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1 Executive Summary

Whereas in typical research projects, dissemination is focussing at communicating results generated during the runtime of the project, dissemination for RobMoSys aims at securing adoption of the developed concepts in the industrial and software community. To reach this, different levels of communication and interaction are being addressed: awareness, understanding, commitment and action (active participation). In the beginning of the project, dissemination activities were strongly targeted at the systems engineering community which is already familiar with the basic concepts to encourage their active participation in the project, e.g. via the open calls. Moreover, measures to generate a general awareness of the project itself and its concepts. During the runtime of the project, the focus will more and more shift towards a deeper understanding, touting for commitment as well as active participation. Especially for the target group of industrial users, the latter steps require the provision of functional tools and software components that are being developed in the course of the project.

The purpose of this document is to serve both as a progress report and a communication plan structuring and listing all communication and dissemination activities for all work packages throughout the runtime of the project.

Chapter three is outlining the overall communication strategy, describing the different target groups and stakeholders that need to be addressed to achieve successful adoption of the models and tools developed.

Chapter four focuses on the different communication channels that need to be used to reach out to the target groups at the different levels of involvement. This includes regular press releases and newsletters, all planned events (conferences, workshops, etc.), social media and online promotion as well as training activities. A first set of communication channels, like press releases, website, wiki, social media channels (twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn) as well as open community workshops and brokerage days have been established throughout the first year of the project. Additional channels for remote interaction both with the selected Integrated Technical Projects and the interested community in general will be established in the second year. Summer schools, online tutorials, webinars etc. will follow in due course.

Chapter five finally lists all dissemination activities planned in 2019 as well as the already completed activities of the past year. The dissemination plan will be continuously updated throughout the four years of the project, at the beginning of each year, to complete the list of past activities and further plan upcoming activities according to the progress in the project and upcoming milestones.



2 Introduction

Work package 6 "Dissemination and Community Building" has the objective to create visibility, understanding of and commitment to the RobMoSys project in industry, research institutions, higher education and in the general public.

During the runtime of the project, two Open Calls – the second one having two cut-off dates - will be announced in relevant media, the project website, through mailing lists and social media channels to attract the interest of potential applicants for the Open Calls. Community involvement is taken very seriously in the RobMoSys project; therefore, the stakeholders will be addressed via workshops and conferences as well as online webinars and an open source platform hosted by the Eclipse Foundation. The website shall serve as a central access point to the project.

3 Dissemination Strategy

Throughout the entire project, the dissemination strategy will be focusing on creating commitment and attracting potential future supporters of the project and its results at four levels of communication: awareness, understanding, commitment and action (participation).



Figure 1: The four communication levels employed in RobMoSys

Awareness mainly involves delivering the main message of the RobMoSys project in relation to its aim and objectives, while **understanding** requires the providing of detailed information on the project purposes, methods and deliverables. Involvement in both stages will provide the basis for **action**, where the project's products will be delivered for further use.

Since acceptability is at the heart of dissemination activities of RobMoSys, the communication activities of RobMoSys need to be heavily centred around **engagement level 3 (Commitment)**. The most important instrument in this context are the Tier-1 workshops which allow for an intensive dialogue with the full wealth of target groups, moderated by the experts of the Tier 1 group, and the multiplication of their impact by turning participants into followers and ambassadors of the model-driven approach in software architecture.

To get awareness, understanding and commitment from **industry players**, different levels of hierarchy need to be addressed, depending on the position in the value chain (from component manufacturer to end user), the application domain and the company size. Apart from working level



experts, it is essential to get commitment on decision making level. This can be either C-level managers, especially from small sized system integrators, where a technical understanding can be expected on this level, or medium management in larger enterprises and end-user companies.

We will need early involvement of experts in order to define and prepare the open calls. Then we need to reach out to a broader community to get a good selection of qualified applications for the open calls. During project runtime, we must ensure increasing commitment of all parts of the value chain and across the different application domains to get a broad uptake in the industry also beyond project runtime.

Apart from a broad face-to-face spread-out in conferences and trade shows, the outreach will also be guaranteed to collaboration with a range of other EU projects (e.g. COVR, ROSin, HORSE, ESMERA), networks (e.g. RoboTTnet), national associations (like VDMA, HispaRob), regional clusters (FlandersMake, Bayern Innovativ), and expert groups, which can link the project to companies that are not well represented at other events. , or where it would be unfeasible to guarantee sufficient outreach with a reasonable effort, because the markets are too fragmented (smaller end user markets like cleaning). Ambassadors like Innovation Hubs, business incubators, start-up networks and projects involving a set of SMEs through open calls (e.g. Blue Ocean Robotics, RoboTTnet, the I4MS Centres of Competence, ECHORD++ RIFs) are ideal dissemination partners for RobMoSys.

Some application domains have quite a good link to the robotics community, some only to a minor extend, because they do not refer to being a robotics technology. Companies in agriculture, for example, rather call their products as "smart systems" or "intelligent machines" instead of using the term "robot". Approaching them will also require to interact with them at their market focused trade shows rather than at a technology-oriented trade show like automatica.

The final goal is to prepare the sustainability of the RobMoSys framework beyond the runtime of the project. Existing foundations in the area of Cyber Physical Systems can be considered as potential cooperation partners to guarantee the sustainability of the RobMoSys framework beyond the project's runtime grounding an eco-system for software architecture. One of the major open source foundations (ECLIPSE) and one industrial association (EUnited, closely linked with VDMA) are part of the core consortium.

