

# **TC for Metrology in Length: Highlights and Challenges**

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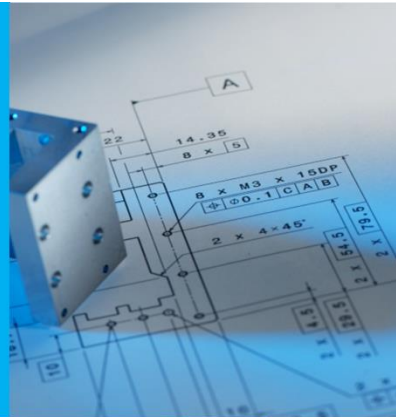


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# Length metrology - Areas of Impact



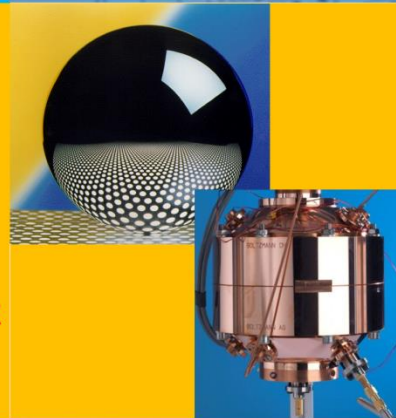
Traceability in dimensional measurements underpins all manufacturing, engineering and assembly industry worldwide, ensuring compatibility & interchangeability of parts.



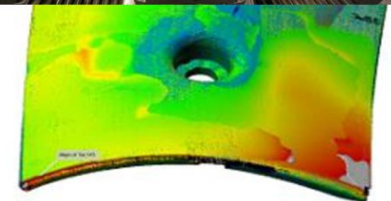
[CCL Strategy Document](#)  
with input from **EURAMET**  
**TC-L members of WG-S**

Topics are dealt with in **four TC-L Roadmaps**

Precision engineering and dimensional metrology are key to 3 **SI re-definitions** based on fundamental constants: form & dimension of **Avogadro** spheres and **Boltzmann** resonators, **Planck** balance interferometry



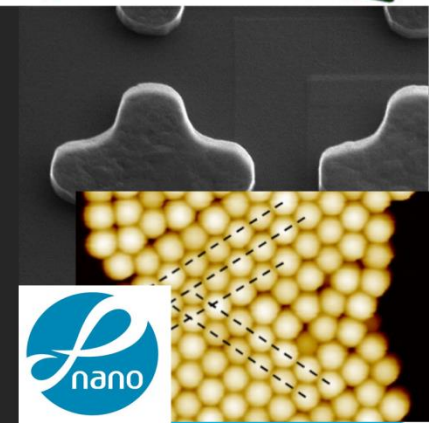
For new **science** (particle accelerators), **energy generation** (wind, civil nuclear), better accuracy & *in situ* calibration are speeding up manufacturing and enabling better efficiency, longer lifetimes. Solving gearbox problems is key to wind energy.



In aerospace, improving accuracy in aircraft assembly is reducing weight, reducing fuel burn (lower **environmental impact**, better **energy efficiency**). Key needs are accuracy and traceability for parts up to 40 m size.



Surface form and texture are critical to many nano-scale devices, particularly for *in-vivo* applications for **health**. Traceability infrastructure for 3D surface texture and simple dimensions on nano particles



# OUTLINE



- EMRP project results from Calls 2012 (about to be finished)
- Nanoscale 2016
- **euspen** 2017



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# Surveying, SIB60, Call 2012



## Metrology for long distance Metrology

### Main Challenge:

- Traceable measurement of long distances in surveying

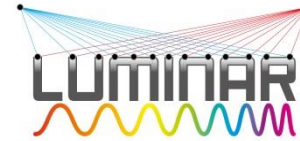
### Approach:

- Optical refractivity-compensation
- Isolated study of GNSS uncertainty contributions

