# POLITEHNICA University of Bucharest Faculty of Industrial Engineering and Robotics Manufacturing Engineering Department

#### SOME DATA ABOUT ROMANIA





Population: 19.631.292 habitants

Surface: 238391 km<sup>2</sup> (4,8% Europe) Capital: Bucharest (1.920.610 hab.)

Main important cities:

Iaşi, Cluj-Napoca, Timişoara, Constanţa

**Neighbours**:

SW – Serbia, NW – Hungary, N – Ukraine, E – Republic of Moldova

and Ukraine, S – Bulgaria, SE – Black Sea

Religion: 85,9% Orthodox, 4,6% Romano-Catholic, 3,2% Reformed,

1,9% Pentecostal, 0,3% Muslims (Turkish 0,2% in Constanţa)

Life expectancy at birth - 70.62 years

National day: 01 December (Union Day)

Romanian currency: LEU (RON)

(1 € = 4.94 RON) (1 USD = 4.42 RON)

**Presidential elections**: once every 5 years

#### **BUCHAREST (BUCUREŞTI)**





UNIVERSITY SQUARE



ROMANIAN ATHAENEUM



PARLIAMENT PALACE



TRIUMPH ARCH



OLD CENTER



STADIUM

#### **Facts and figures**



Romania is the 6th country in the world regarding the number of certified IT specialists per capita, thanks to its educational system that favors multilingual and technical skills. Higher education in the IT area is provided by 5 top polytechnic universities, 59 domain specific universities, and 174 private colleges, which together produce over 5.000 computer science and engineering graduates per year.

Romania is situated in the top 5 worldwide regarding skills in computer technical support, technical help desk, network technical support, computer electronics, telecommunications ..

#### Romanian academic system



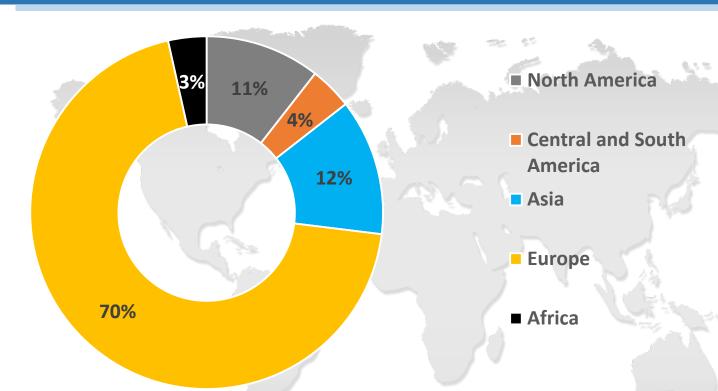
## 56 state universities28 private universities

#### **Bucharest**

- POLITEHNICA University
- Civil Engineering University
- Architecture University
- Agronomy and Vet Medicine University
- The Bucharest University
- Medicine and Pharmacy University
- Economic Studies Academy
- National Music University
- National Arts University
- Theater and Movie National University
- National Sport Academy
- National School for Political Studies

## **UPB on the World Map Cooperation Agreements**

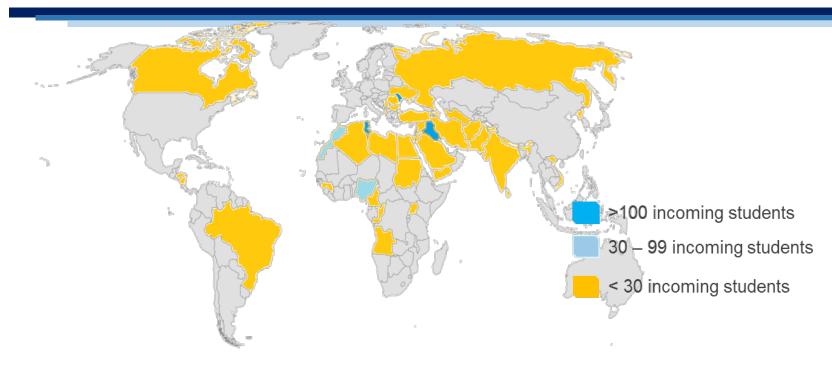




UPB has settled over 265 signed inter-university mobility agreements and well over 150 Memorandums of Understanding with universities across the world.

### **UPB on the World's Map International Students**





Aside from own students – which we promote in the international environment – UPB receives over 800 foreign students every year from 55 countries.

## UPB on the World Map International Associations Membership

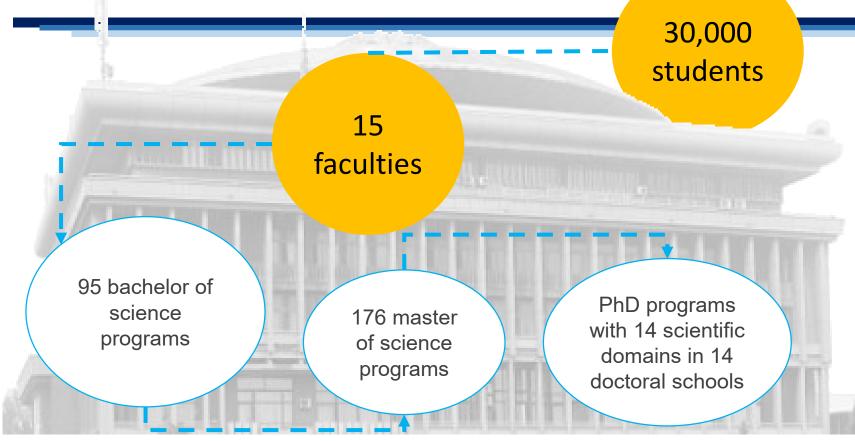




UPB is part of over 20 larger academic associations: European University Association (EUA), The Conference of European Schools for Advanced Engineering Education and Research (CESAER), L' Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF), European Distance and E-Learning Network Ltd. (EDEN) etc.

#### Programs and students





UPB is an international technical university with around 30,000 students from more than 55 countries.