As RobMoSys claims to initiate nothing less than a paradigm shift in software architecture – from ad-hoc robotics system development towards fully model-driven methods and tools – the communication activities need to focus on the tight collaboration with, high involvement and acceptance of the approach by key representatives of the target groups relevant for RobMoSys. Therefore, communication instruments – particularly at the beginning of the project – will be heavily focused on face-to-face communication and an intensive dialogue with the relevant community to shape the software architecture in a joint and consolidated effort. Workshops with representatives of relevant stakeholders (Tier-1 group) are the prime medium of communication particularly during the initial phases of the project. Involved in the project from the very beginning, the project plans to gain them as ambassadors of the RobMoSys framework throughout their industrial domains and communities.

The market penetration of the common conceptual framework for software development developed under the umbrella of RobMoSys will heavily depend on the acceptance of a variety of different stakeholders with different information needs, different communication cultures and the preference of different media to gain information:



3.1 Target Groups

3.1.1 Outreach to Software developers

RobMoSys needs to generate the acceptance of software developers of different application domains (automotive, aerospace, etc.) within and outside of industrial companies: Within the consortium, this target group is represented by the ECLIPSE foundation. ECLIPSE is highly familiar with the information requirements of this target group and is able to identify and produce the online media to which this target group is very responsive, in particular:

- Users of existing digital platforms, i.e. communities with specialised customer groups interested in a specific technology or domain (e.g. the DDS middleware community.
- Users of robotics middleware, robot simulators and representatives of educations robotics (high-profile representatives are members of the Tier-1 group), the ROS community
- Developer Communities, like the global Eclipse open source community that involves thousands of developers worldwide, where software developers can discover and adopt Rob-MoSys tools and methods both for robotics activities and for the development of cyberphysical systems.

3.1.2 Outreach to industrial players

EUnited will pave the way for RobMoSys to reach decision-makers in industry, raise their awareness and encourage their participation. The following groups need to be addressed depending on the size of the company (large industry, mid-caps, SMEs):

- Representatives of highly influential industrial domains like automotive, aerospace, cleaning (again: powerful representatives are part of the Tier-1 groups) they can be key enablers for the uptake of the platforms for digitalization of robotic systems
- The target groups addressed by the Open Calls (mainly also SMEs): tool makers, system integrators, modelers, component suppliers
- Representatives of the entire value chain.
- EUnited is closely linked with the VDMA in Germany which is a powerful industrial platform with more than 3000 member companies from almost 40 different sectors of the mechanical engineering industry. The robotics and automation sector of VDMA has over 300 members.

It is important to note that industry's commitment to adopting new models or tools is highly dependent on their proven benefits. Therefore, encouraging industry decision-makers to take action requires presenting them with a functional model.

3.1.3 Outreach to academia and research

It will be decisive that the RobMoSys' outcomes are considered and perceived as community effort based on broadest possible involvement of expertise from academia and research. Based on this, it will also be decisive that very early renowned institutions in academia and research deploy the RobMoSys outcomes in their environments. KUL, TUM and HSU with their tight networks and strong links into different Topic Groups including exploitation of the Tier-1 group will put strong



effort into making all institutions offering RobMoSys in teaching and research visible as a strong and growing "places-to-be":

- Colleagues in robotics (teaching as well as research) that advise their researchers and PhD students to base their work on RobMoSys outcomes;
- Wider outreach by approaching colleagues in all related domains, such as software engineering etc., to form a growing number of multipliers and to attract the best brains to grow the RobMoSys ecosystem (including lab courses, summer / winter schools);
- Including the methodology developed in RobMoSys in the curricula will enable industry to hire well trained, easing the uptake of RobMoSys outcome in their research and development activities.

3.2 Cooperation with the H2020 ROSin project

The European Commission decided to double the funding for innovation actions on "system development tools" in the call "H2020 ICT-26: System abilities, development and pilot installations". With the resulting high expectation towards the success of these two closely related projects, the EC voiced the need for closer collaboration between these projects. In a first joint RobMoSys-ROSin project meeting (initiated by the EC in February 2017), the slogan "EU Digital Industrial Platform for Robotics" was developed as a joint header for both projects. The slogan is used to market this approach. The concept is being pursued during the runtime of the project.

Our first joint action was a press release announcing "RobMoSys & ROSin: towards an EU Digital Industrial Platform for Robotics" on March 20th. We have invited the ROSin project to participate in our ERF workshops 2017, 2018 and 2019 outlining the compatibility of the two projects, we have also invited ROSin to introduce the project at our Brokerage Day in Munich and Demo Day in Barcelona.

In exchange, the ROSin project invited RobMoSys to speak at the ROS Industrial Conference in Stuttgart 2017 and 2018. Dennis Stampfer from HSU held the talk, encouraging ROS users to apply for the RobMoSys open call.

On February 21, 2018, a joint workshop was held at the European Commission premises in Luxembourg with participation of the new H2020 project Eurobench. The EU-funded projects shared and exchanged best practises, developped joint concepts and shared thoughts about possible future collaboration and mutual benefits.

4 Communication Channels

Different communication channels need to be addressed in order to reach out to all target groups. Some of them have been important from the first day of the project, others are getting more important over time. Social media and online promotion are an ongoing process and need to be updated continuously, while scientific publications and participation in different kinds of events require having a more detailed input which had to first be developed.

4.1 Social Media and online promotion

Social Media accounts have been set up to foster a more familiar and real-time communication. The icons are visible on the website, for the audience to be aware of the availability for "conversation" of the project.

