Pitching session

Cross-Border Collaboration Starts Here:

Meet EU & South MED Organisations Ready to

Partner

18 June 2025

Moderator: Teodora Jilkova, Veritas Cluster, ECCP Team member























EU-South MED MATCHMAKING EVENT

In the context of Egypt Infrastructure and Water Expo and The Big 5 Construct Egypt

CAIRO, EGYPT

16 - 18 JUNE 2025

















Welcome

- Teodora Jilkova, Veritas Cluster, ECCP Team member
- Emmanuel Noutary, General Delegates, ANIMA INVESTMENT NETWORK
- Rania Elnady, Head of SMEs Unit, Federation of Egyptian Industries



















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Emmanuel Noutary

General Delegates, ANIMA INVESTMENT NETWORK

















Who is ANIMA

ANIMA is an association working for economic development in Europe, the Middle East and Africa that is aligned with the challenges of social and environmental responsibility.

It was created in 2006 as part of the Barcelona Process - Euromed Partnership.

ANIMA's headquarters are in Marseille, France, and the network has an office in Morocco.

Our aims:

- To engage countries in cooperation aimed at transforming their economies and enhancing their attractiveness.
- Improve the performance of business support policies and institutions.
- Promote companies that create value for society.





Who is ANIMA

The ANIMA network brings together **70 member** organisations in **20 countries** and over 400 experts and partners who can be mobilised.

- Business networks (federations, clusters, industrial zones)
- Public agencies in charge of economic issues and international cooperation
- Entrepreneurs and skills from the diaspora
- International cooperation organisations, associated country ministries





A multi-country governance



Tarak Cherif
CONECT
Tunisie

Président



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Business France
France
Trésorier



Vasso Kyrkou

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Grèce
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Administrateur



Ramy Boujawdeh
Berytech Foundation
Liban
Administrateur



FIPA
Tunisie
Administrateur



HCIE
Palestine
Administrateur





Our missions

CONNECT economic actors and facilitate their cooperation

- Networking/ partnerships
- Marketing/ promotion
- Ecosystem building

CREATE solutions in response to common challenges

- Project engineering
- Financing
- Tools

ENLIGHT decisions and participate in the dissemination of expertise

- Studies & benchmarks
- National and international events
- Twinnings

REINFORCE capacities and private sector support ecosystems

- Training
- Consultancy
- Public/ private dialogue and advocacy





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Rania Elnady

Head of EMEs Unit, Federation of Egyptian Industries

















Pitching Session Round I: EU Participants

- Federica Fernandez, Cluster Ecodomus, Italy
- Irena Lobocka, sustainable Infrastructure Cluster, Poland
- Jean-Christohe de Tauzia, Descartes Développement et Innovation, France
- Liene Leikuma-Rimicane, Latvian IT Cluster, Latvia
- Marius Alexa, Iconic Cluster, Romania
- Rodica Lupo, Technology Enabled Construction Cluster TEC, Romania
- Skirmante Baležentienė, Photovoltaic Industrial Technology Cluster FETEK, Lithiania
- Vladimir Gumilar, Construction cluster of Slovenia
- Vincent Civita, AQM Normandy, France
- Ercan KÜÇÜKARSLAN, ASES Training, Türkiye

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Federica Fernandez

Cluster Manager - Prof. PhD. Arch.

















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CLUSTER ECODOMUS

SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION, ENERGY SAVING AND TECHNOLOGIES POWERED BY RENEWABLE SOURCES

ITALY

















Main goals

Promote
collaboration
among
enterprises,
research centers
and public
administration

Improve the economic and environmental competitiveness of SMEs in the national and international markets

Improve the know-how and the expertise of SMEs promoting networking and international cooperation





















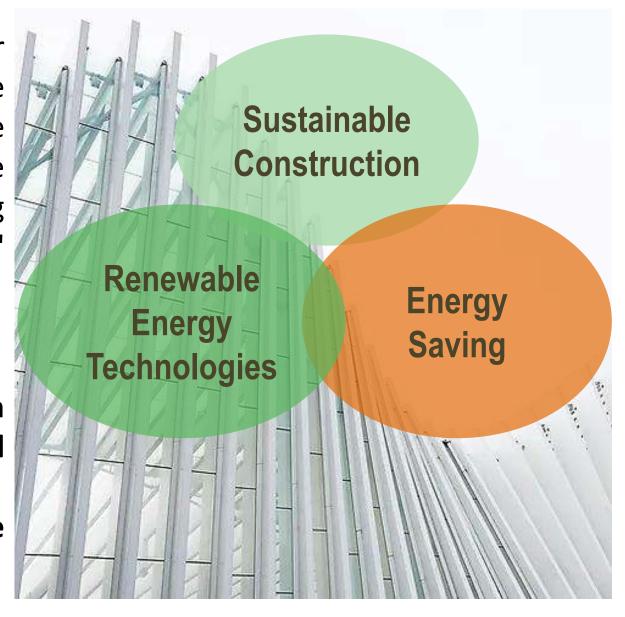
The Cluster Ecodomus

The Cluster represents 167 Italian SMEs, bringing together other public and private entities in the national territory operating in the sustainable construction and energy saving sector, covering the entire sustainable construction chain, from the design of the sustainable building to the disposal of construction waste, passing through the construction and maintenance of the "building" product, renewable energy production and smart mobility.

Mission

The Ecodomus Regional District mission is to support companies in the joint planning and implementation of **environmental sustainability strategies in the building sector.**

Eco-innovation of product and process, energy and resource efficiency, eco-compatible design, are just some of our objectives.











