LASHARE – Innovation for manufacturing SME's through Laserbased Equipment Assessment





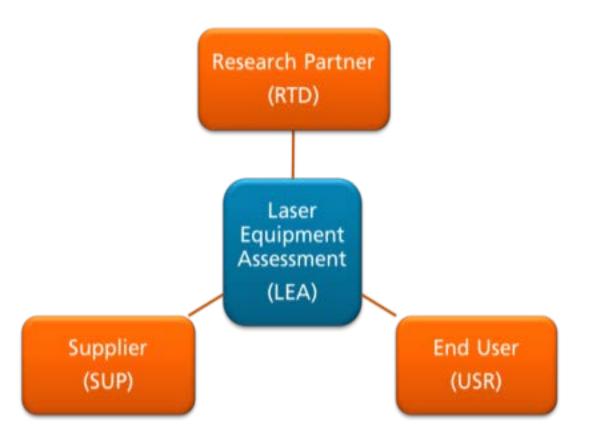
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LASHARE – Vision and Overview

Roles in Laser-based Equipment Assessments (LEAs)

- Supplier (SUP)
 - SME company providing a laser based equipment
- End User (USR)
 - Industrial company using laser- based equipment for manufacturing
- Research Partner (RTD)
 - Research institution providing scientific support for development of laser-based equipment

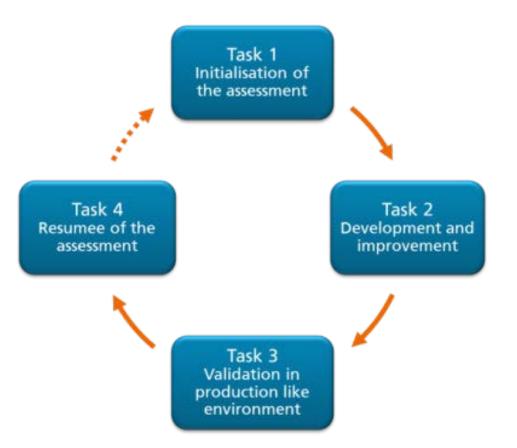




LASHARE – Vision and Overview

Phases of the Assessment Circle

- Task 1 Initialisation
 - Definition of demand and objectives
 - Development plan
- Task 2 Development and Improvement
 - Implementation
- Task 3 Validation
 - Evaluation of objectives in a production like environment
- Task 4 Resumee
 - Evaluation of achievements and feedback to the methodology

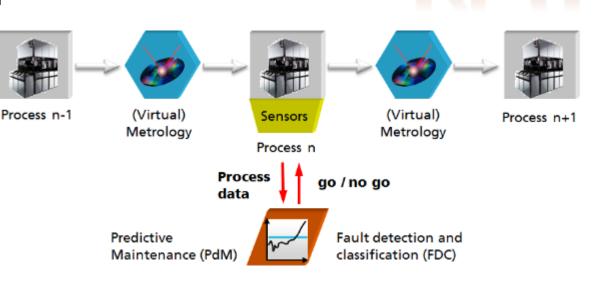


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LASHARE WP200 – Cross Sectional Activities

Data-driven production optimization

- Generic approaches for common application scenarios:
 - Automated reporting, fault detection/classification/prediction
 - Equipment health monitoring, predictive maintenance
 - Virtual metrology
- Prototype implementation of a data-driven optimization scenario



Application scenario for predictive maintenance, fault detection and classification, and virtual metrology





LASHARE – Consortium Partners of WP3xx at a glance





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Laser-based Equipment Assessments (LEA)

Phase 1: 2013-2016

Phase 2: 2016-2018



LASHARE Laser-based Equipment Assessments (LEA)