To reach all stakeholders we are using social media and online promotion on an ongoing basis. Each



social media channel needs to be treated diffrently. The same content can be spread on diffrent channels but needs to be prepared with more or less effort. LinkedIn for example tends to have a more business-focused audience looking for in-depth, educational and technical content, compared to Twitter which is very fast-paced and only allows very superficial messages up to 280 characters. The Twitter account is ideal to announce events and updates, changes on short-notice (e.g. extension of deadline), linking to the website or discourse forum, or to retweet interesting news.

The number of followers of the RobMoSys **twitter** account (#robmosys) has rapidly grown to 482 followers in the past months.

The number of members of the **LinkedIn group** has now reached 80 members. Ten videos have been uploaded to the RobMoSys **You Tube** Channel, which also links to other RobMoSys related videos, such as the 5-minute presentation of Sara Tucci within the EC H2020 workshop at ERF, an interview with Christian Schlegel by euRobotics during ERF, an interview with Ansgar Rademacher at EclipseCon, two videos produced by the RoQME ITP and a video by EU Science and Innovation explaining the EU Research and Innovation programme – Horizon 2020.

Online tutorials and webinars are planned to build up the "RobMoSys Academy" in due course.

As the content of the **website** *robmosys.eu* has increased over time, a new structure was created to offer a more user-centric approach. The starting page now offers four different entry points:

- What is in it for me? management/ industry view
- *Hands-on!* Software developer's view
- Funding Opportunities Individuals / organisations seeking funding
- Academy (to be added at a later stage)

News, events, Downloads, FAQs and the WIKI are being updated constantly. In order to encourage the ITPs to communicate among each other and keep the conversations open to the public, as well as to the core consortium, we have introduced a quicklink button to the **Discourse Forum** on the starting page.

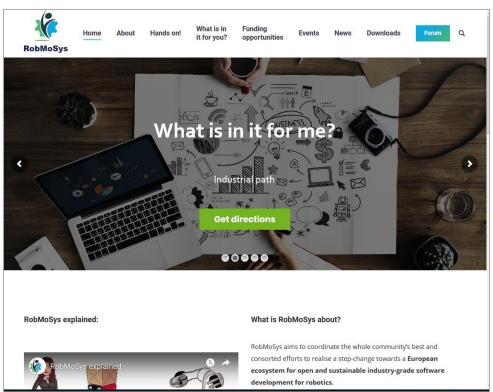
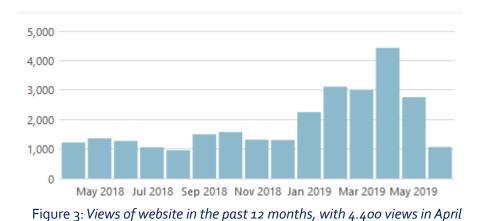


Figure 2: Screenshot of the website (June, 2019)



Testimonials have been collected from supporters of the RobMoSys approach and added to the "About" section. These statements from externals help to build up more credibility and trust.

Over the past 12 months (June 2018-May 2019) **robmosys.eu** received 24.522 views, with most views (4.400 views) in April during the second Open Call.



4.2 Participation in workshops, conferences and events

Participation of the project to up to 30 relevant European or international events (workshops, conferences and exhibitions) taking place within the European Union mainly (but not limited) to gain followers and supporters of the RobMoSys framework vertically and horizontally. This exercise is facilitated by the tight involvement of high-level experts in the Tier-1 group and the fact that members of the consortium are well-linked with the target groups which are key to achieve market penetration.

Examples for workshops, conferences and events:

- General robotics related conferences and forums: ICRA IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation; CASE – IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering, and IROS – IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems; ERF – European Robotics Forum;
- More specialised conferences for the software community: ARTEMIS Spring Event; SIMPAR International Conference on Simulation, Modeling and Programming for Autonomous Robots, ROSCon developers conference, EclipseCon conference
- Technology-oriented trade fairs: automatica, Innorobo
- Application-oriented trade fairs: AGRITECHNICA, Logimat, CeMAT, Medica
- Others: European Robotics Week, Schunk Expert Days on Service Robotics, Ulmer Robotertage, etc.

Activities, projects and networks to reach out to in order to gain broader acceptance in industry through their multiplier effect:

• I4MS projects: Fortissimo, BeInCPPS, Euroc, HORSE and ReconCell;



- Regional clusters and platforms: Flandersmake, Factory Lab, regular contact to Dutch NWO-funded project FAST and FlexCraft the High Tech Systems
- Regional Innovation Hubs, Business Incubators and start-up initiatives
- National associations, like VDMA, DIRA, SIRI, SYMOP, SWIRA, HispaRob

Our goal of participating at conferences is not only to speak publicly and inform the community about the project, but also to involve them into participating in the RobMoSys project. Before kicking off with an open workshop at ERF, and defining the second open call, we organised a dedicated expert workshop. The experts from industry and academia were provided first-hand information on the project and gave us their feedback and commitment to use them as multipliers in the market.

RobMoSys has been a regular guest at the European Robotics Forum. Kicking off the project at ERF 2017 in Edinburgh with an interactive workshop and world-cafe, we organized another workshop and world-café at ERF 2018 in Tampere and ERF 2019 in Bucharest. As the ERF 2019 took place during the RobMoSys Open Call, we additionally set up a booth informing about the funding opportunities. The booth was very well frequented at all times. All consortium partners, attending ERF were wearing a RobMoSys pin on their Jacket, to show their affiliation with RobMoSys - also when talking to people outside the booth and at any other time of the event. In all three ERF workshops we offered a speaking slot to ROSin to present their project.

In exchange, the ROSin project invited us to speak at the ROS Industrial Conference in Stuttgart in December 2017 and 2018.

