



HADRON

Centre for <u>Hazard Aware Digitalisation and RObotics</u> <u>in Nuclear and other domains</u>

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Staring point

IFE has become a key partner in national and international collaborative initiatives, where IFE brings in

technology related to (radiological) hazard awareness in digital and robotic systems and

expertise in application of the technology for management of hazardous sites (decommissioning) and other areas.

IFE's current portfolio

- 15 externally finaced on-going projects
 - OECD Halden Reactor Project (2 running, 5 planned from 2021 on)
 - Industrial innov. projects (NFR): RoboDecom, LiveDecom, MEDPROT (≈21 MNOT total)
 - Support projects (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) mainly with Russia and Ukraine 5-6 on-going (10,3 MNOT total)
 - EURATOM projects within large international consortia: 3 on-going/initiating SHARE,
 PLEIADES, PREDIS, one on waiting list (TITANS)
 - Support project(s) for NND: one on-going (Public information centre at NND), new projects
 are planned
 - The DigiDecom workshop and training series annual events
- Strategic institute initiative(s)
 - Hazard-Intelligent Digitalisation and Robotics in Decommissionning

The market need

- Technologies like IoT, sensor technology and unmanned vehicles (UVs) etc. are overcoming the primary obstacle (acquisition of required input data) for enabling integrated digital systems supporting operations in environments with industrial hazards.
- Robots are becoming feasible alternatives to humans for working in environments with industrial hazards.

<u>However</u>, integrated hazard awareness ('intelligence') (preferably real-time) is required for complementing such systems, e.g. for feasibility and safety demonstration, training, mission control, safety monitoring and other purposes.

Vision

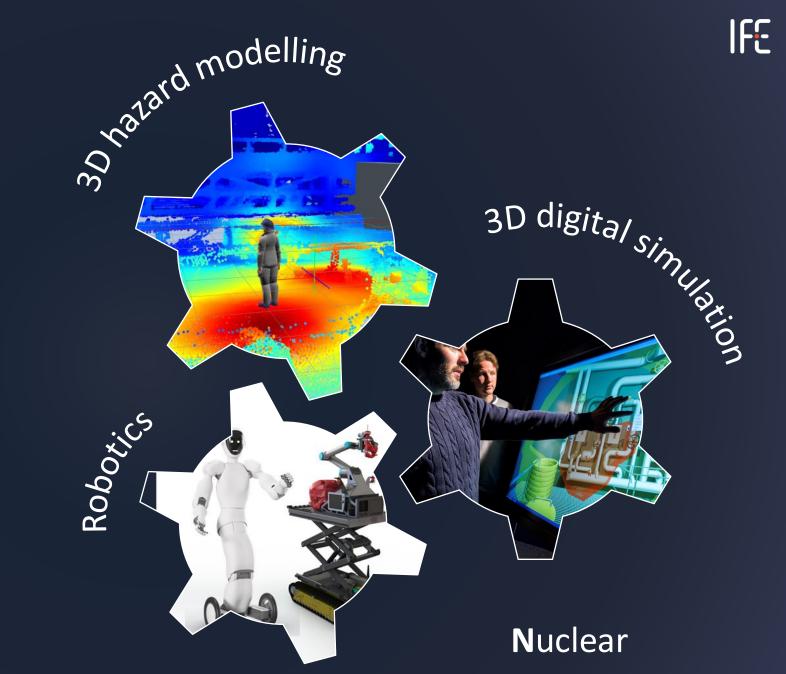
Become a known national/international **Centre** for: 'Hazard Aware Digitalisation and RObotics in Nuclear and other domains' (HADRON)

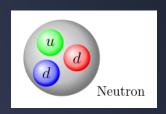
HADRON will also support (and extend) IFE's existing IAEA International Collaborating Centre related to digitalisation for decommissioning

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Hazard Aware Digitalisation and **RO**botics in **N**uclear and other domains







HADRON mandate

Establish new **Centre** and **Lab** at IFE under the team HADRON Primary objectives :

- Map existing expertise at IFE
- Build required complementary knowledge
- Find and evaluate new ideas
- Strengthen national and international relationships
- Strengthen project portfolio

HADRON mandate (cont'd)

- Understand how existing expertise at IFE (e.g. machine learning, VR-AR, ...)
 can be applied
 - Establishing a group of experts with basic understanding of nuclear decom, radiological dosimetry, hazard impact, emergency response ...
- <u>Build complementary</u> knowledge: Robotics (middleware), Building Information Modelling (BIM), LIDAR, sensor and avoid, path planning, wireless com., image/object recognition...
- Extend <u>hardware testbed</u> → establish <u>new lab</u>
 - <u>Prototype</u> solutions relevant for on-going projects and new opportunities (e.g. those identified in POC-Jackal) with partners hands on learning with partners

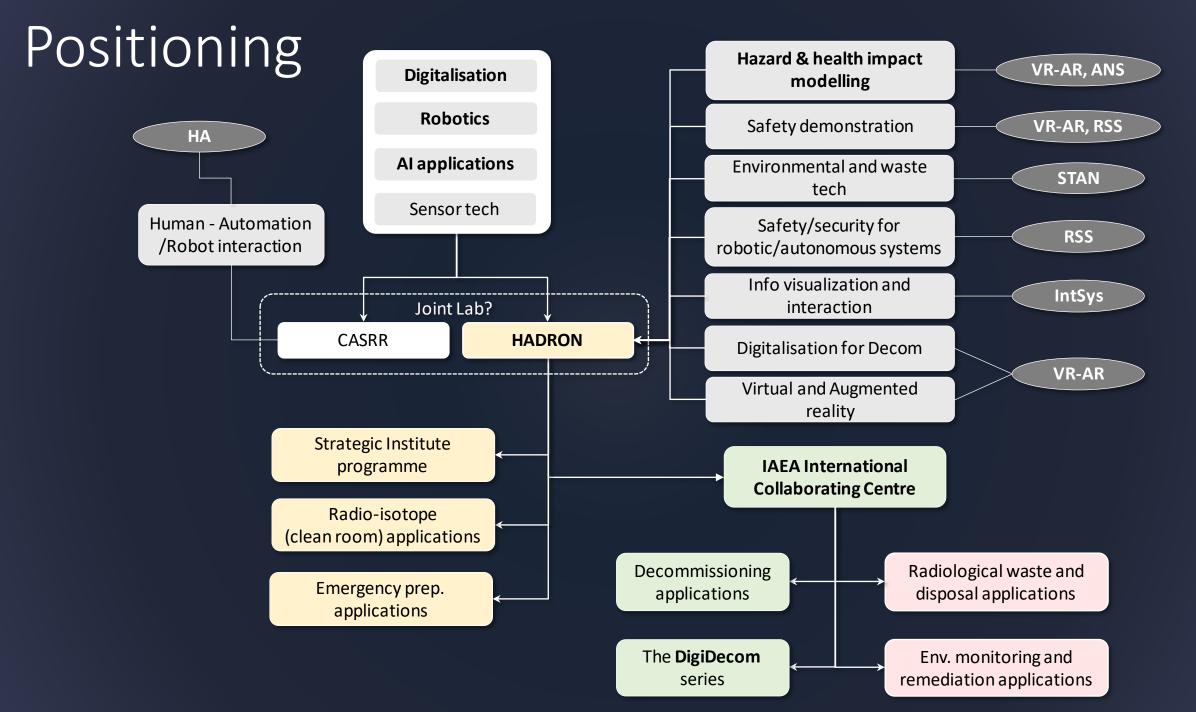
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Strengthen national and international relationships

