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Presentation of White Paper Replicability and Scalability Assessment Tool

Opening and Welcome

Jara Pascual, AIOTI FG Innovation Ecosystems Chair (Collabwith)

Agenda

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- 15.00** **Opening and Welcome (5 min)**
- Jara Pascual, AIOTI FG Innovation Ecosystems Chair (Collabwith)
- 15.05** **Presentation of the paper and recommendations (15 min)**
- Pierre-Yves Danet (48d79m Consulting), Paper Editor
- 15.20** **Presentation of the paper sections (45 min)**
- Innovation Ecosystems – Jara Pascual (Collabwith)
Market – Eric Armengaud (Armengaud Innovate)
Sustainability – Alejandro Forned (Universitat Politecnica de Valencia)
- 16.05** **Questions from the audience (20 min)**
- Moderated by Pierre-Yves Danet (48d79m Consulting), Paper Editor
- 16.25** **Wrap up and end of the Webinar (5 min)**
- Jara Pascual, AIOTI FG Innovation Ecosystems Chair (Collabwith)

Presentation of the Paper and Recommendations

Pierre-Yves Danet (48d79m Consulting), Paper Editor

Task Force – General Objectives

“The EU aims to create more connected and efficient innovation ecosystems to support the scaling of companies, encourage innovation and stimulate cooperation among national, regional and local innovation actors”. [European Innovation Ecosystems](#)

Replicability and Scalability are two very important aspects to enable the uptake of R&I project results and bring them to the market



Provide criteria and guidelines to be taken into consideration when we talk about Replicability and Scalability in an EU R&I Project, starting from LSPs (especially in IoT domain and 5GPPP Pilot projects) experiences

Provide a “Replicability and Scalability Assessment Tool” to increase project efficiency and maximise the impact of project results, in line with the EU Commission expectations

Facilitate emerging of **Innovation Ecosystems in EU and their interconnection**

Replicability and Scalability as a process

In line with the work on “**White Paper Supporting Ecosystem Engagement for Sustainable Innovation empowered by IoT and Edge Computing**” (led by Eric Armengaud and Jara Pascual)

Replicability and Scalability of R&I project results, with a particular focus on IoT and Edge Computing solutions, are two enablers of (i) the maximization of R&I project results impact, (ii) the collaboration among several stakeholders operating in Innovation Ecosystems, (iii) the market-uptake.

We can identify three main steps to reach the goals mentioned above, that are part of the Replicability and Scalability Task Force activities:

- **Assessment.** Replicability and Scalability of Assets/Key exploitable results should be assessed during the project life, against several dimensions, that represent key enablers of the replicability and scalability process: i) technical ii) market (market analysis, business model definition, etc), iii) user/stakeholder (user needs analysis, user experience design and usability of solutions, clear instructions on how to use and replicate the solution, etc...) iv) data dimension (GDPR compliance, data security and data quality, etc...), v) IPR, vi) regulatory framework compliance.
- Define **actions/improvements**, aimed to foster replicability and scalability of results. Among other we can mention: i) Early adopters' involvement through experimentation ii) Clustering activities, iii) Open Calls, iv) Local ecosystem involvement v) Scientific publication vi) public presentation vii) networking events
- Use **Platforms** that can support and improve the successful replication of a project results. Platforms, such as IoT Catalogue, Horizon Results Platform, NG IoT, Catalogue NGI.EU, etc...
- **SCoDIHNet** members (DIHs) should become ambassadors of the replicability initiative as they will be very interested to reuse existing use cases, and solutions to develop innovations at local level. The assessment tool as defined above will be very helpful as it will facilitate identification of existing use cases/solutions that fit their customer needs and that could be adapt to develop innovations.

REPLICABILITY (definition from Horizon Results Platform)

Replicability refers to the ability of your product, service or business to be **replicated and sold** and **delivered** consistently and reliably, to serve (theoretically) **infinite customers (multiple markets)** the exact same service or product, to the exact **same standard every time**

KEYWORDS

- Replication
- Consistence
- Reliability
- Multiple markets
- Quality standards of the product

SCALABILITY (definition from Horizon Results Platform)

A result, or rather the business exploiting the result, can be considered **scalable** if it is able to adapt to the changing needs or patterns of its customers/users and to the increased demand, trends, and needs, even in the face of competition, while remaining profitable and keeping high quality standards. Factors such as the flexibility of technology design, resilience of the supply chain and logistics, the organizational structure of the company and the efficiency of its operations affect scalability.

For investors, scaling is about increasing revenue generated by one unit of resources, or simply put, doing more with less. It is about making the business more efficient and improving its unit economics over time.

Growing, instead, is about acquiring and allocating resources. It is about raising funding and using the funds to recruit sales people or expanding to other geographies. It means adding more fuel to the rocket for it to go farther.

