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**Comment les partenaires sociaux doivent-ils s'y prendre pour assurer la transition numérique et l'avenir du travail?  
Le cas allemand**

**AMÉLIORER LA PRODUCTIVITÉ LA MÉTALLURGIE À L'ÈRE DU NUMÉRIQUE**

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## Structure of presentation

- 1. Work 4.0 in the German High-Tech Strategy**
- 2. Pro-active trade union policy**
- 3. Modernization of the dual system of vocational training**

## 1.1 High-Strategy in Germany since 2010

- Until 2010 R&D-policy focus on specific technologies
- Since 2010 focus on society's needs to develop forward looking solutions in 6 fields:
  - *The digital economy and society*
  - *The sustainable economy and energy*
  - *Healthy living*
  - *Intelligent mobility*
  - *Civil security*
  - *And since 2015 due to union pressure: The innovative workplace*
- Main pillar in the field „innovative workplace“ „Future of work program“ with 1 Billion € for seven years

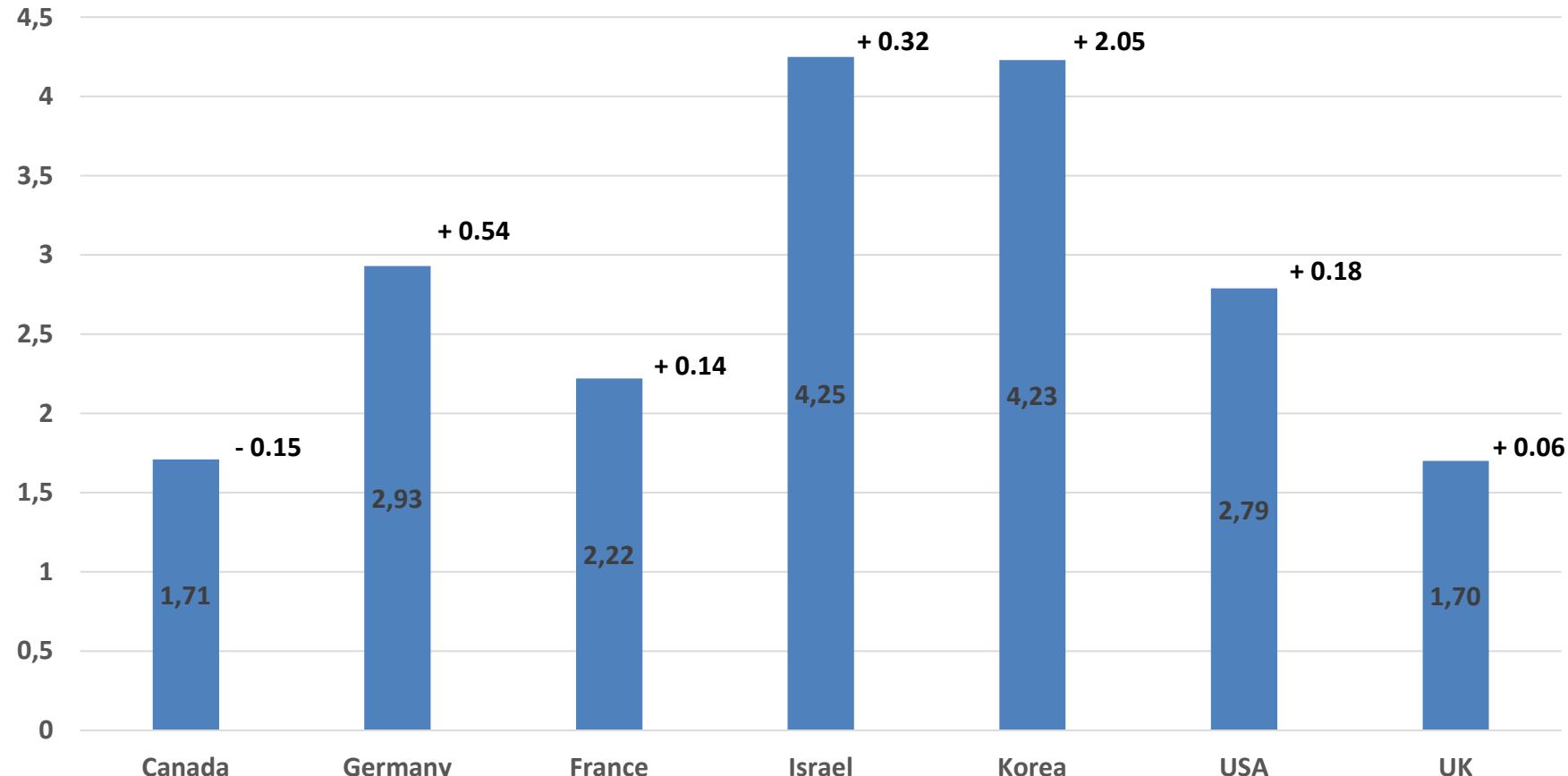
## 1.2 High-Strategy in Germany since 2010

