

# SUSTAINair

## SUSTAINability increase of lightweight, multifunctional and intelligent **airframe** and engine parts

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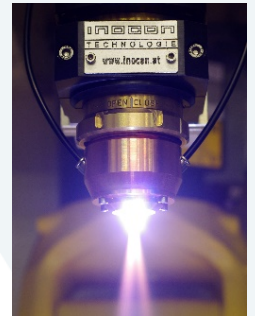
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## Ziel des Projekts SUSTAINair

*Answering H2020 call MG-3-5-2020 - Next generation multifunctional and intelligent airframe and engine parts, with emphasis on manufacturing, maintenance and recycling [https://cordis.europa.eu/programme/id/H2020\\_MG-3-5-2020](https://cordis.europa.eu/programme/id/H2020_MG-3-5-2020), requesting proposals to address **three or more** of the following areas:*

- 1. Innovative manufacturing technologies and processes for **flexible wing with morphing capabilities**, for control surfaces such as leading and trailing edge as well as winglets, which can adapt their shape in low-speed aircraft configurations.*
- 2. **Innovative joining technologies and damage diagnostics for composites and dissimilar materials** in primary and secondary aircraft structures, with high potential to offer substantial benefits towards reduced weight, while allowing for faster and leaner integration and repair.*
- 3. Advanced quality monitoring and on-line process control, applied to flexible automation of the manufacturing/maintenance/repair processes for increased rates.*
- 4. Manufacturing processes for the production of composite, multifunctional and intelligent airframe parts, as well as high-temperature and complex-shaped engine parts, covering the whole production chain – cf. process planning, manufacturing and assembly, quality control – with a view to support activities such as supervision and multi-disciplinary optimisation (process-product-performance) of production, smart tooling and on-line quality control.*
- 5. Multifunctional and intelligent engine parts covering variable geometries in engine structures for optimized performance over the whole cycle, embedded intelligence as well as integrated thermal and electric functionalities*
- 6. Integrated technologies and methodologies towards **next generation health management and monitoring**, together with sensor development, wireless networks and data-driven fault detection.*
- 7. New MRO and **recycling technologies for Multifunctional and Intelligent Airframe** and engine parts.*



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Multiple challenges exist with respect to the development of **multifunctional and intelligent** airframe and engine parts ... along the entire aircraft component value chain - design, manufacturing, MRO and recycling.

New **joining techniques for metal and composite** designs are developed and demonstrated.

For metal joining, these include a **novel pin-pattern** creation with Laser Powder Bed Fusion / Wire Arc Additive Manufacturing/Laser Direct Energy Deposition.

For composites, these consist of **thermoplastic welding**.

A flexible wing with **morphing** capabilities is made industrially possible by introducing a novel concept using **tailored elastomers, seamless integrated** with conventional structural wing parts for lowest integration risk, providing a realistic industrial morphing technology.



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The problem of high production waste in the manufacture of composite materials, **Ti AM** and **Al HPDC** is addressed, thereby reducing waste streams, e.g.: **thermoset** prepreg manufacturing waste and **thermoplastic waste**, new **recycled materials** are developed and characterized to allow

- Re-use with recyclability up to 100%, bringing BTF ratio close to 1 (**KET<sub>3</sub>-KPI**)
- Increased BTF ratio of Ti powders by using it 6x (vs. 1x now) (**KET<sub>4</sub>-KPI**)
- Incredible BTF ratio <1.1 by HPDC processing of thermal stable nano-eutectics (**KET<sub>5</sub>-KPI**).

**Structural Health Monitoring** system optimizing MRO activity is proven using radically new **ZnO nanowires**, which will be integrated into polymer as well as metal parts.

Finally, SUSTAINair raises the bar with respect to aircraft EoL, introducing Industry 4.0 automated technology for **robotic dismantling**.



## Zeitplan

### SUSTAINair

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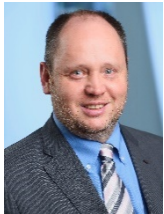
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