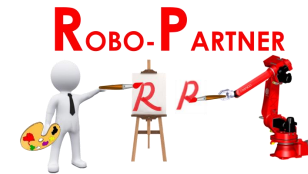


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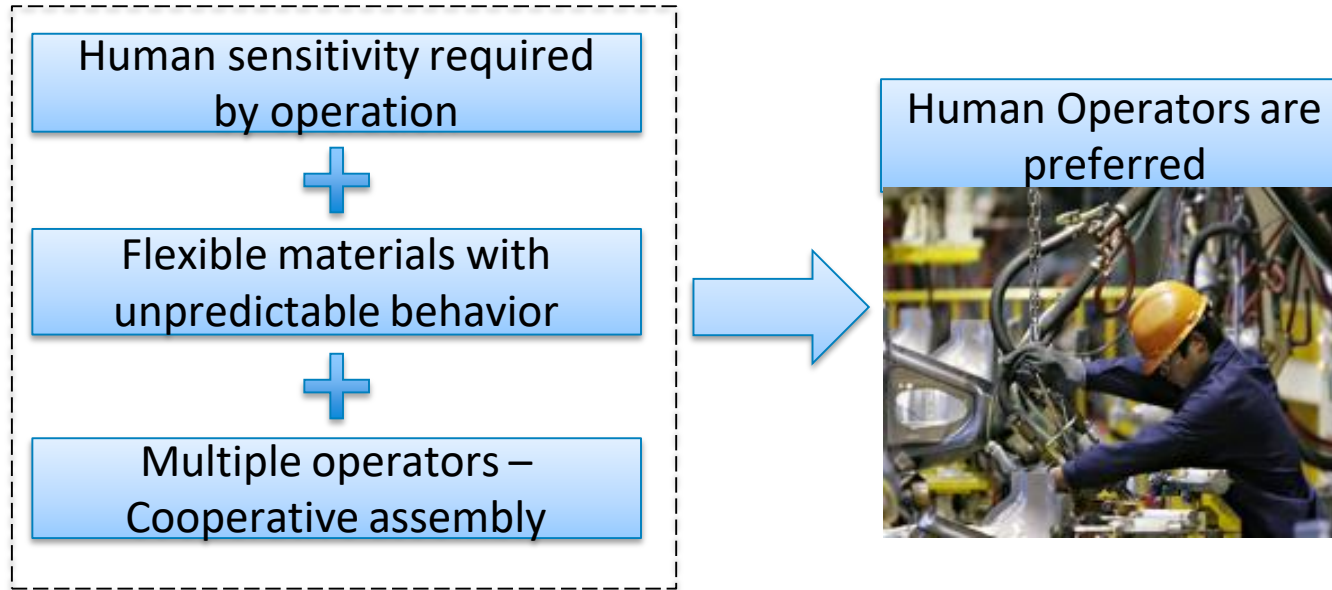
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