- Goal 3% of GDP in R&D: 1% state / 2% companies
- Strength of Germany – high road strategies in the core of the economy: High own R&D investments

### *„Future of Work“ projects:*

- Yearly tenders on specific themes like „competencies for digital work“, „new forms of internal flexibility“ etc.
- Only support of applied projects with innovations in more than one company + plausible ideas of dissemination + own contributions of companies
- All projects: cooperation agreements between researchers + companies + works councils

## 1.3 R&D as percentage of GDP 2016 (change 2000-2016 in pct. points)



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## 1.4 Example: The technology network it's OWL in figures

24 core companies with innovation projects\*

- Revenue: 11.8 billion euros
- Percentage of R&D employees: 14.7%
- R&D investment as a percentage of turnover: 8.4%
- Export quota: 56%
- 230 production sites and 782 branches worldwide

6 universities and 18 research institutes

- External funding: 100 million euros per year
- Investment in research infrastructure (2006 to 2012): approx. 300 million euros

More than 100 associated companies and 30 economy-oriented institutions



\*The figures refer to revenue and employees for the 24 core companies in OWL in 2012.

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New research centres provide perfect conditions for cutting-edge applied research in collaboration with businesses all over OstWestfalenLippe:  
Zukunftsmeile Fürstenallee Paderborn, Research Building "Interactive Intelligent Systems" of Bielefeld University, Centrum Industrial It (CIIT) Lemgo and Bielefeld University Campus.

## 2.1 Pro-active trade union policy

- German unions see industry 4.0 as a necessary innovation push: help to secure jobs and improve working conditions
- Pro-active approach proposed: to avoid job risks through underinvestment in skills and to improve working conditions
- What do unions do?
  - Influence national and regional R&D priorities
  - Encourage/coordinate „Future of Work“ projects
  - Innovative collective agreements on further training or working time
  - Own projects on Work 4.0

## 2.2 Project „Work 4.0 - North-Rhine-Westphalia 2020“

- **Ressources:** (1) Own „Work 4.0“ team (IG Metall 5 FT officials), (2) State money for consultants, (3) HansBöckler-Foundation financed evaluation of IAQ
- „Work 4.0“ team identified companies with pro-active works councils and interested management
- 6 - 8 all day workshops in 30 companies with the help of consultants (another 30 in 2019/20):
  - Stock-taking of digitalisation of 4.0 in all departments
  - Involvement of employees as „experts of their workplaces“
  - Mapping of problems and chances
  - Development of pro-active strategies (if promising additional strategic workshops are financed)

## 2.3 Company map of industry 4.0

Betriebslandkarte Arbeit und Industrie 4.0



### Erklärung zu den verwendeten Symbolen

#### Einschätzungen zur Technik – Status Quo

##### Grad der Vernetzung

Stand alone	In Abteilung	Abteilungsübergreifend	Mit externen Unternehmen
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##### Grad der Steuerung durch Technik

Entscheidungsunterstützung (Maschine = reines Arbeitsmittel/Werkzeug)	Entscheidungsvorgaben	Teilweise technikgesteuert	Voll technikgesteuert
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#### Wirkungen auf Arbeit – Status Quo

Beschäftigung	Anforderungen an Arbeit	Arbeitsbedingungen
positive Entwicklung	negative Entwicklung	keine Veränderung

#### Einschätzungen zur Technik – Ausblick

Verstärkter Einsatz von Industrie 4.0-Lösungen	Keine Veränderung
Verlassen des technik-zentrierten Pfades	Unklar

#### Wirkungen auf Arbeit – Ausblick

MA = Mitarbeiter/-innen

## 2.4 Some intermediate results

- Works councils – more participation of employees
- Management impressed by professional approach / high interest in results: I 4.0 also for them a journey in unknown waters
- Big themes: Job security, intensification of work, initial and further training, working time
- Until 9/2018 in 9 companies „Future Agreements“ signed:
  - joint working groups / regular meetings
  - joint monitoring of changes: especially skill development, working time .....
- Clear intensification of social partnership

