



EIT Manufacturing partners with Advanced Manufacturing International

Paris (France) / Clearwater, Fla. (USA), 5 May 2021 – **EIT Manufacturing ASBL and Advanced Manufacturing International, Inc. (AMI) signed a network cooperation contract to confirm their mutual interest in business development and manufacturing innovation on a global level.**

[EIT Manufacturing](#) is supported by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology ([EIT](#)), a body of the European Union. For this Knowledge and Innovation Community (KIC), which is already collaborating with several global initiatives (e.g., World Manufacturing Forum), it is the first network cooperation deal closed with a non-European entity.

Antoni Pijoan, Director of EIT Manufacturing Co-location Center West and responsible for the global outreach programme: *“This agreement is fully in-line with our cross-KIC global outreach activities. Partnering with [AMI](#) brings us one step closer to fulfilling our vision: Global manufacturing innovation shall be led by Europe.”* Global outreach contributes to EIT’s goal of being the leading European initiative that empowers innovators and entrepreneurs to develop world-class solutions to societal challenges and create growth and skilled jobs. Outside of Europe, EIT operates Hubs in Silicon Valley, Israel and China, each of them with specific areas of concentration. For Silicon Valley, the focus is on the European Green Deal and its liaison with the U.S. Green New Deal, as well as digital transformation solutions that could be applied with strong impact on manufacturing.

Dr. Stephan Biller, AMI CEO and National Academy Member: *“AMI and EIT Manufacturing share many business synergies and are united in driving worldwide manufacturing innovation. In today’s manufacturing ecosystem even small to medium-sized companies are global in that they rely on global supply chains. Through this partnership, we will leverage the resources and expertise of both organizations to empower manufacturers of all sizes with the digital transformative technologies that are critical to success in the global economy.”*

Win-win on both sides of the Atlantic

EIT Manufacturing will support its new network cooperation partner with a number of services: Participation of AMI ecosystem/members in internal activities, matchmaking events and seminars organized by EIT Manufacturing in the areas of Education, Innovation and Business Creation; Support of AMI and its related U.S. start-ups/SMEs that are interested in reaching the European market; Organization of thematic joint events to promote cooperation between both organizations; Inclusion of AMI experts in jury panels of European events to provide exposure and visibility in European environments.

AMI shall provide the following services in return: Dissemination to AMI ecosystem/members information about internal activities and training courses organized by EIT Manufacturing in the areas of Education, Innovation and Business Creation; Dissemination to AMI ecosystem, including members of European start-ups/SMEs that are interested in reaching the American market; Organization of thematic joint events to promote cooperation between both organizations; Participation of EIT Manufacturing in activities organized by AMI; Participation of EIT Manufacturing experts in manufacturing-related forums organized by AMI to boost EIT Manufacturing’s visibility.



Background information

The [European Institute of Innovation and Technology](#) (EIT) strengthens Europe’s ability to innovate by powering solutions to pressing global challenges and by nurturing entrepreneurial talent to create sustainable growth and skilled jobs in Europe. The EIT is an EU body which is an integral part of Horizon Europe, the EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation. The Institute supports the development of dynamic pan-European partnerships – EIT Knowledge and Innovation Communities – among leading companies, research labs and universities.

[EIT Manufacturing](#) is supported by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT), a body of the European Union. It is one of eight innovation communities within EIT. The others are EIT Climate-KIC, EIT Digital, EIT Food, EIT Health, EIT InnoEnergy, EIT Raw Materials, and EIT Urban Mobility. EIT Manufacturing’s main goal is to bring European stakeholders focused on manufacturing together in innovation ecosystems that add unique value to European products, processes and services and inspire the creation of globally competitive and sustainable manufacturing. EIT Manufacturing brings together more than 65 organizations (universities, research institutes and business) including for example: Atos, Avio Aero, CEA – Atomic Energy and Alternative Energies Commission, Chalmers University of Technology, Comau, Czech Technical University in Prague, ESI Group, Festo, Fives Group, Fraunhofer Gesellschaft, INESC TEC, Jozef Stefan Institute, Magna, MONDRAGON, Politecnico di Milano, PRIMA, P&G, Sandvik Machining Solutions, TU Darmstadt, voestalpine High Performance Metals, Volkswagen, Volvo Group, VTT, Whirlpool.

[Advanced Manufacturing International, Inc.](#) (AMI) Advanced Manufacturing International, Inc. is a non-profit organization focused on accelerating the digital transformation of small to medium-sized manufacturers (SMMs) with simple, secure, and ultra-low-cost solutions. AMI is led by industry veterans with decades of experience in delivering production level, smart, digital solutions, and cultural transformations to manufacturing—all without breaking the bank. AMI is a subsidiary of the Manufacturing Technology Deployment Group, Inc. (MTDG) and is based in Clearwater, Fla. For more information, visit AMI at <https://advmfg.org/>.

EIT Manufacturing — Making Innovation Happen!

Media Contact Details

Christina Bertholdt, Communication Manager, EIT Manufacturing
christina.bertholdt@eitmanufacturing.eu
T : +49 6151 3844144

Dan Nagy, AMI VP of Business Development
dan.nagy@advmfg.org
T : +001 724-972-0178