Apart from our booth at ERF, we have been present with flyers and posters at other international trade shows, while taking advantage of our consortium partners having a booth there. At automatica RobMoSys was even present at various booths of the consortium partners and we also used two speaking opportunities at the automatica forum and the IT2 Industry forum. The fair offers a broad participation of system integrators as well as industrial users of robotics from different domains.

Give aways

To catch the attention of visitors at trade shows and events we do not only use Roll ups, flyers and RobMoSys business cards but we decided to produce RobMoSys branded promotional gifts which we can give away without spending too much money. We have determined RobMoSys-stickers and post-its as a popular and inexpensive give-away for conferences. For our booth ERF we additionally produced modular /sliding tile puzzles puzzles with the RobMoSys Logo, which turned out to be a very popular gift.



Figure 4: RobMoSys Give-aways



4.3 Press releases and Newsletters

In order to inform the broader public about events, open calls and other milestones throughout the runtime of the project, the media will be informed via press releases to benefit from their multiplier effect. The following 36 press clippings have had a media outreach of approx. 900.000.

| Medium | Туре | Date | Торіс | Country |
|------------------------------|---|------------|--|-------------------------|
| in.tum.quarterly | TUM in house newsletter | 01.02.2017 | new project | Germany |
| computer- automation.de | special interest press | 17.03.2017 | launch of project | Germany |
| factorynet.at | special interest press | 20.03.2017 | launch of project | Austria |
| hanser-konstruktion.de | special interest press | 21.03.2017 | launch of project | Germany |
| <u>controldesign.com</u> | special interest press | 20.03.2017 | RobMoSys & ROSIN | |
| Südwest Presse | local newspaper | 21.03.2017 | launch of project | Germany |
| Kooperation International | Website of German Ministry of Education and research | 22.03.2017 | RobMoSys & ROSin | Germany |
| HS-Ulm.de | Website of Hoschschule Ulm | 06.04.2017 | First GA RobMoSys | Germany |
| Robohub.org | Robotics website | 18.04.2017 | RobMoSys & ROSin | UK |
| Robotics News | Robotics website | 18.04.2017 | RobMoSys & ROSin | UK |
| Robohub.org | Robotics website | 21.04.2017 | ERF workshop | UK |
| AUTOMA | Automation | 01.06.2017 | Launch of project | CZ |
| Innorobo.com | Innorobo website | 02.06.2017 | RobMoSys' goal : to boost software development for robotics | F/ Internationa I |
| Cordis Europa | EU News feed | 23.06.2017 | | |
| Produktion | Special Interest print & online | 12.07.2017 | Modellbasierte Softwareentwicklun g. Roboter programmieren : So einfach wie Lego bauen Lego bauen | Germany |
| <u>Ildenaro.it</u> | Financial/ economic press | 03.10.2017 | Open Call | Italy |



| automatica- munich.com | Press release | 22.11.2017 | RobMoSys at automatica | Germany/ Internationa I |
|--|---------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Roboticstomorrow.co m | Robotics website | 22.11.2017 | automatica | UK |
| InfopIc.net | Special Interest | 23.11.2017 | automatica | Spain |
| <u>Ke-next.de</u> | Special Interest | 27.11.2017 | automatica | Germany |
| Bitmat.it | Special Interest | 05.01.2018 | automatica | Italy |
| Packagingspace | Special Interest | 05.01.2018 | automatica | Italy |
| Produktion | Special Interest | 24.01.2018 | automatica | Germany |
| Machining News | Special Interest | 25.01.2018 | Automatica | Internationa I |
| Factorynet.at | special interest | 18.03.2018 | Service Robotics/ Automatica | Austria |
| Medium.com | social journal / blog | 23.04.2018 | RoQME | Internationa I |
| Irish Tech News | Special Interest | 12.06.2018 | automatica | Ireland |
| <u>Automatica e</u> instrumentalizacion | Special Interest | 18.06.2018 | Automatica | Spain |
| Elektronik Praxis | Special Interest | 29.08.18 | Modular Software for Robotics | Germany |
| Cordis Europa | EU news feed | 22.01.2019 | FSTP/ Brokerage Day | Europe |
| Maschinen Markt | Special Interest | 14.02.2019 | ROS-I Conference | Germany |
| URJC.es | Website of URJC | 15.02.2019 | Robotics at URJC | Spain |
| The Robot Report | Special Interest/ Blog | 22.02.2019 | ROS-I Conference | US |
| Cordis Europa | EU news feed | 06.04.2019 | FSTP/ Demo and Info Day | Europe |
| Cordis Europa | EU news feed | 27.04.2019 | Deadline extension | Europe |
| Industria Embedida hoy | Special Interest | 28.06.2019 | Modular Software | Spain |

Figure 5: Press clippings

Another way of providing relevant information about the project directly to the target audience and to maintain a strong relationship, is sending out newsletters. Starting with a small database of Tier 1 experts and addresses which we collected at the ERF, we have reached a subscriber database of 263 addresses by June of this year.

Newsletters were distributed in a regular interval of 4-6 weeks, depending on the news value, announcing upcoming events and opportunities to meet with core consortium, technical advances reached, updates in the Wiki and new releases of tools which can also be seen in videos on our YouTube channel. Every newsletter dedicated one section to the ITPs – all six ITPs have been featured once. Additionally, we have used the newsletter channels of EUnited Robotics (~180



subscribers), VDMA R+A (~1200 subscribers) and the Eclipse Foundation (~130.000 subscribers, mainly software developers), via the euRobotics Topic Group "Software Engineering, Sytems Integration and Systems Engineering", as well as the quasi-public robotics mailing lists in Europe and worldwide to announce open calls and other big milestones of the project.