#### **Undergraduate Studies in English(BSc)**



#### FACULTY OF INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING AND ROBOTICS

Industrial Engineering (bachelor & master)

#### The Faculty of Electronics

- Microelectronics, optoelectronics and nanotechnology
- Networking and telecommunications software
- Technology and telecommunications systems

#### The Faculty of Engineering in Foreign Languages:

- Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering (English, French)
- Computers and Information Technology (English, French)
- Applied Electronics (English, French, German)
- Mechanical Engineering (English, French, German)
- Chemical Engineering (English, French)
- Materials Engineering Materials Science (English, French)

#### **Faculties of UPB**



- Electrical Engineering
- Power Engineering
- Automatic Control and Computer Science
- Electronics, Telecommunications and Information
- Mechanical Engineering and Mechatronics
- Industrial Engineering and Robotics (FIIR)
- Biotechnical Systems Engineering
- Transports

#### **Faculties of UPB**



- Aerospace Engineering
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Applied Chemistry and Materials
- Engineering in Foreign Languages
- Applied Sciences
- Medical Engineering
- Entrepreneurship, Business Engineering and Management

#### **Academic studies**





Bachelor studies (4 years)



Master's studies (2 years)



Postgraduate studies (1/2 years)



Doctoral studies (3 years)

#### **FIIR Faculty structure**



INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING



MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING

NANOTECHNOLOGIES AND UNCONVENTIONAL SYSTEMS

ENGINEERING AND QUALITY
MANAGEMENT

MACHINE AND PRODUCTION SYSTEMS

INDUSTRIAL LOGISTICS

WELDING ENGINEERING

ENGINEERING SECURITY IN INDUSTRY

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING
APPLIED IFORMATICS

MECHATRONICS AND ROBOTICS



ROBOTICS

ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT



INDUSTRIAL ECONOMICS ENGINEERING



#### **FIIR Faculty Board**



#### **DEAN**

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DIRECTOR OF DOCTORAL SCHOOL

Prof. Dr. Eng. Nicolae IONESCU

#### **VICE-DEAN**

International affairs, educational programmes from EU funds and study programmes in foreign languages

#### **VICE-DEAN**

Scientific research and patrimony

#### **VICE-DEAN**

Bachelor study programmes, quality assurance and continuous training

#### **VICE-DEAN**

Social activities, tutoring and the faculty visual identity

#### **VICE-DEAN**

Master study programmes and internships

#### **VICE-DEAN**

Connection with industrial environment, computerization

#### **FIIR Departments**



MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

> Prof. Dr. Eng. Tom SAVU

MACHINE AND PRODUCTION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT

Prof. Dr. Eng. Tiberiu DOBRESCU **MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY**& WELDING DEPT.

Prof. Dr. Eng. Oana CHIVU

STRENGTH OF MATERIALS
DEPARTMENT

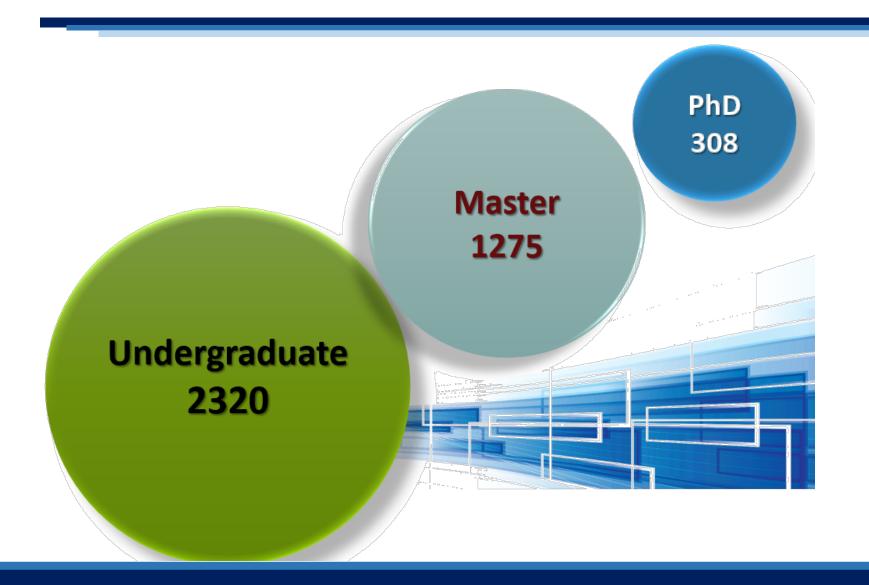
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Dan CONSTANTINESCU

