Industry 4.0 – Overview and Policy Implications

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Since 2011 “Industry 4.0” stands for the comprehensive digitization of industrial production. I 4.0 describes the 4th industrial revolution: intelligent and digital connected systems (connected machinery).

- Industry 4.0 represents a new level of controlling the entire value chain over the lifecycle of products
- At the center is the intelligent product (Internet of Things)
- Elements of Industry 4.0 are:
  - cyber-physical systems
  - IP-based networks
  - IoT-platforms
  - big data analytics
  - artificial intelligence
  - predictive maintenance
  - advanced robotics
  - Additive manufacturing and 3D printing
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- In addition to technology aspects, business aspects of Industry 4.0 as well as educational aspects are just as important. Qualification is crucial.
- I 4.0, smart production and industrial artificial intelligence can have a positive net job effect. New skill-intensive job profiles evolve, other jobs are lower on demand.
- Economic policy should care about Industry 4.0 because it is a boost on productivity, allows new and better customized products as well as new disruptive business models.
- Policy areas to support the digitization of manufacturing industries are:
  - incentives for investments
  - technology transfer
  - information and networking opportunities
  - education and teaching
  - consulting services
  - economic development
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1. Introduction: Industry 4.0 is everywhere in the news

Roughly 63% of manufacturers believe that applying IoT to products will increase profitability over the next five years and are set to invest $267 billion in IoT by 2020. IoT and predictive analytics are having a major impact on manufacturing, offering exciting new opportunities for connecting operations and transforming business processes.

M. Strand, Senior Vice President, Hitachi Solutions America.

Germany’s conservative economic model is being put to the test

An economy built on caution must learn to live with disruption...

... they have focused on automating and digitising traditional production processes under the heading “Industry 4.0”.

The reliance on automation to streamline industry operations is only going to increase further as the concept of Industry 4.0 is increasing realized.

https://www.itproportal.com July 18, 2018

Comment:
Industry 4.0 is not just a question of technology!
1. What is Industry 4.0 and where does the term come from?

### Definition

- Industry 4.0 is the name of a future project for the comprehensive **digitization of industrial production**.
- Industry 4.0 describes the 4th **industrial revolution**: intelligent and digital connected systems.
- Industry 4.0 represents a new level of **organization and control of the entire value chain** over the lifecycle of products. This cycle is geared to increasingly individualized customer needs and extends from the idea, the order, through the development and manufacturing, the delivery of a product to recycling, including related services. (German “Plattform Industrie 4.0”)
- At the center is the **intelligent product**: the Internet of Things. The product carries all the information in it. By means of a chip it is able to independently communicate with the production machines. (Federation of German Industries e.V.). Basis is the availability of all relevant information in real-time.

### Where does the term come from?

- Industry 4.0 was **first mentioned in public at the 2011 Hanover Fair**.
- The term derives from the **Hightech Strategy** of the German Federal Government, where Industry 4.0 is a cornerstone to secure Germany as a production location. The Government was advised by the “Research Union Economy-Science”: Robert Bosch GmbH and Acatech (German academy of science and engineering) coined the (German) term INDUSTRIE 4.0.
1. Industry 4.0 is the 4th industrial revolution

In the fourth industrial revolution, we are facing a range of new technologies that combine the physical and digital worlds.

Source: Own display
1. Industry 4.0: What exactly is it?

**Industry 4.0 is digitization and connected machinery:**
Cyber-physical systems are the basis of the Internet of things (IoT). This is expected to expand to all industries. The term Industry 4.0 refers to manufacturing industries only, i.e. production processes and production-related services. ¹)

Industry 4.0 means the full penetration of development, production, quality, logistics, usage, and disposal processes **through IP-based networks.**

Behind I 4.0 are technically so-called **Cyber-Physical (Production) Systems (CPS),** characterized by a combination of real (physical) objects and processes with information processing (virtual / cyber) objects and processes over open, partially global and interconnected information networks.

¹) … and not to wearables, smart home, connected cars etc.
1. Industry 4.0: Organizational design principles

In Industry 4.0, connecting all systems enables a largely self-organized production. Not just individual production steps are optimized, but an entire value chain.

4 organizational design principles:

1. **Intelligent and digital interconnected systems**: machines, tools, sensors, products, human beings communicate via the internet or the Industrial Internet of things (iIoT).