### Main Results:

- Primary standards with measurement uncertainty of  $10^{-7}$  l for distances up to 1 km
- Best practice for low uncertainty GNSS-based distance metrology





## Large-volume Unified Metrology for Industry, Novel Applications & Research

Main Challenge: In situ, traceable, 3D shop-floor (industrial) metrology, to 10s of  $\mu\text{m}$

### Approach:

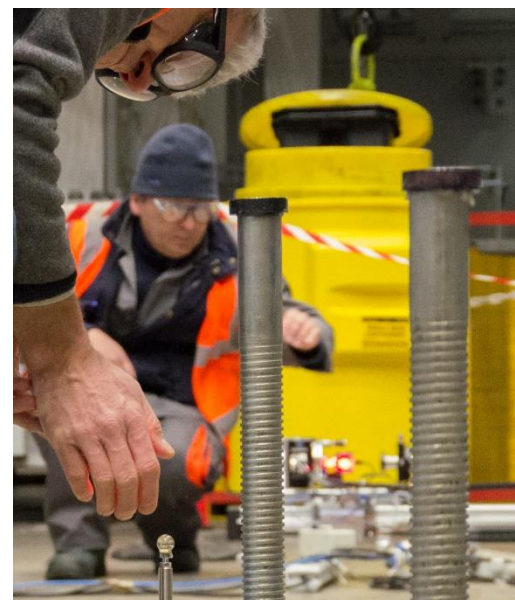
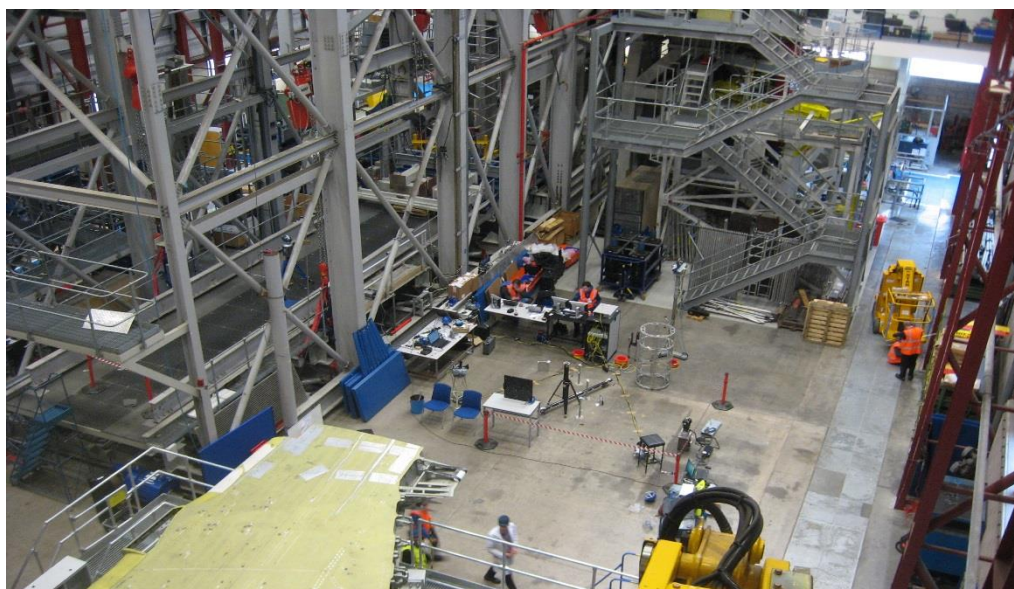
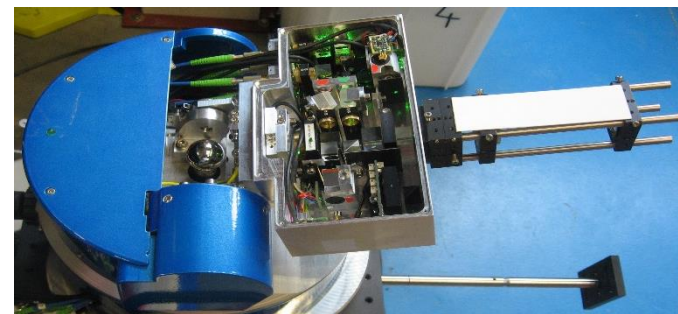
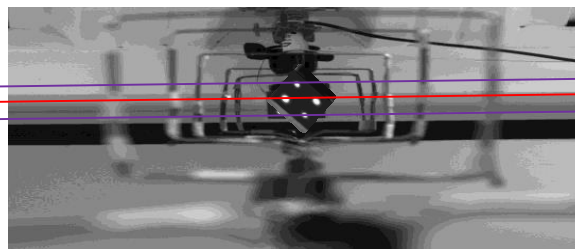
- Refractive index compensated telemeter and laser tracer
- Simulated environment (50 m) & reference probes/interferometer
- Hybrid thermal/dimensional modelling
- Refraction detection/compensation using photogrammetry
- *InPlanT* (separated planes)
- 3D divergent beam Frequency Scanning Interferometry (FSI)

