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# INNOVATION FACTORY JUN 2020

**Mission**  
To support SMEs from ideation to design and engineering stage, and migrate them to product owners in order to venture into higher value markets.

**Vision**  
The one-stop design and solution centre for Singapore SMEs.

# Objectives and Intent of the Innovation Factory

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- To **plug** the current gaps in companies looking to develop new products
- **Catalyse** innovative design and **Scale up** to Pilot production

## Target Group

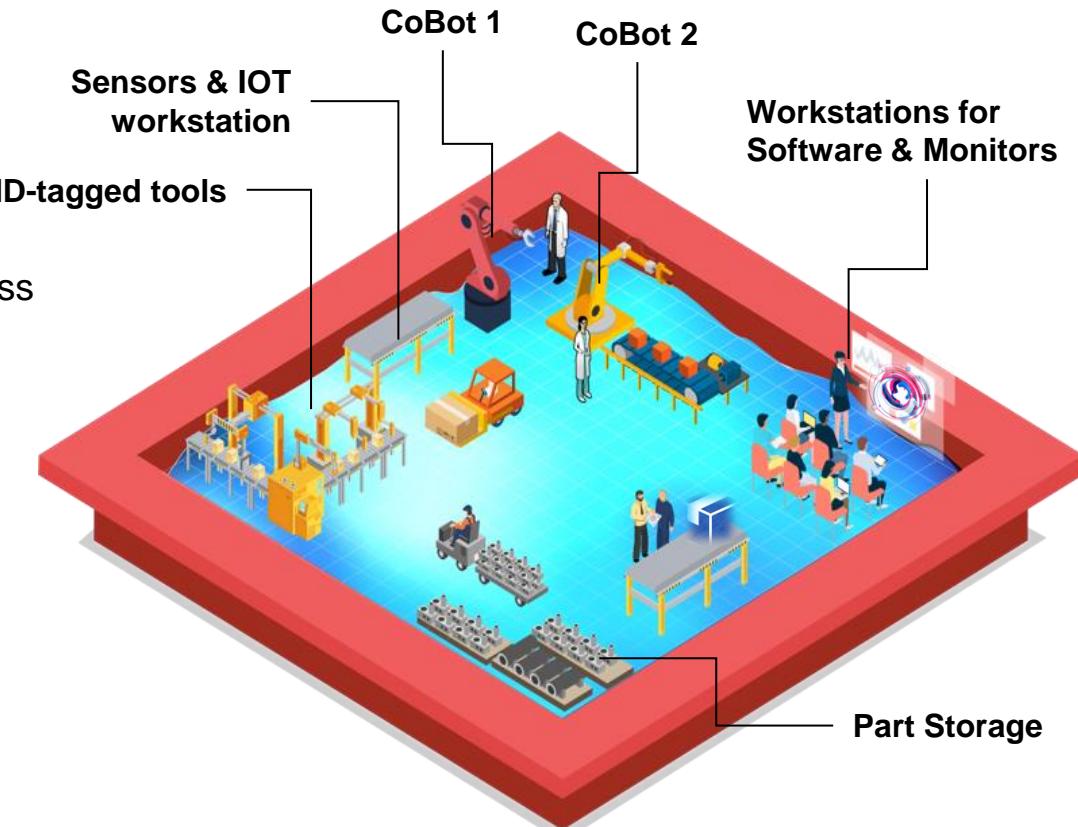
- Product and Equipment Distributors
- Companies curated via Operational & Technology Roadmap (OTR) process
- PE company aspiring to be an Original Device Manufacturer (ODM)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> generation SME owners who plan to branch into new areas
- **Lifestyle and consumer products companies**

## Value Capture

- Enable local SMEs to move up the value chain and broaden business opportunities
- Migrate SMEs from component / module manufacturer to product owner
- Form network of hardware & software companies to co-develop product

## Differentiators

- Enable SMEs to 'Fish' (from Ideation to Pilot Production) via the Product Development journeys



The Innovation Factory

# IDEA Model

Target Companies

Product & Equipment Distributors

OTR Companies

PE Companies

2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Owners

## Stage 1 IDEATION

### Ideation Journey Program

- Creating an ecosystem with application of **Design Thinking** methodologies
- Exchange of ideas between SMEs, start-ups, end-users and technology providers
- Design Bootcamp
- Focus Areas:
  - Equipment Design
  - MedTech Devices
  - Digital Solutioning
  - Electromechanical Modules

*Start Design Thinking early*



## Stage 2 DESIGN

### Design Journey Program

Companies can tap on:

- Advanced Product & Engineering design
- New Product Prototype
- Open Source Software
- Ready-to-Go solutions
- Network of Designers & Consultants
- Software Programming

## Stage 3 ENGINEERING

### Engineering Journey Program

Access pool of experts & equipment for prototyping:

- Robotics
- Additive Manufacturing
- AI, Sensors & IoT
- Vision & Inspection
- Advanced Materials
- AR, VR, Simulation



## Stage 4 APPLICATION

### Scale-up to Pilot production program

- Assist SMEs to set up Pilot Production line
- Model Factory Digital Solutioning
- Product / Module Performance Validation and Assessment



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Innovation Labs to address today's Gap<sup>3</sup>