- Extended collab. with project partners (SintefR, SintefM, nLink, HALODI, BergenRob, MaritimeRob, CREATEC, TECNUBEL, Magics, iUS, ...) to new areas
- in Robotics: FIU, NTNU cybernetics group, NNL, INESCTEC, JAEA, KAERI, ...
- in Hazard modelling: CER Hungary, ...
- in Sensors: CER (space tech), ENVI-TECH, AITEX, ...
- in Emergency response: HVL, AKUT, NTNU, PUI, YAS, ISPNPP, JAEA, APC, HB, ...
- in Safety and human aspects: UoY, NTNU-SR (NSR), ...

Strengthen project portfolio some new proposal initiatives are:

- H2020: The SMARTES proposal will be submitted in August 2020
- Hazard-Intelligent Digitalisation and Robotics for emergency first response NFR
- Hazard-Intelligent Digitalisation and Robotics in clean rooms (HALODI)
- Research infrastructure NFR
- Proposals for joint application from SINTEF ...

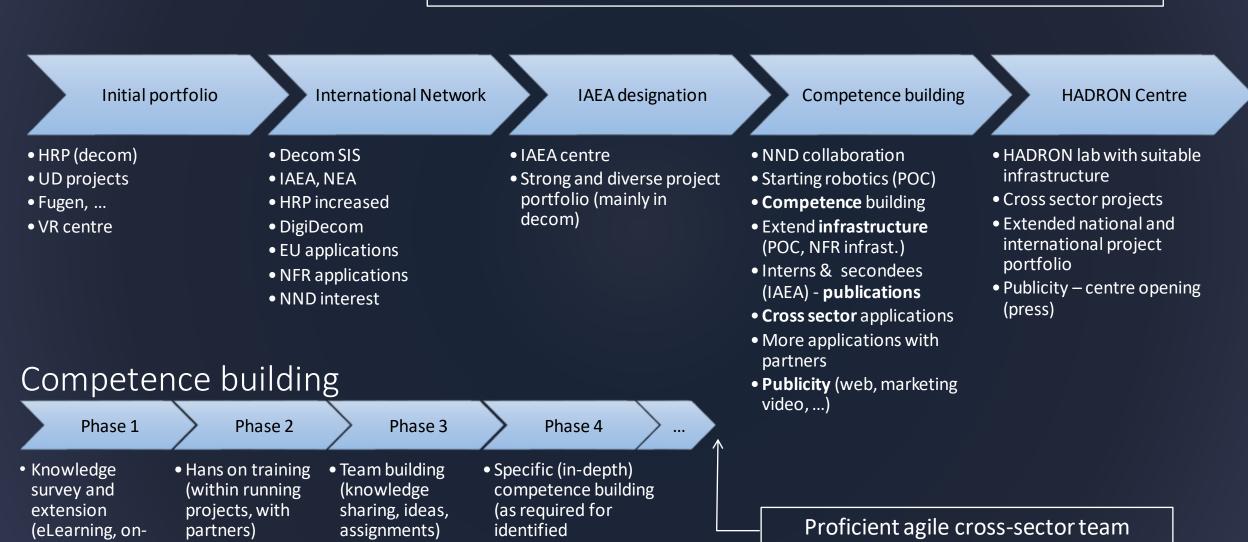


Roadmap

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HADRON

Known international centre for $\underline{\mathbf{H}}$ azard $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$ ware $\underline{\mathbf{D}}$ igitalisation and $\underline{\mathbf{R}}$ obotics in $\underline{\mathbf{N}}$ uclear and other domains



opportunities)

Target market and opportunity

Any industry where operations in environments with industrial hazards are involved are potential market segments due to the clear trend for higher adoption of robotics, automation and digitalisation.

Some concrete areas are:

- Decommissioning of nuclear and other industrial installations, e.g. oil platforms
- Operation and maintenance of nuclear and other industrial facilities
- Production of radiopharmaceuticals
- First response and remediation after accidents involving industrial hazards (e.g. CBRN)
- Results will be applicable to more 'common' situations too

Business case – HADRON

When? Who? Where? How?

When is it necessary?

What is the tech read for?

Where is it worth it (provide superior capabilities)?

What is it proven for?