MECHANISMS THEORY & ROBOTICS DEPARTMENT

Prof. Dr. Eng. Liviu UNGUREANU

#### **FIIR students**

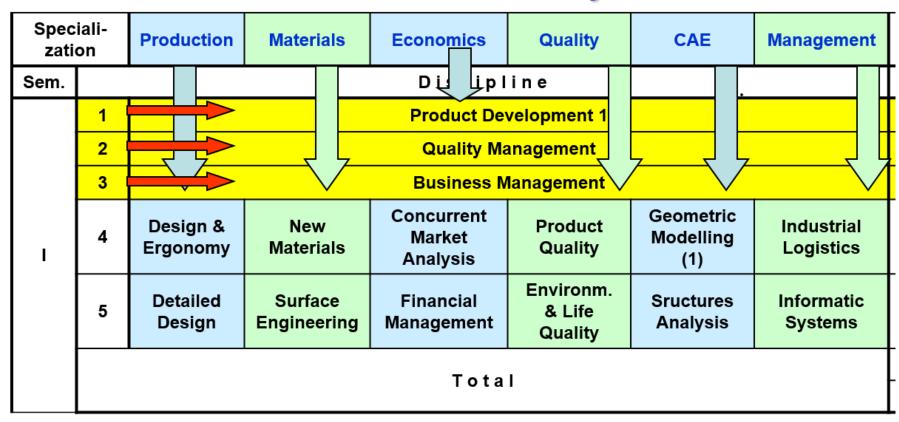




#### **Study Programme**



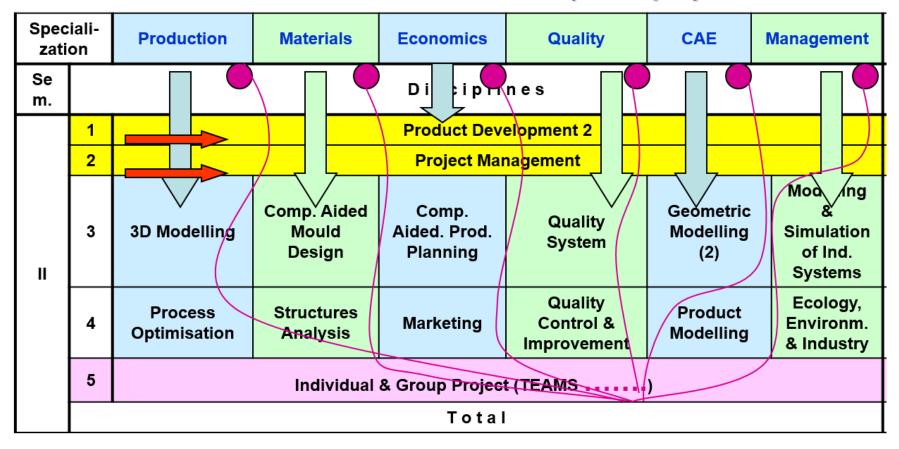
#### Products – Quality – Profit



#### **Study Programme**



#### MSc / Master Level (Example)



#### Bachelor Programmes in Mnfg.Eng.Dept.



- Manufacturing Eng.
- Nano & Non-conventional Technologies
- Industrial Economics Eng.
- Applied Informatics in Industrial Engineering
- Industrial Informatics
- http://www.tcm.pub.ro

#### Master Programmes in Mnfg.Eng.Dept.



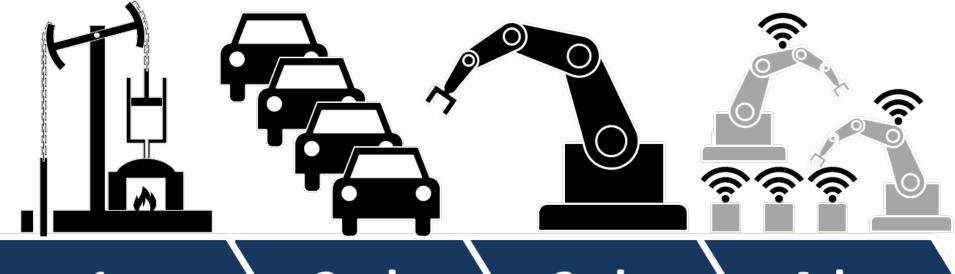
- Industrial Design
- Product Design & Mnfg. Eng.
- Advanced CAE
- Nanostructures & Non-conventional Technologies
- Economics Eng. & Business Management
- Quality in Eng. & Business Management
- Complex Projects Eng. & Management

# Industry 4.0's Challenges for the Industrial Engineering Curricula in the POLITEHNICA University of Bucharest



#### Industry 4.0 = The 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution





1st

2nd

3rd

4th

Mechanization, water power, steam power Mass production, assembly line, electricity

Computer and automation

Cyber Physical Systems

#### **Industry 4.0**



In the intelligent Industry 4.0 factories, the **Cyber-Physical Systems** monitor physical processes, create a virtual copy of the physical world and take decentralized decisions.

CPSs communicate by using the **Internet of Things**, cooperating in real-time, both together and with the human resources.

Information storage and processing are performed using the **Cloud Computing**.

Cyber-Physical Systems

**Internet of Things** 

**Cloud Computing** 

#### **Cyber-Physical Systems**



CPSs are mechanisms, monitored or controlled by algorithms (software), which are integrated with the users through the Internet.

Physical and software components are interlaced on various spatial and temporal scales, possessing multiple and distinct behaviors and interacting in ways which are changing the context of the whole system.

CPSs examples: intelligent vehicles, medical monitoring systems, process control systems, robotic systems, automated pilots, intelligent houses, smart cities etc.

Involving multidisciplinary approaches, CPSs have the same basic architecture like IoT, but have a greater degree of combining and coordinating the physical components with the computational ones.

#### **Internet of Things**



IoT (informational society's infrastructure) describes the interconnectivity of intelligent elements (i.e. devices, vehicles, buildings) containing electronics, software, sensors, actuators and components connecting them to a data collecting and exchange network.

Intelligent elements may be thus remotely monitored and controlled, allowing the integration between the physical world and the computerized systems.

An estimated 50 billions intelligent elements will exist in 2020.

Sensors and actuators are transforming the IoT into a CPSs' instance.

**Industrial IoT** is using machines able to learn and the Big Data technology for acquiring, processing and using the data from the industrial sensors and automation systems

#### **Cloud Computing**



Partitioned, by request usage, by computers or by other devices, of Internet located data sets and computing resources.

#### University's challenges



Challenges are present during the all three stages in which the university acts in what concerns the knowledge:

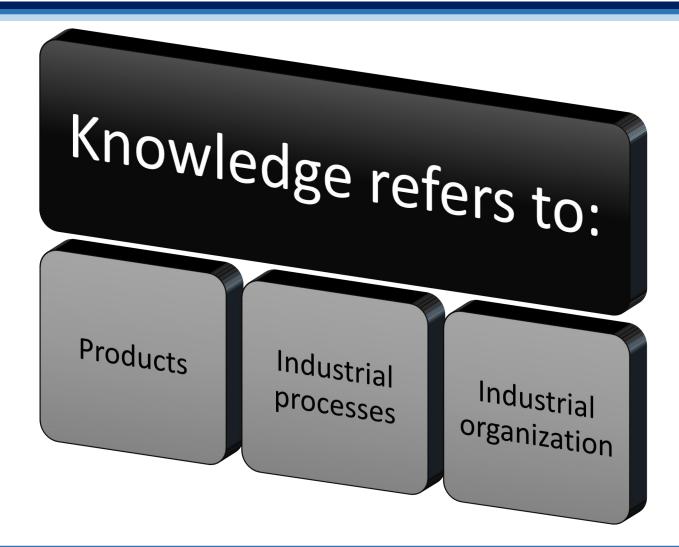
**Production** 

**Transfer** 

**Valorization** 

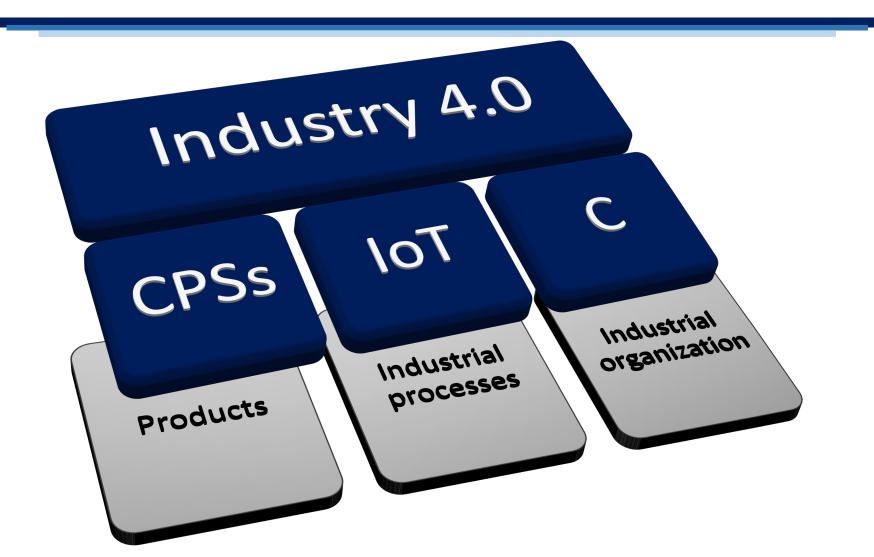
#### University's challenges





#### University's challenges





#### Producing knowledge



#### **About products:**

- having CPS characteristics;
- monitored, controlled and communicating through the IoT;
- adding knowledge in C C and using this in the product design stage.

#### **About processes:**

- using machines, tools and equipment from the CPS category;
- monitored and controlled through IIoT, using organizational rules stored in C C and upgrading these rules.

#### **About organization:**

- using data and procedures stored in C C and upgrading these rules;
- using an CPS type infrastructure.

#### Transferring knowledge



 Using CPSs (didactic and experimental setups able to send data about their interaction with the user);

Using IoT (remote and distributed labs);

Using Cloud Computing (virtual labs, organization simulators).

#### Valorizing knowledge



- by developing Industry 4.0 applications;
- by offering IoT resources (setups and equipment);
- by offering Cloud Computing knowledge resources.

# Thank You









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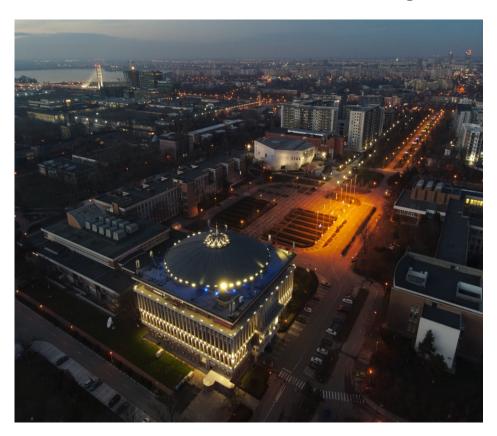
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University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest, Romania
Faculty of Industrial Engineering and Robotics







#### **University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest**



University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest is the oldest and most prestigious engineer school in Romania.

At present the University **POLITEHNICA** of Bucharest is formed by 15 different faculties.

Most faculties are equipped with 3d printers that used FDM, DLP and SLA technologies.

In the Campus research center of University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest is the best performing 3d bioprinter from Romania.



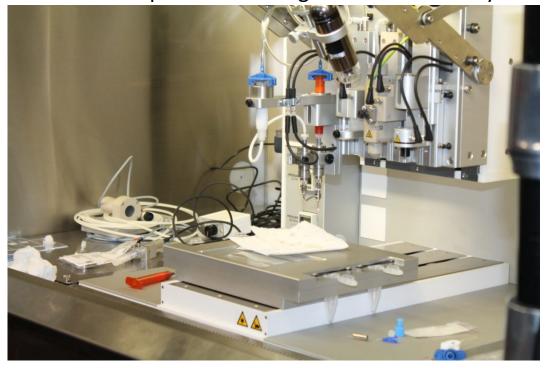




## **University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest**



Firma ZSpot Media – RegenHU 3D Discovery



https://www.bioprintere.ro/bioimprimanta-3d-performanta-universitatea-politehnica-bucuresti/

http://campus.pub.ro/website/fluide-nanostructures-and-soft-nanomaterials







## Instruments, objects printed, 5 heads for bioprinting





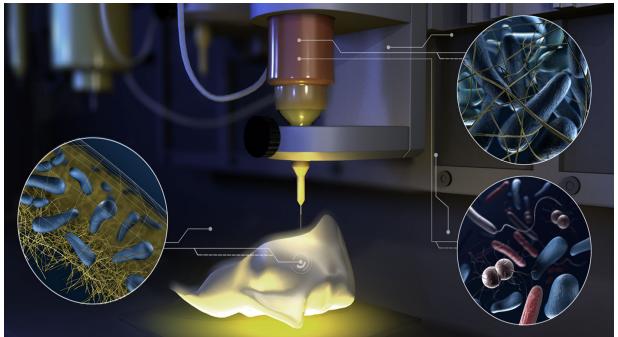








## **Dispencer head**



The first type of printhead uses direct extruder technology and is used to pipette higher viscosity materials, such as hydrogels, ceramic pastes or calcium phosphate. The printhead is of the "syringe" type without heating, and the pipetting is done based on time-pressure technology.

https://www.bioprintere.ro/bioimprimanta-3d-performanta-universitatea-politehnica-bucuresti/







## Cell-friendly ink-jet print head

The second type of printhead uses "cell friendly" ink-jet technology to print materials with lower viscosities, loaded with living cells. The heating system and the fine pipetting needle create all the necessary conditions for keeping the cells in viable conditions during printing.