KEYWORDS

- User/stakeholders needs
- Competitors analysis
- Market needs
- Organizational structure of the company (the team)
- Investors
- Financials

Task Force Actions: Design and Develop Replicability and Scalability Assessment Tool



Definition of Replicability and Scalability of R&I project results (literature review, analysis of validation framework in IoT projects)

Define and Validate assessment dimensions and actions aimed to foster replicability and scalability of results (with interviews or a second questionnaire, AIOTI+SCOHDINET)*

Identify KPIs for each dimension

Identify a **weighting method**

Tool Design and Development

Check with selected projects

Results representation

Expected Results



REPLICABILITY AND SCALABILITY ASSESSMENT TOOL

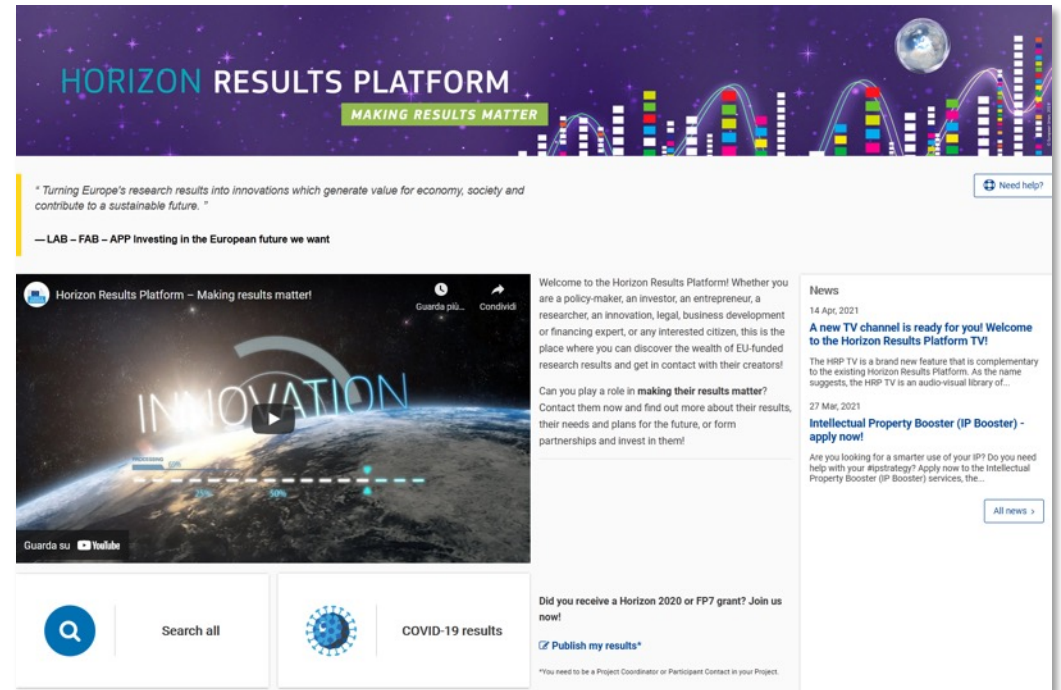
REPORT/WHITE PAPER ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

PRESENTATION WORKSHOP WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

ANALYSIS OF PLATFORMS THAT COULD BE SIGNIFICANT TO FOSTER REPLICABILITY AND SCALABILITY OF PROJECT RESULTS



The platform was analysed to identify useful elements to foster replicability of project results.



A presentation on the main aspects of the platform was shared during an AIOTI WG Innovation Ecosystems monthly meeting and during a SCoDIHNET periodic meeting¹²

REPLICABILITY AND SCALABILITY ASSESSMENT – THE QUESTIONNAIRE

As part of the on-going Replicability and Scalability initiative, the questionnaire was sent to the AIOTI Community and to 5GPPP pilot projects



OBJECTIVES

- Collect information about replicability and scalability assessment activities performed (or not performed) in R&I projects
- Identify dimensions for the assessment
- Identify actions to foster replicability and scalability of results
- Understand the awareness and interests of Innovation Ecosystems actors about these topics
- Identify barriers to replicate and scale-up a R&I project result
- Identify tools/platforms that can support and improve the successful replication of a project results

WHITE PAPER ELABORATION

Following the survey and the analysis of the results, the content of the Whitepaper has been designed

- Scope of the AIOTI Replicability and Scalability Task Force
- Definitions of Replicability, Scalability and Sustainability
- The process and the methodology
- Synergies with other Initiatives
- Synergies with other AIOTI Working Groups and initiatives
- Assessment tool dimensions
 - 1/ Technology
 - 2/ Data
 - 3/ Market
 - 4/ Acceptance
 - 5/ Regulation/Policy
- Complementary Replicability topics
 - Ecosystem
 - Sustainability
 - Financial
- The Replicability Assessment tool
- Action Plans



White Paper
A Replicability and Scalability
Assessment tool
Release 1.0

AIOTI FG Innovation Ecosystems
Replicability and scalability Assessment Task Force

1 June 2023

REPLICABILITY & SCALABILITY LEVEL

The 5 dimensions defined in the paper have been used to develop a tool which has the objective to provide a Replicability & Scalability Level

At each question of the 5 dimensions, we have affected a number of points that will contribute to define the Replicability & Scalability Level. This allocation is today a draft version, it will be review after the test that will be put in place in the next months.

High level of replicability : 61 < LR < 80

Good level of replicability: 31 < LR < 60

Low level of replicability: 00 < LR < 30

Technical dimension	Points
T1: Openness of components	0
T2: Interoperability of components	0
T3: Standardized Data Modelling	0
T4: IoT Platform Interoperability	0
T5: Modularity	0
T6: Compatibility with legacy infrastructure and equipment	0
T7: Updates&Maintenance	0
T8: Standards compliance	0
T9: Communication/Cloud infrastructure	0
T10: Exploitation potential	0
T11: Technical Readiness Level	0
Data dimension	Points
D1: Compatibility with data privacy rules	0
D2: Data Modelling	0
D3: Data Security	0
D4: Data Quality	0
D5: Data Asset Management	0
D6: Data Relevance	0
Market dimension	Points
M1: Market Analysis	0
M2: Demand Analysis	0
M3: Business model	0
M4: Stakeholder needs Analysis	0
M5: IPR Analysis	0
M6: IP strategy for your solution	0
M7: Solution validated in the market	0
M8: Business Readiness Level	0
Acceptance dimension	Points
A1: End-user interface design/usability	0
A2: Implementation instructions and documentation	0
A3: Adoption by DIHs	0
A4: User experience	0
A5: Language	0
A6: Societal Readiness Level	0
Regulation/Policy dimension	Points
R1: EU Regulation Compliance	0
R2: National Regulation Compliance	0
R3: EU Policy support	0
TOTAL	0

