

Industrial Engineering Education to support manufacturing competitiveness



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Manufacturing Engineering

Structural Changes of the economy of Luxembourg

Migration from base material production via financial services to knowledge



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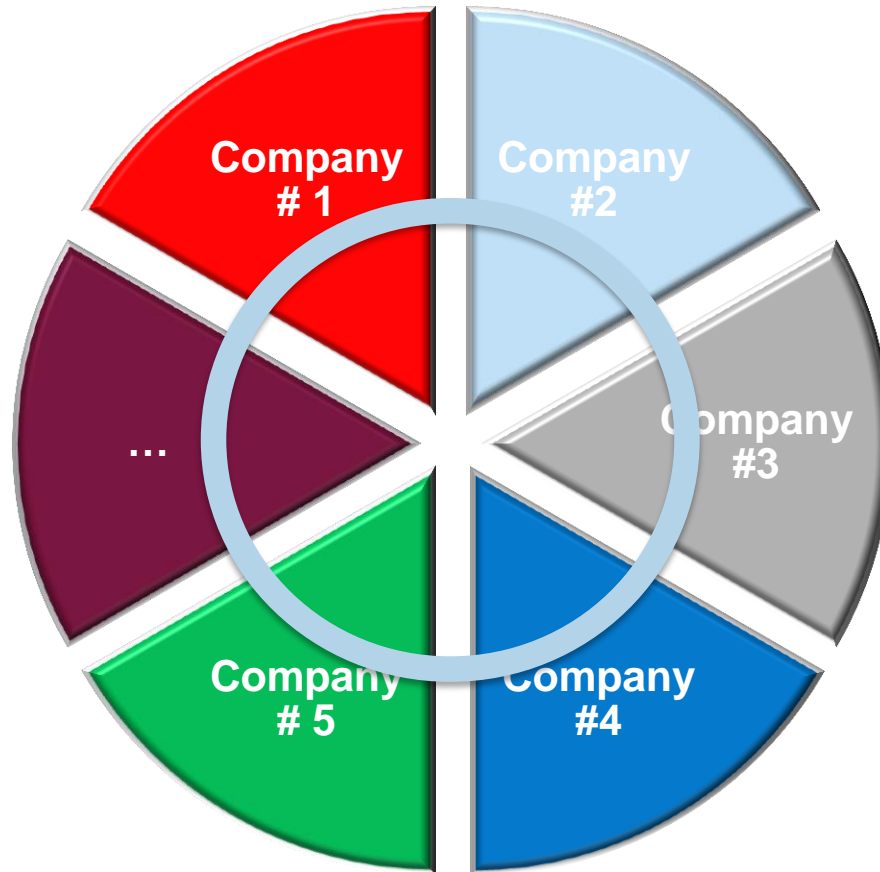


