

Knowledge Alliance for Upskilling Europe's SMEs to meet the challenges of Smart Engineering

SMeART is the short name for the project Knowledge Alliance for Upskilling Europe's SMEs to meet the challenges of Smart Engineering. This 3-year project within the Erasmus+ programme Knowledge Alliances aims to provide Europe's small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the engineering sector with practical tools to support them during the transition to smart industry.

SMeART SURVEY ON THE NEEDS OF SMEs IN RELATION TO SMART ENGINEERING IS COMPLETED!

The SMeART team successfully completed an investigation into the state of play in terms of digital transformation within companies. 257 of Europe's engineering enterprises expressed their needs and expectations linked to smart industry in an online-survey. This survey was conducted across seven European countries, Austria, Belgium, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Slovenia and Spain. Representatives from different working areas and departments participated in the survey and gave their opinions about the state of play concerning digital transformation within their companies.

Do you want to learn more about the survey results? We collected them in the Report on Learning and Business Consultant Needs of Europe's SMEs in Smart Engineering!

SMeART REPORT ON LEARNING AND BUSINESS CONSULTANT NEEDS OF EUROPE'S SMEs IN SMART ENGINEERING

The unique feature of this report is the presentation of real voices from SMEs, highlighting their demands and expectations concerning possible cooperation between business and research in the field of smart engineering. This report contains valuable information for both higher education institutions (HEIs) and Europe's SMEs. Whilst HEIs gain insights into the real needs, demands and requirements of SMEs, the SMEs might recognise themselves through example situations and may reflect upon their own organisational problems.

Moreover, with this report both HEIs and SMEs are encouraged to jointly develop strategic tools so that companies can move towards becoming "learning organisations". Being "smart" implies, based on our understanding, being able to learn in the sense of developing staff know-how, skills and competences. However, SMEs need specific approaches tailor-made to their production processes and business life. This report mirrors the SMEs' vision of such learning approaches and creates a picture of turning the company into a learning organisation working in cooperation with higher education.

Visit the SMeART website and download the report for free [here!](#)



WHAT IS COMING NEXT?

The SMeART Compass for Smart Engineering Policies and Initiatives is on the way. It will provide a comprehensive overview of the most relevant programmes in the field of Smart Engineering across all 28 European countries! You will find here key data concerning these initiatives, useful links to funding bodies and contacts, as well as who will benefit from the accumulated European experience of promoting Smart Industry.

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Learn more about SMeART and benefit from its outputs and outcomes by visiting our website: www.smart.eu



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