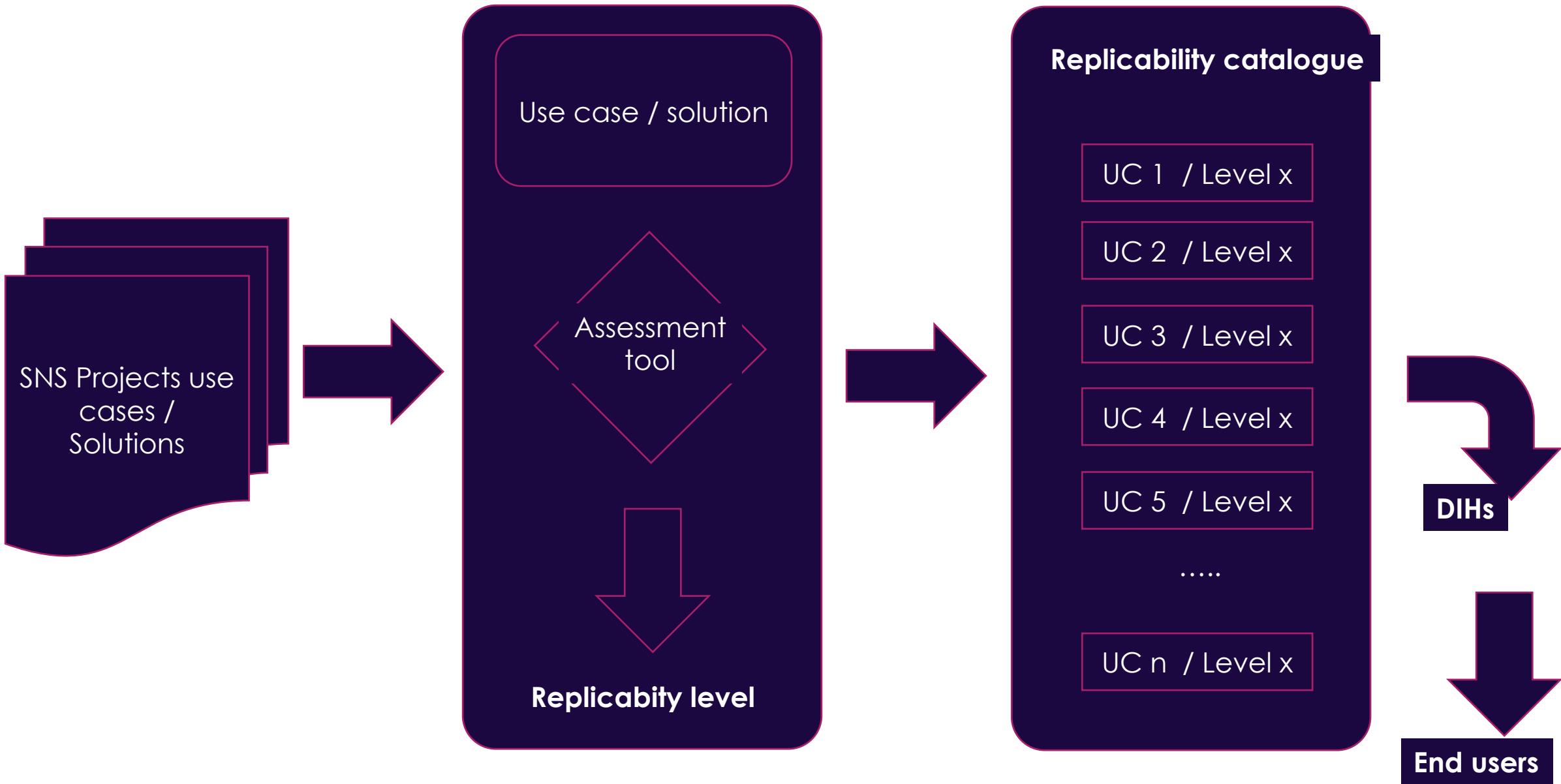
SCoDIHNet REPLICABILITY CATALOGUE

In parallel to the elaboration of the White paper, SCoDIHNet has initiated to populate a catalogue with existing use cases / Solutions which have been developed and experimented by IoT Large Scale Pilot projects and 5G PPP phase 3 experimental projects. It has been completed with the Next Generation Internet enablers that could complement the project solutions.

Today, this catalogue is encompassing around 1200 use cases/Solutions/Enablers covering most of the verticals that are available to DIHs for replication at local level.

The next step is to use the Replicability & Scalability assessment tool to give a Replicability & Scalability Level to each of these inputs. With such information, DIHs will be more comfortable to choose one or the other solution.