Side benefits worth considering

- Humans: motivation new exciting work and useful skills for existing staff and newcomers
- Organisation: higher efficiency and reusable capabilities in numerous other domains
- Regulation: Strengthening safety requirements due to possibility for removing humans from harms-way

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Background



Hazard modelling

- Real time radiation transport
- Geostatistics
- Monte Carlo radiation transport
- Source deconvolution
- 3D gamma mapping
- Aerosol inhalation
- Internal rad. dosimetry

Non tech

- Workforce management training
- Knowledge management
- Human and organisational factors



- 3D modelling
- Virtual and Augmented reality
- Advanced user interfaces
- Mobile and wearable devices
- Machine Learning (AI)

Technology

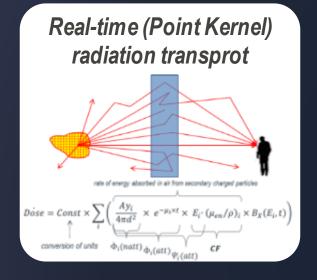


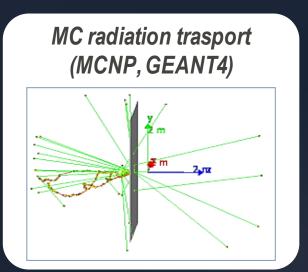
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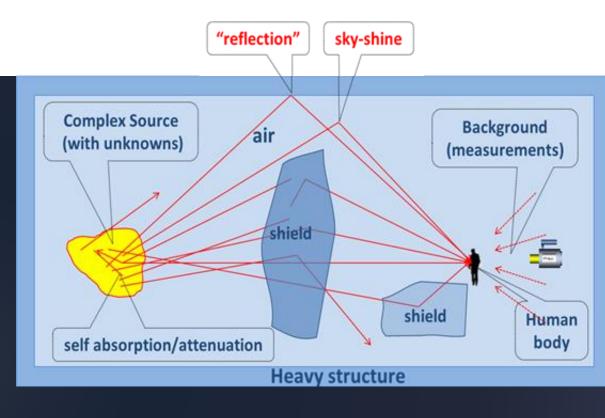


Organisation

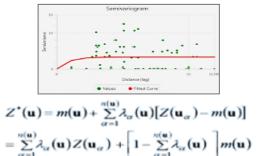
Radiological hazard modelling



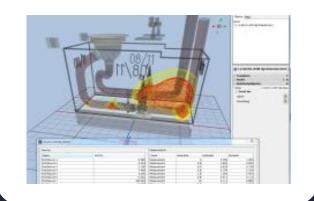




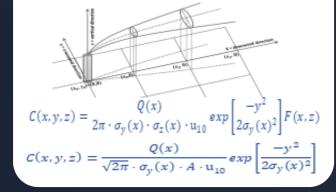
Interpolation, Geostatistics



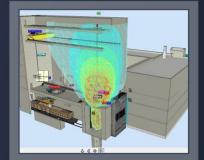
Source deconvolution



Atmospheric dispersion



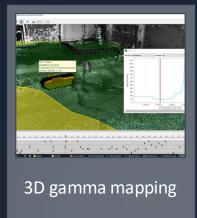
Hazard modelling applications in decom



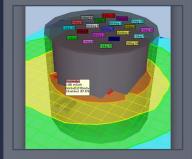
Work planning -**ALARA**



Rad characterisation



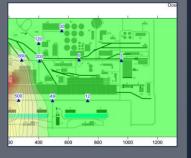




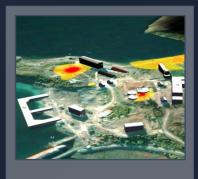
Waste packaging modelling



Waste management modelling

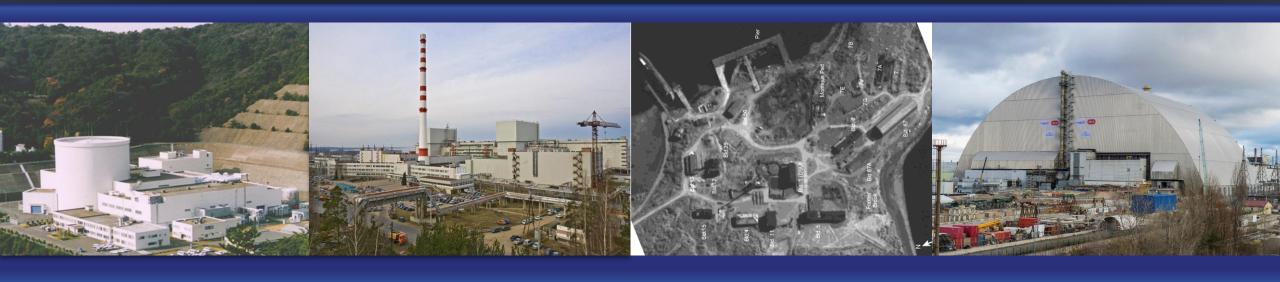


Rad mapping / sampling optim



Env modelling

Long term decom support projects by IFE abroad

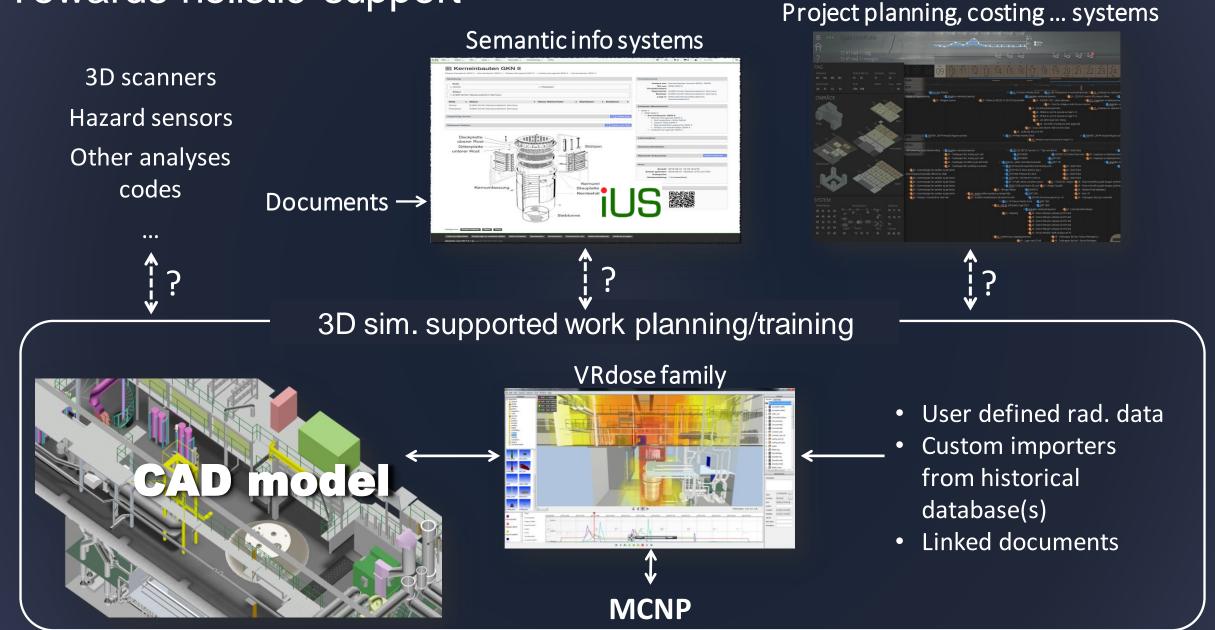


Fugen NPP (JAEA) (1995 -) Leningrad NPP (1999-) Andreeva bay, NW Russia (2011-)