Innovating with A\*STAR RIIs

# Collaboration with COIs and Larger Ecosystem

## Target Companies

Distributors  
OTR Companies  
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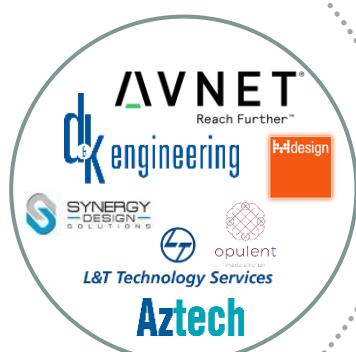
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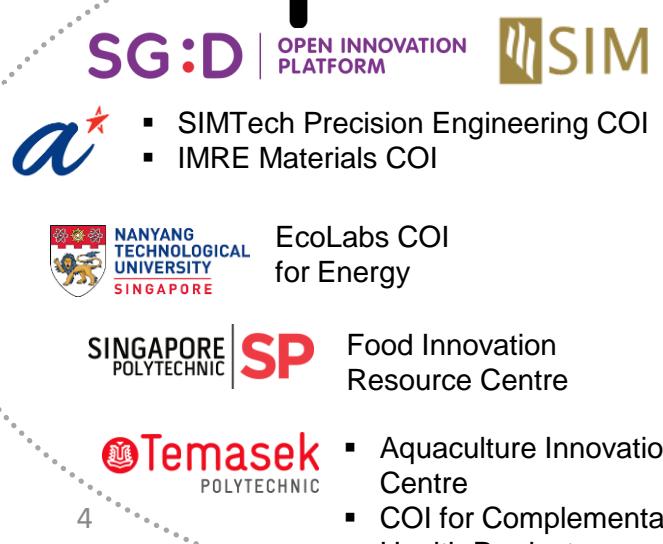
## Innovation Factory

1. Provide Design Thinking, human-centered consulting
2. First stage project filtering (Go/No Go)
3. Leverage on the network of **COIs**, RIIs, IHLs for R&D consulting, **train** new talents, job redesign
4. Coordination & Link up with design companies
5. Outsource projects to successful time-to-market;

## Outsource Projects to Design Partners



## Partner COIs and Research Performers

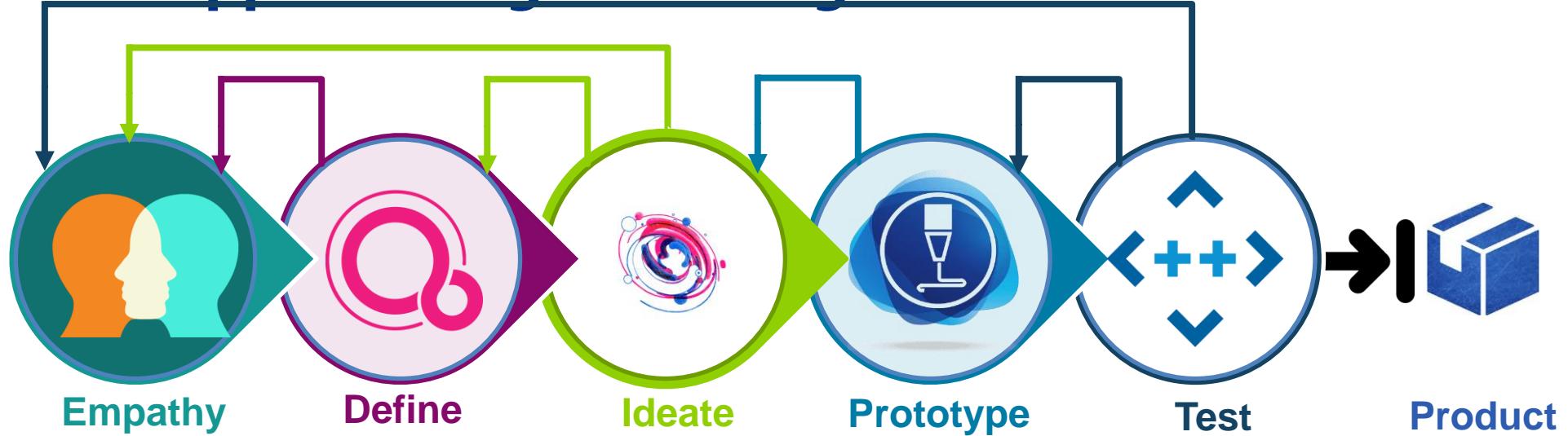


## Market

## Productisation

Co-ordinate, manage and perform product focused design and development activities to transform ideas into market ready products/

# How IF support Design Thinking?



## DESIGN RESEARCH

Study the real challenges that users are facing using descriptive or exploratory research methods.



Define the problem statement, unearth issues and unmet needs.

## TRANSLATE

Use different types of data analysis tools to study the collected data, translate the findings into design direction that could generate high value propositions.

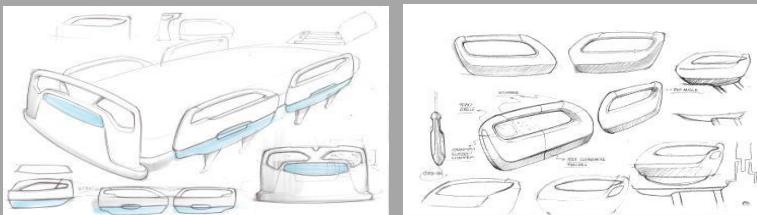


## CONCEPT

No idea is bad idea, concepts were explored and developed in early phase, build prototypes rapidly for quick tests to proof the concept and validate the value proposition.



## Ideation



## Concept Development



## Rapid Prototyping



## Test Products



## CAD Modeling



# Innovation Factory Consultancy in Design Thinking

## Value of our approach

During the consultancy process, all the key design elements such as **design language**, **CMF**, **UX/UI**, **branding**, and relevant design or quality standards will be carefully implemented and refined rigorously.