Project	Usecases	Verticals										
		All Verticals	Industry 4.0	Automotive	Agriculture	Media	Public Safety	Energy	Smart Cities	Transport & Logistics	Healthy Age	
5G PPP projects												
MonB5G	2	2										
TERAWAY	1	1										
5GZORRO	4		1	1	1	1						
5G-EPICENTRE	8						8					
5G-SOLUTIONS	18		5	2		5		2	4			
HEXA-X	5	5										
5G-SMART	3		3									
5G GROWTH	9		5					2		2		
5G-HEART	16				2					6	8	
INSPIRE-5GPLUS	2			1					1			
5G-EVE	16		2			1		2	4	4	2	
5GENESIS	2	1					1					
5G-VINNI	3		1					1			1	
5G-CARMEN	4			4								
5G-CroCo	2			2								
5G-MOBIX	1			1								
5GIDrones	2									2		
5G-TOURS	1									1		
5G-VICTORI	1									1		
5G CLARITY	3		2									
5G COMPLETE	3						1	1				
ADRIADNE	4			1					2	1		
LOCUS	2								2			
5GASP	2						2					
5G-ERA	1		1									
5GMETA	3			2					1			
5G-Blueprint	4			1							3	
5GMED	4			2							2	
5G-LOGINNOV	10			4							6	
5G-IANA	7			7								
B5G-OPEN	1						1					
Smart5Grid	2							2				
DEDICAT 6G	4		1	1		1		1				
MARSAL	4	1	1					2				
5GMediaHUB	3							3				
FUDGE-5G	5	1	1					1			1	
IoT Large Scale Projects												
MONICA	6									6		
IOF2020	33					33						
THOMAS	2		2									
BENTELER	1		1									
PROPHESY	4		4									
VICINITY	7								5		2	
BOOST	8		8									
ICP4LIFE	3		3									
ODINS	1				1							
FAREEDGE	2		2									
WAZIUP	3				3							
NGI projects												
DAPSI	992 enablers	26										
ESSIF-LAB	44	44										
NGI ASSURE	114	114										
NGI ATLANTIC	10	10										
NGI LEDGER	66	66										
NGI POINTER	36	36										
NGI TRUST	57	57										
NGI ZERO DISCOVERY	293	293										
NGI ZERO PET	304	304										
ONTOCHAIN	42	42										
TOTAL	1198	11	43	29	40	15	16	9	27	28	14	



SMART NETWORK AND SERVICES CALL 1 PROJECTS SURVEY

The 35 projects funded under the Smart Network and Services call 1 have started in January 2023 and a survey has been conducted in order to better understand their respective objectives. One of the question was related to replicability and it appears that 31 among them are ready to develop and provide replicable solutions.

These projects have usually 2-3 years duration, their solutions will be available later on but the proposal is to use the Replicability & Scalability Assessment tool time to time in order to see the evolution of the Replicability Level.

Specifically, all the Stream D (Large-Scale SNS Trials and Pilots) projects have the ambition to deliver replicable solutions

NEXT STEPS

- A Release 2 of the paper will be developed after the first pilots
- Identification of AIOTI members interested to experiment the assessment tool with their solutions
- Organisation of a real pilot with one SCoDIHNet DIH
- Feedback analysis and follow-up strategy (i.e. AIOTI label,)

Presentation of the examples

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Innovation Ecosystems

For a high performing ecosystem is important to know the technology available to be able to adopt it and to collaborate and to co-create and to do business.

ECOSYSTEM & COMMUNITY CANVAS

Energy flows where your attention goes.

DATE

STARTING

KNOWLEDGE:
(which kind of knowledge do you bring to the community and ecosystem?)

PREPARATION

ACTIVITIES:
(you need to schedule activities to bring people together. The objective is to share information and knowledge and bring value to them)

DEFINITION

NEEDS:
(define needs and issues your ecosystem and community are facing)

BONDING

VALUES:
(identify and define values for your ecosystem and community, such as transparency, innovation, collaboration, respect, diversity, etc)

SUPPORT:
(how can you help your community and ecosystem?)

PURPOSE:
(what is your ecosystem and community theme and purpose? What is the value creation you are creating with your ecosystem and community? Which problems are you solving?)

SOLUTIONS:
(what kind of solutions do you need to bring to the ecosystem and community?)

MANIFESTO:
(create your own manifesto for the ecosystem and community. Including mission and vision. Choose your SDG (sustainable development goals) and communicate it!)