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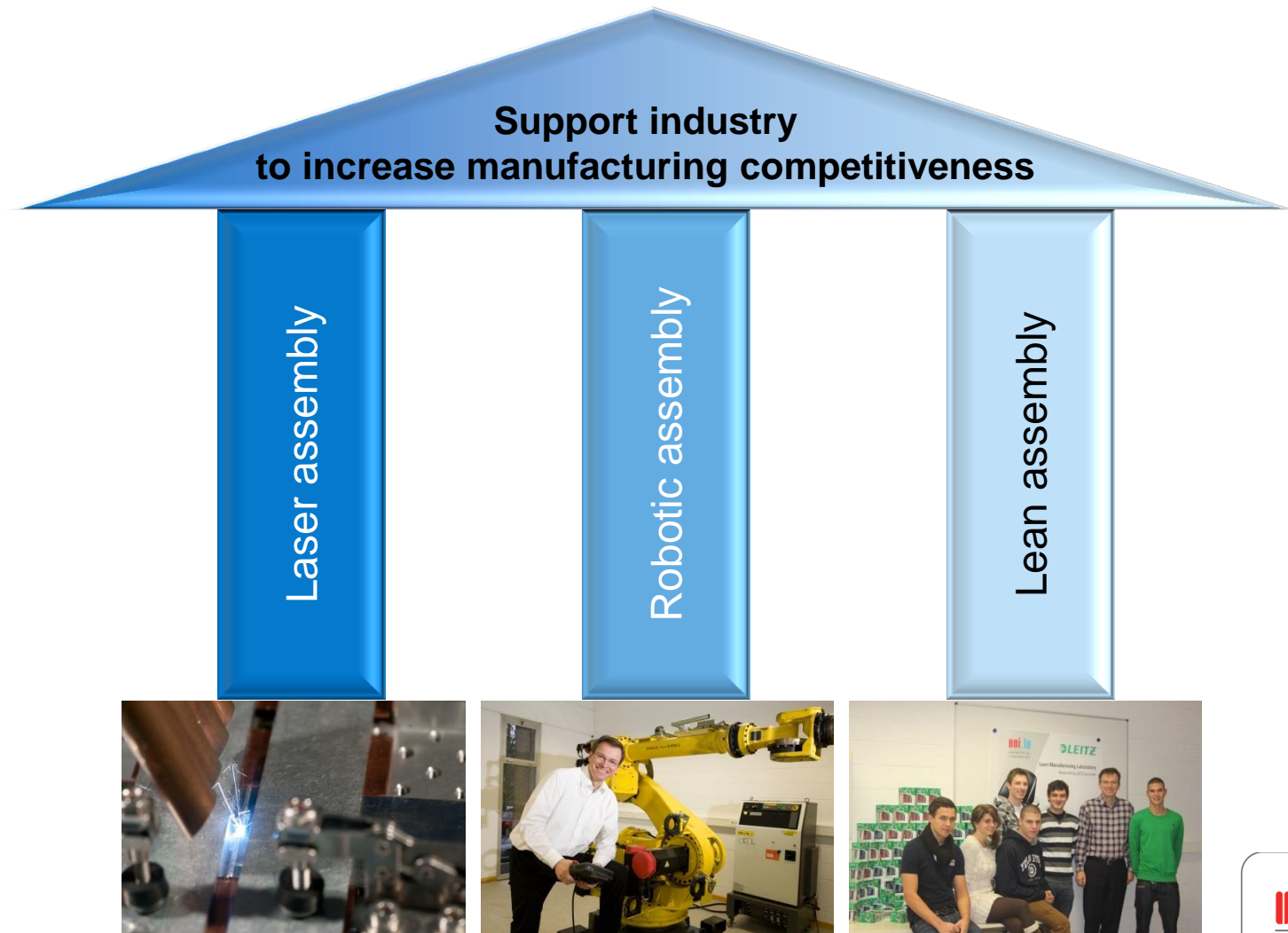
Challenges

Diversity



- Identification of common manufacturing technologies needed

Cross sectorial knowledge in assembly technologies



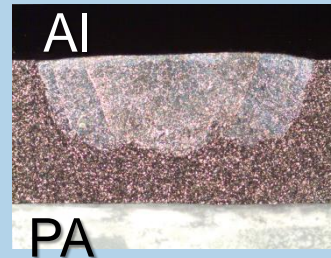
1. Laser Technology Competence Center

Laserjoining of NF metals



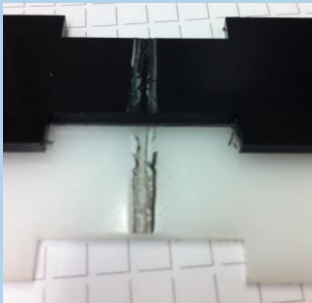
- Electro-mobility
- Cu & Al
- brittle, high resistance, corrosion

Laserjoining of polymers and metals



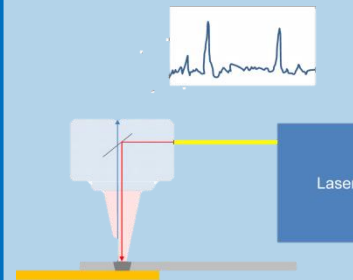
- Joining of PA 6 and Aluminum
- Lightweight design
- Automotive, railway, airplanes, ..