	<b>Design Language</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Branding and style guidelines</li> <li>▪ Corporate brand value</li> <li>▪ Ergonomic, Usability</li> <li>▪ CMF management</li> </ul>
	<b>Styling Tiers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Primary</li> <li>▪ Universal</li> <li>▪ Specialized</li> <li>▪ Functional</li> </ul>
	<b>Visual Perception UX UI</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Critical model</li> <li>▪ Versatile model</li> <li>▪ Primary model</li> </ul>
	<b>Ergonomics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Low risk</li> <li>▪ Good to have</li> <li>▪ Baseline</li> </ul>
	<b>Color and Finishes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Corporate theme with composition</li> <li>▪ Non-corporate</li> </ul>
	<b>Design and Quality Standards</b>	

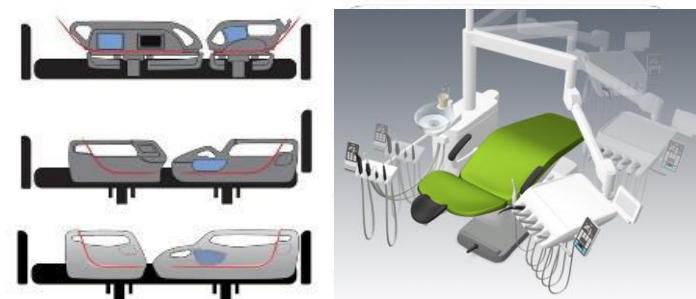
### Design Language Elements

To make the design language compelling, final design should comprise all the important elements that are meaningful and practical for patient and caregiver.



### B) Visual Perception

Larger or rich structure form will appear higher end, whereas compact or simpler structure will appear lower end.



### D) Color & Finishes

There are 3 possible combination in most business-case  
 a) Corporate trim - Blue & white only  
 b) Corporate trim would be - Blue & white, and ONE additional color trim  
 c) Non-corporate trim - graphical effect (wood grain, anodize, aluminum, etc)  
 Metallic color trim reflects high-tech and modern; blue accent reflects corporate branding and wooden graphic reflects home.



### A) Styling Tier

Today, many Hill-Rom beds seems not appear with same meaning in different region. For instance, HR900 spec can be considered as normal bed for hospital in Europe, but it's an advance product for emerging market. Thus, product style may need to be converted so to be more meaningful regionally. Below is an option to categorize the style by tier.

#### Functional Character

##### Specialized



##### Universal

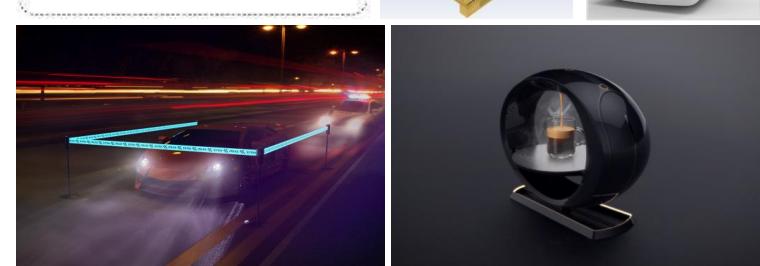
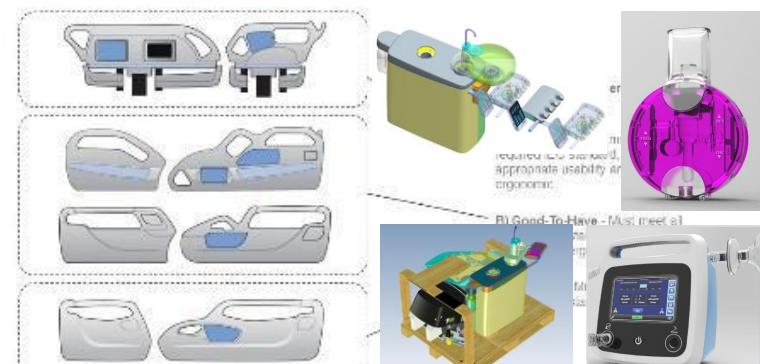


##### Primary



### C) Ergonomic Level

Appropriate ergonomic will drive better customer satisfaction; minimum ergonomic could be good enough for budgetary customers. Egress is one of the trends that can make Hill-Rom looks outstanding in the competition, and can be managed in different level.



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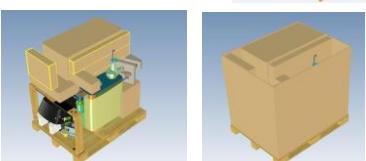
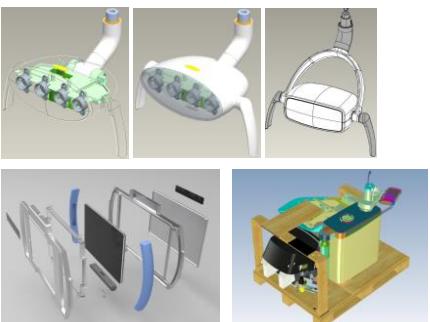
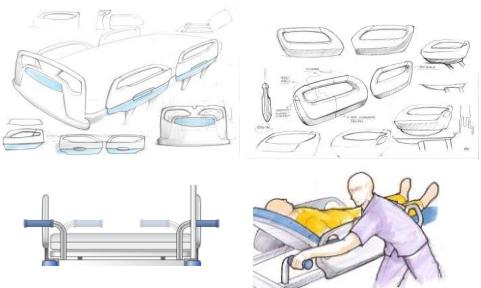
# Building Design Capabilities to narrow Market Gaps

**PDP**

Product & Industrial Design



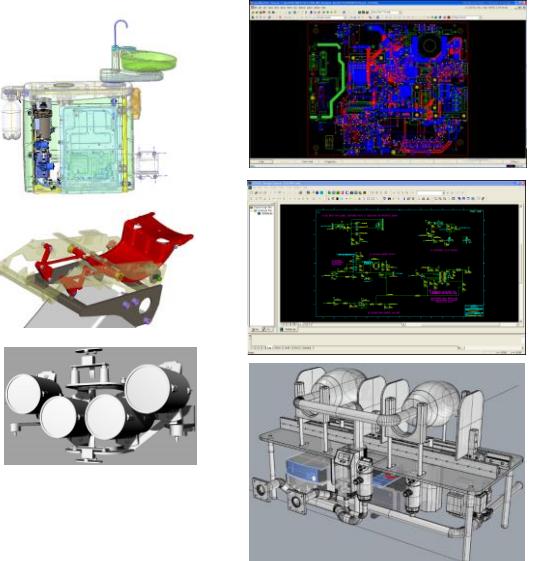
- Rhino 3D
- Adobe Creative Cloud, Photoshop, Illustrator
- Luxion KeyShot 3D photorealistic