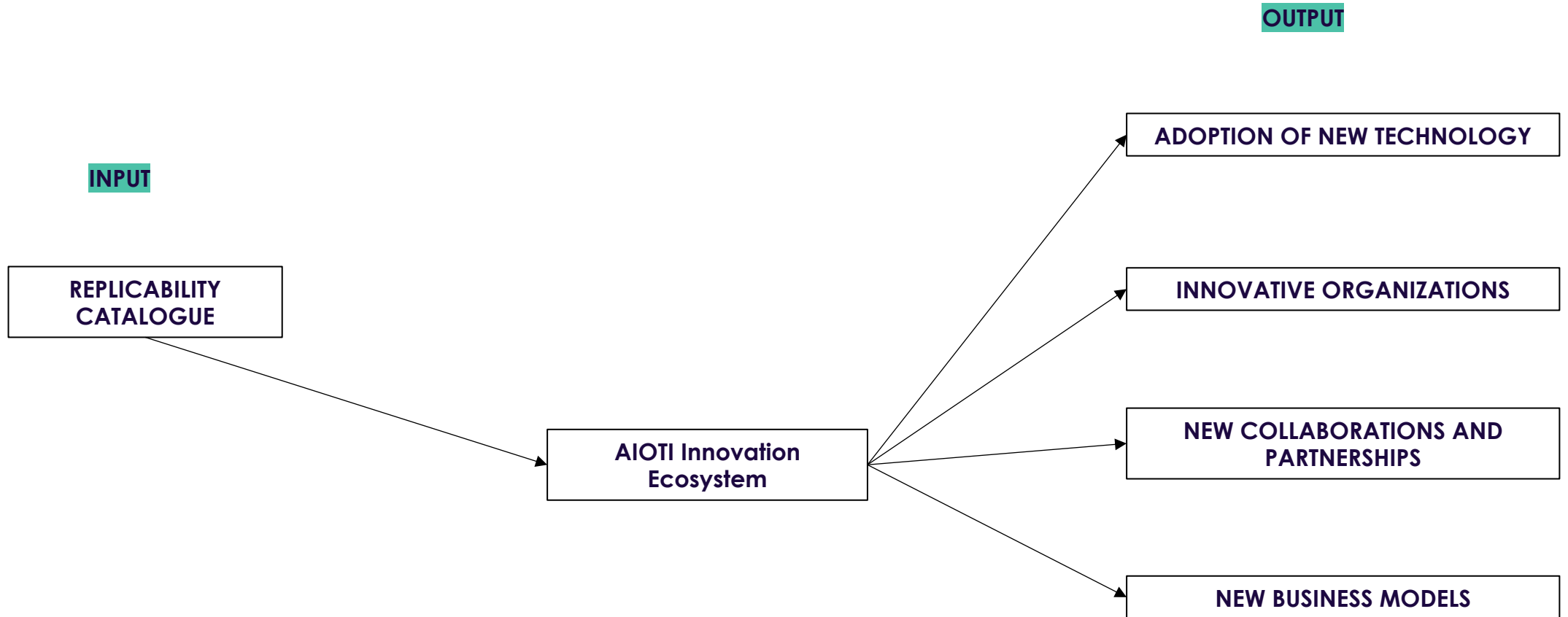
ACTORS:
(make a list of actors you want to add into your community and ecosystem: corporates, academics, investors, consultants, startups, universities, policy makers, customers, etc.)

INFORMATION FLOW:
(list the information and the format you want to share: news, events, showcase expertise, curated collaborations, etc)

TOOLS:
(create groups in social media channels or collabwith channels. aka. Where does your ecosystem and community meet and connect?)

EDUCATION:
(what do you have to educate your ecosystem and community with? Innovation, collaboration, open mindedness, your topic, etc.)

AIOTI FG Innovation Ecosystems



The rationale

Replicability

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Scalability

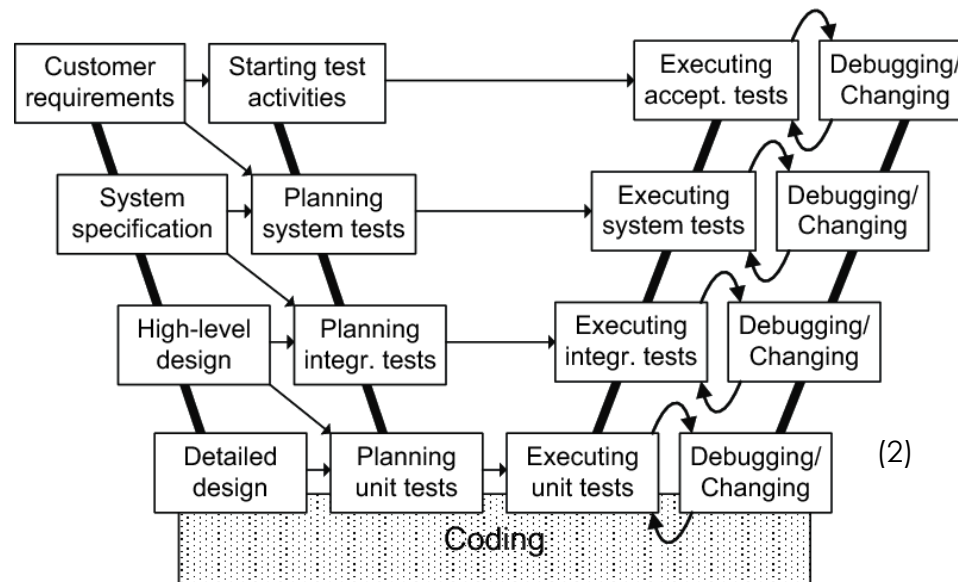
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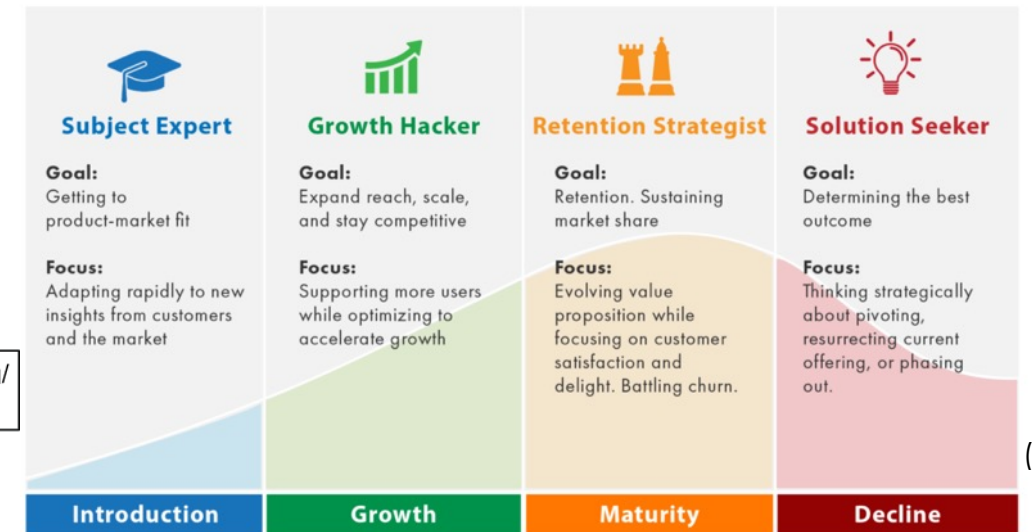
Market maturity – and capability to address the market – is playing a key aspect