Laserwelding of plastics (e.g. POM)



- Automotive
- Plastics welding
- Define process parameters

Process Monitoring



- Scientific profound understanding of process
- High speed monitoring of melt

2. Robotic Assembly

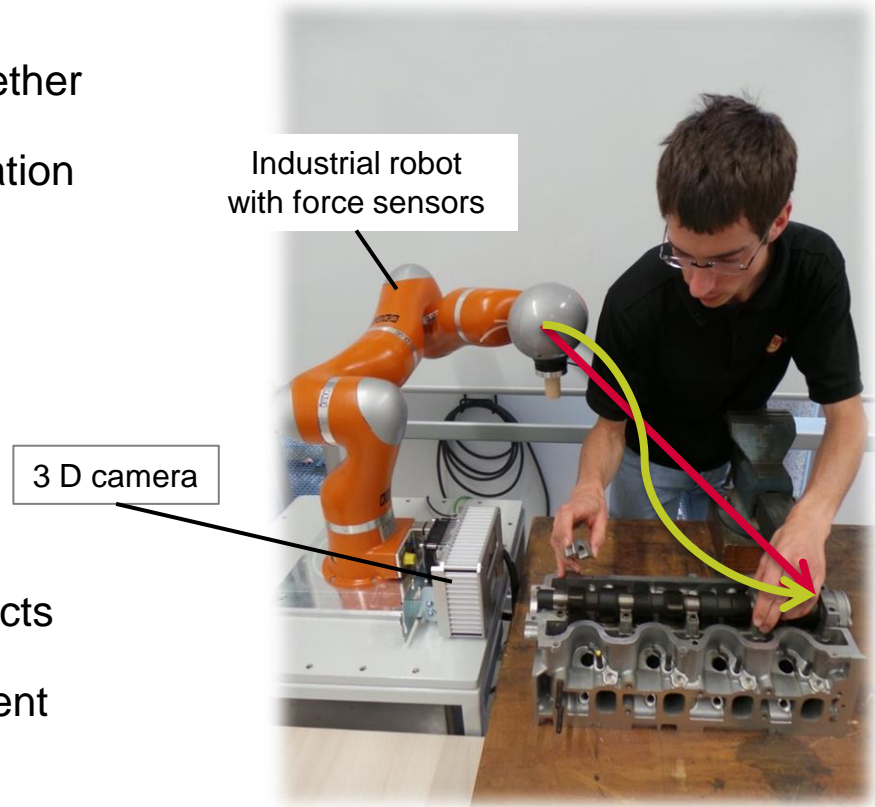
Force-controlled assembly of automobile modules

Objectives:

- Robot and human operator work together
- Perform complicated assembly operation
- Force-controlled joining process
- Safe joining algorithm

Expected results:

- Versatile assembly e.g. of new products
- Knowledge about dynamic environment
- Automation of difficult assembly
- Migration from manual to robotic assembly