Technology R&D/ Adoption  
Product engineering



- 3D concepts
- Go-To-Market Strategy
- R&D (EE, ME, SW)
- Design Reviews



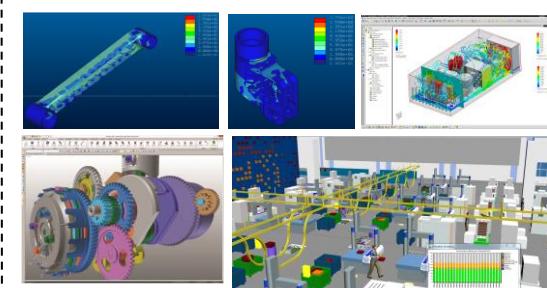
Prototype



Design Verification



- Mold flow analysis
- Simulation (Vibration, Frequency, Buckling, Thermal, Drop Test, topology optimisation, non-linear materials, large deformations)
- Pipe, tube, duct and wire routing
- Environmental Impact Analysis
- Structural part and assembly analysis
- Advanced surface flattening
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DFM/ Clinical Validation

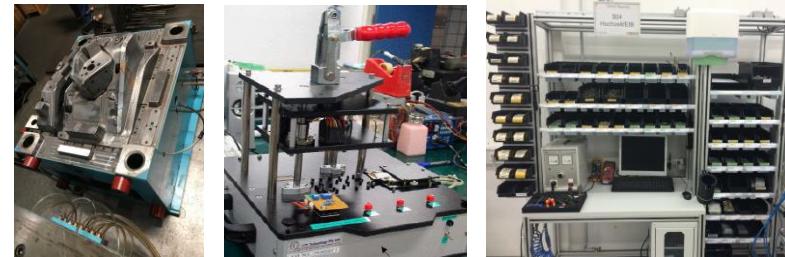


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Tooling

Mass Production

- Blow Moulding
- 2k Injection Moulding
- ODM
- CM
- Finished goods
- Shipment
- Logistics
- Product Lifecycle management
- Lessons learned



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# Innovation Factory Build Lab Facilities and Services



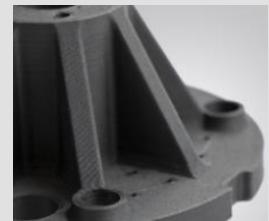
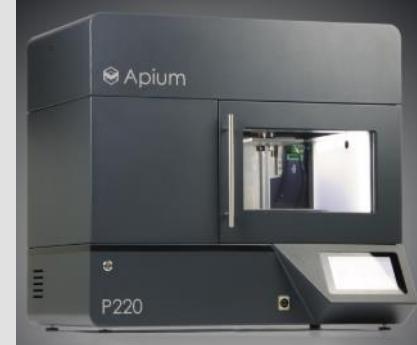
## Markforged X7 Continuous carbon fiber

- Fused filament fabrication, Continuous Filament Fabrication
- Top-of-the-line industrial grade platform with strengthened dual nozzle print system that supports **Continuous Carbon Fiber** and **Kevlar** reinforcement.
- Build Volume **330 mm x 270 mm x 200 mm**
- Layer Height 50 µm
- Onyx, Onyx FR, Nylon White Fibers, Carbon fiber, fiberglass, Kevlar®, HSHT fiberglass
- Tensile Strength **800 MPa** (25.8x ABS, 22.2x Onyx)
- Flex Modulus **51 GPa** (24.8x ABS, 14.2x Onyx) \*



## Metal X Metal 3D

- Atomic Diffusion Additive Manufacturing (ADAM)
- Top-of-the-line **industrial grade metal printing** platform featuring 17-4 PH Stainless Steel PH, Tool Steel, Inconel 625 and Copper materials.
- Build Volume **300 x 220 x 180 mm** (11.8 x 8.7 x 7.1 in)
- Max Post-Sinter Part Size 188 x 54 x 52 mm
- Metal material with ceramic release layer
- Layer height 125 µm and 50 µm, post-sinter



## 3DP Apium P220

- Material extrusion 3D printer
- supports a wide variety of amorphous and semi-crystalline thermoplastics from **ABS, PP, PVDF, PEI, PEEK, Carbon Fiber Reinforced PEEK** to metal containing compounds such as Stainless Steel (316L)
- Build Size **205 x 155 x 150 mm**
- Layer Thicknesses 0.05 – 0.6 mm
- Wall Thickness > 250 µm
- Noise Emission < 55 dB(A)

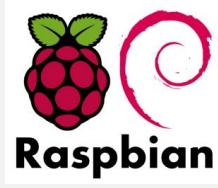
# Innovation Factory Collaboration with Design Houses

## Scope of Design Services

NPD	Scope	Design Activities	Tools and Deliverables
Transform the finalized design concept into design for manufacturability, cost- effective and reliable product throughout the established product development process.	General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Requirement Management</li> <li>▪ Defect Tracking</li> <li>▪ GTM strategy</li> <li>▪ Test Management</li> <li>▪ Document Control</li> <li>▪ Project Management</li> </ul>	 <b>windchill</b> ®  <b>SIEMENS NX</b> PLM Software  <b>IBM Rational</b> ClearCase  <b>IBM Rational</b> DOORS Next Generation  <b>ClearQuest</b>
Proposed designs will be reviewed in an iterative manner at every stage to ensure technical problems are solved without compromise the design requirements.	1.0 Industrial Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ As previous slides on Phase 1</li> </ul>	 <b>KeyShot</b>  <b>KeyVR</b> by Luxion  <b>Rhino 3D</b>  <b>Rhinoeros</b>  <b>Blender</b>
Continual refinement of ideation sketches, detail design drawing, 3D CAD modeling and rapid prototyping within the planned project timeline will transform the fuzzy frontend and early thoughts into a high quality and attractive product.	1.1 Electrical Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 8/16/32 bit processors</li> <li>▪ Motor controls, robotics</li> <li>▪ Analog and Digital</li> <li>▪ Power mgt.</li> </ul>	 <b>LTspice</b> ®  <b>KEIL</b> ™ Tools by ARM  <b>STM32 Cube</b>  <b>ARDUINO</b>
	1.2 Schematics and PCB Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Audio and video</li> <li>▪ PCB Design</li> <li>▪ Simulation</li> <li>▪ Programmable Logic</li> </ul>	 <b>PADS</b> ®  <b>ALTiUM DESIGNER 20</b>  <b>AUTODESK EAGLE</b>