Which market maturity do I need

- Uptake and reuse implies different maturities in component development
- Target is to map the system's market expectation with the component's market readiness



Product Management's Role At Every Phase of the Product Lifecycle



Topics addressed

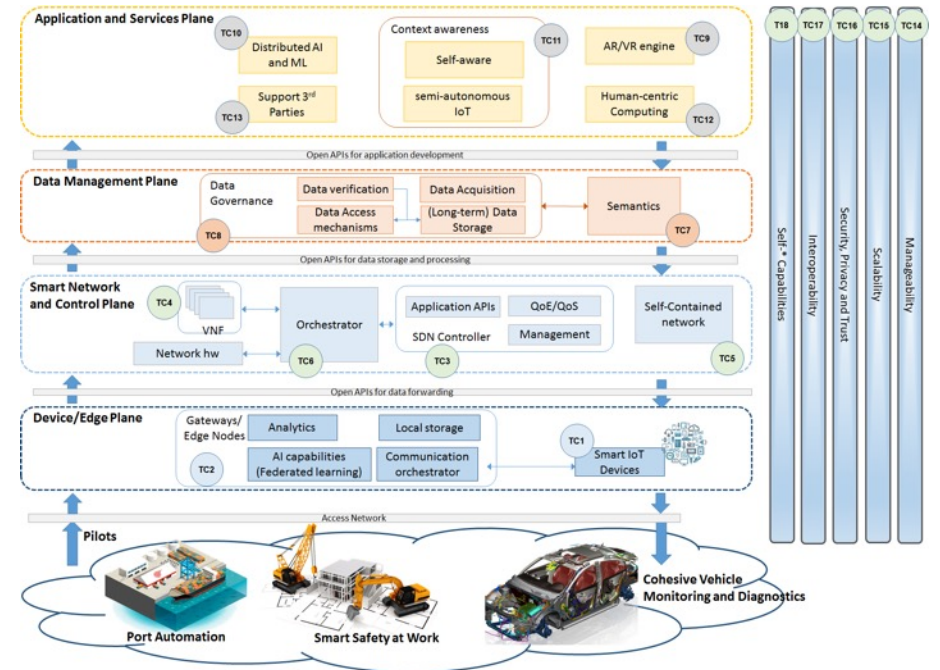
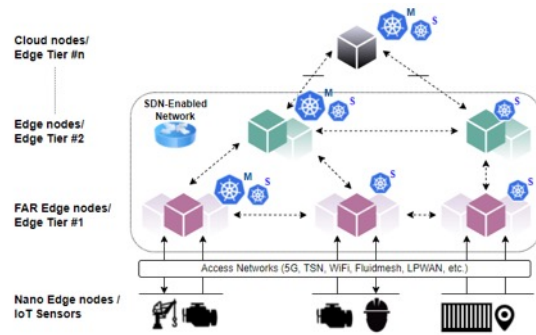
- **M1: Market analysis** → *Confidence that there is a market demand for my solution*
- **M2: Demand analysis**
- **M3: Business model** → *Confidence that there is the possibility to create / operate the solution in a (financial) sustainable way*
- **M4: Stakeholder needs analysis**
- **M5: IPR analysis** → *Confidence about (a) the freedom to operate, and (b) that my solution won't be copied by a competitor*
- **M6: IP strategy for your solution**
- **M7: Solution validated in the market** → *Validation of the solution through the market*

ASSIST-IoT – The Project



“Architecture for Scalable, Self-*, human-centric, Intelligent, Secure, and Tactile next generation IoT”

Call: H2020-ICT-2020-1 // Topic: ICT-56-2020
 Type of action: RIA // Duration: 36 months
 Start date: 1 November 2020
 Partners: 15 // Countries: 7



- Delivering a blueprint NGIoT **multi-plane-oriented architecture**
- Supported by **key enablers** atop a smart network infrastructure, with low latency capabilities
- Transferring **intelligence closer to the edge**

ASSIST-IoT – The Transferability / Adoption potential USE CASES

Tested in highly **heterogeneous environments** to ensure minimization of the risk.

ASSIST-IoT works with **leading industries**.

Different vertical with **diverse market needs**.



