# Liaising SMEs with Key Enabling Technology Centres across Europe

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## Project Identity: KET4Clean Production/ KET4CP

### Funding programme:

• CSA No 777441 under H2020-INNOSUP-03-07-08-2017 Technology services to accelerate the uptake of advanced manufacturing technologies for clean production by manufacturing SMEs

### **Project runtime:**

01/2018 - 01/2021

### **Project budget:**

• EUR 4,89 Mio including EUR 2,00 Mio third-party funding

### **Project goal**

Pan-European access for manufacturing SME on technology services for clean production through a
network of premier KET Technology Centres with one-stop-shop access incl. Enterprise Europe
Network (EEN) and discourse with policy makers on regional innovation strategy (RIS3)



## **KET4CP Consortium**



No	Participant organisation name	Туре	Country
1	Steinbeis 2i GmbH – S2i	EEN	Germany
2	Acondicionamiento Tarrasense Associacion – LEITAT	KET TC	Spain
3	Warwick Manufacturing Group – WARWICK	KET TC	United Kingdom
4	Rise ACREO – Acreo	KET TC	Sweden
5	Hahn-Schickard-Gesellschaft für angewandte Forschung e.V. – HSG-IMIT	KET TC	Germany
6	Joanneum Research Forschungsgesellschaft mbH - JOANNEUM	KET TC	Austria
7	Tyndall National Institute – Tyndall	KET TC	Ireland
8	International Iberian Nanotechnology Laboratory – LIL INL	KET TC	Portugal
9	Teknologian Tutkimuskeskus VTT Oy - VTT	KET TC	Finland
10	CEA Liten – CEA	KET TC	France
11	Bio Base Europe Pilot Plant vzw – BBEPP	KET TC	Belgium
12	Fraunhofer-Institut für Produktionstechnik und Automatisierung – Fraunhofer	KET TC	Germany
13	Bay Zoltán Nonprofit Ltd. For Applied Research – BZN	KET TC/EEN	Hungary
14	Jožef Stefan Institute – JSI	KET TC/EEN	Slovenia
15	GIS Transfercenter Foundation – GIS	EEN	Bulgaria
16	PRAXI Network – FORTH	EEN	Greece
17	Væksthus Hovedstadsregionen – VHHR	EEN	Denmark
18	Latvian Technological Center – LTC	EEN	Latvia
19	Slovak Business Agency – SBA	EEN	Slovakia
20	TERA Tehnopolis – TERA	EEN	Croatia



















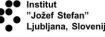


















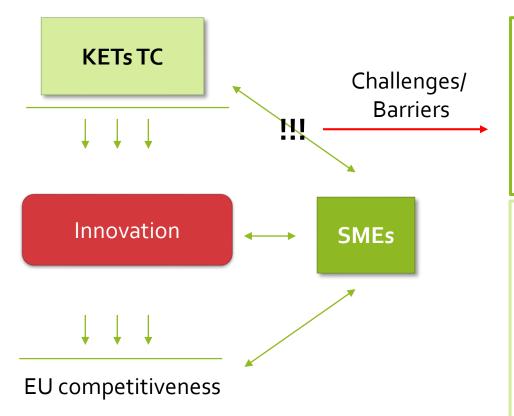








## Context and EU challenge



#### 1. SMEs

- Lacking knowledge of the potential of KETs and their conjoint effects;
- Avoid changes in production using KETs they cannot test or fully understand;
- Lack access to KETs technology infrastructures and services in many European regions

#### 2. KETs Technology Centres

 High disparities of KETs services across Europe (Ref. EU's official mapping of KETs service providers for TRL 4 to 8 support activities\*)

Note: such as proof of concept, demonstration, prototyping, pilot production and demonstration/pilot lines/pre-series and product validation).

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## **Potential**

## **KET4CP Objectives**

### Technologies

 Advanced manufacturing technologies and related key enabling technologies (KET) can upgrade production processes of manufacturing SMEs towards resourceand energy efficiency.

### **Open Innovation**

 Clean production innovation has the potential to increase product quality, productivity and environmental performance and thereby enhance SMEs' competitiveness.

#### Access

• SMEs' access to technology services offered by KETs Technology Centres (KETTC) remains heterogeneous across the different regions of the European Union and its potential is not fully exploited yet.

- Fostering the use of advanced manufacturing technologies and related key enabling technologies by SME to upgrade their production processes towards resource- and energy efficiency and sustainability
- Creating an open innovation ecosystem
  with a one-stop-shop for EU manufacturing
  SMEs facilitating cross-border access to
  innovation services through a network of
  premier KET Technology Centres in clean
  production.