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	1.4 Mechanical Design (Packaging, Plastics, electronics packaging with metal work)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing</li> <li>▪ Data import and reuse</li> <li>▪ Advanced 3D part and assembly design</li> <li>▪ AR and export to third party AR/VR/MR</li> <li>▪ Sheet metal design</li> <li>▪ Design for cost</li> <li>▪ Frame &amp; weldment design</li> <li>▪ Surface modelling and Plastic part design</li> <li>▪ Jig &amp; fixture design</li> <li>▪ Conceptual assembly layout</li> <li>▪ Cam and Gear design</li> <li>▪ Pulley &amp; shaft, Spring design</li> <li>▪ Beam &amp; column design</li> <li>▪ Electrical routing</li> <li>▪ PCB collaboration</li> <li>▪ Pipe and tube routing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Automated 2D drawings</li> <li>▪ Standard parts library (includes machinery content)</li> <li>▪ Animation and Advanced photorealistic rendering</li> <li>▪ IFC import &amp; export for Building Information Modelling (<b>BIM</b>)</li> <li>▪ Mesh data reuse (Convergent Modelling)</li> <li>▪ Reverse engineering (3D scanning)</li> <li>▪ 3D print preparation and service</li> <li>▪ Generative design and Data management</li> <li>▪ Inventor data migration</li> <li>▪ Pro/Engineer / Creo data migration</li> <li>▪ Cloud-ready productivity (log-in license, cloud-based collaboration, free viewing tools)</li> </ul>



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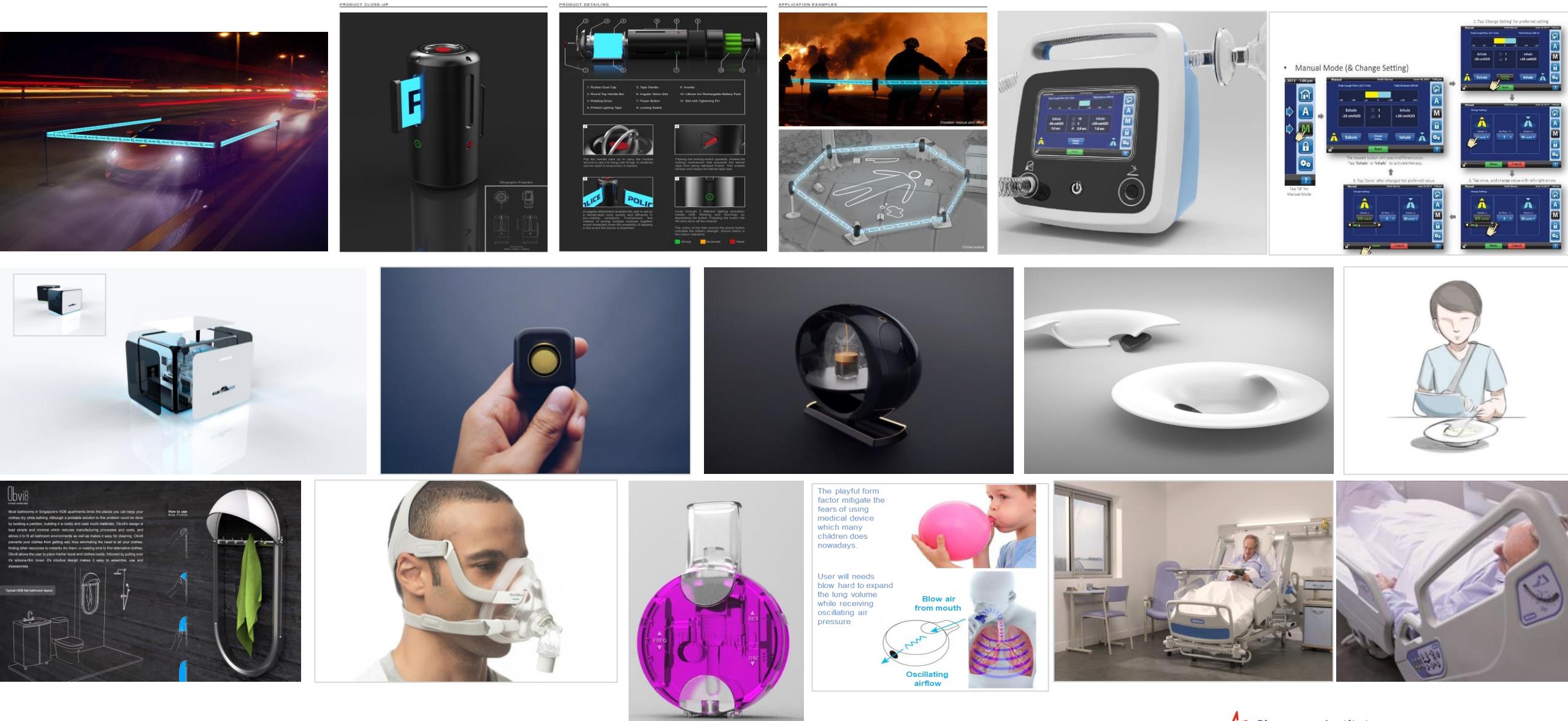
**Ansys**

**NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS**  
**LabVIEW™**

**RECURDYN**

**MATLAB**

# Examples - Design Thinking Approach to Product Design



# Engaging Interested Companies

Product & equipment distributors

TAT CHUAN ACOUSTIC  
ESTABLISHED 1966

Ban Leong Technologies Limited

FLEON®



Ops & Tech Roadmap (OTR) exercise

HAKKO

DMS  
DELPHIC

SEIKO  
Architectural Wall Systems Pte Ltd

YEAKIN PLASTIC INDUSTRY PTE LTD  
Shaping The Future...