2. **Information transparency**: data generated by sensors (temperature, vibration, rotation speed, sound patterns, etc.) expands information systems of digital factory models, to create a virtual image of the real world.

3. **Technical assistance** systems support people with the help of aggregated, visualized and understandable information. This enables sound decisions to be made and problems to be resolved faster. In addition, people are physically supported in strenuous, unpleasant or dangerous work.

4. **Decentralized decisions**: cyber-physical systems are able to make independent decisions and perform tasks as autonomously as possible. Only in exceptional cases, for example in case of disruptions or conflicting goals, do they transfer the tasks to a higher authority.
2. Which aspects belong to “Industry 4.0”? 

Relevant technologies in Industry 4.0 and digitization

Selection and structuring of relevant technologies

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Source: Gartner 2018 hype cycle, own research, expert interviews
2.1 Connection between Digitization, IoT and Industry 4.0

2.1 Concepts of Digitization / Industry 4.0

A.I. = Artificial Intelligence

2.1 Smart production produce smart products

Smart products = hardware + embedded systems

- Have a product memory
- Communicate via internet
- Use sensors and actuators
- Adapt situationally and autonomously and optimize continuously

Smart production = Network of machines, objects and people

Functioning:
- Self-organizing of manufacturing equipment and logistics systems
- Cyber-physical systems are the technical basis
- „Social Machines“ include peoples via specialized interfaces
- Communication between smart product and manufacturing equipment
- Digital transportation links the elements within the production

Goal: Achieving the optimum of quality, costs and lead time
2.1 Cyber-physical systems (CPS)

... are an interacting network of physical and intelligent components:

- Are complex systems
- Communicate in real time
- Are intelligent by itself
- Work autonomously
- Are modular designed
- Are decentralized and self-organized
- Manipulate its physical environment
- Use data from the cloud
- Have a man-machine-interface

Source: ACATECH
2.1 Cyber-physical systems (CPS)

CPS enable a decentralization of value creation
In the context of manufacturing:

- Mobile information and decision support
- Asset tracking
- Parts self-organized through production
- Condition monitoring
- Remote maintenance

2.1 Artificial Intelligence (AI) in production and logistics

Definitions:

Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- A computer makes decisions similar to a human being, in an ambiguous environment. It solves problems.

Machine Learning
- A machine is trained for certain tasks. It does not simply learn examples. Instead it recognizes patterns, so that later unknown data can be classified.

Deep Learning
- An artificial neural network with multiple layers solves tasks that are hardly described with mathematical rules. (self-learning system)

The objective are digital companions that act as an intelligence amplifier, which must be broadly available.
2.1 AI has many applications in production and logistics

Areas of industrial applications for AI:

- Assembly robots that automatically assemble technical components to systems without being programmed for that task
- Self-optimizing production lines in factories
- Screws communicating with assembly robots
- Software recognizes material defects in products via image recognition
- Computers control complex logistic chains and book cargo space
- Machine learning can be used to profile the devices for patterns of sensor readings that lead up to a failure. When these patterns are identified, they are integrated as new rules into the proactive workflows.
- Wind turbines that request maintenance on the basis of operating data and AI, that deliver more accurate prediction than the development engineers
2.1 Machine Learning and its role for Asset Maintenance

Sensors + IoT + (big) data + AI = Enablers for predictive maintenance

- So far: traditionally assets like turbines have been taken offline based on an annual maintenance plan, much like the regular checkup appointments that we take a car to.

- **Predictive maintenance** is an attempt to be pointed and precise in the identification of risks and failures on precious assets, and to enhance the ability to be responsive to the unique pressures on each machine. Consequently, each machine receives the maintenance that it needs and when it needs it (*maintenance efficiency*), in order to keep it running and operating in peak condition for the longest time possible (*production efficiency*).

- Often used in Manufacturing, Aerospace, Power Generation, Elevator, and ATM monitoring and maintenance.

- **Example:** A train operator receives a direct instruction, in which locomotive a specific spare part has to be replaced.

  “*Only a human being has the competence to translate this instruction into the real world. In the future professional mechanics will still have to do the job of high precision work like welding accurate to a tenth of a millimeter.*”

  (Roland Busch, CTO, Siemens AG, 20.07.2018.)
2.2 Examples of Industry 4.0: 3D printing (1)

- Less weight
- Low waste
- Flexible or stable

Advantages:
- Print on demand (spare parts)
- Print at point of use
- Rapid prototyping (printing molds, jigs and fixtures)

Essential are not printing costs, but the disruptive potential in value creation!