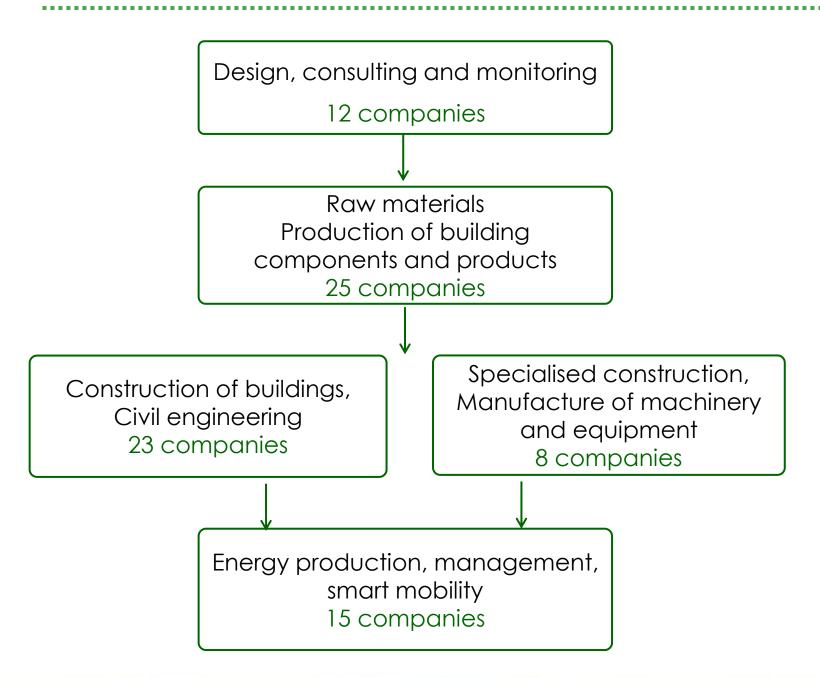








Our companies and value chain

















































What we are looking for



- **✓ NETWORKING**
- **✓** BUSINESS PARTNERS/DISTRIBUTORS
- **✓ SOLUTION AND MATERIAL SUPPLIERS**
- **✓ INVESTORS**
- **✓ DIRECT PROCUREMENT**
- **✓ RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

















!!!! SEARCH FOR PARTNERS !!!

Call: HORIZON-NEB-2025-01 - A research agenda for a beautiful, inclusive and sustainable transformation of neighbourhoods

RIA 100% funded

Project title: FIBRA - Future Innovations with Bio-based Residues for Architecture

From waste to wonder. Regenerative bio-materials shaping the future of sustainable construction.

Deadline date: 12 November 2025 Project budget: 5 000 000 euro

Expected outcomes:

- Bio-fabricated construction materials and their beneficial properties are better known and accepted by construction ecosystem professionals.
- Innovative, sustainably sourced, beautiful^[1] bio-fabricated construction materials can be produced at mass-scale at competitive costs.

















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Sustainable Infrastructure Cluster

Irena Lobocka

Cluster Manager/POLAND























Sustainable Infrastructure Cluster

Sustainable Infrastructure Cluster organisation for the:

- √ development of sustainable construction
- ✓ smart buildings and smart cities
- energy efficiency
- √ renewable energy sources

Location - Cracow, Poland (Malopolska Region) 2016, 2019, 2022 - obtaining the status of a Key National Cluster



















Sustainable Infrastructure Cluster



Design — Manufacture — Delivery









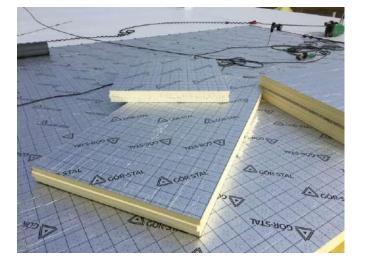






























What do we offer?





expertise in sustainable, green and healthy construction



a variety of cluster members technologies for construction, insulation materials and smart home systems



Green transformation and sustainable solutions for construction sector



Energy efficiency services and green energy technologies development



Partnership in international projects

















What do we search for?





international project cooperation and partnership in Cosme, Erasmus+, Horizon Europe, InterREG etc.



possibilities for cluster members' technologies promotion and development, market expansion



inspiration and partnership with other cluster organisations to improve cluster services and management of cluster initiative



















If you want to go fast... go alone...

If you want to go far... go together !!!

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Jean-Christophe de Tauzia

CEO Descartes Développement et Innovation France,

Paris Region



















DDI: short description

Descartes Développement & Innovation (DDI) is the Technopole, information, engineering and promotion association of the Sustainable City Cluster at the heart of Cité Descartes, East of the Paris Region, France.

DDI facilitates serendipitous connections between academia, institutions and businesses and has established partnerships with corporates to create collaborations that promote seamless networking, experimentation, co-devlopoment and open innovation.

DDI also operates a fablab, an incubator and a French Tech Community as part of its scope of operations.



















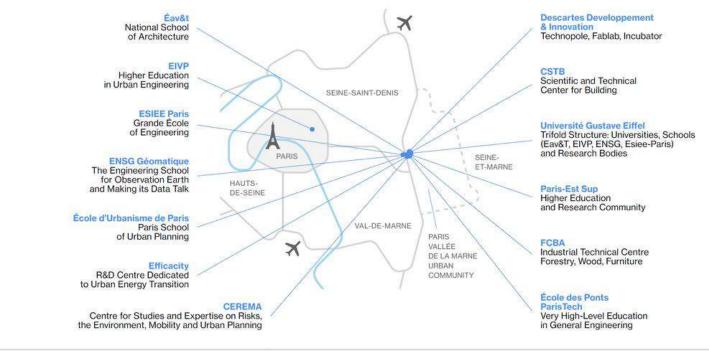
DDI services:

launch, innovate, develop, recruit& train

- Access to an entire ecosystem: construction, eco- activities, digital, mobility, etc.
- Events program: Conferences on technological themes
- Prototyping: Fablab Descartes
- Incubation and Acceleration: Descartes Incubator, Village by CA
- Expertise and collaborative project with Research: contractual research-innovation and expertise services, access to technological platforms, etc.
- Recruitment / Life-long learning
- Partnerships and Open Innovation with big
- corporates
- On-campus experimentation
- Firms' location
- Internationalization: Soft landing program to
- discover new markets.

