



Press release

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Composite materials were highlighted in the AACOMA Roadshow organized this October 20 in Liège

It is with great interest that about fifty participants joined the Roadshow organized by the partners of the Interreg EMR - AACOMA Project which aims to show the advantages of multi-materials and to accelerate the use of advanced technologies for their production.

Training sessions, organized in the morning at the Bluepoint conference center in Liège, highlighted the state of the art in 3D printing techniques for composite materials, the role that robotics will play in the production of composites and the opportunities that the assistance by 'augmented reality' techniques can offer for the production and maintenance of composites. The objective of the project being to inspire companies to embark on the development of innovative composite products, which is why the participants, mainly from the industrial world, were informed of the possibilities of setting up projects and the financing available in the regions of the Euregio-Meuse-Rhine.

Five demonstrator projects are actually in progress with the AACOMA partners, the aim of which is to show proof of concepts, were presented and discussed with the participants around round tables in a matchmaking session.

In the afternoon, the participants had the opportunity to leave together in a therefore organized bus to visit the laboratories of the Liège partners of the project, which are the **Aerospace and Mechanical (A&M) laboratories at the University of Liège**, the laboratories of the **Product Development HUB of Sirris** and of the **Technical Textiles and Composites Platform of the CENTEXBEL competence center**.

The AACOMA Project

The design of innovative materials and their state-of-the-art implementation offer great opportunities to SMEs for the development of new products. The objective of the AACOMA project, an Interreg Euregio-Meuse-Rhin project, which runs for 3 years until mid of 2023 with a budget of 3M€, is to network SMEs with technological research partners.

Seven partners from the three countries are carrying out the project: CENTEXBEL is the project leader and is supported by the University of Liège, SIRRIS and Flanders Make in Belgium, as well as from FONTYS, the University of Applied Sciences and AMIBM from Maastricht University in the Netherlands and AMAC in Germany.

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