The dissemination team has noticed difficulties in attracting industrial, non-scientific partners to the project and to make the management level understand the RobMoSys approach. We are currently planning a workshop, held by an external, independent person with a marketing-driven approach (but scientific experience) to help us identify the right message for this target group.

Scientific publications

At the early stage of the project, RobMoSys has set a focus on building up the approach and explaining and communicating this to the interested community via a wiki (part of the RobMosys website at http://robmosys.eu/wiki/). This is to be seen as the most substantial scientific documentation of the project so far. The wiki consists of a private part which is only accessible to the core consortium, and a public side that contains the most relevant information the technical team of the consortium already agreed upon. The wiki is also the scientific basis for the ITPs. Although not being peer-reviewed, we would call it our most relevant scientific publication so far.

Furthermore, we have publications resulting from presentations held at conferences and public workshops. And we can proudly announce the completion of two doctoral thesis' in the context of RobMoSys.

List of scientific publications:

- "Development and Adoption of Model-Based Tools in Robotics", C. Schlegel et. al. in "Computer-Assisted Engineering for Robotics and Autonomous Systems (Dagstuhl Seminar 17071)", Dagstuhl Reports, Volume 7, Issue 2, pp. 48-63
- "RobMoSys: Towards Composable Models and Software for Robotics Systems", Selma Kchir et al. in "Computer Safety, Reliability, and Security: SAFECOMP 2017 Workshops" (ISBN 978-3-319-66284-8)
- Alex Lotz, "Managing Non-Functional Communication Aspects in the Entire Life-Cycle of a Component-Based Robotic Software System", Dissertation, Technische Universität München, München, Germany, 2018.
- Dennis Stampfer. "Contributions to System Composition using a System Design Process driven by Service Definitions for Service Robotics". Dissertation, Technische Universität München, München, Germany, 2018.
- "", Workshop Roboterkontrollarchitekturen, Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany, 2018 (to appear)
- Matthias Lutz, Juan F. Inglés-Romero, Dennis Stampfer, Alex Lotz, Cristina Vicente-Chicote, Christian Schlegel, "Managing Variability as a Means to Promote Composability: A Robotics Perspective". In: New Perspectives on Information Systems Modeling and Design, IGI Global, November 2018.

4.4 Training Activities

For a successful uptake of the RobMoSys concept, it is crucial to both integrate the model-driven software development (MDSD) approach in the curricula of the universities, so that the next generation of students graduating is already familiar with MDSD, and to develop appropriate tools for professional training of software programmers and engineers to enable the uptake of the technologies developed by RobMoSys.

HSU is strongly active in education, with a master's degree in the area of computer science (covering



model-driven software development, robotics) and a joint PhD program with University of Ulm ("Cognitive Computing in Socio-Technical Systems", again with robotics and model-driven software development being key topics). HSU also includes the approach in their lecture on "Autonomous mobile systems" for the bachelor programme at HSU.

Also KUL has already started to include MDSD in their lectures with a focus on graduate and PhD students.

TUM will be offering a Lab course "Tools and Model-Driven approach for Perception Software Development »» for Master students in September 2019

With regard to professional training, it is important to achieve a high impact by choosing the appropriate training methods. This includes, as far as possible, a train-the-trainer model, which enables experienced personnel to show a less-experienced instructor how to deliver courses, workshops and seminars. While part of the delivery of the training programme will be carried out by traditional approaches (such as "class-based" courses, seminars, and workshops), it is important to develop and establish new ways of teaching, as time constraints are becoming more and more severe for industry professionals. We are also counting on the participants of Instrument #3 "Innovation Expert Intake" to help us push and communicate the RobMoSys approach to their channels and contribute to the RobMoSys community building.

Time saving online tutorials with coding examples and examples of using RobMoSys methods and tools in real robotic environments will play an important role. For a broader audience, online webinars (inviting participants all over the world) will be used for presenting RobMoSys features, usage and use cases. Tools and software components resulting from the ITPs of the first open call make it possible to promote training courses, tutorials, webinars and online courses. The RobMoSys Academy will be available on the RobMoSys website by the end of this year, offering tutorial videos and trainings for self-learning. In addition, the Eclipse Foundation will compile and deliver the appropriate training material for RobMoSys users.

Private on-site trainings are also possible on invitation.



5 Summary of activities in chronological order (2017)

| TIME | EVENT | REALISATION | | TARGET GROUP |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------|--|
| 2016-12-08 | Workshop | Eunited Robotics to inform its industry members about the RobMoSys project (during Eunited Robotics Annual General Assemby) | ~ | Industry |
| 2017-01-01 | Website robmosys.eu | Content will be updated continuously | \checkmark | All |
| 2017-02-03 | Newsletter | Informing about the project, what has happened until now and what is planned. -> Sent to tier one experts and topic group "system integration" | ~ | Tier 1 Experts, Topic Group "System Integration" |
| 2017-02-08 | Social media | Twitter account was set up – Tweets to be sent out as an ongoing activity | \checkmark | All |
| 2017-02-07 | Expert Workshop | 1 day meeting in Frankfurt, 4 experts from industry and academia & technical consortium partners met to discuss the state of the art and challenges to address the RobMoSys open calls | √ | Tier 1 Experts |
| 2017-02-12 – 2017-02-17 | Seminar | HSU participated at "Computer Assisted Engineering for Robotics and Autonomous Systems" (on-invitation- only seminar), presented concepts of model-driven software development and system composition for robotics, presented the RobMoSys project and the open call format. | ~ | Participants from three communities: robotics, model- driven software engineering and formal methods |
| 2017-02-22 | Exhibition | 10.Ulmer Robotertag – Introduction of RobMoSys | \checkmark | |
| 2017-03-22 | Trade Show | 10 th Ulmer Robotertage, HSU presenting RobMoSys to regional robotics and automation community in southern Germany | √ | Automation Industry (regional) |
| 2017-03 14 – 2017-03-16 | Trade Show | LogiMAT logistics fair in Stuttgart, Germany. HSU running a booth – RobMoSys was presented as one of the current activities | ~ | Special Interest Press |
| March 2017 | Communication material | Posters and Handouts (Mini-poster) for ERF + Rollup | \checkmark | |
| 2017-03-15 | Press release | Project Launch & ERF announcement: "EU's innovative new funding project RobMoSys kicked off" | \checkmark | Industry, Research & Academia, Software |