3. Leitz supports Lean Engineering Education in Luxembourg



3. Lean Manufacturing Laboratory

c) Launch assembly line



poly line

1
↓
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5



Assembly
chassis



Marriage



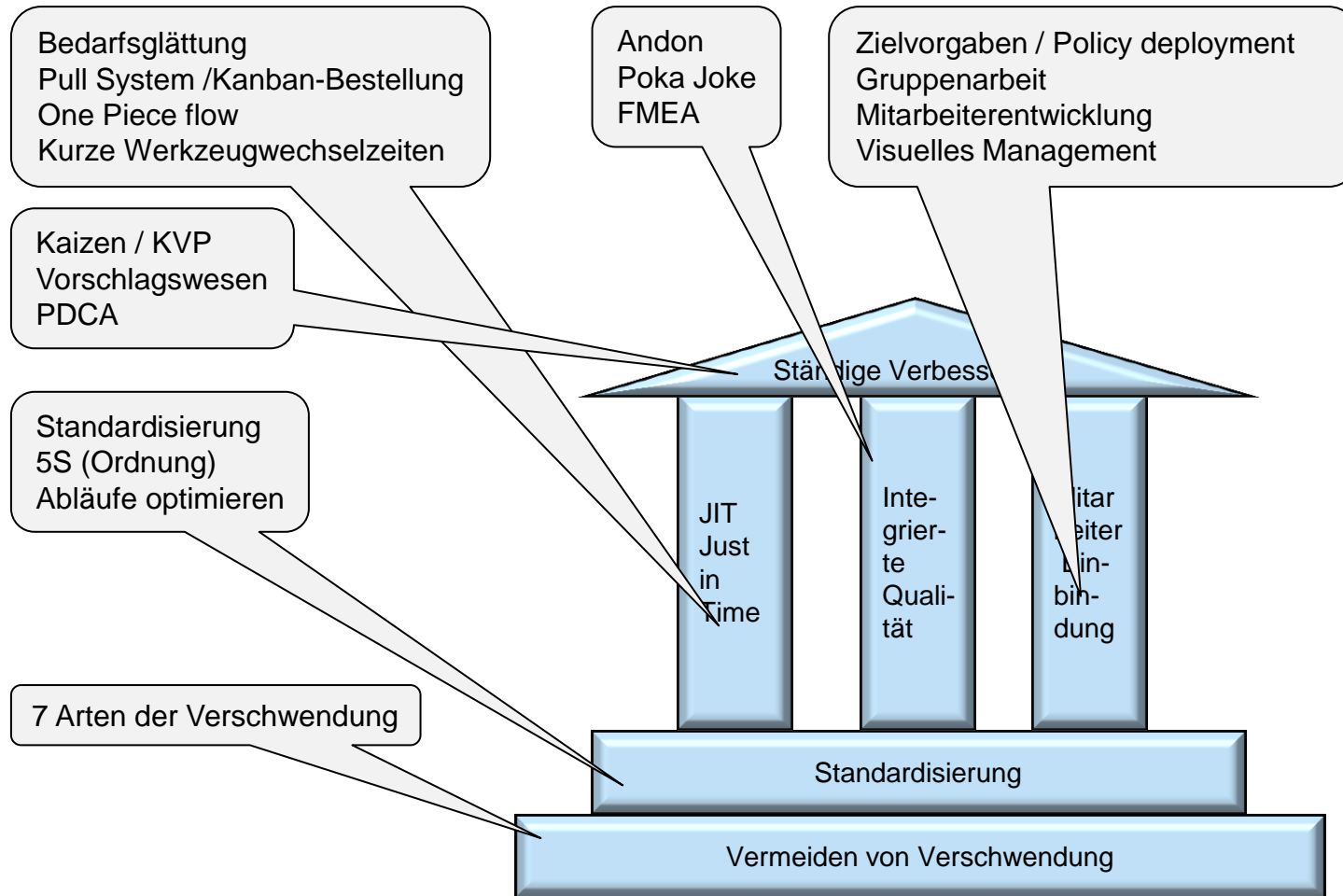
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Packaging
& shipment

3. Lean Manufacturing Laboratory

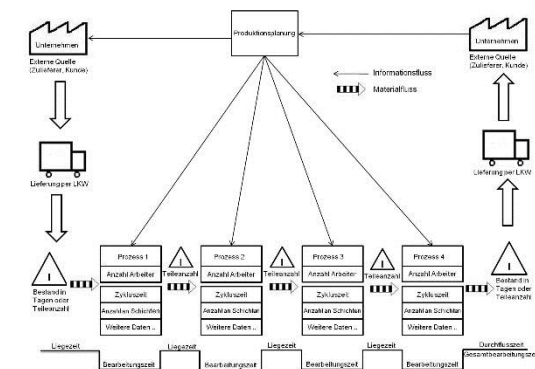
Key Elements of Lean Production systems



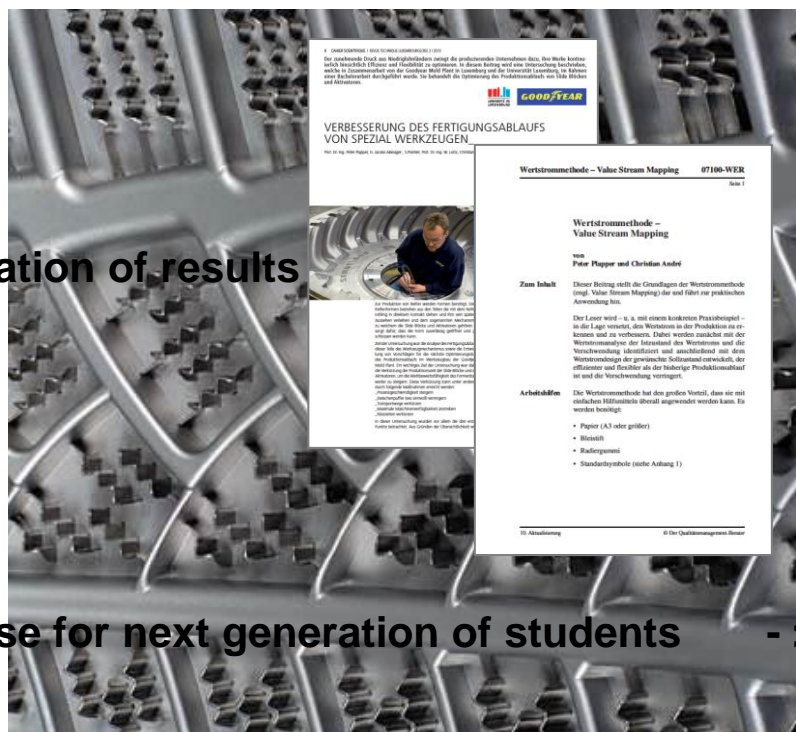
3. Lean Manufacturing: Value Stream Mapping