## KET4CP Approach

### **Manufacturing SMEs**

 Stimulate manufacturing SMEs throughout Europe to increase their understanding and interest in clean production and the potential in adopting KETs

## **KET4CP Platform**

 Build the KET4CleanProduction platform for Europe with specific awareness measures on regions where KET access is still not satisfactory

### **Cross-border potential**

 Unlock the cross-border service potential of EU-certified KETs Technology Centres on clean production

## Sustainable ecosystem

Create a sustainable ecosystem

 one-stop-shop acting as single
 access point for EU
 manufacturing SMEs

### **Multi-KET service**

 Help SMEs benefit from multi-KET service know-how and infrastructure

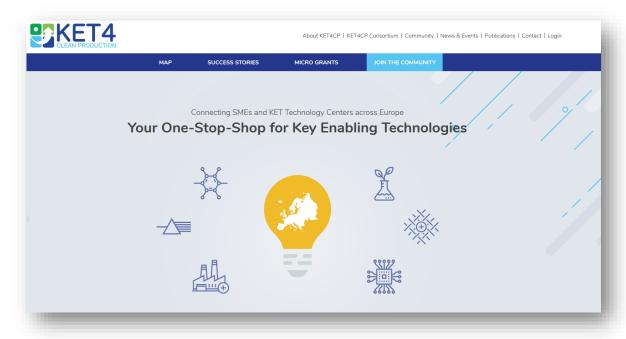
- Micro- and Nanoelectronics
- Nanotechnology
- Industrial Biotechnology
- Advanced Materials
- Photonics
- Advanced Manufacturing Technologies

### Micro-grant schemes

 Implement a micro-grant scheme boosting clean production in SMEs through KET applications



## KET4CP platform: your one-stop-shop in clean production



- informs about opportunities for transnational collaborations of SMEs with service providers for KETs across Europe
- serves as a matching tool linking manufacturing SMEs with key enabling technology experts
- offers SMEs a platform to submit a Technology Request to **find** a KETs TC matching their needs
- awards SMEs across Europe with 50.000 € to kickstart their collaboration with international KETs TCs

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## **Open Call for Micro Grants**



www.ket4sme.eu/micro-grants

**Scope:** Cross-border cooperation projects

1 SME + min. 2 KETs technology centres (KETTCs)

integrate KETs to solve clean production challenges.

Call opening: 1 Jun 2018

**Call closing:** 29 Apr 2020, 17:00 CET

**Cut-off dates:** 8 cut-off days at 17:00 CET every 3 months (first 31 Jul 2018)

**Expected duration of a micro grant project:** up to 6 months

**Total EU funding available for third parties:** EUR 2.000.000

Financial support for each third party: EUR 50.000 (lump sum)



## **Open Call for Micro Grants**



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Type of activities: Integration of AMT and combination of multiple key KETs

seeking for one or several of the following clean production objectives:

- the development of new production processes
- the improvement of the manufacturing of existing products by reducing
  - production costs; or
  - reliance on raw materials; or
  - consumption of energy; or
  - generation of waste and pollution

### **Technology services:**

 research and innovation activities (TRL 4 to 8; focus on higher TRLs)

including f.ex. demonstration, testing, pilot production and related engineering activities; complemented by feasibility studies

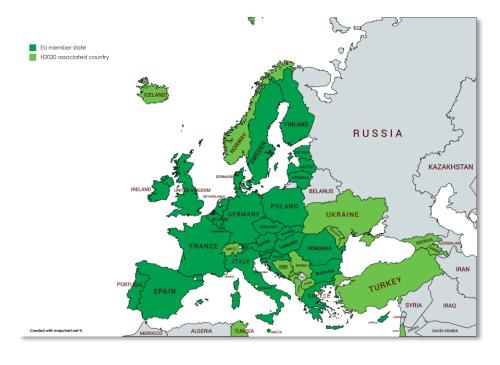


## **Eligibility Criteria for Micro Grants**

- Detailed information on the eligibility criteria are listed in the <u>Guide for Applicants</u>
- Main criteria:
  - The applicants must be **1 SME**, compliant to the EU definition (< 250 employees, < EUR 50 Mio turnover/a).
  - The SME must be located in one of the EU member states or H2020 associated countries.
  - The applicant SME must be a single company, not a consortium.
  - The SME must explicitly select 2 KET TCs that are registered
    - on the European Commission's DG Growth KETs TC map and
    - on the <u>KET4CP map</u> before submitting a micro grant proposal
  - Min. 1 of the KET TCs within a micro grant proposal must be located in another member state than the applicant SME.
  - Co-financing of 30% must be ensured by the applicant SME (Declaration of Honor).