PE company aspiring to be ODM

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MPT

OELI

CSE

Automation Technology Center Pte Ltd

Aurigin technology

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2<sup>nd</sup> GENERATION SME OWNERS

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FONG LEE

ELITE SPRINGS INDUSTRIES  
Springs | Forming | Cutting

Kay Kay Plastic Industries Pte Ltd

Portal Phenom™

Others

PROLINK® Fong's

Dornier MedTech

Brain Domain

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HYLAX TECHNOLOGY COVE

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"Performance, Value, Integrity"

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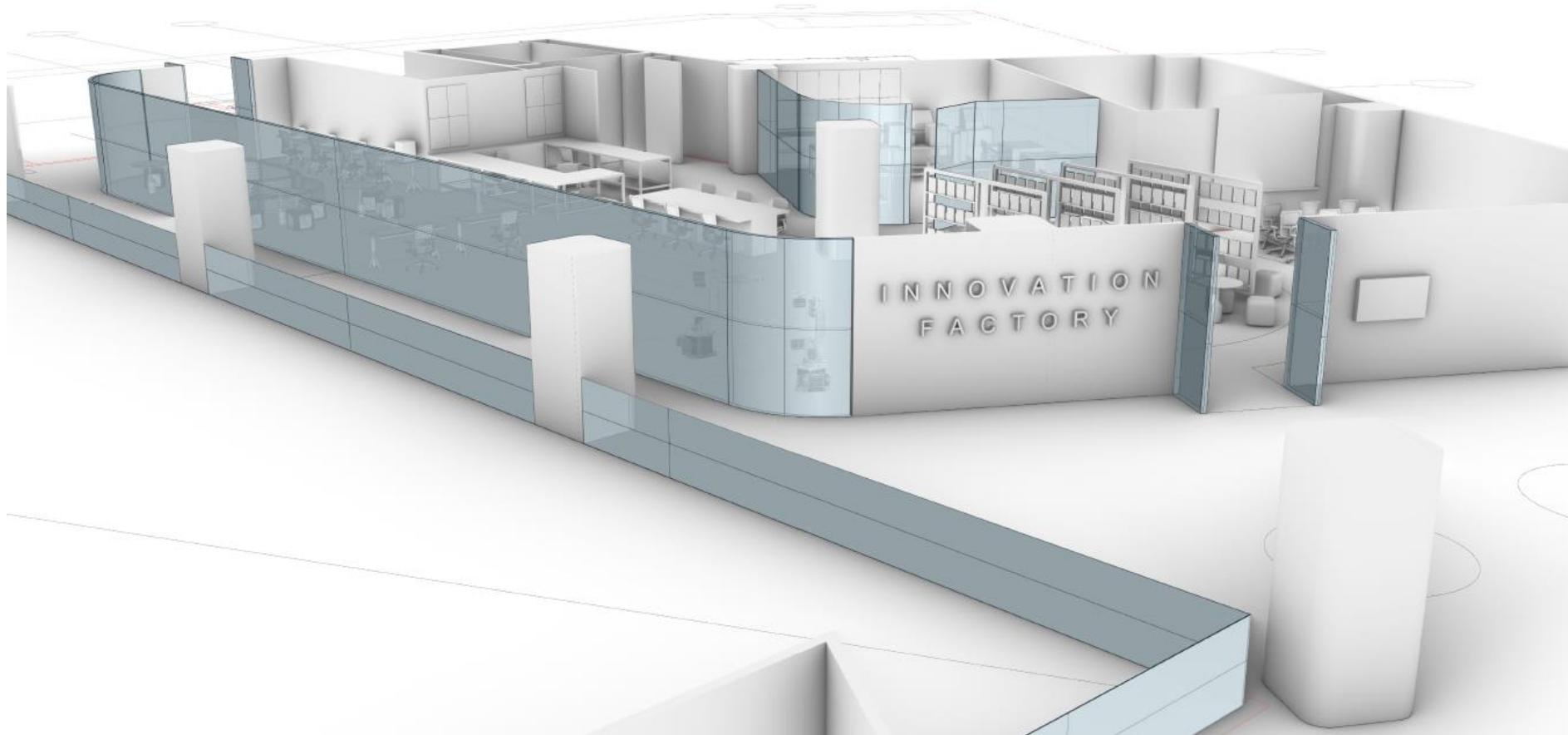
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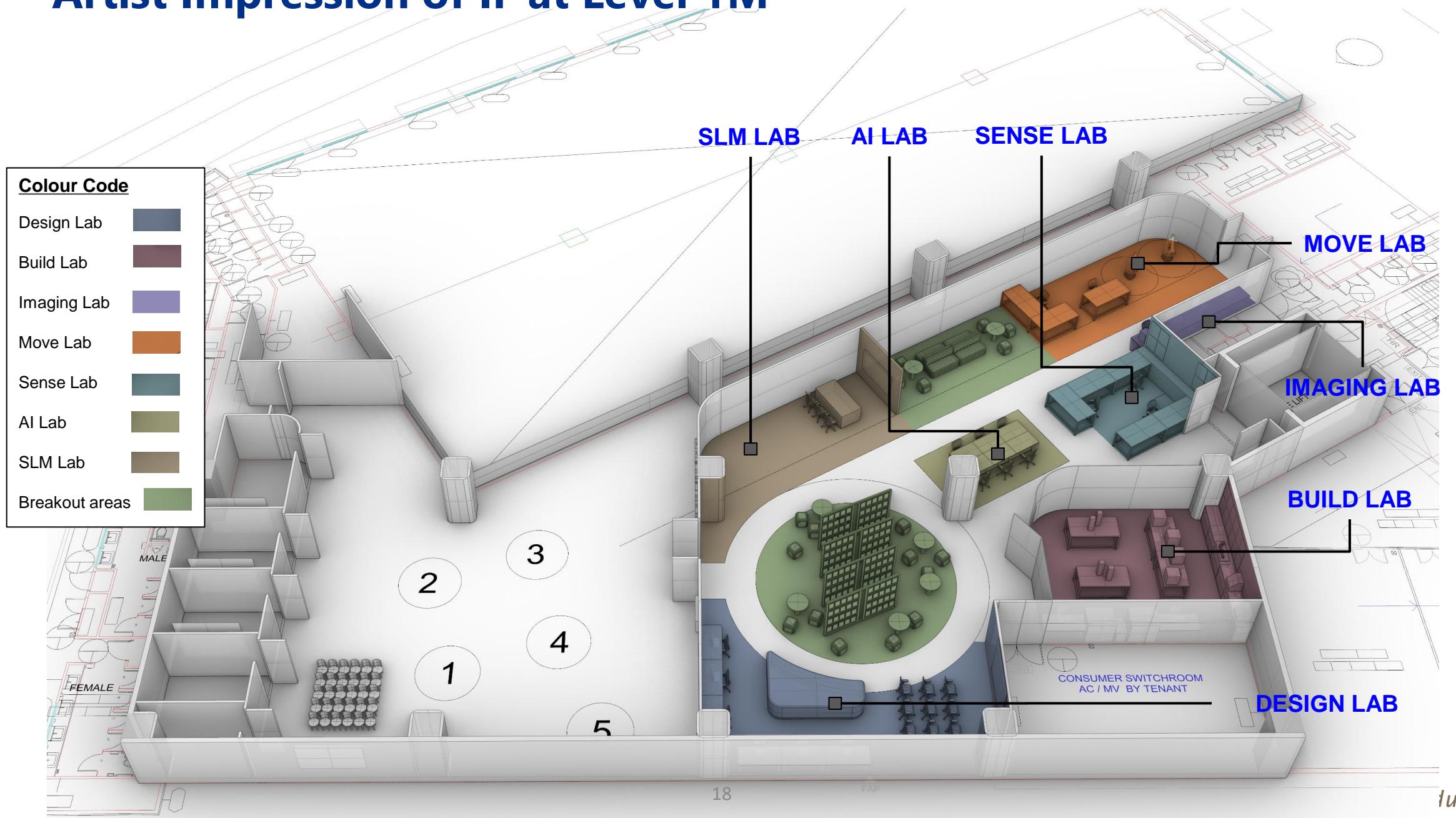
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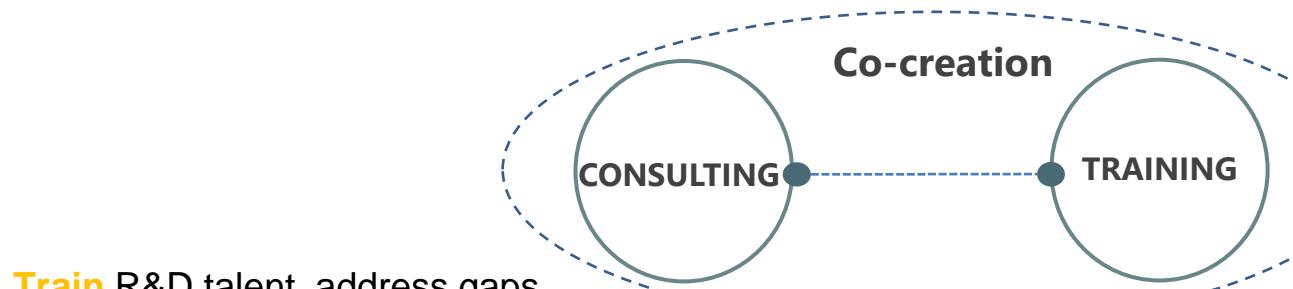
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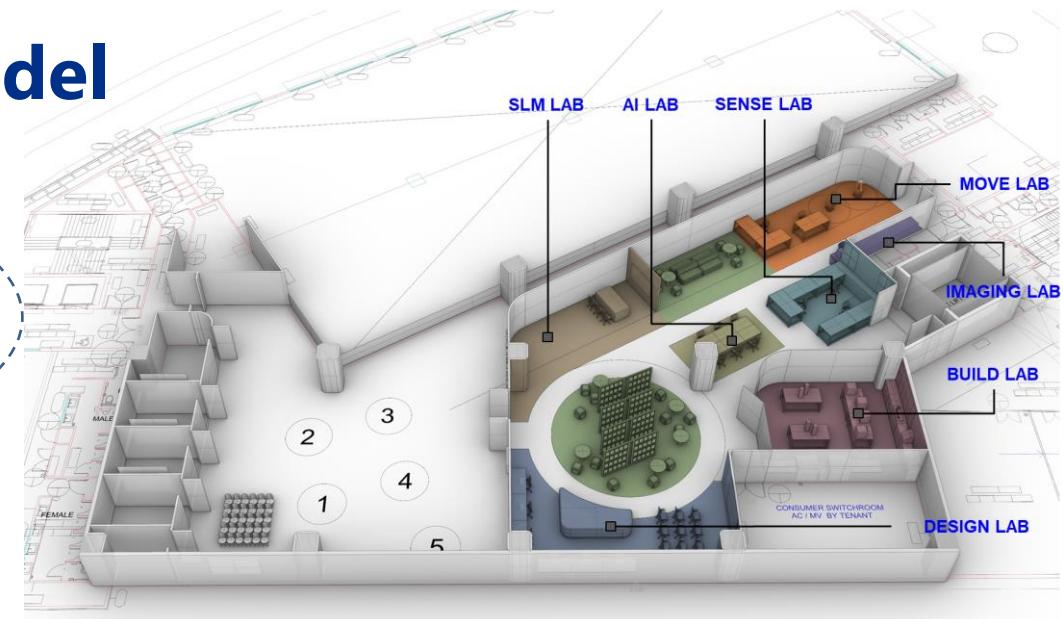
# Innovation Factory Collaboration Model