Acronym	LEA	Title			
ALPS	301	Vision based laser cutting for patterned fabrics			
FLAT	302	Plug in laser diode module for warm sheet metal forming			
LASPRO	303	Laser beam profiler for online characterization of spot properties			
ΤΕΕΤΟ	304	Compact sub nanosecond laser source for thin film processing			
FCPS	305	Laser system for flexible CIGS photovoltaic scribing			
CUDE	306	Direct diode laser system for cutting of mild and stainless steel			
MOBILLAS	307	Mobile laser system for on site material processing			
TWOMICRO	308	Two micron laser source for light weight materials and medical sector			
HELIDRILL	309	Helical laser drilling system for micro vents and conducts			
LAP3D	310	Laser processing system for stitching structured patterns on large 3D parts			
FEMPAR	311	Deep engraving system for coining dies with femtosecond laser			
NEXTCUT	312	Multi wavelength diode laser source for cutting applications			
PARROT	313	Parallel multi beam ablation of rotationally symmetric work pieces			
INCLAD	314	Inside cladding system with integrated process monitoring			



LASHARE WP301 – APLS Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

ALPS - Vision based laser cutting for patterned fabrics

- Develop fixing system for laser cutting of light deformable fabrics adaptive to different materials with inhomogeneous properties
- Invent a model based vision system for fast pattern learning to locate and cut with sub-mm accuracy without prior marking on fabric
- Increase cutting performance and overall throughput for all relevant batch sizes



Manual and automated cutting



Motivs to be detected and cut

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LASHARE WP302 – FLAT Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

FLAT – Plug in laser diode module for warm sheet metal forming

- Integrate a vibration resistant laser diode module directly into a sheet forming machine
- Deliver up to 1kW@1cm² using direct regular water cooling for operation from 10 to 40°C
- Reduce forces in roll forming by 50%

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Implement a totally spring-back-free process with 100% geometric certainty after forming



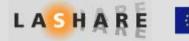
Laser diode stack



Roll forming machine

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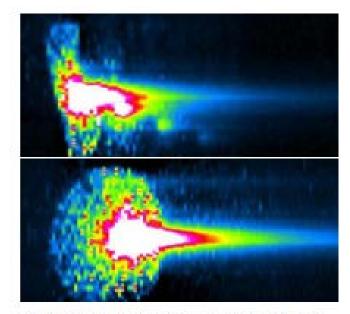
Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

LAPSRO - Laser beam profiler for online characterization of spot properties

- Monitor the IR emission of the weld pool with a repetition rate of 10 kHz
- Provide a tool for online detection of process instabilities in laser beam welding

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Enable closed loop control of the laser welding process



Defocused (above) / Focused (below) laser beam images obtained with a low cost uncooled 32x32 IR array manufactured by NIT

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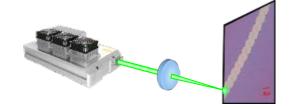
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LASHARE WP304 – TEETO Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

TEETO - Compact sub nanosecond laser source for thin film processing

- Provide a price competetive long term stable laser source
- Enhance productivity by an increase of 30% in average power
- Implement a top hat energy distribution for thin film processing



Laser source for thin film processing With top hat energy distribution





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LASHARE WP305 – FCPS

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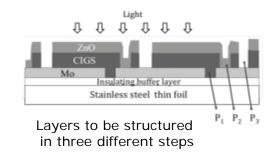
Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

FCPS - Laser system for flexible CIGS photovoltaic scribing

- Provide a process for the scribing (P1) of the molybdenum layer, without changing the underlying insulating layer
- Enable structuring of CIGS (P2), parallel to (P1), without affecting the molybdenum layer, allow parallel removal of TCO (P3) without sacrificing other layers
- The three scribing are characterized by an amplitude <50µm and 2m/s processing speed</p>



Manufacturing system for CIGS scribing



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LASHARE WP306 – CUDE

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Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

CUDE - Direct diode laser system for cutting of mild and stainless steel

- Pump a 9xx nm diode laser system to robustly deliver 1kW at 7.5 mm*mrad
- Provide optical and electrical interfacing for industrial application in the area of cutting
- Demonstrate diode laser cutting of mild steel up to 6 mm, stainless steel up to 4 mm, and aluminium up to 3 mm





Diode laser module from prototype to rack version

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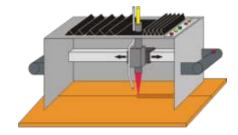
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LASHARE WP307 – MOBILLAS Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