Cité Descartes Sustainable Cities Innovation Hub

An Exceptional Living and Working Environment















































ECCP EU-South Med Cairo Matmaking objectives:

- Meet with MED peers
- Prepare for cluster connect proposal
 - Confirm partners (and their costs)
- Discuss & confirm project aim, target, activities, planning, budget



















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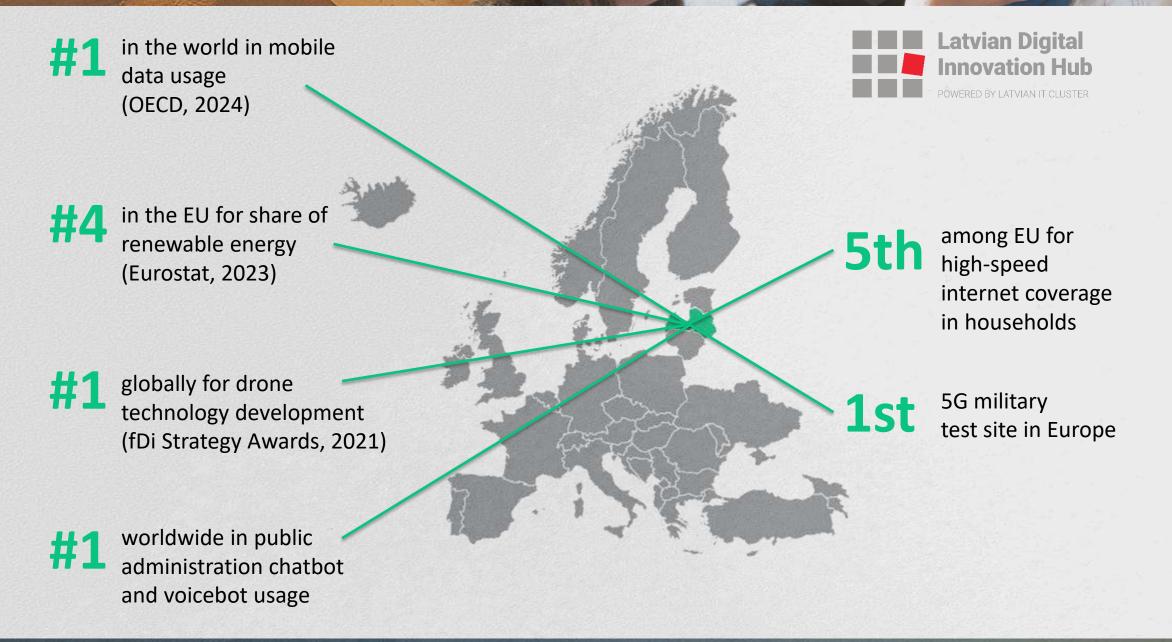








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80+ ICT Companies



Innovation & Digitalization Impact



Global IT Export Support



LET'S SHAPE THE FUTURE TOGETHER



- COMPANIES OR INSTITUTIONS THAT FACE DIGITALISATION
 CHALLENGES and are looking for reliable tech partners
- INDUSTRIAL ACTORS IN NEED OF TAILORED ICT
 SOLUTIONS (health, transport, energy, logistics, public services)
- CLUSTERS OR BUSINESS SUPPORT ORGANISATIONS interested in joint innovation or market-entry partnerships
- PARTNERS FOR EU PROJECT COLLABORATION (e.g. Euroclusters, EIE, Eraskus+, COSME, Horizon Europe)





















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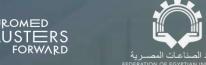
















Dr. Marius Alexa

Iconic Cluster president

















Sectorial focus

- Information Technology and Communications (IT&C)
- Creative Industries

















Organizational Interest in the Egypt Market:

- ITC development projects.
- International projects on education
- Startups and innovation ecosystems.
- SMEs internationalisation. Import/Export matching in various industries.
- Looking to find a representative in Egypt.



















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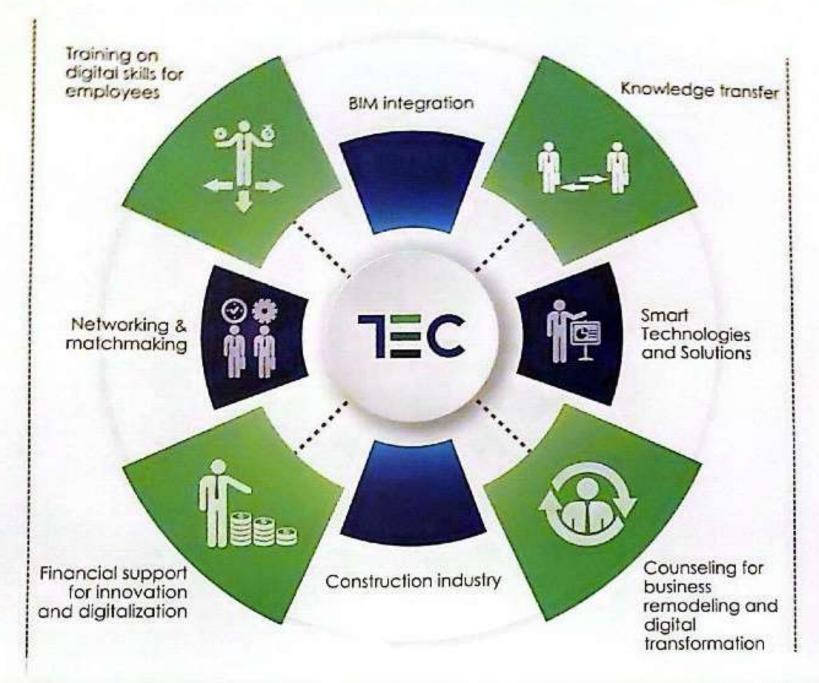
















- ➤ Just 5 years old
- > +90 members
- ➤ Approx 1 Bil EUR
- Champions of digitalization in the construction sector
- ➤ 1/3 EU funds, 2/3 private funds

Scanat cu CamScanner



















- ➤ Building Information Modelling
- ➤ Innovative technologies
- ➤ VR/AR, IoT, AI, 3D Scanning
- ➤ Heritage
- ➤ Green Tech



























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Skirmante Balezentiene

Photovoltaics Industrial Technology Cluster





















Lithuania's Photovoltaics sector **OVERVIEW.** Co-opetition over Competition Since 2008

Main Photovoltaics Manufacturers

Photovoltaics Industrial Cluster Members 45 & 250+ associated Members

ongoing joint RTD projects through >50 mln. eur Horizon Europe, ERDF, international initiatives