Thus, its main applicability is the creation of biological tissues used in research, development and testing of pharmaceuticals and cosmetics. Also, together with the "direct dispenser" printing head, it can be used in the field of regenerative and reconstructive medicine, the components obtained being able to accurately mimic the consistency of bones and cartilage.

### **Co-axial print head**

The third printhead has a unique system with two-components for simultaneous core-shell coaxial printing of two different materials, one on the outside and the second on the inside.

Both components of the printhead can dispense both simple biomaterials, such as hydrogels, alginates, hydroxyapatite or ceramic pastes, as well as cell-loaded biomaterials.

Thus, the co-axial printhead is very useful for printing tubular structures, similar to blood vessels.







## **Electrofilation print head**

Melt Electrospinning Writing allows to obtain extremely thin fibrous structures (+/- 5 microns) by melting polymers (eg: polycaprolactone, polyethylene glycol, polylactic acid, polypropylene, polyurethane, etc.). Melt Electrospinning allows 3D printing of non-toxic polymeric scaffolds that can be used successfully in tissue engineering. The electroplating kit also includes a 60+ zoom HD camera to monitor the scaffold

printing process.







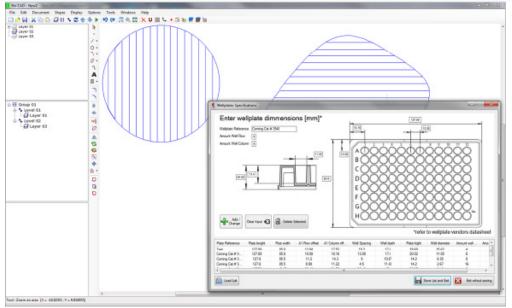


### Photoreticulation kit

The printer also has a UV lamp for photoreticulation, useful in 3D printing of various photosensitive materials and biomaterials (polymer resins). The lamp generates UV light specially adapted for living cell printing, in the visible light range 365nm (+/- 10nm). The 3D bioprinting system is completed by 3 different but complementary software components.

### **Software BioCAD**

A first component is the BioCAD application, used for the design of scaffolds, patterns, tissues, etc. It includes all the tools needed to create models from multiple materials.

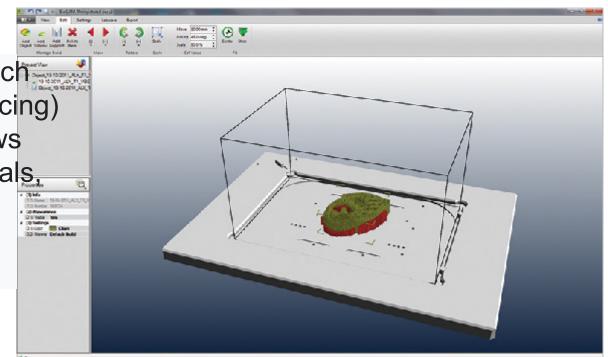






### **Software BioCAM**

BioCAM is the second software component, which is used for generating, editing and preparing (slicing) three-dimensional models for bioprinting. It allows the creation of tissues containing various material based on models taken from CAD systems, 3D scanners or medical imaging equipment (computed tomography, radiology equipment).







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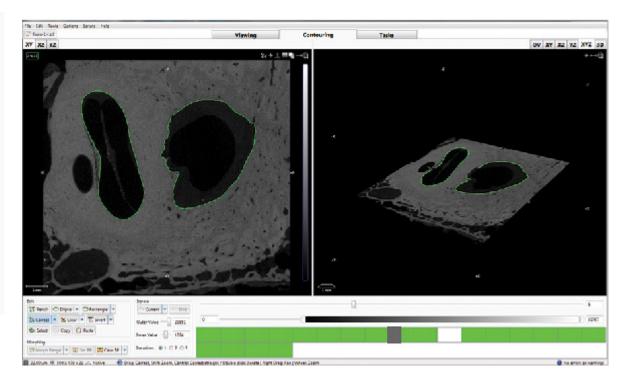
is a DICOM type application for visualizing, analyzing

and integrating with the 3D bioprinting equipment the

data taken from the imaging equipment. BioCUT is a

powerful tool that allows scientists, biomedical designers and healthcare providers to create complex

tissue structures in a seamless way integrated interpretoring in the protection of the control o



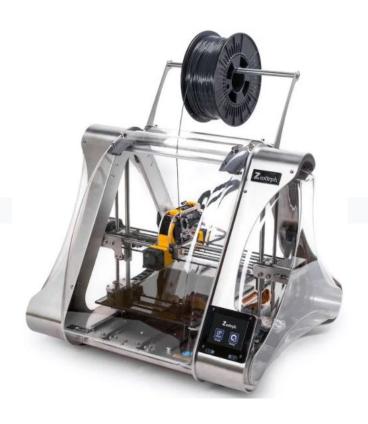




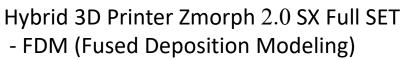


### **ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS - UPB**

### 3D Printers that will be used in EMERALD Project - University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest







Photocentric Liquid Crystal
- DLP (Digital Light Processing)



Phenix Systems – PXS&PXM
- DMLS (Direct Metal Laser Sintering) – collaborating company)







### **HUMAN RESOURCES - UPB**

### University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest team of the EMERALD project

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- Director Doctoral School Faculty IIR Prof. Habil. Dr. Eng. IONESCU Nicolae
- ➤ Vice-Dean Assoc.Prof.Dr.Eng. ULMEANU Mihaela-Elena Faculty IIR
- ➤ Head Dep.Prof.Dr.Eng. SAVU Tom Dep Manufacturing Engineering -IIR
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- Assoc.Prof.Dr.Eng. GHIONEA Gabriel-lonuţ Faculty IIR
- ➤ Lect.Dr.Eng. Radu Ionuţ-Cristian
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 Faculty IIR



