

## 21/03/2013, Brussels, Belgium: Debriefing of 2nd Review Meeting

The 16 beneficiaries of the collaborative FoFdation project recently held their 2nd Progress Review Meeting in Brussels, Belgium, at the premises of the European Commission. Coordinated by Airbus, the project is now in its third year, focusing on addressing today's major challenges for manufacturing companies, operating under productivity pressures, greater product variability and environmental constraints.

FoFdation beneficiaries represented by 20 participants in the Progress Review Meeting presented the progress made to the Project Officer Mr. Rolf RIEMENSCHNEIDER and external experts. The review was focused on the project's progress for months 19 to 30. The main technical developments presented covered all aspects of the production line FoFdation deals with, as shown in Figure 1.

The modules presented included:

- Machine modeling
- Machine control
- Productivity & sustainability data acquisition
- Workflow generation
- Macro-optimization
- Data visualization (dashboard)

and have been demonstrated within the framework of the Airbus, CRF and Agie Charmilles Use Cases.

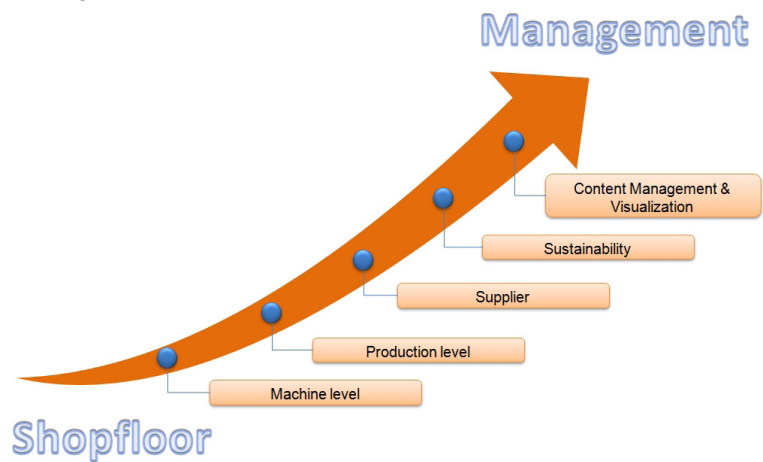


Figure 1: Technical aspects of the FoFdation project

Over and above technical achievements, FoFdation focuses heavily on exploitation and dissemination. Activities like training, dissemination in social media and scientific conferences, as well as the Living Lab created in the framework of FoFdation project were highlighted.

The Project Officer and the reviewers indicated that there has been a very positive view on the project activities and technical progress in critical areas. For the forthcoming period the project will continue to integrate each part of the FoFdation platform and concentrate on demonstrating the advantages in a variety of applications such as aerospace and automotive parts.

For more information about the FoFdation project visit <http://www.fofdation-project.eu> and the project's social media pages, including Facebook ([#fofdationproject](#)) and Twitter ([@FoFdation](#)).

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For further information please visit:

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