>120 joint RTD initiatives

>150M€ Annual sector turnover















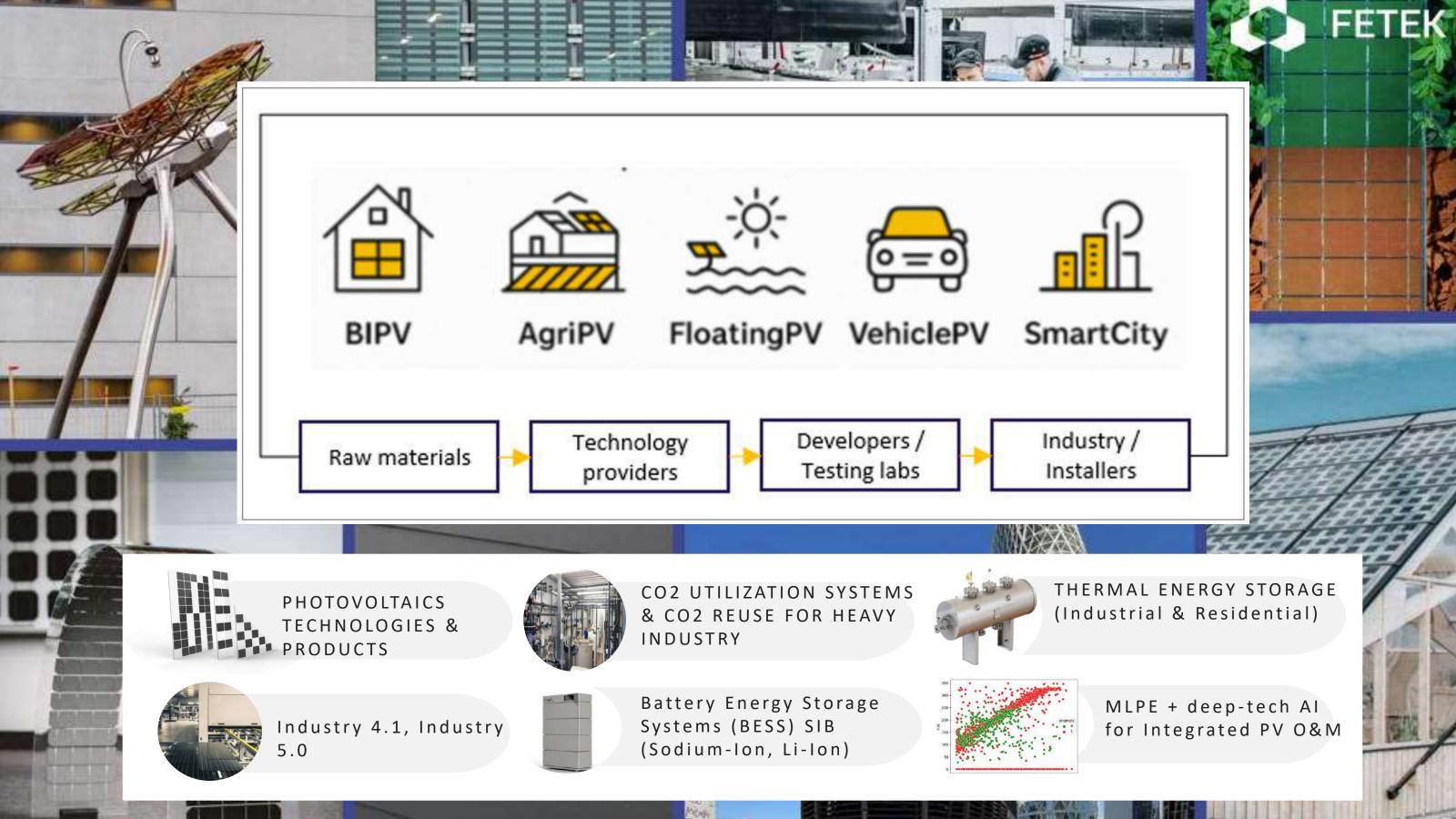
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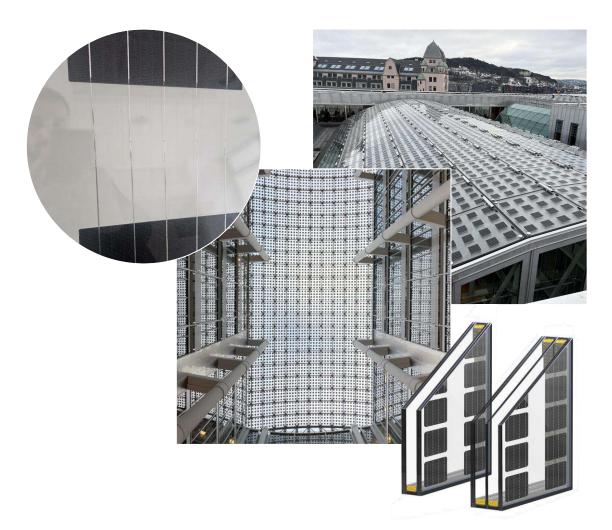




FETEK Few Examples



IGU project in Oslo



Project in the Netherlands



Project in the Milan





















FETEK Opportunities



Supply

RAW MATERIALS

FOR PV MANUFACTURING

RTD Collaboration

HORIZON EUROPE

Invest

AI DEEP-TECH STARTUP



SCALE-UP MANUFACTURING



Distribute

EU PV MODULES

EU BATTERIES

MOBILE CHARGING STATIONS

AI O&M SOFTWARE

HEAT BATTERIES























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Let's #RePowerSoutMed Together!