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- ➤ Ec. VÎRJOGHE Mădălina Responsible for human resources
  Rectorat







### ARMIN PROJECT DESCRIPTION

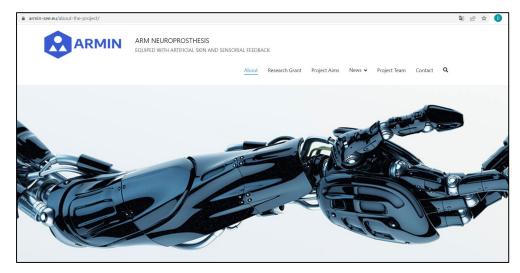
University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest has won different research projects within the EEA Grants 2018 competition. One of the most representative grant is EEA-RO-NO-2018-0390, ARM NEUROPROSTHESIS EQUIPED WITH ARTIFICIAL SKIN AND SENSORIAL FEEDBACK - ARMIN (https://armin-see.eu/), coordinated by UPB, which had as

partners:

- ✓ the National Institute of Microtechnolgy,
- ✓ Clinical Hospital of Floreasca,
- ✓ Medical Science Academy,
- ✓ Areus Technology,
- ✓ University of South-Eastern Norway,

Budget approx. 1.510.000 euro.

Project Director: Prof.dr.eng. DONŢU Octavian



The main objective of the project was to design and fabricate the command and control system of a neuroprosthesis that integrates the motion algorithms with the command and sensory signals. The sensorial feedback system is re-establishing the sensorial function of amputated arms and is able to achieve high precision movements when handling objects with the neuroprosthesis. To design and fabricate a set of regenerative neural biointerfaces for selecting and stimulating (from ulnar and median nerves), the sensory axons considered being in charge with the transmission of tactile sensations from palm and fingers, before amputation has been developed.





### **ARMIN Project – The granular key targets**

- ✓ to fabricate the mechanical structure of the neuroprosthesis, equipped with artificial skin;
- ✓ to fabricate the neuroprosthesis control block;
- ✓ to increase the quantity and quality of command neurosignals collected on the stump and the tactile feedback;
- ✓ to design and develop the software implementation of the motion algorithms database;
- ✓ to successfully fabricate the implantable electrodes;
- ✓ to fabricate the fully functional implantable neural interfaces connecting the neuroprosthesis to the peripheral nervous system of the patient stump, including: electronics, bio-printed regenerative bio-interfaces, Wi-Fi module;
- ✓ to experimentally implant the electrodes and neural interfaces into the patient stump;









### **ARMIN Project** – The activities of the project led to the following expected measurable results

- Mechanical structure of the neuroprosthesis equipped with artificial skin;
- ➤ Motor drive block of neuroprosthesis;
- ➤ Control system of neuroprosthesis;
- ➤ Implantable electrodes;
- ➤ Neural motor interfaces for neuroprosthesis' fingers and palm;
- ➤ Tactile feedback neural interfaces for neuroprosthesis' fingers;
- ➤ Medical and technical methodology for implanting the neural electrodes and interfaces, to bidirectional connect the prosthesis with the peripheral nervous system from the patient stump;
- > Study on biocompatible materials for 3D bioprinting in vivo of regenerative neural biointerfaces;
- Regenerative neural sensitive biointerface for separation in the median nerve of the sensitive fascicles for tactile feedback from the fingers 1, 2 and 3 of the neuroprosthesis;
- Regenerative neural sensitive biointerface for separation in the ulnar nerve of the sensitive fascicles F for tactile feedback from the fingers 4, 5 and palm of the neuroprosthesis;
- Experimental implantation in the patient stump of the regenerative neural sensitive biointerfaces, electrodes and neural interfaces for neuronal control and feedback;
- > Patient training program for using the neuroprosthesis;
- > The neuroprosthesis mounted on the stump and connected with the periferic nervous system of selected patient.
- > These results will represent a breakthrough as compared to previous / preliminary work done by various specialist teams involved in such device implementation.







**ARMIN Project** – Project results (http://viewer.zmags.com/publication/30062023#/30062023/18)

## Mechanical structure of the neuroprosthesis equipped with artificial skin









- 1. software design of the mechanical structure;
- 2. fabrication of the mechanical structure

### Design and fabrication of the implantable electrodes



#### Kunstig arm styrt av hjernen

En kunstig arm som kan styres av hjernen til eieren. Det er målet for et forskningsprosjekt som vil revolusjonere hverdagen for protesebrukere.

Av Bjørn Ø Andersen

Personer som er født uten arm eller som må amputere, kan i fremtiden fi montert en protese som kontrolleres av hjernen.

#### EØS-prosjekt

Universitetet i Sonst-Norge (USN) er partner i et EOS-forskningsprosjekt som skal utvikle en funksjonell, kostnadseffektiv og individuelt tilpasset nevro-håndprotese. Universitetet stiller med seks personer involvert i prosjektet, i tillegg til en Bachelor studentgruppe. De største partnerne kommer fra flere universi-

> Arm neuroprosthesis equipped w artificial skin and sensorial feedba (ARMIN).

- Politehnica University of Bucharest,
- Romania
- Romania, Romania
   Emergency Clinical Hospital of
- National Institute for Research and Development in Microtechnologies,



Noan av de norske dettakerne i ARMINI: Fra venstre prosjektleder Lars-Cyril Blyst student Hanna Borchgrevink, professor Per Øhickers, førsteamanuensis Mehdi Azadmehr, postdoktor Luca Marchetti og overingenier Birgitte Kasin Hønsvall, alle fra USN

teter og institutter i Romania.

– Målet er at protesen skal gi brukeren storre bevegehesfrihet. Implanterte elektroder fanger opp nervesignaler direkte, og brukeren kan dermed ha en detaljert styring av protesen kun ved bruk av hjerene, sier forsteansamensis Lars-Cyril Blystad ved Institutt for mikrosystemer.