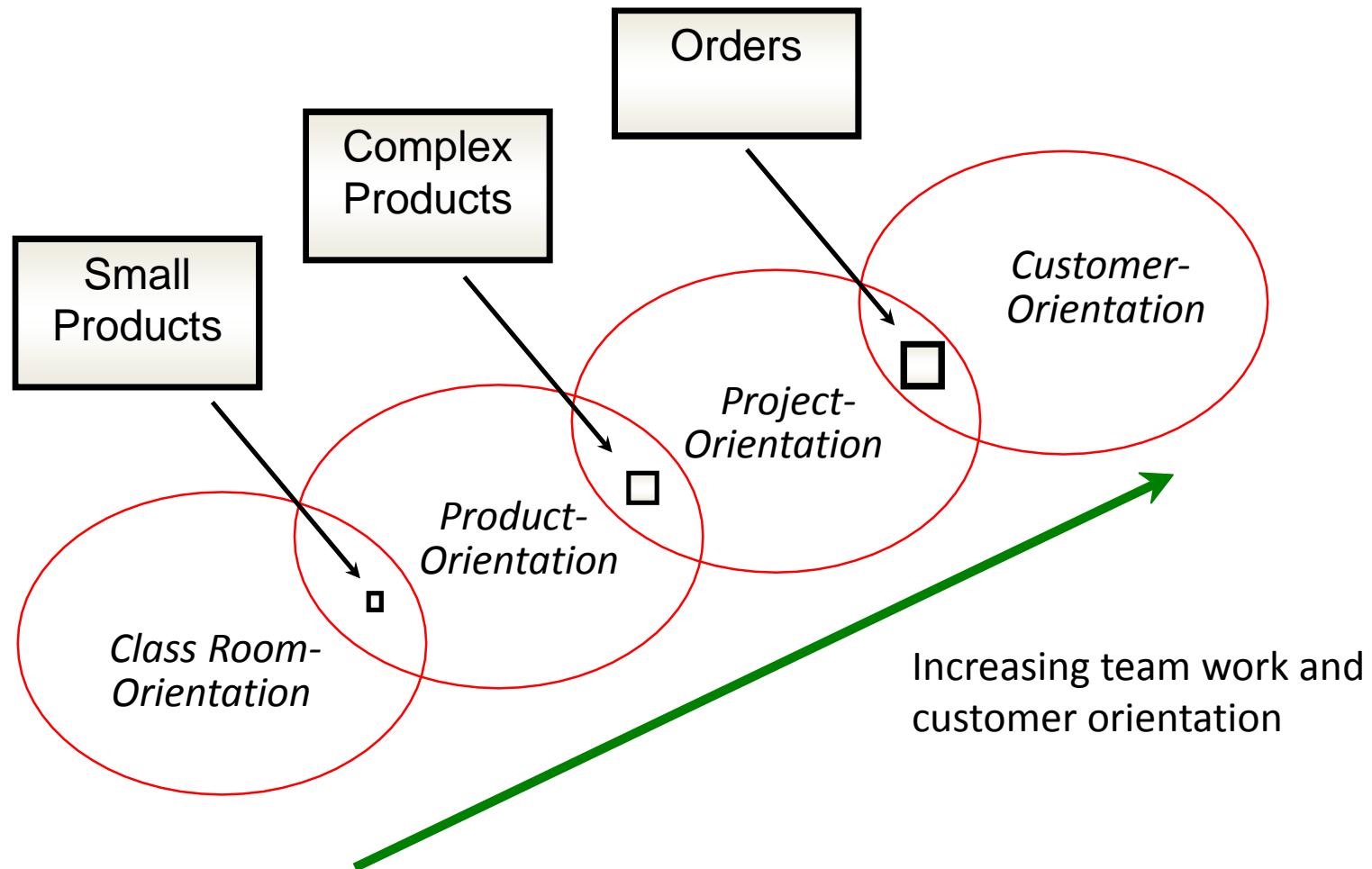
### 3.1 Modernization of vocational training

- Between 5 and 6% of the employees apprentices in the dual system of vocational training
- Training in around 350 national white and blue collar occupations
- Most employees in manufacturing skilled (VET or tertiary education)
- Broad skill base supports learning on the job – rapid changes require more learning on the job
- Job tenure increasing since companies rely more than in the past on the tacit knowledge of the employees

## 3.2 Example of Modernization of vocational training

- Most occupations modernized in the last decade
  - Occupational profiles broader than in the past and technology open
  - Learning in teams and in real business processes to acquire social skills and understand the context of their work
- August/2018: Fast track modernization of 11 engineering and electronic occupation with agile methods (step by step modernization) – creation of optional modules like programm or IT-Security for initial or further training
- Ongoing: Social partners check the impact of industry 4.0 on 20 occupational national profiles – Ambitious goal: joint module „media competence“ across all occupations