| | | Information on the EU project RobMoSys, their goals and open call opportunities and announcing the workshop at ERF | | Developers, General Public |
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| 2017-03-20 – 2017-03-24 | Trade Show | CeBit Hannover: HSU as partner of the BW-i/BW-CAR booth to inform about HSU involvement in the RobMoSys project (among other current activities) | √ | Industry, Software developers |
| 2017-03-20 | Press release Joint with ROSIN | Joint press release announcing both EU H2020 projects: "RobMoSys & ROSIN: towards an EU Digital Industrial Platform for Robotics" | ~ | Special Interest Press |
| 2017-03-22 | Presentation of RobMoSys @ ERF | Presentation of the RobMoSys project within the EC H2020 workshop "New Horizon 2020 robotics projects in the SPARC strategy" incl. poster | ✓ | Industry, Academia, Roboticists in general |
| 2017-03-22 | ERF open workshop | "RobMoSys: the next level of a Model Driven Robotic Software Ecosystem " presenting the scope and aim of RobMoSys, introduction of the ROSIN project and followed by world cafe discussions, gathering input and feedback from the community | ✓ | Industry, Academia, Roboticists in general Software developers & Management |
| 2017-03-31 | Newsletter | Eunited Robotics Newsletter informs members and interested parties about the start of the RobMoSys project (~180 recipients) | √ | Industry, politics |
| 2017-04 | Newsletter | Announcing results of ERF workshop | \checkmark | Tier 1 experts & subscribers |
| 2017-04-11 | Training | System integration: individual consultation with Universal Ro bots (KUL) | √ | Experts from Universal Robots |
| 2017-04-4 th and 6 th | Conference | Advanced Factories Expo & Congress, Barcelona PAL Robotics as exhibitor informing about the RobMoSys project | √ | Industry |
| | Communication Material | 500 Flyers produced and 250 inlays with information on Open Call1 | \checkmark | |
| 2017-05 | Press release | Announcement of Open Call | \checkmark | Special Interest Press |
| 2017-04-24 to 28 | Trade Show | Hannover Messe, Flyers at E++ booth | \checkmark | Industry, Research & Academia, |



| | | | | General Public |
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| 2017-05-15 to 17 | Exhibition | Exhibitor at Innorobo, Paris | \checkmark | Robotics, Research & Academia |
| 2017-05-19 | Website | Open Calls section on website created | \checkmark | All |
| 2017-06-13 | Newsletter | Announcing Open Call via RobMoSys newsletter (97 subscribers) | ~ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| | Newsletter | Announcing Open Call through Eclipse Platform Newsletter | \checkmark | Software developers |
| | Newsletters | Re-distribution of RobMoSys Newsletter through euRobotics-mailing list; and the email list of robotics researchers worldwide | ~ | Robotics Researchers (Industry and Academia) |
| 2017-06 | Newsletter | Eunited Robotics & VDMA R+A Newsletter to inform about open call | \checkmark | Industry |
| 2017-06-22 | Press release | Announcing Opening of Call1 | ~ | Special Interest press |
| 2017-06-21 & 22 | Conference & Exhibition | eclipsecon, Eclipse Conference, Toulouse Exhibit – RobMoSys presentation for the Eclipse community of users and developers | ~ | Software developers |
| | Conference | ICRA, Singapore . RobMOSys Flyers at the PAL booth | ~ | Robotics Researchers (Industry and Academia) |
| 2017-07-14 | Newsletter | Announcing Call has been Opened and Brokerage Day in Leuven coming up (129 subscribers) | ~ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2017-07-05 | Workshop | Brokerage day for the Open Call at KULeuven (12 participants) | ~ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2017-08-04 | Newsletter | Summary of interview w Christian Schlegel in German Magazine Produktion and reminder Brokerage Day in Frankfurt (130 subscribers) | ~ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |



| 2017-08-16 | Newsletter | Reminder Open Call and Brokerage Day in Frankfurt (130 subscribers) | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
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| 2017-08-24 | Workshop | Brokerage day for the Open Call in Leuven, Belgium (24 participants) | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2017-09-15 to 23 | Competitions | European Robotics League competition in Piombino, Italy (through PAL Robotics) | ~ | Robotics Researchers (Industry and Academia) |
| 2017-09-15 | Workshop | RobMoSys Info Day (Brokerage day 3) in Paris | ~ | French SMEs, Research, Industry |
| 2017-08-30 2017-09-01 | Conference | Euromicro Conference on Digital System Design, Vienna. RobMoSys project presentation for the Digital System Design community (CEA, PAL) | ~ | Software developers/ all |
| 2017-09 | Newsletter/ Website | Open Calls closed – number of proposals, evaluation begins | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2017-10-23 | Conference | "RobMoSys and SmartSoft: Structures, tools and building blocks for robotics software development", Unconference Agora Meeting at EclipseCon Europe, Ludwigsburg (HSU) | √ | Software developers, software architects, Research & Academia |
| 2017-09-12 | Conference | SafeComp Conference in Trento, Italy International workshop on the Timing Performance in Safety Engineering ; Presentation of RobMoSys project with a focus on "Safety by Design" user story (CEA) | √ | Software developers, Industry |
| 2017-09-22 | Newsletter | Countdown to closing of the Call & useful last information (130 subscribers) | ~ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2017-10-18 | Newsletter | The Call has been closed, next steps (179 subscribers) | ~ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software |



