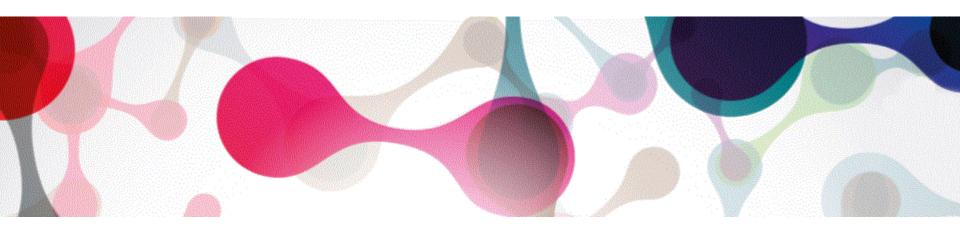
# FRAUNHOFER'S COOPERATION WITH UNIVERSITIES OF APPLIED SCIENCES – STATUS QUO AND OPPORTUNITIES



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#### Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft

#### Europe's largest organisation for applied research

**Health and Environment** 





**Energy and Resources** 

Safety and Security

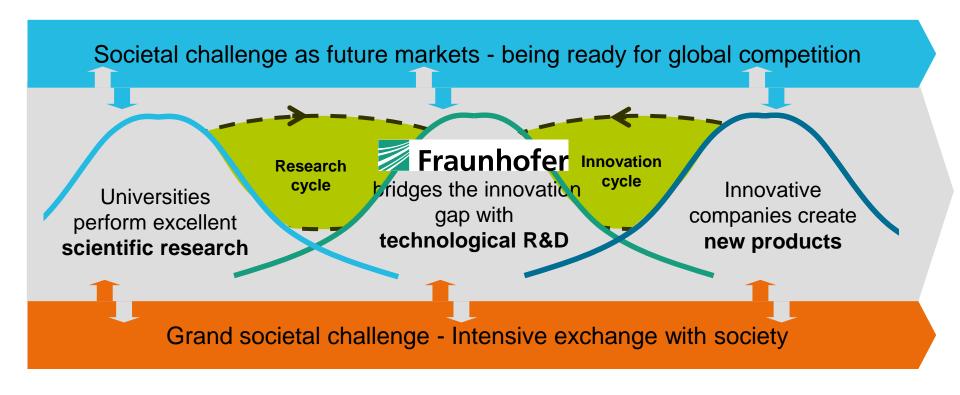
**Production and Services** 

- 67 research institutes
- More than 24,000 staff
- €2 billion annual research budget



#### Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft

#### Connector of the innovation system



1/3 public base funding

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→ government

1/3 public project funding

→ contract research

→ grants, tenders

#### Fraunhofer Gesellschaft

#### A strong partner in the EU framework programme



<sup>»</sup>Overall Score« is based on::

<sup>•</sup> Funding and project participation performance • Networking activity and alliances • Diversity of research areas



#### Cooperating with Universities of Applied sciences

#### Two new ways to join forces in Germany

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#### **Fraunhofer Application Center**

- Establishment of a new
   Fraunhofer site at a
   University of Applied
   Sciences
- Managing director:
   Professor at the
   University of Applied
   Sciences
- ~ 10 members of staff
- Pilot phase until 2017

### Cooperation Programme « Fachhochschule »

- Local cooperation of Fraunhofer and University of Applied Sciences
  - Creation of a collaborative research group
- Long term goal:
   Strategic alignment of a specific research field