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About the cluster

SLOVENSKI GRADBENI GROZD / CONSTRUCTION CLUSTER OF SLOVENIA Supporting business development, innovation and transition to sustainable, digital and circular construction since 2004





































































Key domains of work

GO INNOVATIVE













GO CIRCULAR















GO DIGITAL





























International cooperation

Activities: missions, matchmaking, partnerships, tech transfer, collaborative innovation projects











Technologies: green, sustainable materials, circular design, building, energy renovation, building energy system, renewables, water treatment, cluster management





































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Vincent Civita

Project Manager / Administrator

















Sectorial focus

- ✓ Quality
- ✓ Performance / Lean Management
- ✓ Sustainability
- ✓ Circular Economy
- ✓ Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

















Services / Achievements

- ✓ CSR Auto-evaluation tool (ISO26000)
- ✓ Co-organisation of the 2024 European Congress of Quality
 (member of France Qualité, the national federation)
- ✓ Benchmarking session big companies / SME's in different thematic clubs
- ✓ National Quality Award



















Project opportunity

Circular Economy/Sustainability, Corporate Social Responsibility

Development of collaborative projects focused on circular economy and sustainable development, with strong social, environmental, and economic impact. AQM offers a CSR assessment tool based on ISO 26000, adaptable globally to guide organizations in implementing effective CSR strategies. The project supports companies in structuring their CSR approach through benchmarking, best practice exchange, and capacity-building. It aims to create a replicable model to help businesses initiate or strengthen their sustainability efforts. Ultimately, it fosters impactful, standards-aligned CSR actions worldwide.



















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Skills Development, Green Transition & Vocational Excellence

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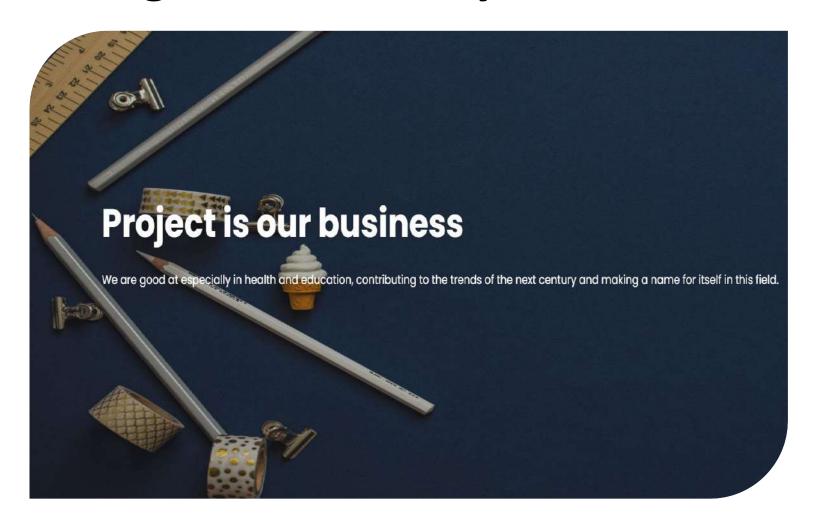




Who We Are – ASES Training & Consultancy

ASES is a leading provider of vocational education, digital skills development, and EU-funded project expertise.

We specialize in designing inclusive and futureready learning models that support green, digital, and entrepreneurial transformation.



















Who We Are – ASES Training & Consultancy

Over the past decade, we've worked with hundreds of trainers, SMEs, youth, and disadvantaged groups through Erasmus+ and Horizon Europe projects, bringing innovation and impact to education and workforce development.

















We focus on 3 key areas

DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING



We build AI-powered platforms, micro-credential systems, and adaptive learning content aligned with EU frameworks like DigComp, GreenComp, and ESCO.

















We focus on 3 key areas

Through our training programs, we empower SMEs and communities with knowledge in sustainable construction, energy efficiency, and eco-innovation practices. development in sustainable infrastructure, smart water management, and digital construction practices.



















We focus on 3 key areas

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION& CAPACITY BUILDING



We implement Train-the-Trainer models, MOOCs, and hands-on workshops for public bodies, SMEs, and educators, with a focus on vulnerable or underrepresented groups.

In the South MED context, we're ready to support skills development in sustainable infrastructure, smart water management, and digital construction practices.

















ASES offers

- Scalable training modules adapted to local needs
- Proven expertise in EU cooperation and regional innovation
- A strong network of public and private stakeholders across Europe and the South Med region



















International Education Health and Counseling

ASES offers

Your Consultant

ASES takes place in national and international research and development structures with its expert staff.

We're here to create joint projects, pilot training solutions, and support workforce readiness aligned with green and digital transitions in infrastructure, construction, and water sectors. Let's build partnerships that transfer knowledge and empower inclusive growth across borders.



















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Pitching Session, Round II South Med participants

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- Salma Elloumi, CONECT, Tunisia
- Mohamed Taha El Ouaryachi, ATAREC, Morocco
- Hassan Aboleta, Smart Company, Egypt