### Main Results:

- New h/w & s/w available: telemeter, tracer, *InPlant*, FSI, Photogrammetry, models
- Along beam ref index to  $10^{-7}$ , 3D coordinates to  $30 \mu\text{m}$
- Commercialization of 2 JRP outputs (PTB tracer, NPL FSI)
- 5 patents, 4 future collaborations, equipment requests from Airbus, CERN, ...
- 27 conference presentations (incl. invitations from CERN, euspen)
- 8 publications, 8 training events (incl. secondment from CERN)

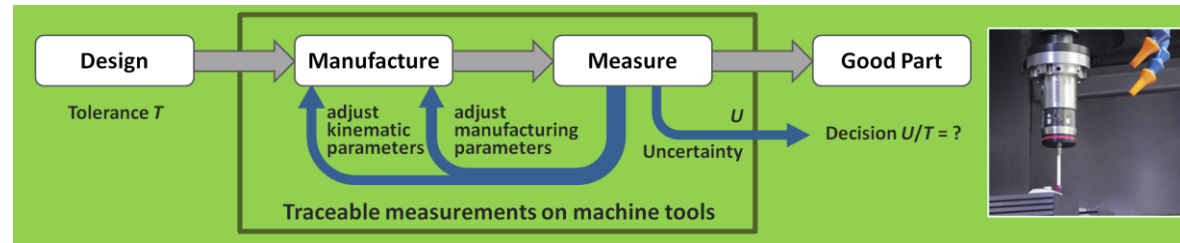






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# TIM, IND62, Call 2012



## Traceable in-process dimensional measurement

Main Challenge:

- Accuracy enhancement of machine tools in rough env. by in-process metrology

Approach:

- Provide defined thermal environment for machine tests: 15 ... 45 deg.
- Develop thermally stable work-piece like reference artefacts
- Develop thermo-mechanical models

Main Results:

- Reduction of systematic machine tool deviations of up to 80% at diff. temp. by characterization and compensation
- Five Good Practice Guides for different machine tools



Portable simulation chamber



# 6DoF, IND58, Call 2012



## Metrology for movement and positioning in six degrees of freedom

### Main Challenges:

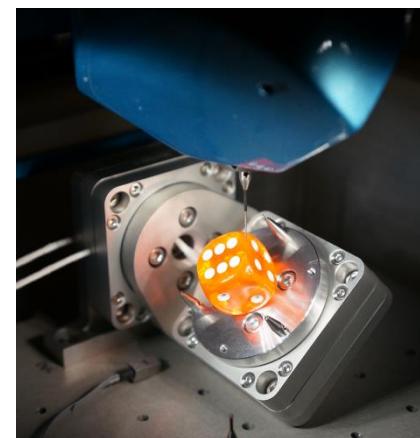
- Traceability for positioning systems with large angular motion
- In process measurement of straightness
- Improvement of measurement speed of metrological AFM