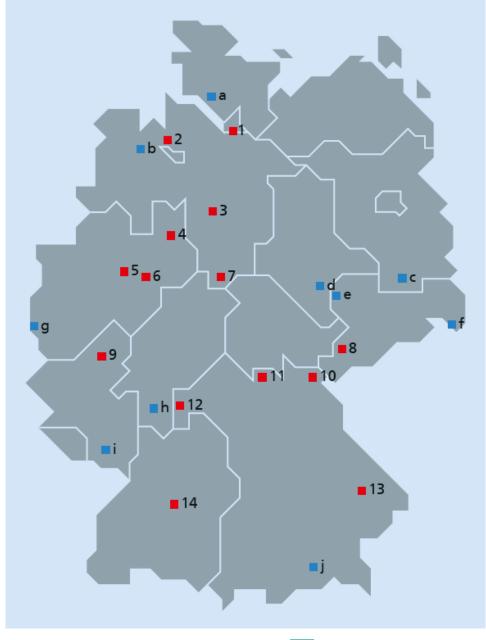
#### **Active partnerships**

#### **Fraunhofer Application Center**

- 1 Fraunhofer ISIT / HAW Hamburg
- 2 Fraunhofer IWES / HS Bremerhaven
- 3 Fraunhofer WKI / HS Hannover
- 4 Fraunhofer IOSB / HS OWL Lemgo
- 5 Fraunhofer FIT / HS Hamm-Lippstadt
- 6 Fraunhofer IWM / FH Südwestfalen
- 7 Fraunhofer IST / HAWK Göttingen
- 8 Fraunhofer IWS / WH Zwickau
- 9 Fraunhofer FHR / HS Koblenz
- 10 Fraunhofer ISC / HS Hof
- 11 Fraunhofer IIS / HS Coburg
- 12 Fraunhofer ISC / HS Aschaffenburg
- 13 Fraunhofer IIS / HS Deggendorf
- 14 Fraunhofer IAO / HS Esslingen

#### Cooperation Programme « Fachhochschule »

- a Fraunhofer ISIT / FH Westküste
- b Fraunhofer IDMT / Jade HS Oldenburg
- c Fraunhofer IAP / HS Lausitz (BTU Cottbus)
- d Fraunhofer IWM / HS Anhalt
- e Fraunhofer IZI / HTWK Leipzig
- f Fraunhofer IWU / HS Görlitz
- g Fraunhofer ILT / FH Aachen
- h Fraunhofer LBF / HS Darmstadt
- i Fraunhofer ITWM / FH Kaiserslautern
- j Fraunhofer IBP / HS Rosenheim





### **Best practice: Fraunhofer Application Center Application Center Industrial Automation INA**

Hochschule Ostwestfalen-Lippe University of Applied Sciences

- Site of the Fraunhofer Institute of Optronics, System Technologies and Image Exploitation - IOSB
  - Established following an initiative of the local industry
  - Research focus: operation and high adaptability of Industrial automation systems
  - Linked to the "inIT Institut Industrial IT" of the Ostwestfalen-Lippe University of Applied Sciences and to
- Integrated in the cluster "Intelligent technical systems" for machine engineering and industrial electronics
- Increased access for the local industry to research in industrial ICT: one of the many innovations: A Smart-Watch to monitor production facilities



### **Best practice: Cooperation Programme «Fachhochschule»**

#### **Hochschule Anhalt**

- Cooperation of the Fraunhofer Center for Silicon Photovoltaics CSP with Anhalt University of Applied Science
  - Complements the cooperation of Fraunhofer IWM and the University Halle-Wittenberg
  - A Collaborative Research Group was established in close cooperation the joint project »StrukturSolar« of the University Halle-Wittenberg and the Anhalt University of Applied Sciences
- First results: the group significant increased the charge carrier life of silicon modules
- The results are jointly exploited with the local industry







## Cooperation of the Fraunhofer Academy Life-long education and advanced training



- The Fraunhofer Academy offers a unique opportunity for specialists and managers to benefit of a direct transfer knowledge from Fraunhofer research projects into their own company.
- European Distance Learning University in Hamburg (Euro FH)
  - Part-time Bachelor of Science in Logistics Management



- Fraunhofer Academy and the Fraunhofer Institute for Material Flow and Logistics IML in Dortmund
- Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft des Saarlandes
  - Part-time Master programme, Automotive Production Engineering"

Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft des Saarlandes University of Applied Sciences

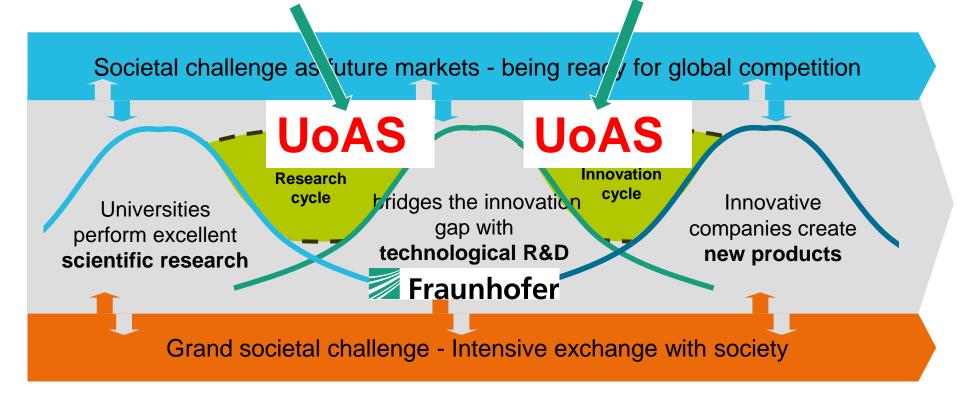
- Fraunhofer Academy and Fraunhofer Institute for Nondestructive Testing
   IZFP
- 2015: First project of the academy on EU level under the EIT-KIC ICT labs