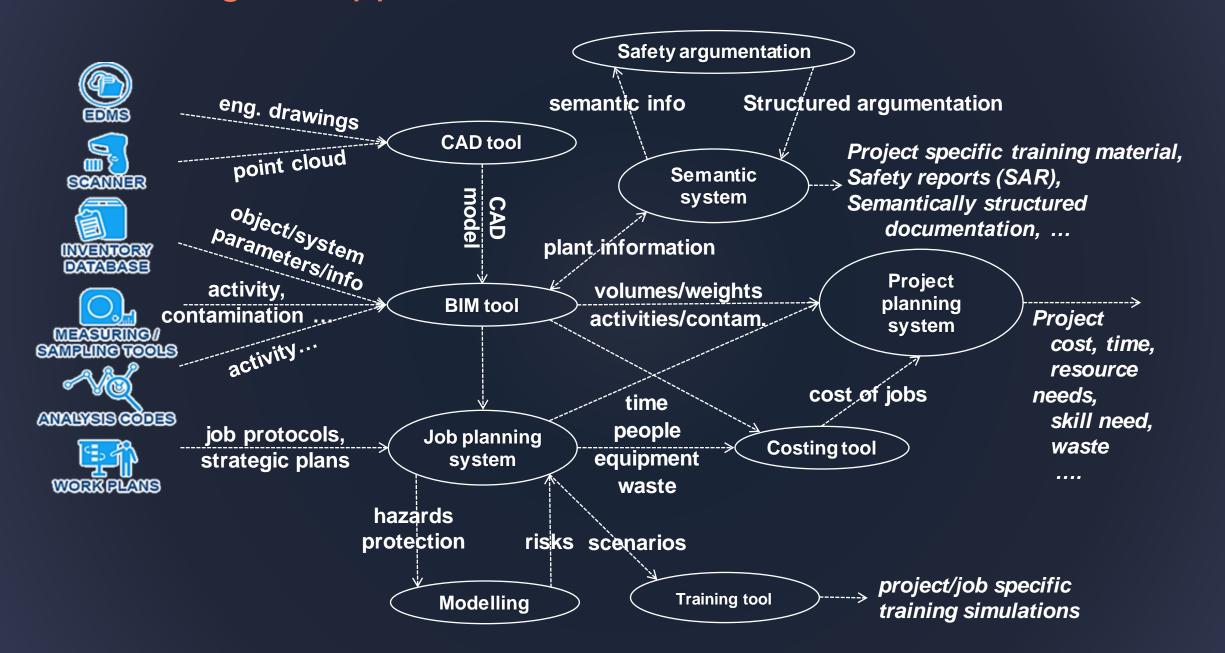
Chernobyl NPP (2008 -)



Towards holistic support



Holistic digital support for decom



LiveDecom: Prototyping integration of digital capabilities for decom



Demonstrate **integration** of digitalized capabilities for

- project planning,
- configuration management,
- rad. characterisation,
- job planning,
- training,
- costing, and
- reporting for decom through integration of tech. like
- BIM/PIM,
- advanced project planning interface,
- 3D job and hazard simulation,
- 3D gamma mapping,
- ISCD costing,
- •



Holistic approach to decom

Safety management **Environmental Existing capabilities Human resource** remediation from operation management Regulatory Contracting interactions Waste management **Project** Communications and disposal management Knowledge **Public relations** management **Training and** education

When transitioning to decommissioning many capabilities need to be built up, adjusted or strengthened!

All these functions need to work together!

The LiveDecom suite

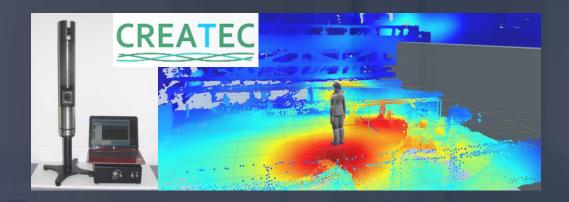




BUT how can we get the data?

New cheap tech for 3D data





 New tech integrating 3D data acquisition into rad. characterisation champagnes

 New tech for deploying sensors/samplers – remote systems, robotics, automation, autonomy,

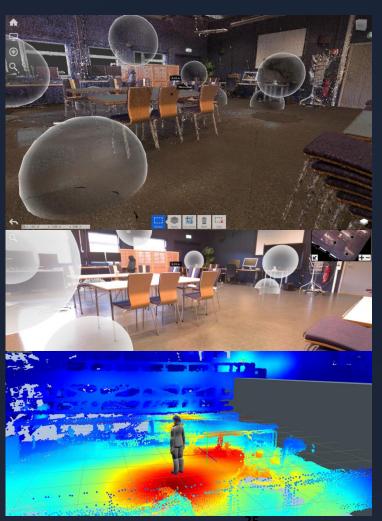




Strategic research programmes (SIS)

- DecomSIS: Competence building at IFE within nuclear decom.
- HaLeDi: Acquisition of data for digital support







3D simulating based support platform

Business case / trend for robotics

Special jobs that cannot be performed by humans due to high hazards or ergonomics

- Accident sites e.g. Fukushima, Chernobyl, ...
- Legacy sites with high hazards to humans
- Specific jobs at 'normal' sites

2. Replace or <u>assist</u> humans in jobs that can be performed by humans

- Risky jobs requiring extensive safety measures
- Dull, repetitive jobs
- Smaller jobs requiring assistance by geographically remote experts











Decom.