Moderator: Sarra Boussaidi, Project Manager, ANIMA Investment Network









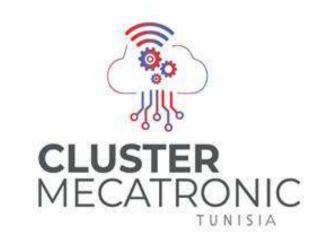








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Cluster Mecatronic Tunisia









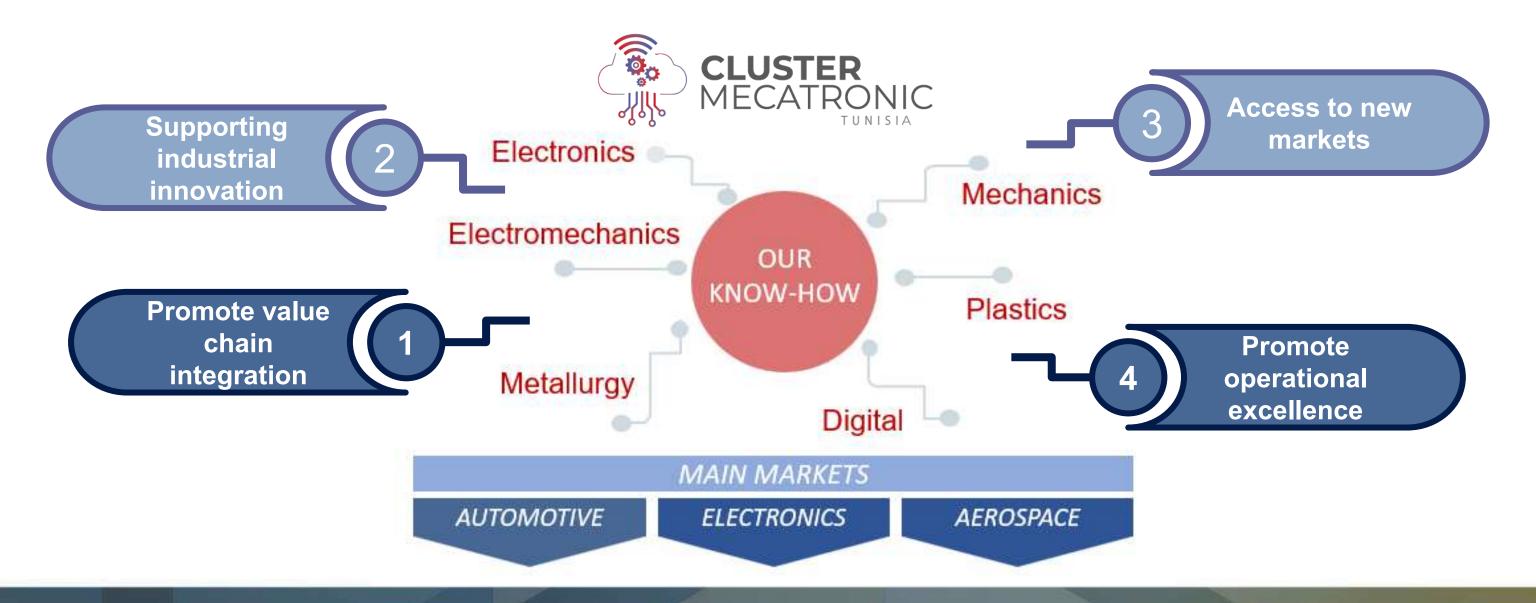








THE FIRST TUNISIAN INDUSTRIAL CLUSTER SINCE 2012, PROMOTING COLLABORATIVE INNOVATION

















OUR MEMBERS ARE ENGAGED ON INNOVATION

Engineering companies

















Exporting companies in Europe/Africa



















































Research centres and universities



































THEY ARE LOOKING TO COLLABORATE ON SEVERAL COMMON INTEREST TOPICS

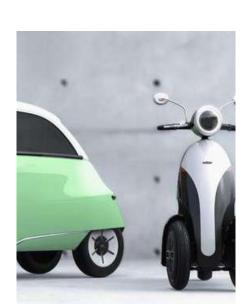
MICRO-MOBILITY



AI IN INDUSTRY

VALUE CHAIN INTEGRATION

GREEN TRANSITION



















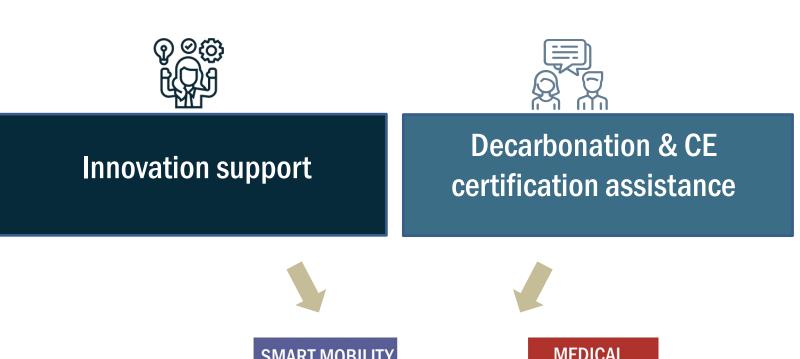








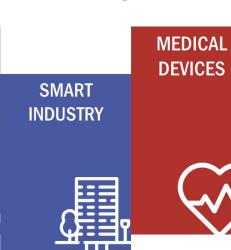
WE ARE LOOKING FOR PARTNERS INTERESTED IN OUR CURRENT **ROADMAP & COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES**



B2B collaboration promotion









Funding support

















OUR TEAM



AMINE SELLAMIExecutive director



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Communication & Membership Manager

Projects Development & Innovation Manager



NADIA MHAT

Project Manager: collaborate for stronger value chains



FATMA BALTAGI

Project Manager: collaborate for stronger value chains



















Thank you











ACHEMA 2024



Salma Elloumi

Vice-President CONECT International

















CONECT

Confédération des Entreprises Citoyennes de Tunisie كنفدرالية المؤسسات المواطنة التونسية



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General Presentation



CONECT is a leading Tunisian employers' organization that represents small, medium, and large enterprises across all economic sectors. Founded in 2011, it promotes an inclusive, citizen-focused approach to economic development, entrepreneurship, and social responsibility.



OUR MISSION

To support and promote Tunisian enterprises in their development and competitiveness.

To advocate for an inclusive economic model based on transparency, innovation, sustainability, and social equity. To contribute actively to public policy by representing the interests of its members.



OUR VISION

A modern and responsible private sector that plays a central role in Tunisia's economic, social, and regional development.



OUR VALUES

An organization whose political lines are supported by the values of: Citizenship, Solidarity, Transparency, Commitment to the national interest, Responsibility and Equity; all values which form the basis of the principles enshrined in its charter signed by each of its members.











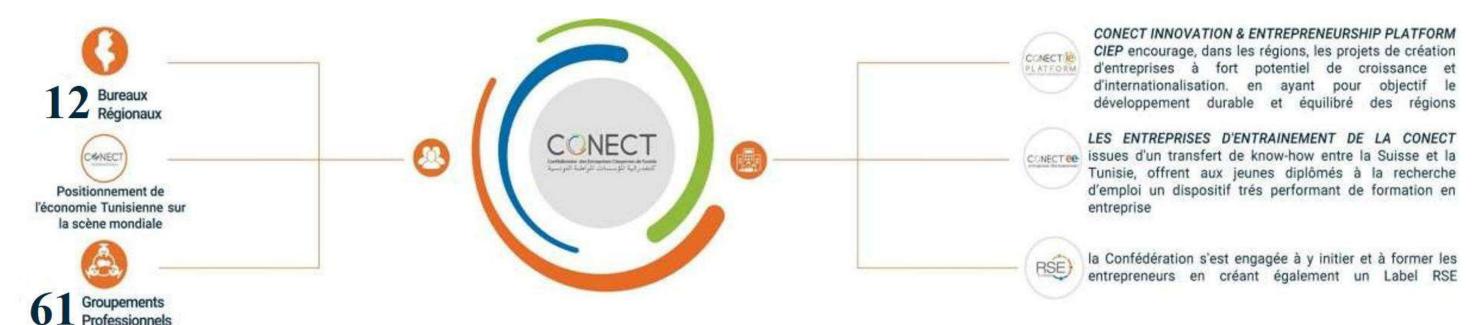






General Presentation

CONECT is distinguished by an exceptional community of over 6,000 passionate members, symbolizing our collective strength and commitment to excellence. Each member is an essential part of our dynamic alliance, contributing their expertise and determination. This impressive number is a testament to the trust and value CONECT places in its members, forming a diverse and influential community ready to tackle any challenge together.

























