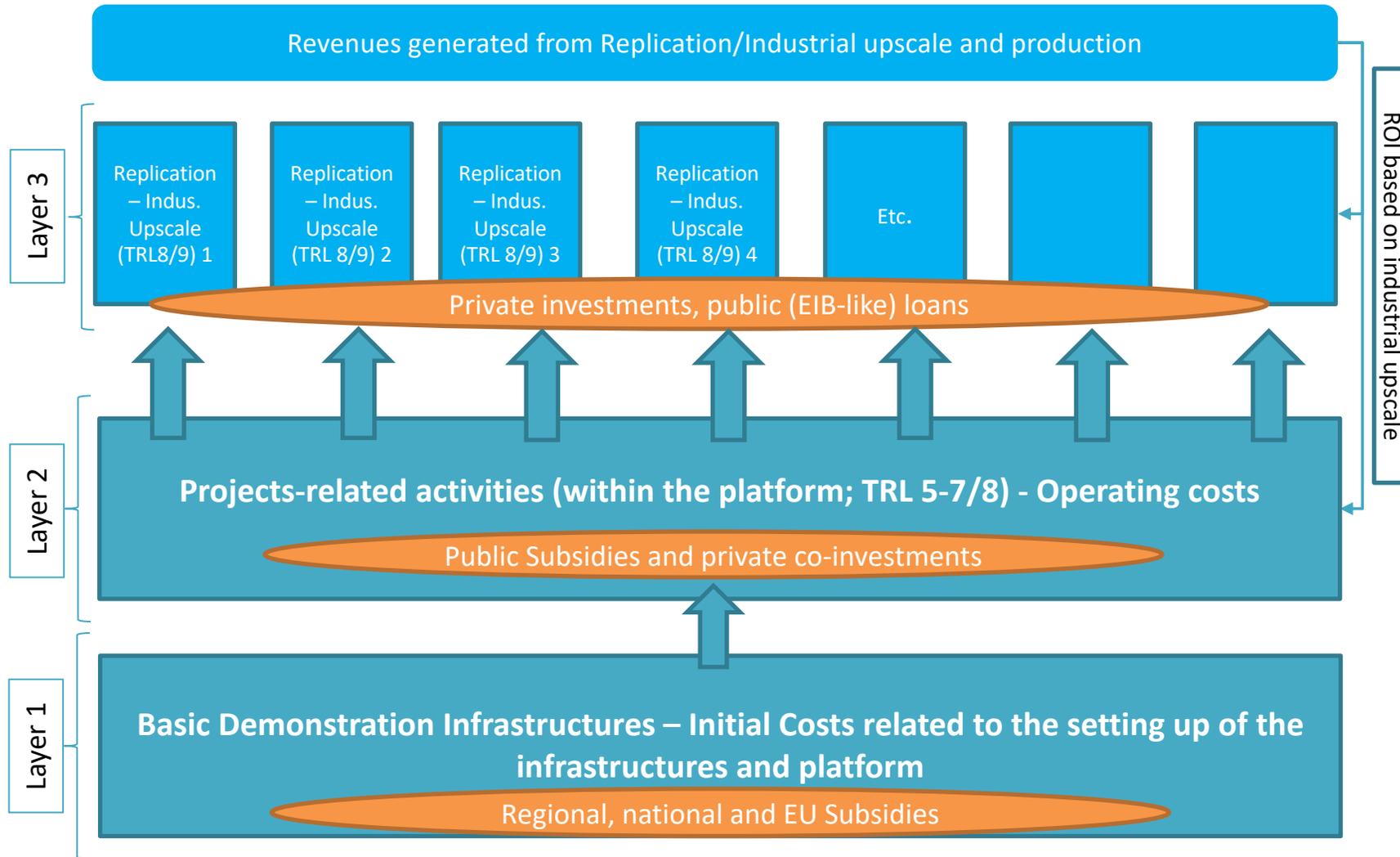


- Industry Modernisation is a common concern of:
  - Industrial competitiveness
  - Growth and Employment
  - Regional Policy - Smart Specialisation 2.0
  - Policies across levels of governance (regions - MS - EU)
- Deployment and absorption of new technologies = critical ingredient of Industrial Modernisation, growth & jobs ...
- But the EU increasingly challenged by (new) competitors with regard to technology deployment and industrial performance
- The EU is sub-performing in technology deployment; the VI has identified inadequacies in the current funding landscape that prevent any continuous pipeline of investments to emerge ...



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## 2: Approach for new investment pipelines



Establishing “Industry Commons” = shared demonstration facilities to speed up technology deployment in/by industrial companies



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### 3: Constraints: lack of adequate funding instruments



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IDEA  
CONSULT thinking ahead

- Strong industrial interest & commitment, but major constraint = How to get this funded ?
- Some partial solutions exist, but ...
  1. There remains a financial gap ('non-profitable top') that can only be covered by subsidies (mainly layer 1)
  2. Such funding instrument (subsidies) does not exist in pan-EU context
  3. Existing solutions (layer 2 & 3) are
    - Highly uncertain, and
    - Extremely complex to combine with each other
- Thus, at this moment: impossible to set up a continuous pipeline of industrial investments ... Only 'lucky one shots' possible ...



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### 4: Potential solutions



- Layer 1 costs (establishing the joint-demo infrastructure):
  - Centrally managed EU fund, co-financed by regions, or an expanded Interreg 'B', to support the creation of industry commons with grants
- Layer 2 costs (operating costs for demo activities):
  - combining regional subsidies to compensate for costs incurred to visits to demonstration facilities in other regions
- Layer 3 costs (industrial replication & upscale):
  - thematic expansion of the InnovFin Energy Demo Projects instrument to cover broader industrial modernisation activities.
- The major constraint in this funding model is the provision of centrally managed grants for the establishment of shared infrastructure (layer 1).



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### 5: Impacts

1. Lowering technology risks and uncertainty
2. Speeding up industrial upscale and market uptake → Additional leverage for the EIB and InnovFin;
3. 15 to 20 'Shared Demonstration Platforms' ready to start; strong industrial commitment to co-invest and use the demo-infrastructure once it is operational.
4. Potential to increase efficiency of research and innovation systems
5. Moving beyond "just retour" thinking, towards "high return thinking".