MOBILLAS - Mobile laser system for on site material processing

- Provide a fully integrated and portable laser system for on site cutting and welding
- Allow mobile and safe operation in the field such as in ship yards
- Develop a system with minimal training requirements applicable to large structure manufacturing with thick materials





Application and principle of multi beam processing

multi beam processing







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LASHARE WP308 – TWOMICRO

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

TWOMICRO - Two micron laser source for light weight materials and medical sector

- Provide a 2 micron laser source with power and beam profile stability
- Feed 200 Watts of stable power into a 125µm fibre

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Demonstrate reproducibility of scribed grooves and other processes with the new laser source





Laser processing systems

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LASHARE WP309 – HELIDRILL

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

HELIDRILL - Helical laser drilling system for micro vents and conducts

- Build a high performance control system with automatic beam calibration for different hole geometries
- Support interfacing to diverse shop floor environments with control protocols and standard laser coupling
- Provide easy to use user interface (UI) with process monitoring capabilities for reliable processing



Model of the integrated drilling optics

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LASHARE WP310 – LAP3D

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

LAP3D - Laser processing system for stitching structured patterns on large 3D parts

- Develop a system to process 3D workpiece with a large working area
- Implement a machanooptical solution to allow surface curvatures of up to 270° reducing distortion
- Realise a structuring rate of 400mm/s for a 3D system based on an improved and precise control software using inputs from different CAD sources.



Sample dash board application





LASHARE WP311 – FEMPAR

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

FEMPAR - Deep engraving system for coining dies with femtosecond laser

- Provide a robust laser source with improved performances 40µJ 50W
- Develop solutions to improve the engraving process speed and quality
- Remove the "step effect" from superposition of slices and the "weaving effect"
- Obtain frosting effects on the surface

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Amplitude





Laser source and coining die

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LASHARE WP312 – NEXTCUT Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

NEXTCUT - Multi wavelength diode laser source for cutting applications

- Combine up to four wavelengths from 808nm to 980nm in one laser system to deliver 2kW of continuous power
- Develop a suitable integrated beam delivery and beam shaping optics with a fibre of 200µm core diameter and NA of 0,2
- Provide a diode laser solution with 20mm mrad suitable for cutting



Rack with the laser source and complementary systems

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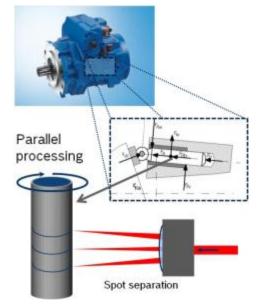


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LASHARE WP313 – PARROT Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

PARROT - Parallel multi-beam ablation of rotationally symmetric work pieces

- Modify the surface microstructure to achieve new properties
- Develop industrially robust diffractive optical elements and optics to split the laser beam into multiple spots
- Increase manufacturing efficiency by parallel processing



Application and principle of multi beam processing





LASHARE WP314 – INCLAD

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Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

INCLAD - Inside cladding system with integrated process monitoring

- Increase robustness of the beam guiding system against backscattering and powder contamination
- Implement an imaging system for coaxial remote monitoring of the melt pool
- Develop process charts to enable reviewing the course of the manufacturing process





Images of the IPO optics for cladding

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LASHARE – Consortium Partners of WP7xx at a glance





LASHARE – Vision and Overview Laser-based Equipment Assessmets (LEAs)

ACRONYM	LEA	TITLE			
<u>CICERONE</u>	701	ICT-based quality control setup and operation for laser welding of hydraulic cylinders			
WEDEBS	702	Structure borne sound system for laser welding defect detection and correction			
ALLEGRO	703	Adaptive plastic laser welding for autonomous production of car door panels			
PROCUT3D	704	3D variable depth laser cutting system for production of rubber profiles			
<u>SCALP</u>	705	3D laser scanning and laser cutting system for the production of vehicles for disabled driver			
LASAO	706	Adaptive optics for improved femto second laser beam quality and stability			
PAPS	707	Automated positioning, alignment and process setup for laser welding of microfluidic chips			
MALCES	708	Machine tool for automated laser cladding of extruder screws			
FAST3DSA	709	Fast 3D scanning solution for advanced material processing			
INNOSEAM	710	Multisensor system for adaptive control of laser welding			
INSPECT	711	Integrative sensor grid for quality monitoring of micro manufacturing processes			
PROPER	712	3D digital tool chain for additive part repair			
ACTFAST	713	Real-time laser process monitoring system with fibre integrated sensors			
SPOTNSEAM	714	Closed-loop control system for continuous laser spot on seam			