market

needs



Robo Decom – Robotics for decommissioning

- Integrate standard / emerging equipment in a modular design
- Integrate digital, sensor and robotic tech
- Enable high autonomy
- Prove safety/security
- Validate in the field and prove efficiency
- Full scope support: design, training, control, ...
- Guidance for application to specific needs

UVs with autonomy/remote control **UAV** Ground vehicle (with arm) Localisation (sensors, LIDAR)

Mission planning Data analyses / visualisation

Digital platform

(remote control,

autonomy)

Control



Measuring/ sampling equipment & more



Samplers



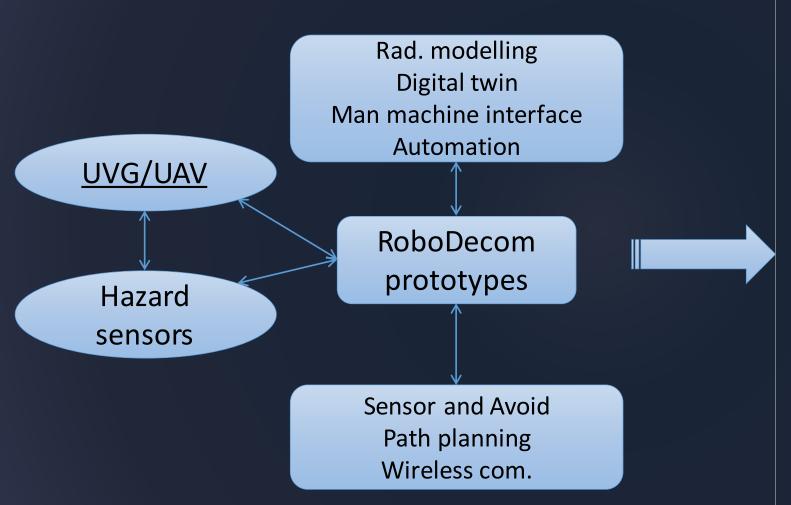
Machines

Solutions

- Site exploration
- Radiological mapping
- Emergency management
- Assistance for humans

RoboDecom concept





360 photography

- site (safety) monitoring
- briefing situation awareness
- design info verification
- training

3D scanning / radiological mapping

- design info
 - reconstruction
 - validation 'as is'
 - update
- digital capabilities for
 - rad. characterisation
 - safety planning
 - safety monitoring
 - safety training
 - in-the field safety info
- emergency management

Manual → Remote / semi autonomous → autonomous

Hazard sensor **UGV** system

Prototype 1

3D sim based digital platform







Sensor and Avoid Path planning Wireless com.



RoboDecom prototypes

LiveDecom *suite





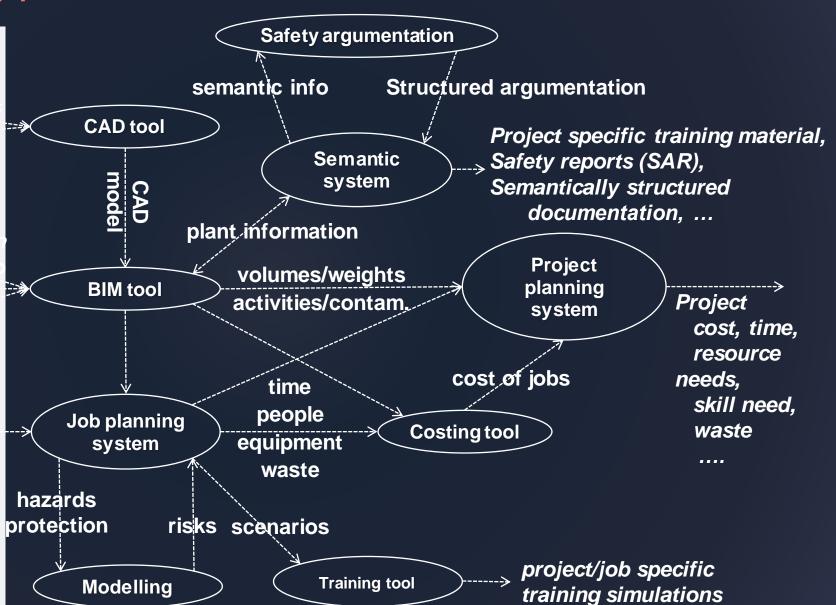


Holistic digital support for decom

Robots equipped with sensors

Targeted and regular safety supervision

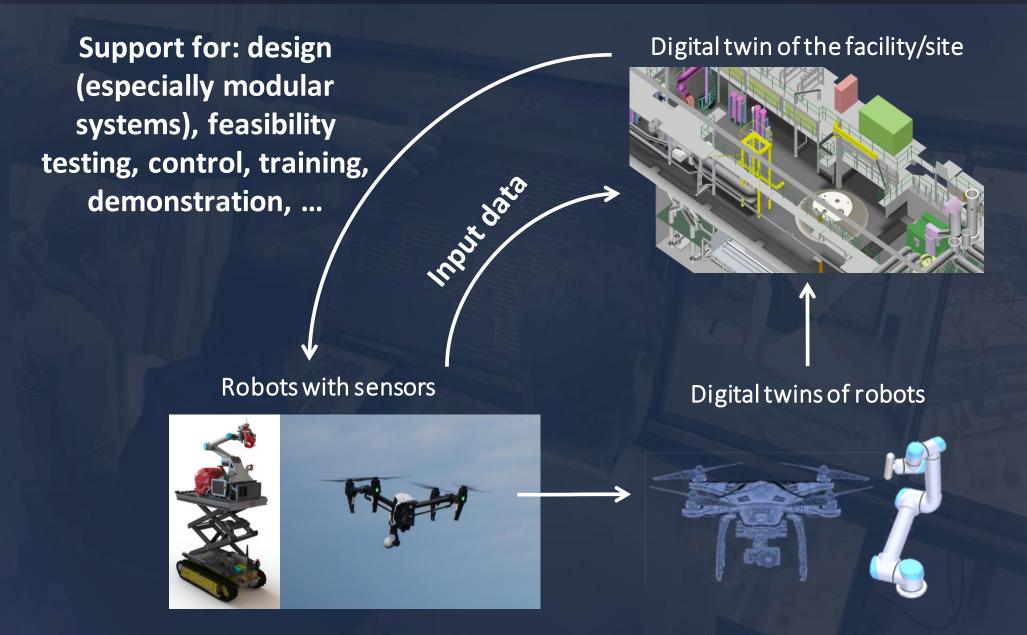
- Input for understanding/modelling the environment
 - 3D point cloud
 - photos, videos, ...
- Radiobiological measurements and samples
- Data on other hazards
 - Chemicals, rust, ...
 - Detect possible dangerous conditions