2017: Volkswagen and Kinazo Design presented a 3D printed EUR 20,000 E-Bike: Kinazo ENDURO e1
The demonstrator by Bosch Rexroth and „Deutsches Forschungszentrum für Künstliche Intelligence“ (DFKI) consists of several modules to produce cardholders. It allows unlimited exchange of data between the modules of different producers.
2.2 OSRAM GmbH (Lighting Solutions) (3)

1. The development of new standardized tools and secure technologies

   Mobile decentralized communication and planning tools combined with diagnostics for predicting errors

2. Increase of maturity of processes with the paradigm shift of from functional orientation to preventive error intervention

3. The work organization and design, training and education of our employees

   Example: training and simulation module for job-related training, offline programming and testing of software as well as offline error analysis.

Errors (and thus error reactions) are part of the operating concept

Source: Berlin Partner for Business and Technology GmbH, 2018
Siemens “MindSphere”: Cloud based operating system for IoT:
55 parameter per machine/measuring point. Parameters for pressure, energy consumption, photo of the circuit boards.

Plant cloud:
- 100 machines are connected
- 2.5 mio. documents per day with 14 GB of data
- 300 GB data available for analysis
- Reports available in the cloud

VISION 2020
- Boards on demand
- Quality in real-time
- Production progress in real-time
- Energy performance
- Machine efficiency
- Optimized production planning and control
- Integrated software landscape

Source: Berlin Partner for Business and Technology UVB Confederation of Employers and Business Associations of Berlin and Brandenburg, Siemens, 2018
2.2 A cyber-physical system: Wind Farm (5)

With big data technologies there is potential for improvements in the efficiency and cost of wind turbines, improved energy forecasting, and better fault prediction and detection. It is possible to move away from a costly and inefficient maintenance cycle. All data, wind, climate (humidity, ice storms, freezing winters), position of the turbine etc. can be taken into account.


https://us.hitachi-solutions.com/blog/6-tools-for-a-successful-predictive-maintenance-program/
2.2 A cyber-physical system: Farming 4.0 (6)

In Saxony-Anhalt agricultural equipment manufacturer Claas and Deutsche Telekom are testing a new precision farming concept for grain harvesting:

- All units involved in the harvesting process are connected, transfer data and coordinate with each other.
- Drivers use tablets with constantly updated crop illustrations and communicate via mobile.
- The combine harvester knows when the grain tank is full and automatically calls the tractor with a transfer trailer via the LTE network. The accepted quantity of grain, incl. quality data, is reported to the company.

The tractor knows the terrain and all machine locations and looks for the best way to the combine harvester. He pays attention to time and soil conservation.

In the meantime, the harvester has received new weather data: it will rain in three hours. The harvester changes its strategy, suggesting the driver to work at maximum speed rather than minimum fuel consumption.
3. What can be gained from Industry 4.0?

The McKinsey Digital Compass maps Industry 4.0 levers to the 8 main value drivers

Global market in Internet of Things technology

- $1.7 trillion in 2019
- $743 billion in 2015

Connected devices worldwide

- 50.1 billion in 2020
- 18.2 billion in 2015

Annual growth in Industry 4.0 investments worldwide. Stock of industrial robots grows by 10% p.a.

+ 20%

Investments by manufacturing companies in digitalization projects by 2020

$300 billion

4 out of 5 Executives say Industry 4.0 is the most important tech development of the decade

Source: Capgemini Smart factories: How can manufacturers realize the potential of digital industrial revolution.

Smart factories are expected to create a sevenfold increase in overall productivity by 2022.

80% Companies already using some Industry 4.0 technology
3. Great potential of AI for industrial manufacturing

Possible economic value added through the use of AI, worldwide p.a.


Germany is estimated to have a potential of up to EUR 430 bn additional GDP through AI (11% increase). (PwC)
Industry 4.0 is the 4\textsuperscript{th} industrial revolution. But why should economic policy care about it?