A structure of the Confederation of Citizen Enterprises of Tunisia (CONECT), dedicated to international affairs and committed to supporting the development of Tunisian businesses.





OUR MISSION

To promote know-how, trade exchanges, technological cooperation, long-term partnerships, and investments, primarily in emerging and developing countries, as well as in traditional markets.



OUR VISION

To contribute to positioning the Tunisian economy within a dynamic of international outreach and influence.



OUR OBJECTIVES

Develop exports for Tunisian SMEs
Support Tunisian companies in their internationalization

Attract foreign direct investment (FDI)

Create synergies with the skills and expertise of the Tunisian diaspora



Key figures for CONECT International



+100

Agreements with foreign counterparts and organizations



+100

Foreign delegations welcomed



+150

International Activities

84



+600

Economic actors
who have
participated in
economic missions
abroad



+8000

B2B meetings organized

















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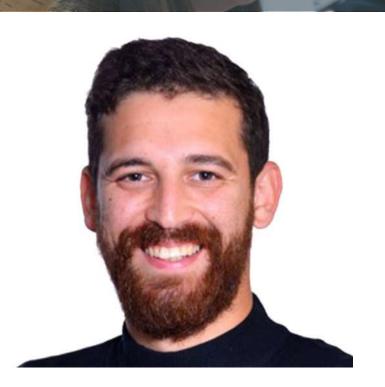