Robotics + digital support systems

- Robotics = Integral piece for enabling holistic digital capabilities
- Digital technology can also facilitate adoption of robotics:
 - Digital twin based safety and efficiency evaluation
 - Training for robotics in mixed reality
 - VR and digital twin based control incl. telepresence
 - Real-time hazard simulation based mission planning and control
 - AR and hand-held based (health) monitoring of robots

Digitalisation + robotics



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OECD HRP Decom research 2021-23



Spatial
Computing and
Augmented
Reality for
Hazard Mapping
and Visualisation



Automated
Assessment of
Field Worker
Performance
using VR and ARbased Simulator
Training



Digitally-Enhanced Safety Assurance



Enabling Robotic and Remote Operations



Overview
Displays for
Decommissionin
g of Nuclear
Reactors

EU projects: SHARE

Stakeholder's Needs

Establishing SHARE Decommissioning Roadmap



Questions grouped in themes Collect opinion of stakeholders Rank needs to importance and





Weighted Decision Matrix

- ✓ List of drivers to evaluate and rank current available solutions (cost, safety, time durations, sustainability, availability of waste routes, access to expertise and competence, maintenance and development of knowledge, regulations. guidelines, TRLs, SRLs)
- √ establish weighting factor (paired comparison) analysis)
- √ WDM with seven-point rating scale

Strategic Research Agenda (SRA)

List of activities prioritised and grouped in thematic areas to close the gap (knowledge production, knowledge transfer, standardization and guidance, strategic studies, technological transfer, cross-cutting activities)



Weaknesses

Insufficient funds Waste production No demonstration

Threats

Public acceptance Regulation changes Waste disposal routes

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Roadmap

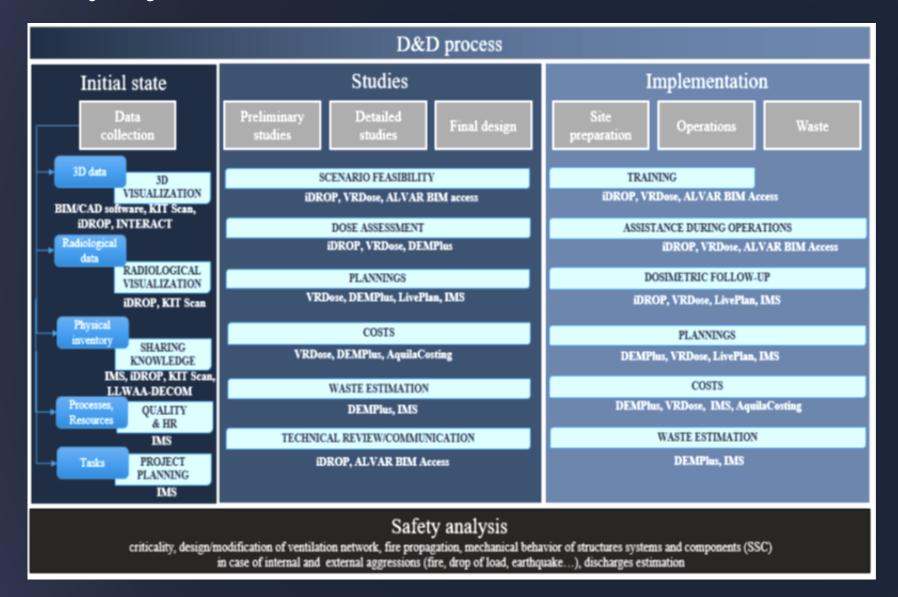
Analyse SRA for implementation qualifiers (willingness to commit and share resources, regional distribution, inclusiveness of actors and instruments (working groups, information exchange platforms, technical project, co-funding, technological transfer)





SHARE: StakeHolder-based Analysis of REsearch for Decommissioning

EU projects: PLEIADES

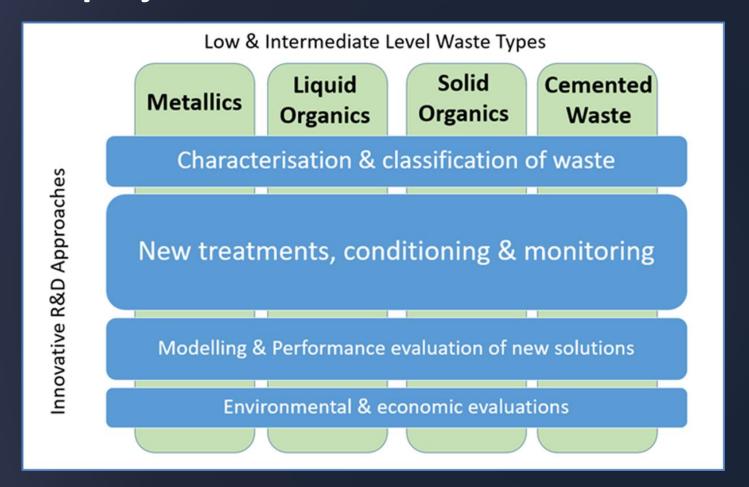




PLEIADES:

PLatform based on Emerging and Interoperable Applications for enhanced Decommissioning processES