## Universities of Applied Sciences (UoAS) Supporting the research and the innovation cycle

- Application centres
- Cooperation programme

 Cooperation with the Fraunhofer Academy (knowledge transfer)



### **EU projects with German Universities of Applied Sciences**

#### Collaboration with Fraunhofer under FP7

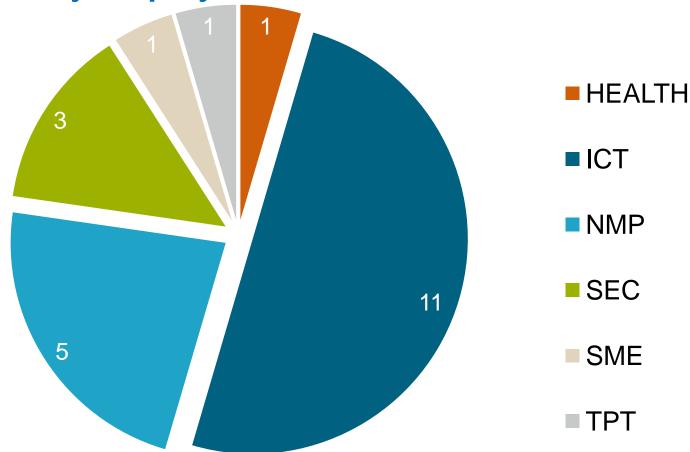
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Fachhochschule für öffentliche Verwaltung und Rechtspflege in Bayern	1
Fachhochschule Köln	1
Georg-Simon-Ohm-Hochschule für angewandte Wissenschaften - Fachhochschule Nürnberg	1
Hochschule Aalen - Technik und Wirtschaft	1
Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg, University of Applied Sciences	2
Hochschule Darmstadt	1
Hochschule der Medien Stuttgart	3
Hochschule für angewandte Wissenschaften Fachhochschule Amberg-Weiden	1
Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften Hamburg	1
Hochschule für angewandte Wissenschaften Regensburg	1
Hochschule für Technik Stuttgart	1
Hochschule Karlsruhe - Technik und Wirtschaft	3
Hochschule Mannheim	1
Hochschule Osnabrück	1
Hochschule Ruhr West- University of Applied Sciences	1
Hochschule Wismar - University of Applied Sciences: Technology, Business and Design	1
Total number of partners*	23

- In total only 22 joint projects → >2% of all Fraunhofer FP7 projects
- In comparison: Just with KU Leuven about 50 projects



### **EU projects with German Universities of Applied Sciences**

Number of joint projects in the FP7 themes



■ Total number of projects 22 → 50% of all projects in the area of ICT



#### Conclusions on the status quo

#### There is room for more



- In Germany Fraunhofer cooperates with Universities of Applied Sciences on different levels
- But the cooperation remains on a comparatively small scale -> (Technical)
   Universities are the core partners
- Cooperation on EU level is currently very low and mainly concentrated on ICT

#### (Technical) universities are Fraunhofer's natural core partners but...



- The cooperation with Universities of Applied Sciences is increasing
- There is plenty of room for more...

## Opportunities with Fraunhofer Join us as a partner



- More Application Centers and Cooperation Programmes to come in Germany in the next years
- Join us in Horizon 2020 projects
- Especially with a strong focus on knowledge transfer to industry
  - Combine research with education components in the projects
  - Training for pilot line and demonstration projects
- Further exploit opportunities of the Knowledge Alliances under Erasmus+ together with the Fraunhofer Academy

## Long term opportunities – A proposal Increase the absorptive capacity of Europe's industry

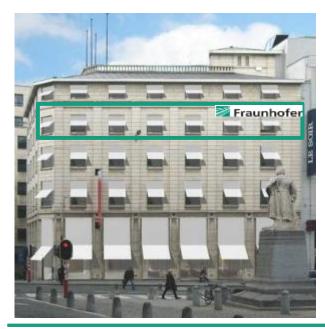
- On EU level Universities of Applied Sciences could particularly strengthen their role in supporting knowledge transfer
  - Through combining research with: part-time education, training and lifelong learning programme, competence development of companies, long distance learning....
  - Join forces with RTOs to bring research results to industry
- Establish the concept of a "Professional School" on European level
  - Transfer research results through training directly to industrial specialists and technical managers
  - Possible examples: Training on the qualities of new materials, Possibilities of new IT-tools etc.
  - To be Integrated in up-coming 2016 EIT-KICs?

### Thank you for your attention!

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