Han er prosjekteleder for UNNs rolle i det internasjonale fonkningsprosjektet kalt «Arm neuroprostheiss equipped with artificial skin and sensorial feedback», forkortet AR.MIN. Romania er samarbeidslander og prosjektet til 18.2 millione fungere mer so

kroner går frem til 2023. Kanskje noe av det viktigste er at visse utfordringer med selve protesen/ hånden. Men de regnet likevel med at dette skulle bil løst om ikke lenge. Eller ble det diskutert hvordan man håndrer grensesnitet for å overvike Velostat; en elektrisk ledende, polymerisk film med innebygde sensorer for trykkfolsomhet og temperatur.

#### Kunstig hud og sensorer Mens tradisjonelle arm- og håndproteser ser ut som armer, har de ikke den samme avanserte funksjonen. Målet med det nye forskningsprosjek tet er å utvikle en protese som skal funsere mer som en helt vanlig arm

med mer presis bevegelseskontroll.

– Proteser som finnes på markedet i
dae spenner helt fra knappefunksjoner

De to første årene jobber førskerne med teknologiutvikling og de to siste går til implantering og testing.

– Protesen skal utstyres med kunstig hud og sensorer som muliggjor en unik toveiskommunikasjon mellom protesen og det perifere nervesystemet i brukerens arm, forteller Blystad. Han legger til at de faktisk har en sperfekts nilotzasient i Romania.

#### Studenter bidrar

Et mål er også at nevroprotesen kan sende nervesignaler inn til brukeren via implanterte elektroder, som vil kunne gi en viss folsomhet i håndprotesen.

Studenter inkluderes også i forskningsprosjektet, Phillip Varpe, Hanna Borfengevink, og Zjewan Amin studerer SMART produktdesign og skal se på mulighetere 3D-printing gir for fremstilling av en fanksjonell håndprotese. Det blir også berhadssmense tidense.



### Oppgaven krever 3D-scanning a

en frisk hånd og studentene må vurdere materialvalg og fysisk utforming basert på blant annet slitestyrke, elastisitet, temperaturfolsomhet og pris.

 Det er spennende og lærerikt å få jobbe så tett på et forskningspro-

er å jobbe som forsker og hva som kreves i forskningsprosjekter. Ikke minst får vi brukt kunnskapen vår og alt vi har lært på et ekte prosjekt, som er svært nyttig og bra å ha på CV-en når vi skal ut å soke jobb, sier Hanna.

Kilde: USN/An-Magritt Larsen









### **ARMIN Project** – Dissemination Results

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### **EMERALD PROJECT - DIFFERENCES FROM ARMIN PROJECT**

- ✓ The consortium formed within the EMERALD project consists of universities from several European countries, and the researchers and students from these universities will collaborate to obtain the research results regarding the manufacture of innovative and cheap biomimetic mechatronic systems. The consortium also has a company from Slovakia that will help the smooth running of the project activities.
- ✓ Certain components of the mechatronic biomimetic systems will be realized through the innovative Additive Manufacturing technologies and there will be courses that will be supported within the project regarding the use of these technologies. As exemple, the University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest will realize the Sensors and Electronics course (Prof.dr.ing. Savu Tom) and the Intelligent Materials course (Prof.dr.ing. Zaharia Cătălin).
- ✓ The University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest will deal with finding different solutions concerning the materials (different technologies DMLS/SLM, different coatings) for developing new biomimetic mechatronic systems.
- ✓ University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest has proposed a new innovative 3D printing technology, Fresh 3D Printing (Freeform Reversible Embedding of Suspended Hydrogels), that used materials that mimic living tissues.
- ✓ Such examples can be integrated a provided in close correlation with the biomimetic mechatronic systems to be made by 3D printing in the future, so this is the reason why contribution in the course module related to the 3D printing and Rapid Tooling methods will be brought by the University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest in cooperation with the Tasks Application Details O2: IO2 EMERALD e-toolkit manual for digital learning in producing biomimetic mechatronic systems. University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest include Multiplier Event ME1 and the Intellectual Outputs covered is EMERALD e-book for developing of biomimetic mechatronic systems.







### EMERALD PROJECT - DIFFERENCES FROM ARMIN PROJECT

### **EMERALD** project – Different results from the ARMIN project

- > Submission for publication of 4 articles in ISI journals with high impact factor and high visibility (Mechatronics, 3D Printing, Biomechatronics, Materials).
- > Submission of research papers to participate in 4 international conferences relevant to the Mechatronics/3D printing/VR/AR, biomechatronics.
- ➤ Publishing open access book in the field of mechatronic biomimetic systems made by 3D printing technologies.
- ➤ Publishing open access toolkit manual, that will be developed for boosting the digital learning in developing and producing of biomimetic mechatronic systems for people with special needs.
- > Submission a patent application.







### **EMERALD PROJECT - DIFFERENCES FROM ARMIN PROJECT**

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Proposal biomimetic mechatronic systems for legs to improve

### 1 - Robot prosthetic ankle



https://emag.medicalexpo.com/revolutionary-robotic-ankle-replicating-natural-human-movement/