Example of combination of Research and Education

1. Project: Value Stream Mapping of complete manufacturing flow of special die assembly



2. Publication of results



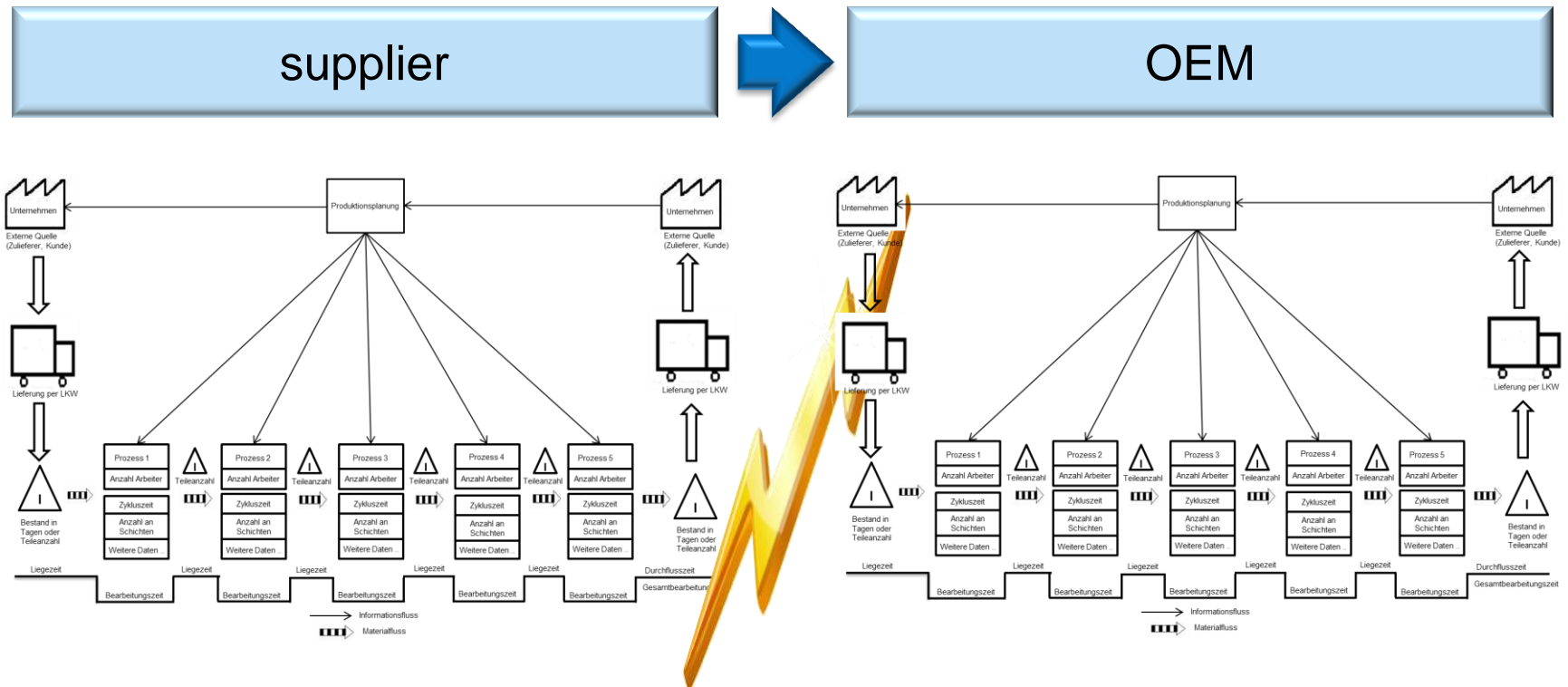
3. Exercise for next generation of students - >