Port automation



Improve efficiency, safety and profitability of new port processes



Smart Safety of workers



Make provisions for predicting potentially dangerous situations in construction



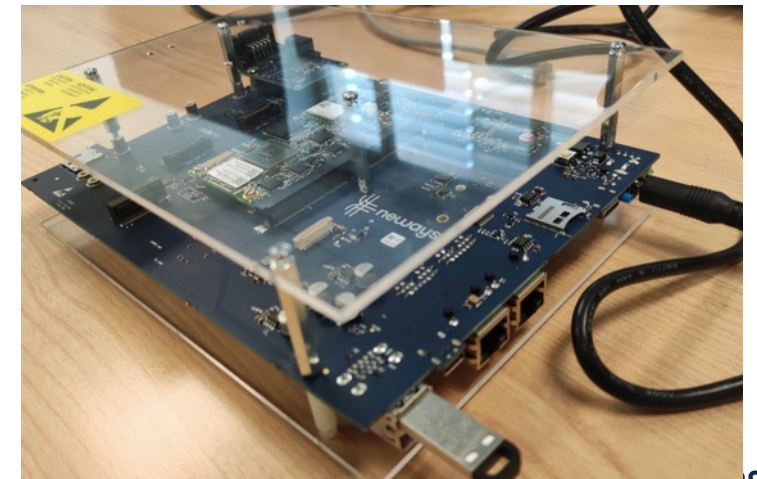
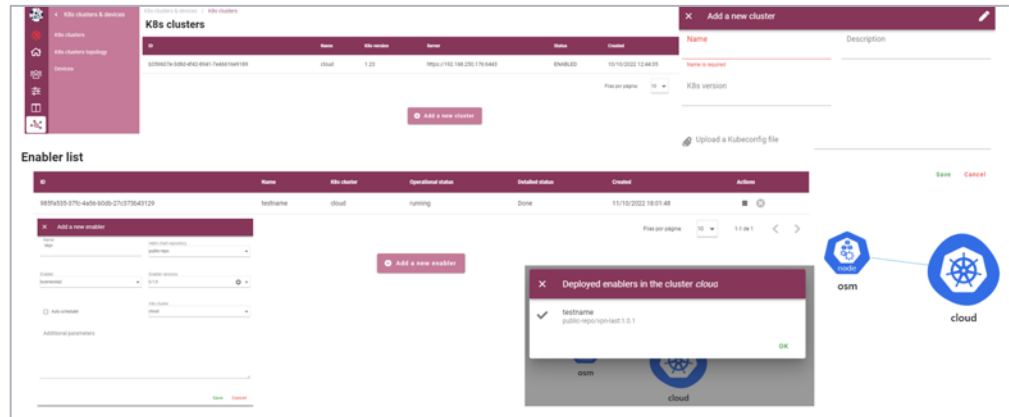
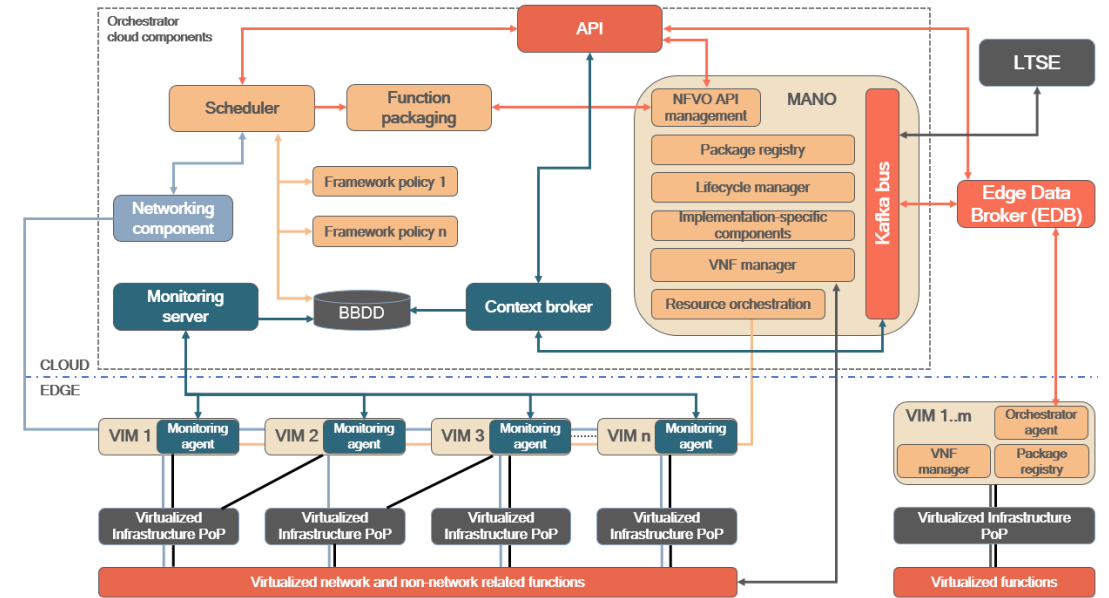
Cohesive vehicle monitoring and diagnostics



Increase monitoring capabilities in individual cars and at a fleet scale

ASSIST-IoT – The Transferability / Adoption potential INNOVATION ELEMENTS

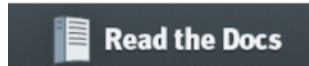
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IE-01	TruckGUI app	SW Platform	WP7
IE-02	UWB Geofencing	HW / SW Platform	WP7
IE-03	Multiwireless ROS	HW / SW Platform	WP4-5
IE-04	eGuided ROS	SW Platform	WP7
IE-05	Workers safety system	SW Platform	WP7
IE-06	MR-based inspection support system	SW source code	WP4-5
IE-07	In-Service emission diagnostic	HW / SW Platform	WP7
IE-08	Enhanced scanner	SW Platform	WP7
IE-09	GWEN	HW	WP4-5
IE-10	ASSIST-IoT service deployment orchestration (ASDO)	SW source code	WP4-5
IE-11	FL System	SW Platform	WP4-5
IE-12	Enhanced Security Center	SW Platform	WP4-5
IE-13	ASSIST-IoT Horizontal Autoscaling (ASHA)	SW Platform	WP4-5
IE-14	Edge data broker	SW source code	WP4-5
IE-15	Enhanced Blockchain as a Service	SW source code	WP4-5