**Train** R&D talent, address gaps

- Develop I&E talent (OJT)
- Expand pool of deep-tech talent

(e.g. *Innovation and Enterprise Fellowship Programme (IFP)*)



Labs	Training to Companies	Subject Matter Experts (Current)	Plans – Engaging Beyond SERC
Design	Design Thinking and AM; Human Centered Innovation with Design Thinking; NX for design; Simcenter; PLM	Rayner Ng, Duane Lye, Chikashige Kiyoshi, Tnay Guan Leong, Kentaroh Toyoda (SIMTech), Clive Stanley Ford (IHPC), Lai Szu Cheng, YIN Xuesong, Chiam Sing Yang (IMRE)	<b>SG:D</b>   OPEN INNOVATION PLATFORM Edwin LOW, Eric TEO, Charlene WONG (IMDA)
SLM	Design & Simulation Software	Johnathan Low, Daren Tan, Yeo Zhiqian (SIMTech)	
Sense	Industrial IoT; Analytics Software Sensors & IoT hardware	Liu Wei, Wen Rong, Xiao Long (SIMTech); Cui Shan (NMC), Kwok Yuen Sam, Wong Kok Wai (I2R); YIN Xuesong (IMRE)	
AI	Autonomous AI platform	Liu Wei (SIMTech); Gao Fei (IHPC); Xue Yang (I2R)	
Move	Process and Plant Simulation; Cobots & AIV	Tnay Guan Leong, Tao Ming (SIMTech), Tijo Thayil (ARTC)	
Build	AM; Machining	Wiria Florencia, Soh Fang Hui, Thang & Liu Kui (SIMTech)	
Imaging	Inspection tools	Leon Li Xiang (SIMTech), Shihua (NMC)	

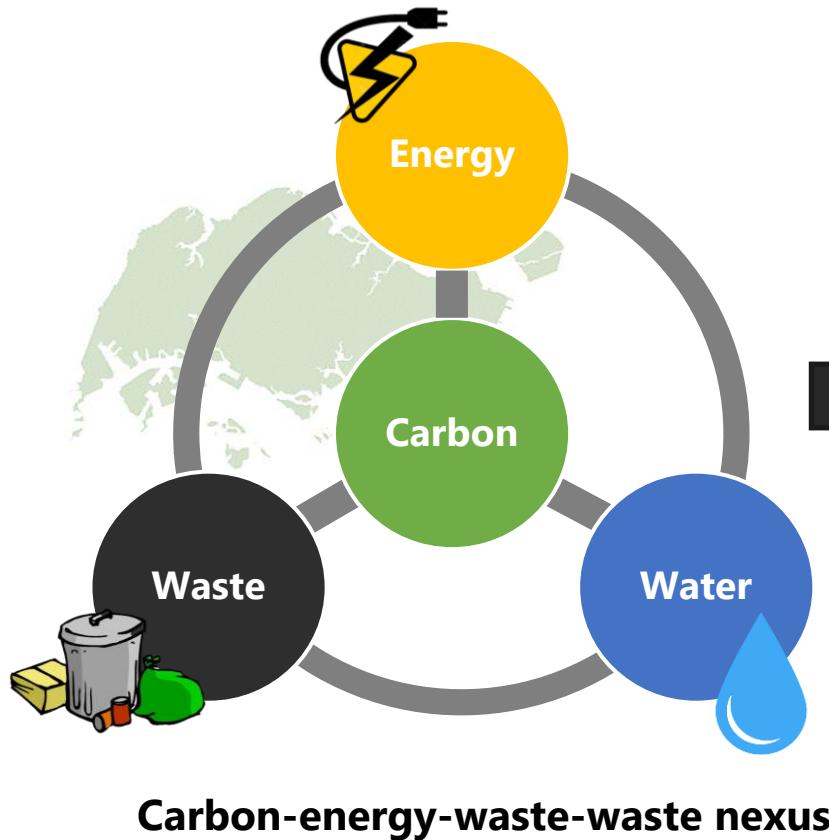


# Sustainability and Life-Cycle Management Lab Offering

## Underlying Technology Themes

In addressing the nexus of carbon-energy-water-waste, **technologies will be demonstrated through 3 themes:**

- 1) **sustainable operations**, 2) **industrial ecology**, and 3) **design for sustainability**.



# Conclusions

## Design Expertise To Hire

### Consultants in industry domains

- MedTech
- Industrial IoT
- PE/Industrial Equipment
- Lifestyle/Consumer Goods

### With Skills (1 or more) in

- Industrial Design/ UX UI
- Mechanical Design
- Embedded Systems
- Project Management (Lean, Agile, Staged-Gate)

*Including training to expand deep-tech technical talents (e.g. Innovation and Enterprise Fellowship Programme)*

## What can be Outsourced

### Design Partners in

- Design Research
- Design Thinking
- Product Design
- Industrial Design
- Contract Manufacturing

## Memberships and Projects Pipeline

### Interest in Membership

- 35 companies (78%)

### Interest in Projects

- 29 companies (64%)
- 5 design projects in scope

### Realistic pipeline in first year

- 25 companies onboard
- 15 design projects



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