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3. Value Stream Mapping of the complete Supply Chain

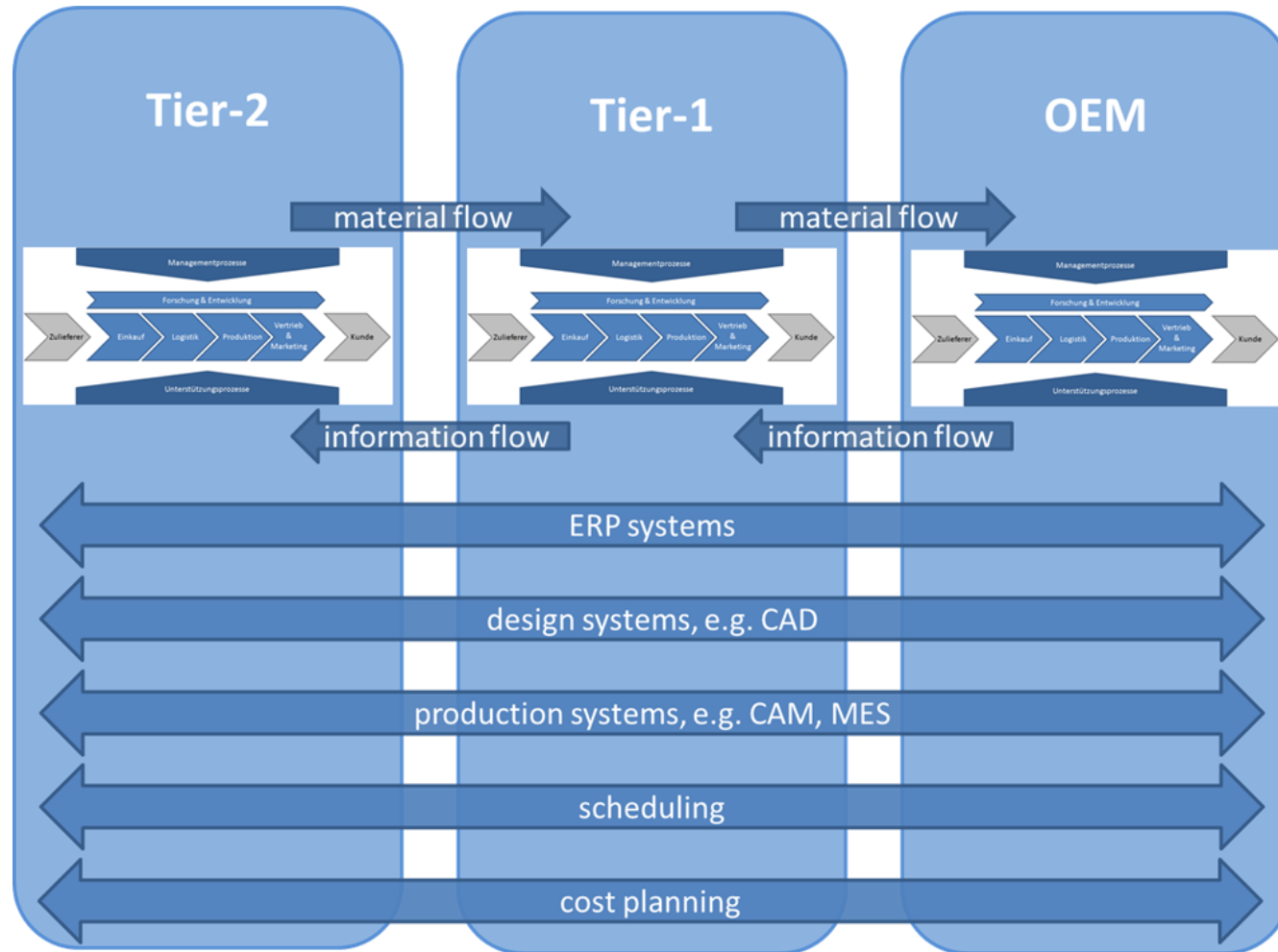
Cross-company value creation process has potential for optimization