Mohamed Taha El Ouaryachi Green and smart infrastructure























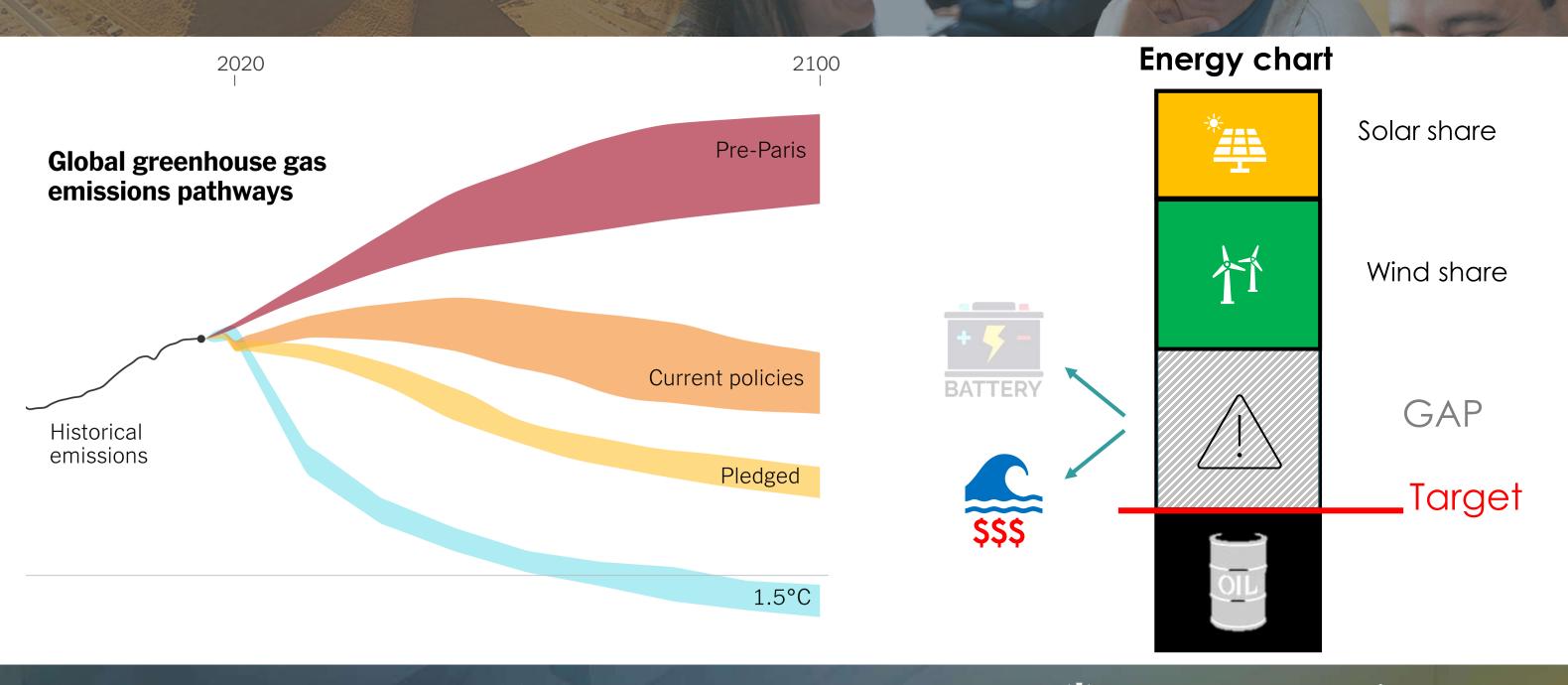


















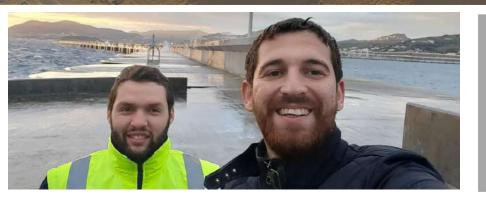








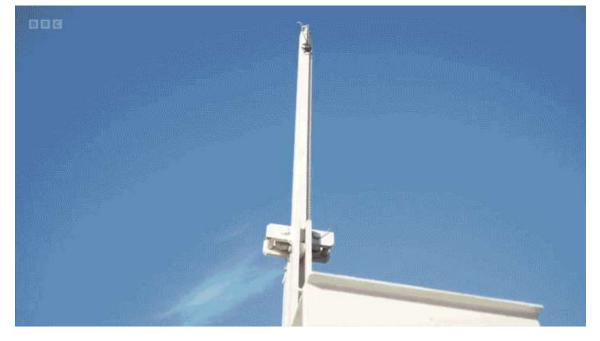


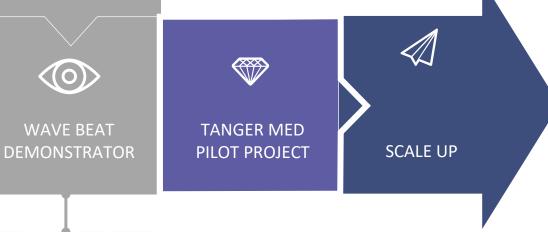






- Patented in +70 Countries
- TRL6 proved
- -70% in CAPEX (EU 2035 vision)
- 3 times more stable than solar







Scan the QRC to Watch our last report















































Use Case 1: Port Sector

Tanger Med Port Case: Top 17 in the World

Capacity

149 WAVE BEAT Units

Power

~20 MW

- Client: TMU/TMPA
- Biggest Port in Africa and Mediterranean Sea
- First port to be certified ISO 55001

Beat W-

~5 Km of vertical breakwaters











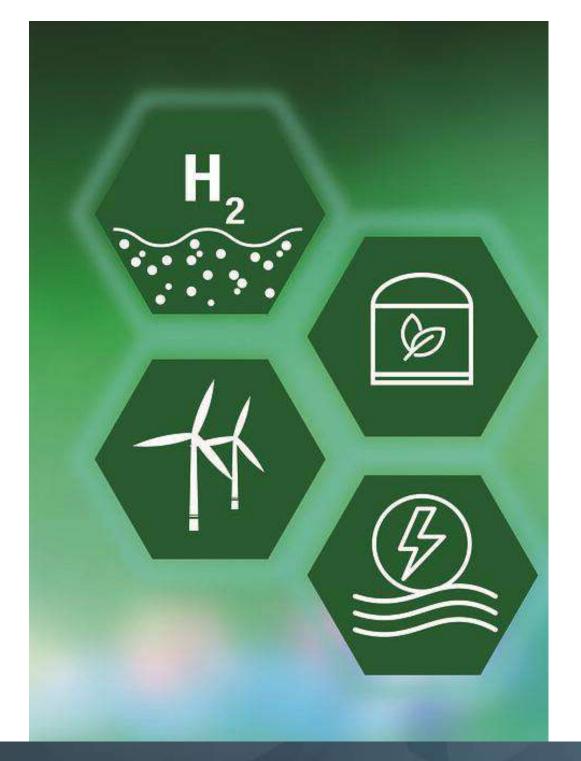








Use Case 2: Hydrogen



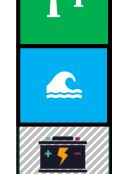
Two Main Challenges:

- Logistics
- Intermittence





Logistic and energy Hub



Solar

Wind

Wave

Storage















Use Case 3: Desalination

- Up to 70% of m³ cost is energy
- Available existing infrastrcutres exposed to sea
- Strategical sector where autonomy is a priority





















Decarbonation and green Infrastructure



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About the company, Smart Electrical Industries is specialized in producing low voltage electrical wires and cables and other related electrical material. The company was established in 2020 in Egypt after an experience and journey in electrical supplies and manufacturing throughout decades.

Location, The manufacturing plant is located in Badr City – Industrial zone in Cairo using the state-of-the-art technology in production and quality control laboratory.

Smart EI Objectives, looking forward to fulfilling the market needs on national/regional and international levels in order to serve customers all over the world in accordance with the requested standards and accreditations as the quality is a top priority.

Smart EI sustainability policy statement, committed to protecting the environment, the health and safety of our employees, and the community in which we conduct our business as well as creating long-term value in all the actions we develop. We understand Sustainability as a cross-cutting and essential axis throughout the organization and areas of action. Our primary objective is to achieve a company that is more aware and responsible in the use of resources, its impact on the environment, its role in society and the community.









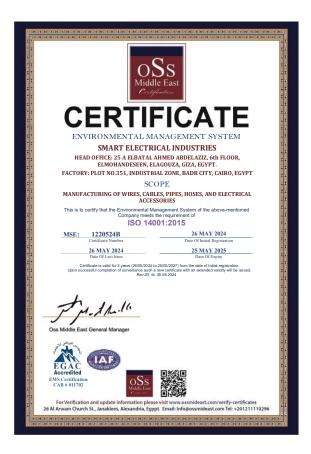
































Core values

Our People

- •Trust
- Confidence
- •Teamwork
- •Commitment
- Ethical
- •Reliable
- •Loyal

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Factory

- •Safe
- Secured
- Decent Working

Environment

Sustainable

3 Products

- Safe
- •Reliable
- Standardized
- Accredited
- Stakeholder satisfaction
- efficient
- Standardized

















Smart El strength points,

- International Quality Standards,
- Young professional calibers, integrated working team, different experiences from different backgrounds,
- Modern and Flexible Production Facility that is equipped with advanced production lines for: Low voltage cables Control cables Fire-resistant cables Indoor wires,
- Flexibility to produce for both local and international standards,
- Strong Sustainability Focus,
- Export Readiness and Global Ambition,
- Active steps toward international expansion,
- Wide Product Range Covering Various Applications,
- Strategic Vision in Marketing & Business Development,
- Technical and Engineering Support,
- Competitive Pricing for Quality,
- Offers strong value-for-money by combining high standards with cost efficiency.

















Collaboration interests,

- Support International accreditation, recognition, and certificates
- International B2B matchmaking, Joint-ventures, collaborations, international commercial agencies,
- Capacity building and technology transfer,
- International supply chain integration,
- Organizational, governance support,
- Potential Twinning.



















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