### Approach:

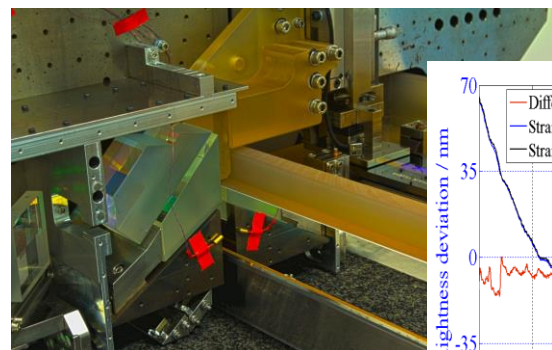
- Sequential calibration of three reference points by CMM
- Deflectometry by multi beam interferometers
- Non equidistant AFM scanning
- 6DoF characterization of nanopositioners

### Main Results:

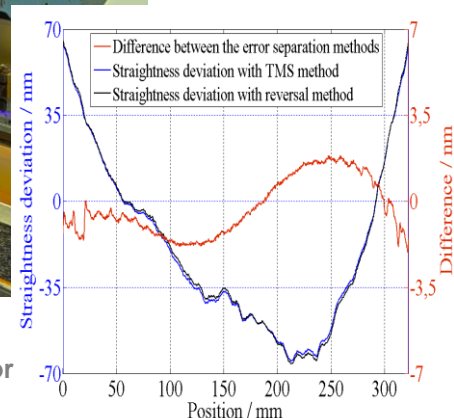
- MU for deflectometric straightness < 5 nm
- Procedure for calibration of 6DoF stages by CMM
- Gwyddeon library for non equidistant scanning
- Correction of hysteresis of a video rate AFM



Characterisation of an two axis angular table at the METAS  $\mu$ CMM



PTB length comparator with 3 parallel Interferometer beams for Deflectometry





## Multi-sensor metrology for microparts in innovative industrial products

### Main Challenges:

- Small tactile probes ( $\leq \varnothing 50 \mu\text{m}$ ) needed to measure complex microparts
- Measurements of microparts with optical sensors and CT systems are mostly not traceable

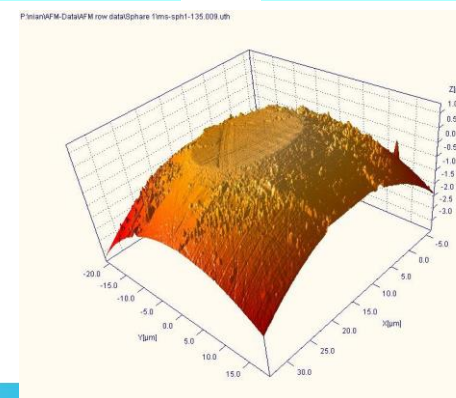
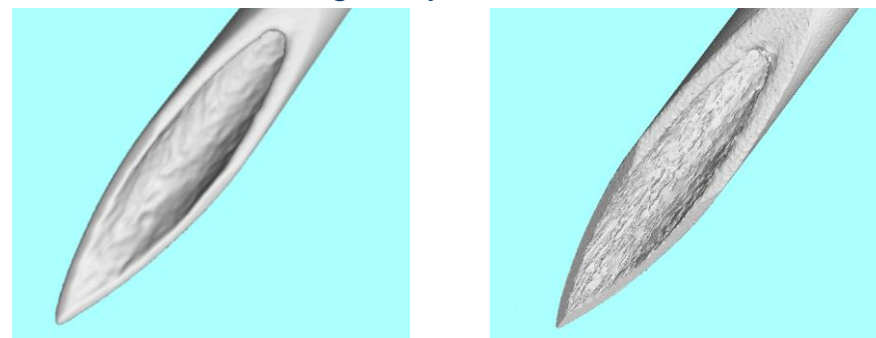
### Approach:

- Realization of small microprobes
- Development of calibrated workpiece-like reference standards