## **Guide for Applicants**

https://www.ket4sme.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/6\_KET4CP\_Guide-for-Applicants.pdf





## Procedure to apply for a Micro Grant





#### Step 2:

Submission of a technology request



#### Step 3:

Submission of a micro grant proposal



#### Step 4:

Evaluation and feedback to the micro grant proposal



#### Step 5:

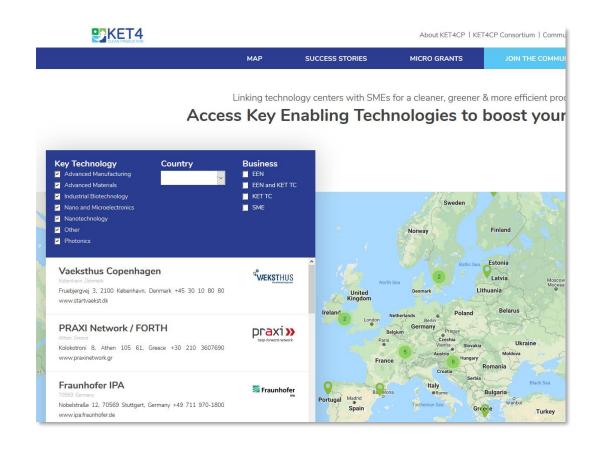
Implementation and follow-up on the micro grant project







## KET4CP platform: your one-stop-shop in clean production



KET4CP's ambition is to establish a growing open innovation ecosystem by interconnecting three main stakeholder groups to develop innovative solutions for cleaner production processes across Europe:

- Manuf. Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)
- KETs Technology Centres (KETs TCs)
- Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) partners

After a pilot phase, starting in 07/2019, the network is scaled up adding further KETs TCs and EEN partners











Pilot Phase 13 KET-TC's 9 EEN's Large Scale Demonstrator Phase
additional KET-TCs
additional EEN partners

Sustainability Phase open to further KET-TCs open for further EEN partners



## KET4CP platform: Five reasons to join

- ✓ Become part of a strong, international network on KETs.
- ✓ Profit from a **single access point** for cross-border innovation service in clean production.
- ✓ Stay informed about news on **micro grants** for transnational KET projects.

### **KETs Technology Centres**

- Discover new business opportunities in Europe
  - Create your services profile
  - Access potential SME clients
  - Discover cooperation partners
- Unlock new cross-border service potential by collaborating with other TCs
- Benefit from a matching tool linking manuf. SMEs to your service portfolio
- Get better through collaboration with other TCs
- Explore innovative solutions through multi-KET approach

### Small & Medium-sized Enterprises

- Learn how to make your production processes more resource- & energy-efficient through KETs
- Find a technology expert matching your production needs
  - Submit a technology request
  - Submit a micro grant proposal
- Obtain a micro grant to kick-start a cross-border innovation project
- Increase your business performance
- Stay sustainable, innovative and competitive.

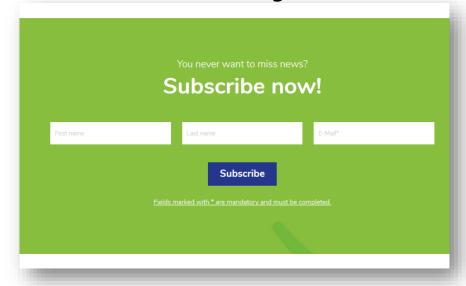
## Enterprises Europe Network (EEN) Partners

- Stay informed about opportunities for transnational collaborations EU-wide
- Link your local manufacturing SMEs with the best matching KET expert
- Access funding for SMEs across Europe promoting the use of advanced manufacturing and key enabling technologies
- Access best practices on how SMEs can benefit from multi-KET service know-how and infrastructure
- Benefit from a matching tool linking manufacturing SMEs with KET technology centres cross-borders



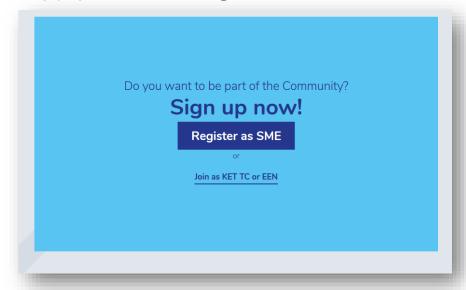
## How to get in touch

Sign up to stay informed about news on micro grants



https://www.ket4sme.eu

Become part of the community and/or apply for a micro grant?



https://www.ket4sme.eu/join-the-community/register



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