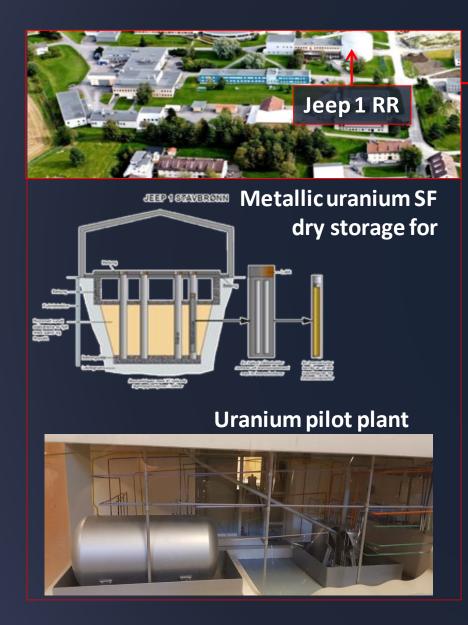
EU projects: PREDIS

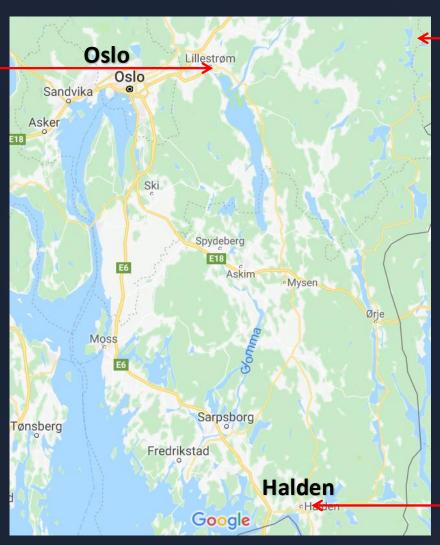


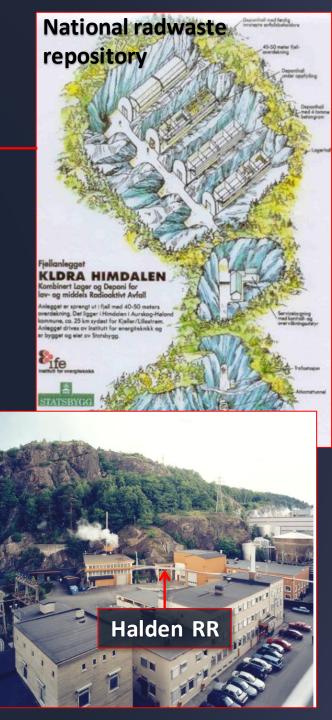
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PREDIS – Pre-disposal Management of Radioactive Waste (23.7 M€)
PREDIS (VLLW to MLW) - EURAD (HLW & SNF)

Decommissioning at IFE







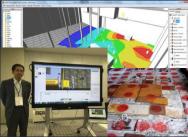


NND – IFE collaboration in decom





Completed decom work at IFE (HR, URA, Stavbrønn,...)



Decom support projects in Russia, Ukraine, Japan, ...



Industrial innovation & research projects



HRP research + case studies with partners

- Strategic planning support
- Support for interactions with advisors and the regulator
- Competence building (incl. education)
- Training and briefing support
- Public information
- Knowledge preservation



Information center



NND – **IFE** collaboration → Way forward?



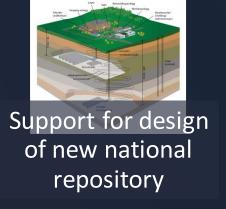
















IFE - International Collaborating Centre of the IAEA

IFE – the first IAEA collaborating centre in the field of nuclear

decommissioning

The IAEA and Norway's Institute for

Energy Technology will work together

on digital innovation and

transformation of decommissioning.













DigiDecom 2017 2018 2019 2020 (Dec?)





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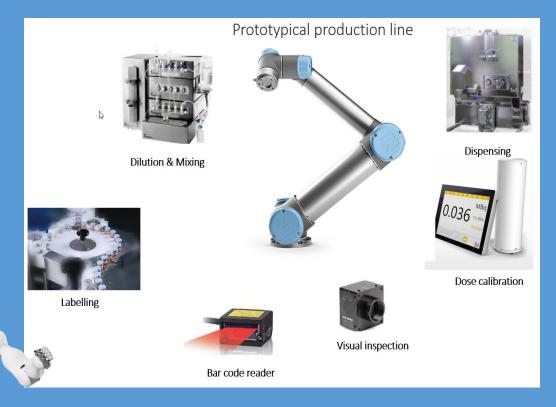




The **MedProt** project

Sub-project:

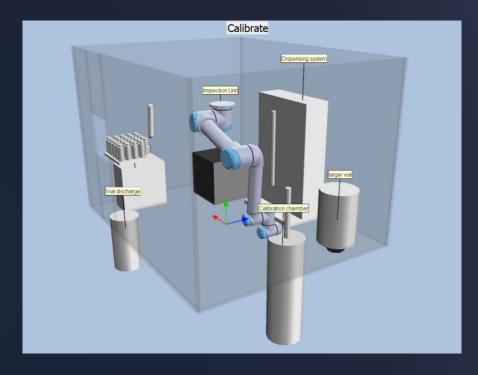
Automated manufacturing and dispensing of radiopharmaceuticals 17 MNOK



MedProt project

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- Mostly based on commercially available components
- Digital simulation (twin) based design
 - Digital twins of components
 - Digital simulation based process and safety analyses
 - In-built radiological simulation
- Machine learning and other image processing tech based visual inspection
- Modular system robotic arm based material transport