### 3.3 New learning forms: From product towards team work and customer-or business process orientation

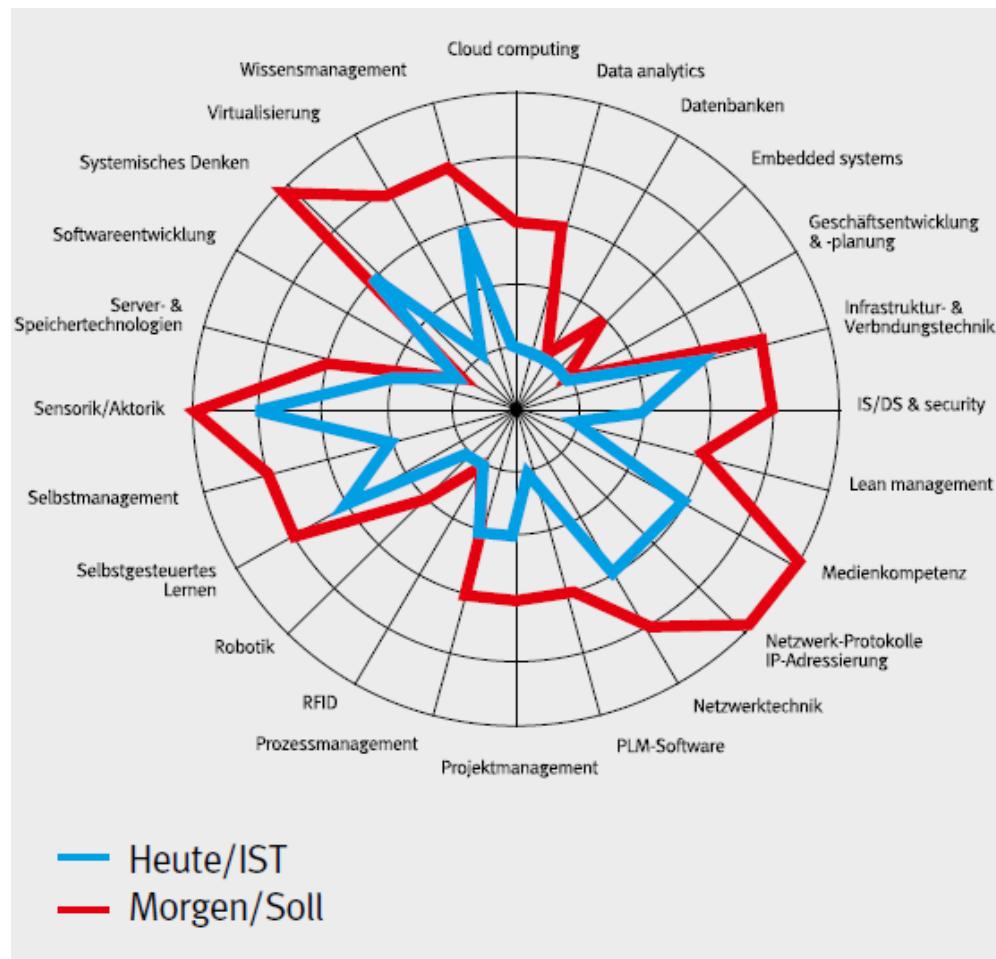


## 3.4 Example of modernization with agile methods (Red=new, Blue=modernized)

### Mécanicien industriel/Mécanicienne industrielle (42 mois)

- Organisation et contrôle des flux de finition et de fabrication
- Fabrication de composants et de sousgroupes et montage sur des systèmes techniques
- Détection et documentation d'erreurs et de leurs causes sur des systèmes technique
- Remise en état de systèmes techniques
- Modification de machines et de systèmes
- Exécution de travaux de maintenance et d'inspection
- Sélection de procédés et de moyens de contrôle
- Remise de systèmes et de produits techniques aux clients et instructions sur le fonctionnement de l'installation
- Maintien du bon état de fonctionnement de systèmes techniques
- Vérification et développement de composants électrotechniques du domaine de la technique de commande
- Prise en considération de processus commerciaux et application de principes de gestion de la qualité
- Exécution des tâches de façon autonome, en respectant les règlements et les dispositions de sécurité en vigueur
- Coordination du travail avec les personnels en amont et en aval
- Installation de postes de travail
- Communication avec des clients internes et externes en fonction de la situation, travail en équipe
- Contrôle et documentation de travaux d'entretien et de montage en prenant en considération les systèmes de gestion de la qualité de l'entreprise
- Utilisation de systèmes informatiques également pour les processus numérisés, application de la législation sur la protection des données et sur la sécurité des information

### 3.4 Occupational profile of a repairperson today (blue) and tomorrow including further training (red) (Siemens)



# Conclusions

- I-4.0 not new – digitalisation started earlier but I 4.0 hype creates a culture of department
  - Helps focussing R&D priorities, employer and union strategies
- Work was appendix to I-4.0, but increasingly important
  - unions succeeded to implement the „Future of Work“ program as well as own industry and company initiatives
- Many speculations on „The Future of Work in 2030“ - the formation of „Work 4.0“ an experimental process – small steps and agile methods needed
- Social partnership in this process crucial for economic and social reasons