The ASSIST-IoT Replicability Methodology

- **Transferability document** indicating:

- ASSIST-IoT installation and design for other use-cases/ verticals



- Barriers for implementation
- Application of diverse transferability analysis techniques

1. Collect information about replicability and scalability assessment activities performed (or not performed) in R&I projects
2. Identify dimensions for the assessment
3. Identify actions to foster replicability and scalability of results
4. Understand the awareness and interests of Innovation Ecosystems actors about these topics
5. Identify barriers to replicate and scale-up a R&I project result
6. Identify tools/platforms that can support and improve the successful replication of a project results
7. Active participation in the Replicability initiative of AIOTI

Understand the barriers of each of our selected Innovative Elements

Apply a series of tools to those Innovation Elements to weigh their transferability potential



How we have used AIOTI Assessment and Replicability tool so far

T5: Modularity: Referred to modular IoT architecture that can be customized for a diverse range of applications or, in general, to a design.

T6: Compatibility with legacy infrastructure and equipment: The solution is using legacy network infrastructure (5G, Sigfox, Lora, NB-IoT).

T7: Updates & Maintenance: Components should evolve to add new functionalities or to correct bugs, this could be made could be.

T8: Standards Compliance: Many standards have been developed for IoT and communication, interoperability could only become a reality.

T10: Exploitation potential/applicability to industrial relevant environment: In order to contribute to the Digitalisation of the industry.

T11: Technology Readiness Level: A method to estimate the technology maturity of the solution.

D1: Compatibility with data privacy rules: Data provided by IoT and used by applications should be under the European Regulation.

D3: Data Security: Data security is the practice of protecting digital information from unauthorized access, corruption, or theft throughout its entire lifecycle. It encompasses Encryption, Data erasure, Data masking and data resiliency.

D4: Data Quality: Data quality measures the condition of data, relying on factors such as how useful it is to the specific context.

M1: Market analysis: A market analysis provides information about industries, customers, competitors, and other market factors.

M3: Business model: The term business model refers to a company's plan for making a profit. It identifies the various ways in which the company can generate revenue.

M6: IP strategy for your solution: An IP strategy is a plan for you to develop, grow, leverage and monetize your portfolio of IP assets.

M7: Solution validated in the market: Market validation includes reviewing your solution with your market (customers and prospects).

M8: Business Readiness Level: A method to estimate the business maturity of the solution.

A2: Implementation instructions and documentation: Product documentation is a type of technical documentation that explains almost everything about a product.

A4: User experience: User Experience refers to the feeling users experience when using a product, application, system, or service. It is a broad concept that encompasses many different aspects of the user's interaction with a product.

A5: Language: In European projects, user Interface (UI) are usually designed using the English language. In the case of replicability, it is important to consider the language of the target market.

A6: Societal readiness: The Societal Readiness Level (SRL) is a way of assessing the level of societal adaptation of, for instance, a particular social project or technology.

R2: National regulation Compliance: At national level there are also specific laws that are not against European legislation but that could bring additional restrictions.

R3: EU Policy support: The political strategy of this Commission is to set Europe on a path to successfully achieving climate neutrality by 2050, shaping our digital future, strengthening our unique social market economy, building a Union of prosperity, and making Europe stronger in the world. 6 priorities have been identified, when one your solutions to contributing to:

- A European Green Deal **1 point**
- An economy that works for people **1 point**
- Promoting our European way of life **1 point**
- A Europe fit for the digital age **1 point**
- A stronger Europe in the world **1 point**
- A new push for European democracy **1 point**

Used with WP4 – Smart orchestrator (IE-10 “ASDO”):

- First contact with the tool
- Example for guiding the assessment the rest of innovation elements
- Aspects to improve the evaluated solution

High level of replicability:	61 < LR < 80		
Good level of replicability:	31 < LR < 60	TOTAL	48
Low level of replicability:	00 < LR < 30		

How we have used AIOTI Assessment and Replicability tool so far

- Areas of improvement of the assessed solution (ASDO):
 - Any use of data modelling tool, to formalize the model created
 - Lack of dedicated features related to data consistency and uniqueness
 - Although a market analysis has been performed, business model and stakeholder needs analysis come too late
 - Improvements in the (installation, usage) instructions and FAQ could be made
 - User experience testing of the GUI, checked with design experts BUT not with potential users
 - A thorough analysis of regulation compliance has not been made
- Other aspects, although didn't received highest marks, are not that relevant either (i) for the solution itself, or (ii) for its current development phase.
- Feedback related the replicability tool itself:
 - In general, very intuitive and easy to use by the development team in a short period of time
 - Data, market, acceptance and regulation dimensions seem applicable to almost any IE
 - Some aspects of the technical dimension are a bit particular (T2, T9) to specific platforms or solutions

Next Steps

Step / Month	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Participation WG Innovation Ecosystems - TF Replicability and Scalability									
Survey #2 to stakeholders feeding barriers for implementation									
Use of AIOTI assessment and replicability tool in rest of IEs									
Evolution of T9.4 impact task									
Feedback to the white paper									
Second assessment with the tool to all the IEs									
Release of ASSIST-IoT transferability document, part of D8.4									

Questions from the Audience

Moderated by:
Pierre-Yves Danet (48d79m Consulting), Paper Editor

Wrap up and end of the Webinar

Jara Pascual, FG Innovation Ecosystems Chair



Thank you for listening

Any questions?

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