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| 2017-11 | Public | Promotion of RobMoSys during the European Robotics Week (PAL Robotics in Barcelona) | √ | General public |
| 2017-11-22 | Newsletter | European Robotics Week and other opportunities (180 subscribers) | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2017-11-22 | Press Release | RobMoSys project mentioned in "automatica Service Robotics" press release | √ | Special Interest press |
| 2017-11-23 | Other | Annual Members' Assembly EUnited Robotics | \checkmark | Industry, C-Level representatives |
| 2017-12-12 | Conference | Talk at ROS Industrial Conference "RobMoSys: Composable Models and Software for Robotics Systems" in Stuttgart (Dennis Stampfer, HSUIm) | ✓ | Robotics Automation |
| 2017-12-20 | Newsletter | Christmas wishes, looking back 1 year of RobMosys and outlook 2018 (180 subscribers) | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2018-01-31 to 02-02 | ERTS – Embedded Realtime Systems | Eclipse booth, Poster, Flyers, Video | ✓ | Software Developers, |
| 2018-02-08 | Newsletter | One year of RobMoSys, Announcing ITPs, Luxembourg workshop, ERTS | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2018-03-05 & 06 | ITP workshop & Kick-off event Barcelona | Kick off meeting , Meet the coaches, start projects | ~ | ITP (Integrated Technical Projects) of Call 1 & C Consortium |
| 2018-03.02 | Newsletter | Meet our ITPs at ERF | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
| 2018-03-14 | ERF Tampere, FI | Workshop "Systems engineering" RobMoSys: Better Models. Better Tools. Better Systems, Roll-Up | √ | Robotics, Industry, Research & Academia |



| 2018-04-26 | Newsletter | RoQME and the SmartMDSD Toolchain & featuring RoQME ITP | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, Software Developers |
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| 2018-05-21 to 25 | ICRA 2018 Brisbane, Australia | PAL booth with RobMoSys Flyers | √ | Roboticists, Industry, Research & Academia |
| 2018-05-25 | Newsletter | One more GDPR Email | √ | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2018-05-03 | Website | RobMoSys open Community Forum "Discourse" | √ | Public, subscribers, Software developers, Roboticists |
| 2018-06-12 | Newsletter | Where to find RobMoSys at automatica & featuring CARVE ITP | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2018-06-13 & 14 | EclipseCon France 2018, Toulouse | Booth at Conference (announce Call2) | ✓ | Software Developers, Industry, Academia |
| 2018-06-19 to 22 | automatica , Munich | Present at several booths, Flyers, Business Cards, Post-its, Stickers | \checkmark | Robotics & Automation Industry |
| 2018-07-30 | Newsletter | Workshops in September and Wiki updates & featuring eITUS ITP | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2018-08-30 | Newsletter | Register for our Community Workshop in Leuven (210 subscribers) | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2018-09-12 | Public Workshop, Leuven | ITPs and open to public workshop | \checkmark | ITPs of Call 1 & Core Cosnortium |
| 2018-09-12 | ITP Workshop , Leuven | Second ITP workshop | \checkmark | ITPs of Call 1 & Core Cosnortium |
| 2018-10-01 to 05 | IROS 2018, Madrid | PAL booth with RobMoSys Flyers | \checkmark | Roboticists, Research & Academia |
| 2018-10-14 to 19 | ACM/IEEE. Int.Conference on Model Driven Engineering Languages and | Half-day tutorial by HSU and KUL on October 16th | √ | MDE community (tool developers) |



| | Systems (MODELS) | | | |
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| 2018-10-22 | Eclipse Conference Europe, Stuttgart | Booth (& workshop) Main goal: to inform about 2 nd open call | ✓ | Software Developers, Industry, Academia |
| 2018-10-26 | Newsletter | What do we mean by model-driven & featuring EG-IPC ITP | √ | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2018-11-22 | Member Assembly EUnited Robotics | RobMoSys approach, Open Call funding opportunities coming up in call 2 | √ | Industry, C-Level representatives |
| 2018-12-04 | ICT Vienna | PAL Robotics participating in Panel discussion | √ | Industry, Research & Academia, SMEs |
| 2018-12-18 | Brokerage event, Brussels | Robotics in upcoming H2020 calls – CEA announcing RobMoSys Open Call | ~ | Industry, Research and Academia |
| 2018-12-10 | ROS Industrial Conference | Workshop presenting ITPs of Call2 & results | √ | Robotics, Research 6 Academia, Software developers |
| 2018-12-17 | Newsletter | Happy New Funding Opportunities & featuring Mood2Be ITP | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2019 -01-10 | H2020 COVR et RobMoSys Information Day | Organized by CEA in Paris - Saclay | \checkmark | Industry, Research & Academia |
| 2019-01-25 | Newsletter | Open Call Sneak Preview & featuring Plug&Bench ITP | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2019-02-13 | Brokerage Day | Information and Brokerage Day in Munich announcing Call 2 | \checkmark | Potential applicants for Call2 |
| 2019-02-06 | Newsletter | The RobMoSys Call is now open | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2019-02-27 to 28 | Schunk Expert Days, Odense | PAL robotics was there. Flyers & Give aways, announcing open call | ✓ | Roboticists, Industry, Research & Academia |
| 2019-03-20 to 22 | ERF 2019, Bucharest | Booth & speaking opportunity | \checkmark | Roboticists, Industry, Research & |