### Main Results:

- Size, form and wear of tactile microprobes ( $\varnothing 50 \mu\text{m}$ ) characterized
- 4 workpiece-like reference standards realized

CT-scans of an insulin injection needle ( $\varnothing 250 \mu\text{m}$ )  
left: Industrial CT, right: Synchrotron CT



# METROSION, IND61, Call 2012



## Metrology to enable high temperature erosion testing

### Main Challenge:

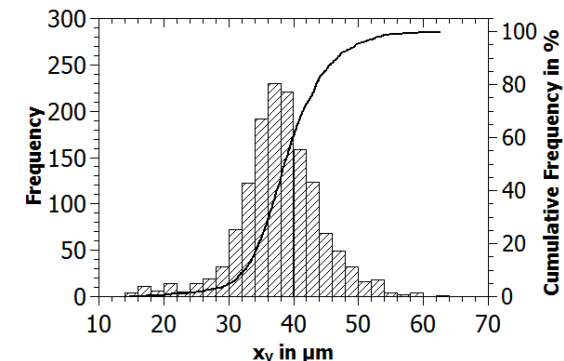
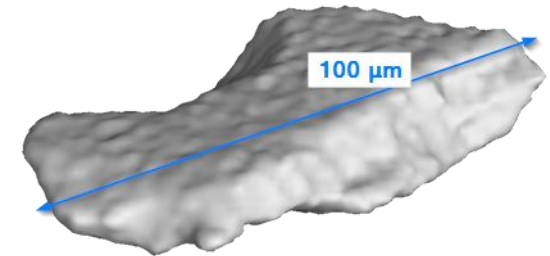
- Erosion by particles (30-150  $\mu\text{m}$ ) degrade performance of e.g. turbines (high costs and danger for life)
- Understanding of erosion process as a function of temperature, and velocity, size and shape of particles by simulation and experiment

### Approach:

- Characterization of microparticles by XCT
- Development of test rigs for  $v \sim 300 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ,  $T \sim 900^\circ \text{C}$

### Main Results:

- 3D-shape of particles determined
- Volume-equivalent diameter,  $x_v$ , with 2.5% and particle volume with 7.5% uncertainty determined



## Angle Metrology

### Main Challenge:

- Traceable angle measurements targeting at nanoradian uncertainty for stringent demands

### Approach:

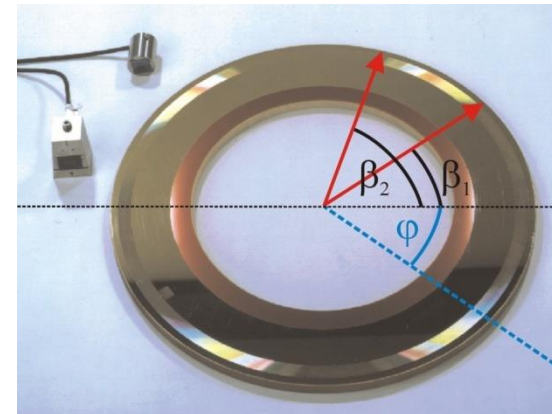
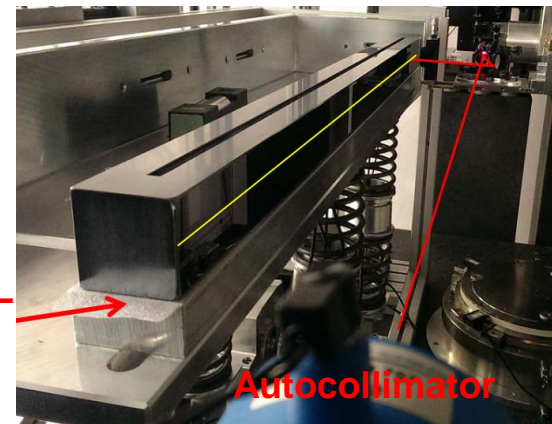
- Investigations for reaching fundamental metrological limits in the autocollimator-based form measurement of curved optics (e.g. X-ray optics)
- Development of new devices - methods for enhancement of autocollimators, angle encoders and small angle generator applications