- Eliminate waste along the complete supply chain
- Reduce the use of energy and resources along the supply chain
- Focus complete supply chain on customer's needs

3. Value Stream Mapping – areas of action

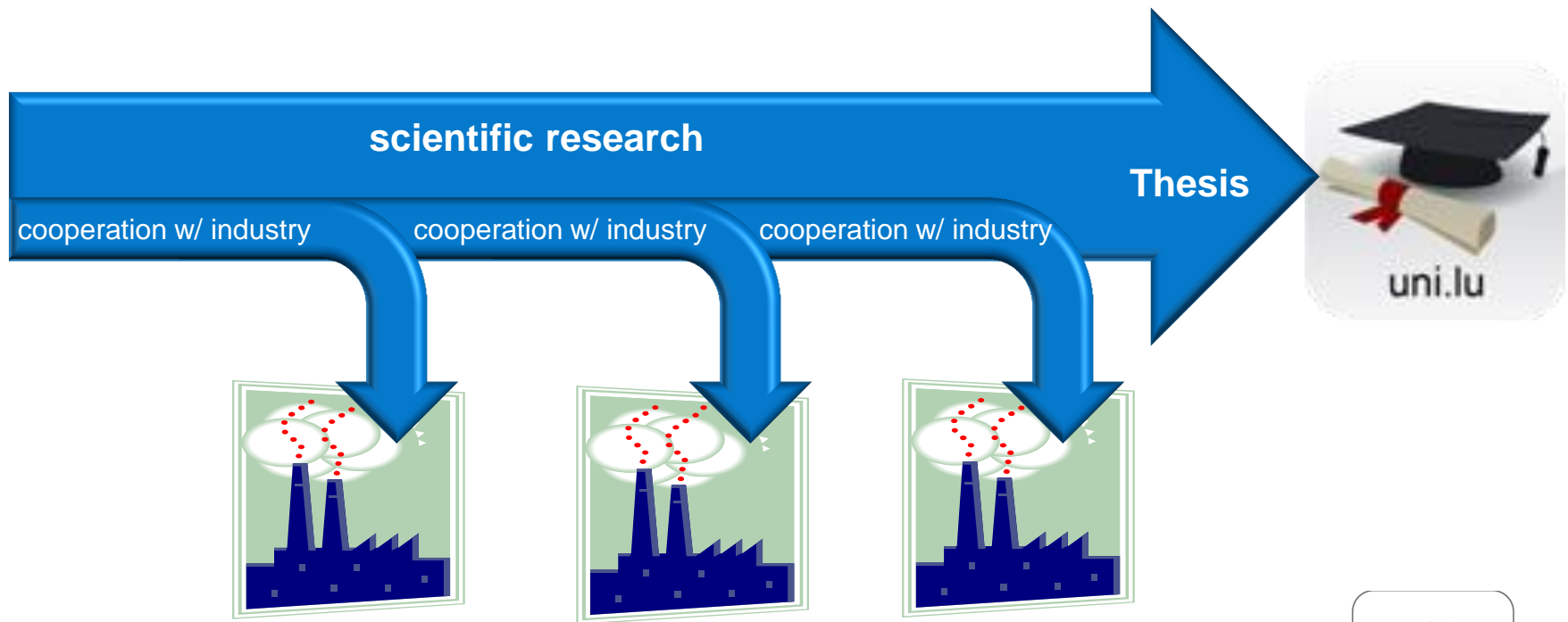
Integrated information and material flow eliminates waste



Mission statement

“Support industry to improve manufacturing competitiveness”

- All research / PhD projects with industrial partners



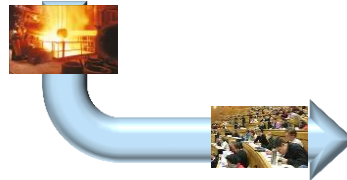
The team

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Summary

- Economy of Luxembourg



- Need for Mfg. Education and Research



- Assembly technologies development

- Laser welding of dissimilar materials
- Robot-Human Interaction for assembly automation
- Multi company Value Stream Optimization



- Mission of the Engineering Education in Luxembourg:

“Support industry to improve manufacturing competitiveness”