| | | | | Academia |
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| 2019-03-20 to 22 | ERF Workshop Bucharest | Workshop and booth. Announcing second Open Call | √ | researchers, academics, engineers and industrial professionals |
| 2019-03-23 | Newsletter | Meet us in Barcelona | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2019-04-09- 11 | Advanced Factories, Barcelona | PAL robotics had a booth at the expo. Flyers, give-aways and invitation to visit the RobMoSys Demo and Info Days. | \checkmark | Industry, Automation, Software |
| 2019-04-11 | Demo Day, Barcelona | In Barcelona parallel to Advanced Factories exhibition | ~ | Industry, Visitors of Advance Factories exhibition |
| 2019-04-12 | Information and Brokerage Day, Barcelona | Information and Brokerage Day in Barcelona announcing Call 2 | ~ | Potential applicants for Call2 in Southern Europe |
| 2019-04-23 | Newsletter | Deadline extended for Call 2 | \checkmark | Industry, R&A, Software Developers |
| 2019-04-25 | ZAFH Intralogistics Forum Ulm | Transport and Logistics event for Ulm region | √ | Regional industry |
| 2019-05-20 to 24 | ICRA | Montreal, PAL Robotics booth displaying RobMoSys Flyers | √ | Roboticists, Research & Academia |
| 2019-05-23 and 24 | JV Innovation Days 2019 | Presenting RobMoSys at Jules Verne IRT | \checkmark | Industry, Academ ia, Roboticists |
| 2019-05-29 | 12. Ulmer Robotertage | Information Day on Robotics at Hochschule Ulm | \checkmark | Research and Industry |
| 2019-06-06 | FSTP event by EMC2 | 10 minute talk on RobMoSys and announcing 2 nd cut off date -> instrument# 1 Event dedicated to raise SMEs awareness on the FSTP projects from SAE, I4MS and other | √ | SMEs from France region |
| 2019-06 | Website | New structure of website/ relaunch, integrated Discourse Forum through quicklink, added testimonials, | √ | Public, subscribers. Software developers, roboticists, industry |

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6 Dissemination plan 2019/2

Trade shows, Exhibitions, Conferences

| When | Where | How | Target group |
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| 2019-09-19 to 20 | ICT Helsinki, Finland Digital Excellence Forum | PAL booth with Flyers, Video , Factsheet announcing Call2 #1 and #3 | Industry, Research & Academia |
| 2019-10 | Not defined yet | Kick-off event for selected proposals | Selected proposals from Call 2 |
| 2019-10-07 to 09 | MOTEK, Stuttgart International Trade Fair | PAL booth with RobMoSys Flyers, Factsheet announcing Call2 #1 and #3 | Industry, Automation |
| 2019-10-21 to 24 | EclipseCon Europe in Ludwigsburg | Shared booth with eclipse (announce Call2) and talk (pending) | Software Developers, System Integrators |
| 2019-10-29 to31 | IoT Solutions World Congress, Barcelona | PAL booth with RobMoSys Flyers, factsheet (might be too late for that) | Industry, IoT, Robotics |
| 2019-10-29 to 31 | INDUSTRY, Barcelona | PAL booth with RobMoSys Flyers, factsheet (might be too late for that) | Industry, Robotics & Automation, Production |
| 2019-11-4 to 8 | IROS 2019, Macao | Tutorial on RobMoSys by HSU | Research & Academia, Industry, Roboticists |
| 2019-15 to 20 | MODELS Conference 2019, Munich | Tutorial by HSU and KUL | Software Developers Modelling community |
| 2019-12-10 to 12 | ROS Industrial Conference , Stuttgart | talk at ROS Industrial Conference (t.b.c.) | Software Developers, Research & Academia |
| 2020-03-03 too5 | ERF 2020, Malaga | Booth showing results and workshop (t.b.c.) | Industry, Academia, Roboticists in general Software developers & Management |

Press releases/ news on website & social media

This is an ongoing section

| When | What | Description |
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| Once they are known | Announcing ITPs of call 2 | Creating a new section "ITPs "on website, with short description of each ITP and list of partners |



| August 2019 | Announcing 2 nd cut off dates in October | |
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| ongoing | Events | All events with RobMoSys participation will be announced on the Events section of the website. |
| Ongoing | FAQs | Constantly updating FAQ section on website |
| ongoing | WIKI | Constantly updating WIKI on website |
| ongoing | News | Constantly updating on social media |

Newsletters

Will be sent out to the subscribers (226 as of today) every 4-6 weeks.

| When | Торіс |
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| 06/2019 | Panel Meeting deciding on proposals, Website relaunch |
| 07/2019 | Next cut-off date October 31st coming up, News, meet us at |
| 08/2019 | Announcing selected ITPs , News, New cut-off dates, meet us at |
| 09/2019 | Call Open : Apply for Instruments #1 and #3, Models conference & featuring 1 ITP, news, meet us at |
| 010/2019 | Cut-off date October 31st approaching, launch of RobMoSys Academy, featuring one ITP, about MODELS conference |
| 11/2019 | News & Events coming up, featuring one ITP, News, meet us at |
| 12/2019 | Happy Holidays, review of 2019, looking at 2020, featuring one of the ITPs |
| 01/2020 | Announcing ERF in Malaga, final sprint — last year of RobMoSys — featuring one ITP, if already known: announce selection of Instrument # 1 & #3 |