LASHARE WP701 – CICERONE Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

CICERONE - ICT-based quality control setup and operation for laser welding

- Quality control system for laser welding based on infrared capable cameras
- Features learning ICT based capabilities that make system parameterisation extremely easy
- Laser welding of hydraulic cylinders for testing

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Inspection software front end during teaching phase







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LASHARE WP702 – WEDEBS

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

WEDEBS Detection of welding defects by structure bourne sound

- Reliable qualification of laser welding
 - Adaptation of sensors for easy application
 - Classification of acoustic patterns for various laser welding defects
 - Development of automation strategies for defect detection and failure handling



Structure borne sound analyser

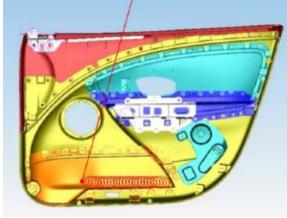




LASHARE WP703 – ALLEGRO Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

ALLEGRO - Adaptive plastic laser welding for car door panels

- Pyrometer based quality control with closed-loop controller.
- Autonomous set-up for the laser and the clamping system
- Assess capabilities in an operational environment (TRL7) car doors manufacturing.



Laser welding of door panels





LASHARE WP704 – PROCUT3D Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

PROCUT3D - Rubber profiles cutting along variable-depth three dimensional path

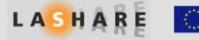
- Control cut depth for variable profile structures
- Develop process to cut rubber-aluminium profiles without burning rubber parts
- Automatic programming of cutting trajectories using profile cross-section definition and cut specifications
- Control a three-dimensional positioning system to fulfil the specified precisions in trajectory tracking.











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LASHARE WP705 – SCALP Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

SCALP – 3D scanner used for automated steel sheet laser cutting in the production of vehicles for disabled drivers

- Evaluate a 3D scanner to obtain real 3D CAD file of the car
- Assess the possibility to integrate such scanner on a 6-axis robotic arm
- Evaluate the performance in terms of laser processing 2D/3D car parts





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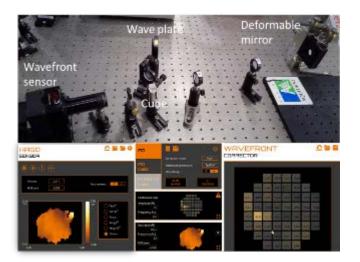
Centre Technologique Optique et Lasers



LASHARE WP706 – LASAO Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

LASAO – Use of adaptive optics to improve quality & stability of femtosecond laser beam

- Improve the achieved homogeneity of the current pattern designs by 20 %
- Increase the available processing time by 100% for more complex patterns
- Reduce engraved line widths from 250nm to 200 nm



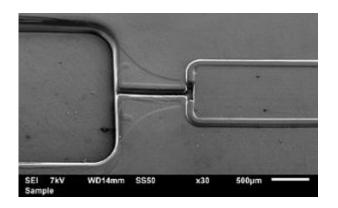




LASHARE WP707 – PAPS Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

PAPS - Automated Positioning, Alignment and Process Setup for Laser Welding of Microfluidic Chips

- Automated solution for laser seal welding of microfluidic polymer films, including: handling, alignment and positioning.
- Fully Automate handling, positioning and alignment, using Machine vision and embedded intelligence.
- Provide 100% reliability with Short cycle times.