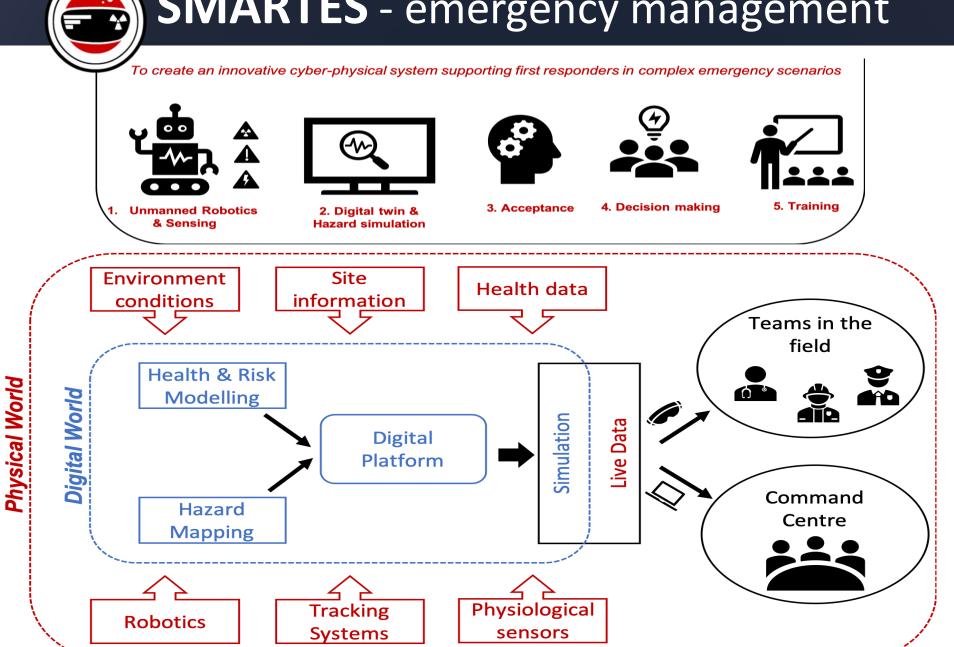


Clean Contaminated

Difference



SMARTES - emergency management



H2020 proposal 7M EUR

Proof of Concept (POC) project

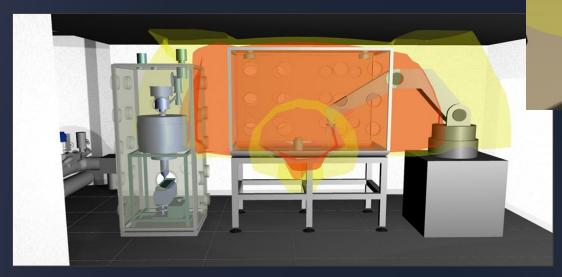
Strengthen IFE's competence in robotics and extend lab equipment => better capability participating in collaborative projects related to robotics

- Complement existing hardware base Jackal kit
- Improve competence in robotics use the platform for hands on learning
- Support existing projects (prototype in small scale) and generate new ideas

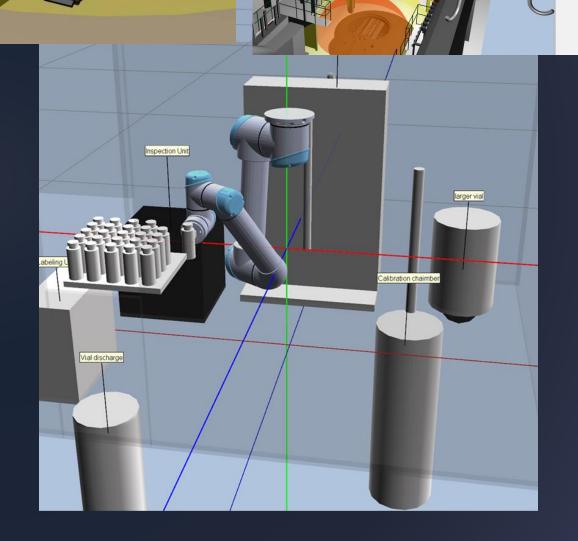


Curtesy of Florida International University

Digital twins for robotics



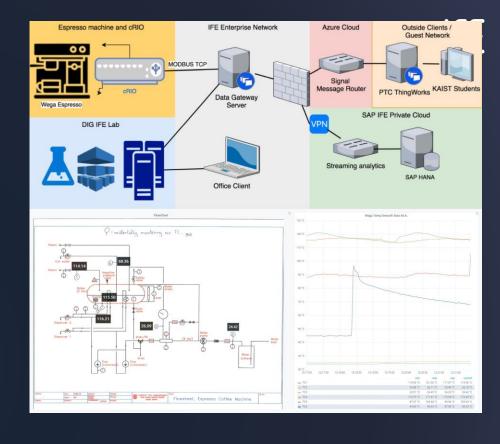




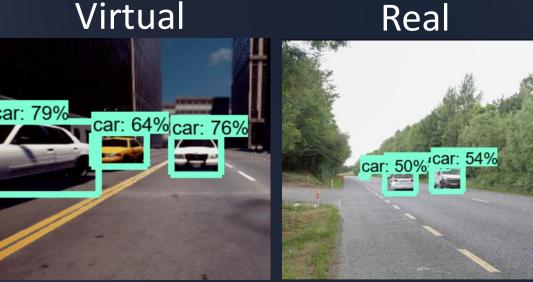
Machine learning and Al







Virtual



Potholes and cracks



Training course 2020 Norway



Learn how to take advantage of exciting key technologies like virtual & mixed reality, robotics, Al and serious gaming for safe and efficient disposal of our nuclear heritage.

Learn about

- -Current practices and lessons learned from real-life projects
- -Innovative methods for safety assurance, radiological protection and knowledge management
- -New trends for application of digitalization, robotics, machine learning and Al

Using

- -VR immersive interactive presence
- -Serious gaming & simulation based story telling
- -Augmented Reality based examples
- -Digital twins of traditional/emerging equipment

Through

- -Examples from real-life projects
- -Friendly group competitions and prizes
- -Learning by doing practical excercices in VR
- -Possibility for using data and examples from you

Hosted by IFE, a designated IAEA Collaborating Centre.

Targetted for professionnals and newcommers with background in the nuclear and interets in digital innovation.

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Price: 2000 EUR incl. all lectures, eLearning package, facility visits, exam and certificate, as well as social events.

EU students qualify for applying for support through the ENEN+ project (see details on-line).

















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DigiDecom 2020











DigiDecom 2020:

International Workshop on Roadmap for Decommissioning Innovation

Digital transformation and other game changing trends

Date TBD

Halden, Norway



The workshop aims at bringing together a multidisciplinary international community for open and highly interactive exchanges about experience from earlier applications, as well as opportunities for future applications of new technologies and methods.





DigiDecom 2020 will also host the SHARE consortium, assisting the European Commission in development of a roadmap for decommissioning research, www.Share-h2020.eu



Facilitate finding a roadmap for innovation

- Innovation needs based on experience from completed. on-going and up-coming decommissioning projects
- Future landscape and foreseen innovation needs



Connect the dots together

- Connect emerging techniques with industry needs
- Integrate existing and emerging technologies like digital twins, robotics, AI, mixed reality, serious gaming, ...



Identify barriers and facilitators

- Technology, organizational and other barriers to overcome to succeed with digital transformation
- Assets that can facilitate innovative applications.



Facilitate partnerships

- Connect providers of innovation with those who will apply it and those who regulate it
- Connect people working on, or in need of similar things

All interested in presenting, discussing or hearing about the above topics are welcome!

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