- Transformation of the traditional manufacturing plant to a smart factory boosts productivity, quality and competitiveness
- Shorter production times, less waste, energy consumption and deficient products
- New and better customized products and services and disruptive business models become possible (disruptive potential in value creation)
- Costs to produce customized items on par with the cost of mass production
- Industry 4.0 opens up new chances for FDI attraction and economic development
- Industry 4.0 and AI can become a job motor, but new qualifications are needed.
- Urban production becomes attractive again
- Reshoring of production from low cost countries to traditional industrial countries
- A growing market. Example: No. of industrial robots grows by 10\% p.a. globally.
- But the number of robots per 10000 employees lags behind in Eastern Europe. Romania 15, Poland 32, average world 74, USA 176, Germany 301, South Korea 531
## 4. International comparison of policy approaches

### Approaches to Industry 4.0 by country – a comparison

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*Source: Klaus Schlichting Assessment 2017 and BE Berlin Economics.*

→ **Countries put emphasis on different issues**
### 4. General policy approaches to Industry 4.0

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<td>Information and networking opportunities</td>
<td>▪ Enabling big multinationals, SME´s and craftspeople to apply AI and I 4.0.&lt;br▪ Showcases an demonstrators&lt;br▪ Website analogues to German “Plattform Industrie 4.0”</td>
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<td>Economic development</td>
<td>▪ Fostering national and international cooperation&lt;br▪ FDI attraction &amp; business promotion with a clear focus an manufacturing industries and most promising sectors: fDi markets newsletter (04/12/2018) names agriculture, logistics, banking, health care, real-estates investments for Ukraine.&lt;br▪ Revitalization of the SME sector&lt;br▪ Promotion of cluster and networks. Example: Technology network “It´s OWL” (OstWestfalenLippe) with 200 members. (<a href="http://www.its-owl.de">http://www.its-owl.de</a>)</td>
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*Source: BE Berlin Economics*
5. Industry 4.0 networks and institutions in Berlin

Excellent network of institutions & R&D facilities with Industry 4.0 focus

Major networks and institutions:

- **Plattform INDUSTRIE 4.0**: joint federal initiative of BITKOM (Federal Association for ICT and New Media), VDMA (German Engineering Federation) and ZVEI (Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers’ Association), one of the largest Industry 4.0 networks; wants to develop Germany as a global market leader offering the most production technology; provides support for the coordinated and organized transition into the digital economy; acts as a central point of contact. 6 working groups produce recommendations for action, guidelines, solutions and policy framework.

- **Berlin Center for Digital Transformation** by 4 Fraunhofer Institutes (“Leistungszentrum Digitale Vernetzung”)

- **ACATECH – NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING** supports policymakers and society by providing qualified technical evaluations and forward looking recommendations.
5. Plattform Industrie 4.0

Chair
Ministers Altmaier, Karlisch
Representatives of commerce, trade unions, science

Technical/practical expertise decision-making
Steering body (companies)
- Chaired by business representatives, participation of Economic Affairs and Research Ministries
- Chairs of working groups, other guests/promoters
Industrial strategy development, technical coordination, decision-making and implementation

Policy guidance, society, multipliers
Strategy group (Government, business, unions, science)
- Chaired by State Secretaries BMWi, BMBF
- Representatives of steering body
- Representatives of Federal Chancellery, Interior Ministry
- Representatives of the Länder
- Representatives of associations (BDEW, BDI, BITKOM, DIHK, VDA, VDMA, ZVEI)
- Representatives of trade union (IG Metall)
- Representatives of science (Fraunhofer)
Agenda setting, political steering, multipliers

Activities on the market
Industrial consortia and initiatives
Implementation on the market: test beds, examples of applications (e.g. LNI 4.0)

International standardisation
Standardisation bodies (e.g. SCI 4.0, DIN, DKE), Consortia

Research Council

Secretariat as service provider
Network coordination, organisation, project management, internal and external communication

Source: BMWi

© Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi)
The online map of “Plattform Industrie 4.0” provides more than 350 use cases.

Source: Platform Industrie 4.0
5. Berlin Center for Digital Transformation: Overview

Source: Leistungszentrum Digitale Vernetzung
5. Berlin Center for Digital Transformation: Service offerings

Transfer Center Hardware for CPS
Transfer Center IoT
Transfer Center 5G Testbed

Transfer Center Industry 4.0 Lab:
- Brings together suppliers from the ICT area as well as suppliers of automation with the production industry.
- It supports and coordinates in the identification of developmental and research themes, in the execution of joint projects to create innovative solutions.
- As a combined center and a concentrated initiative from industry, IT-industry and scientific and research institutions in Berlin, it significantly contributes to the profile-building of Berlin as hub for digital production and cooperation in value-added networks.
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