Detail of Embossed Microfluidic Channel

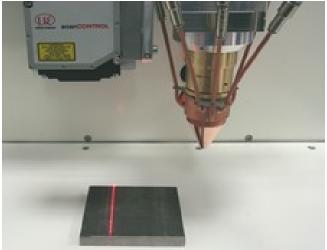




LASHARE WP708 – MALCES Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

MALCES – Machine Tool for automated laser cladding of extruder screws

- Installation of a closed loop scanning system
- Development of Laser cladding [LMD] Process adapted to the repair case
- Implematation of a automated laser based repair process



Demo Scaner and LMD nozzle setup





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LASHARE WP709 – FAST3DSA Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

FAST3DSA – Material processing by fast 3D Scanning solution

Performance in a machine environment has to be validated.

- Dynamics & Precision in 3D laser micromachining applications
- Robustness: long-term stability, acceleration, high laser power
- Operation with ultrashort pulsed lasers (scale up in power?)
- Integration: hw/sw interfaces for easy machine integration
- An optimized product configuration for the USR's application has to be found and tested.
 - high speed and large 3D working volume (for a fast process)
 - constant focus quality over 3D working volume at all speeds (for a stable process)

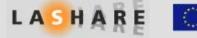
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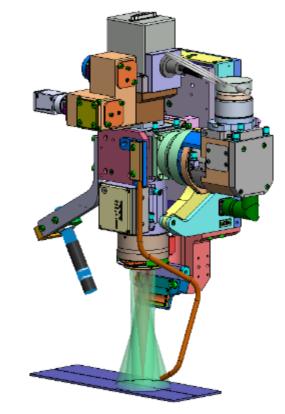




LASHARE WP710 – INNOSEAM Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

INNOSEAM – Innovative

- The project objectives are to develop and validate an innovative laser welding adaptive control system, by:
 - Integrating processing monitoring signals from an existing stateof-the-art fibre-optic cable into a seam tracking system
 - Relating monitoring signals to equipment and/or process changes
 - Providing capability of adapting laser welding process to maintain weld quality and reduce NDT burden









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LASHARE WP711 – INSPECT Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

INSPECT - Integrative sensor grid to monitor micro manufacturing process

- Adaption of sensor modules to optical scanning system and manufacturing challenges
- Development of methods and algorithms for quality related data processing and reduction
- Implementation data fusion procedures and visualization for reporting and system maintenance







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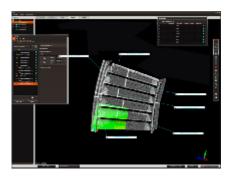
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LASHARE WP712 – PROPER

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

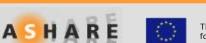
PROPER – Part repair with optimised processing

- Demonstrate an integrated, RT adaptive system for laser cladding of complex structures, based on 3D machine vision.
- Define the specifications of complex repair operations, with reduced robot programming and process adjustment.
- Deliver an interoperable system, based on ROS-Industrial, and demonstrate its performance in relevant applications.





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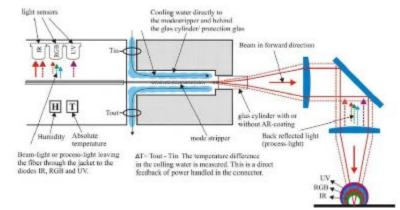
LASHARE WP713 – ACTFAST

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

ActFast – real-time process monitoring for active welding assessment

- Develop Real-time process monitoring using active sensors integrated inside an optical fibre for high power laser welding of automtive components
- Detailed specifications of the laser applications being welded by Sodecia
- Installing and testing of the fibre at TWI; perform matrices of experimental trials.
- Validation in the production environment





The working principle of the active sensors inside a fibre-optic cable

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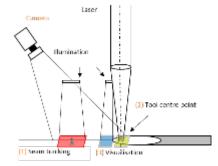


LASHARE WP714 SPOTnSEAM

Laser-based Equipment Assessment (LEA)

SPOTnSEAM- System for closed-loop control of laser spot position on seam

- Design and manufacture of an integrated welding head
- Extend seam position detection by triangulation and adaptive filtering and control
- Improvement of user interface's usability, error tolerance, configurability





Seam tracking system: components and touch-panel with user interface

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