- Adapter mount
- Moment arm
- Motor encoder
- Motor
- Structural routing

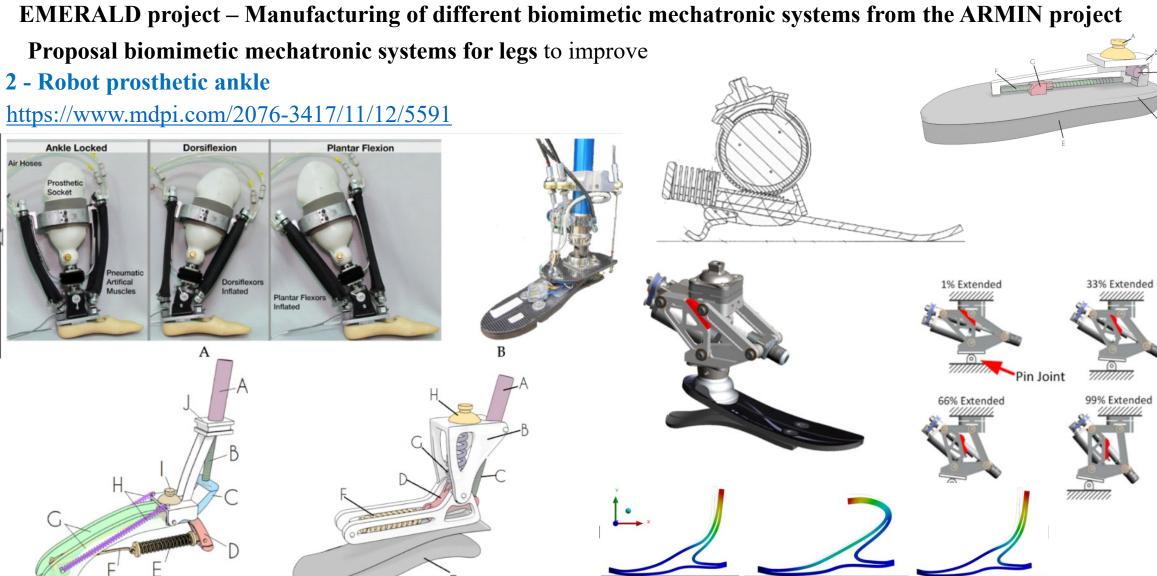
- Ball-screw
- G FUTEK Load Cell
- Structural frame
- Joint encoder
- Flex-foot







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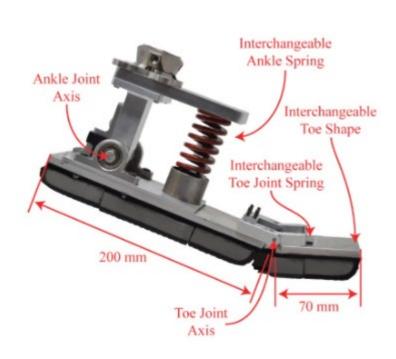
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**3- Robot prosthetic ankle** 

4- Microprocesor foot







**6- Microprocesor foot** 











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## EMERALD project – Manufacturing of different biomimetic mechatronic systems from the ARMIN project

Proposal biomimetic mechatronic systems for legs to improve

### Legs orthosis for mobility recuperation









https://ibrace.ca/en/best-custom-orthotics/ankle-foot-orthotics/











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**Knee orthosis for mobility recuperation** 









https://www.anatomicalconceptsinc.com/knee-orthoses

https://www.3dnatives.com/en/3d-printed-orthoses-110620194/#!







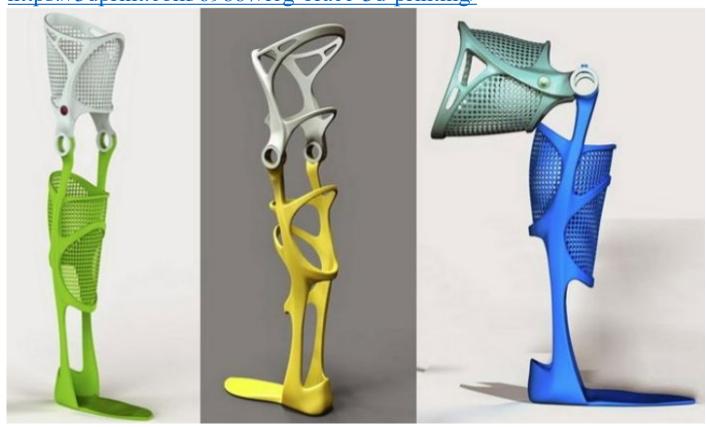


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**Orthosis legs – 3D Printing** 

https://3dprint.com/69887/leg-brace-3d-printing/





https://www.3dnatives.com/en/3d-printed-orthoses-110620194/#!







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EMERALD project – Manufacturing of different biomimetic mechatronic systems from the ARMIN project

Proposal biomimetic mechatronic systems for legs to improve

**Orthosis leg models – 3D Printing** 









https://cults3d.com/en/3d-model/various/ortesis







### EMERALD PROJECT - DIFFERENCES FROM ARMIN PROJECT

# EMERALD project – Manufacturing of different biomimetic mechatronic systems from the ARMIN project Recommended cheap materials to be used for biomimetic mechatronic systems for legs:

SLS – material PA12

FDM – PEEK, PLA, PLA Silk Rainbow, PLA Silk Like Kingfisher Rainbow Colours (Silicone properties)

DLP, SLA – biocompatible photopolymer resins

DMLS/SLM – Ti6Al4V, superalloy Co-Cr – biocompatible materials

Analysis Test recommended for the materials used for the components:

SEM (Scanning Electron Microscopy)

TEM (Transmission Electron Microscopy)

EDAX (Energy Dispersive X-ray Analysis)

XRD (X-Ray Diffraction)

FTIR (Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy)

RAMAN (Raman Spectroscopy)

AFM (Atomic Force Microscopy)

Contact angle test

Mechanical tests, in vitro analysis in SBF (Simulated Biological Fluid)/in vivo.



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Norway Partner:

Norwegian Institute for Air Research –NILU

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Norway Partner:

Norwegian Institute for Air Research –NILU

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Promoter University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest

Norway Partner:

The Artic University of Norway

#### EEA-RO-NO-2018-0115

"ONCOLOGY MEETS ENGINEERING: MODULATION OF CANCER BIOLOGY ON CHIPS"

Promoter: University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest

Partner: SINTEF Norway







### **EMERALD PROJECT - RESEARCH DIRECTIONS**

This project will lead to the opening of new topics and research directions that will be capitalized in projects such as:

- ➤ HORIZON 2020
- > CORDIS EU
- > EEA GRANTS
- ➤ EUROSTARS (EUREKA)
- > TEMPUSV
- ➤ ERASMUS-MUNDUS ACTION3, etc.