### Main Results:

- Milestone: first spatial (2D) autocollimator calibration
- Improvements in application of angle measurement devices with uncertainties of a few nrad



European XFEL  
Mirror at HZB





## Crystalline surfaces, self assembled structures, and nano-origami as length standard in (nano)metrology

Main Challenge: surface and nanometrology

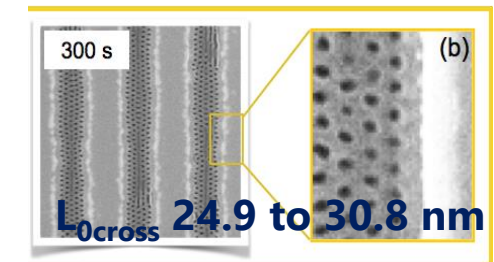
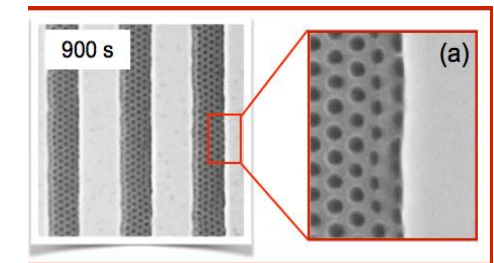
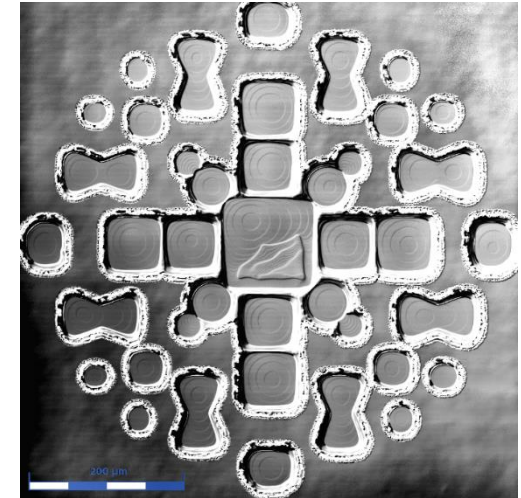
- Gap in traceability for step height (0.5 ... 6 nm) and lateral standards (5 ... 50 nm)

Approach:

- Preparation of crystalline surfaces: larger flat areas and use of atomic steps; Dev. of metrology UHV-STM
- Use of DNA-Origami and self-organization processes for realization of lateral standards

Main Results:

- Si-surface: flat >100  $\mu\text{m}$ ; step:  $h = 0.3114 \pm 0.006 \text{ nm}$
- Lateral standards: self-organized di-block copolymers



# Nanoscale 2016 Conference



- Organised by TU Wroclaw, GUM and PTB in co-operation with EURAMET TC-L and CCL WG-N
- March 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- TU Wroclaw, Poland
- > 80 participants



# euspen 2017 Conference in Hannover: May 29 – June 2, 2017; keynote talks



- **Prof. Joachim Ullrich,**

President of the Consultative Committee for Units  
of the CIPM and President of the PTB:

- Title: „**Linking the International System of Units  
to Fundamental Constants**”



- **Prof. Karsten Danzmann,** Director of Albert-Einstein-Institute Hannover,  
MPI Gravitational Physics and Institute for Gravitational Physics of  
Leibniz University in Hannover:

- Title: „**Gravitational Wave Astronomy:  
Listening to the Dark Universe**”



- **Dr. Harald Sinn,** European X-FEL, Hamburg, Group Leader  
X-ray Optics & Beam Transport:

- Prov. title: „**European X-FEL:  
Metrology and Alignment issues ...**”





**Thank you  
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**TC-L Oct. 2015, CEM Spain**

**=> Next TC-L Meeting:  
17-19 Oct. 2016, VSL, NL**



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