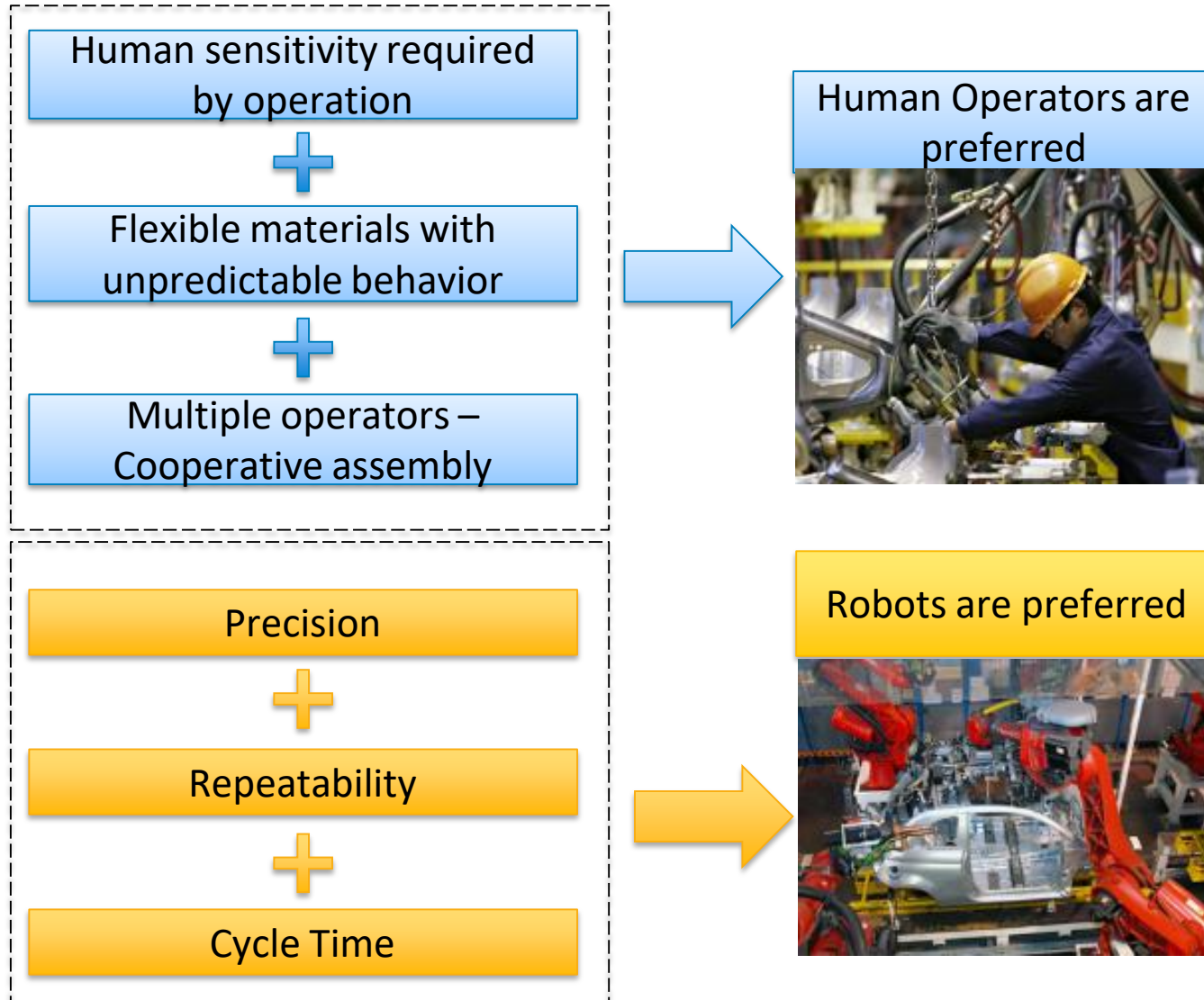
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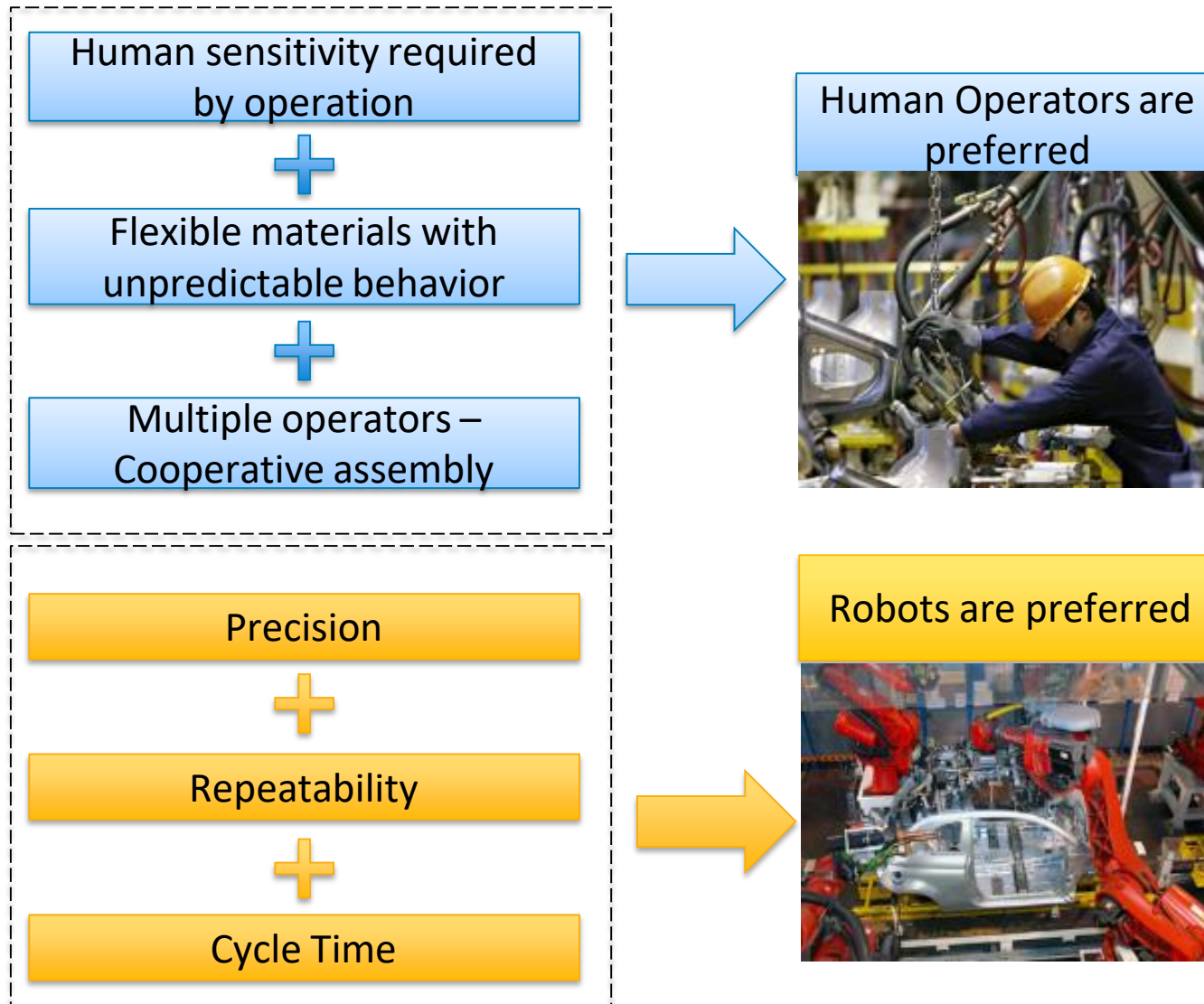
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Challenge:

*“Integrating new forms of interaction between robots and workers - make the most out of the **synergy effect**”*

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## Collaborative Robots



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## Industrial Robots



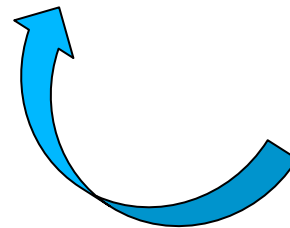
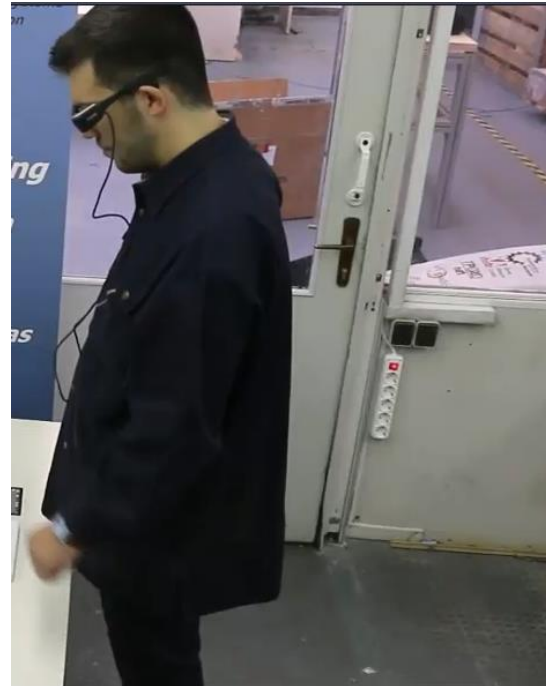
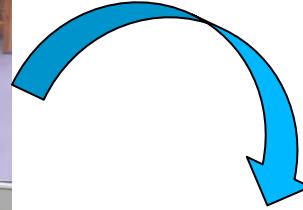
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- Majority of installed systems
- Not suitable for collaboration



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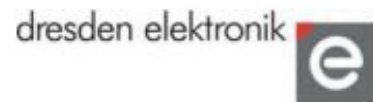


***Closing the loop  
between humans  
and industrial  
robots***



1. Safe cooperation
2. Coordination of tasks
3. Operator awareness

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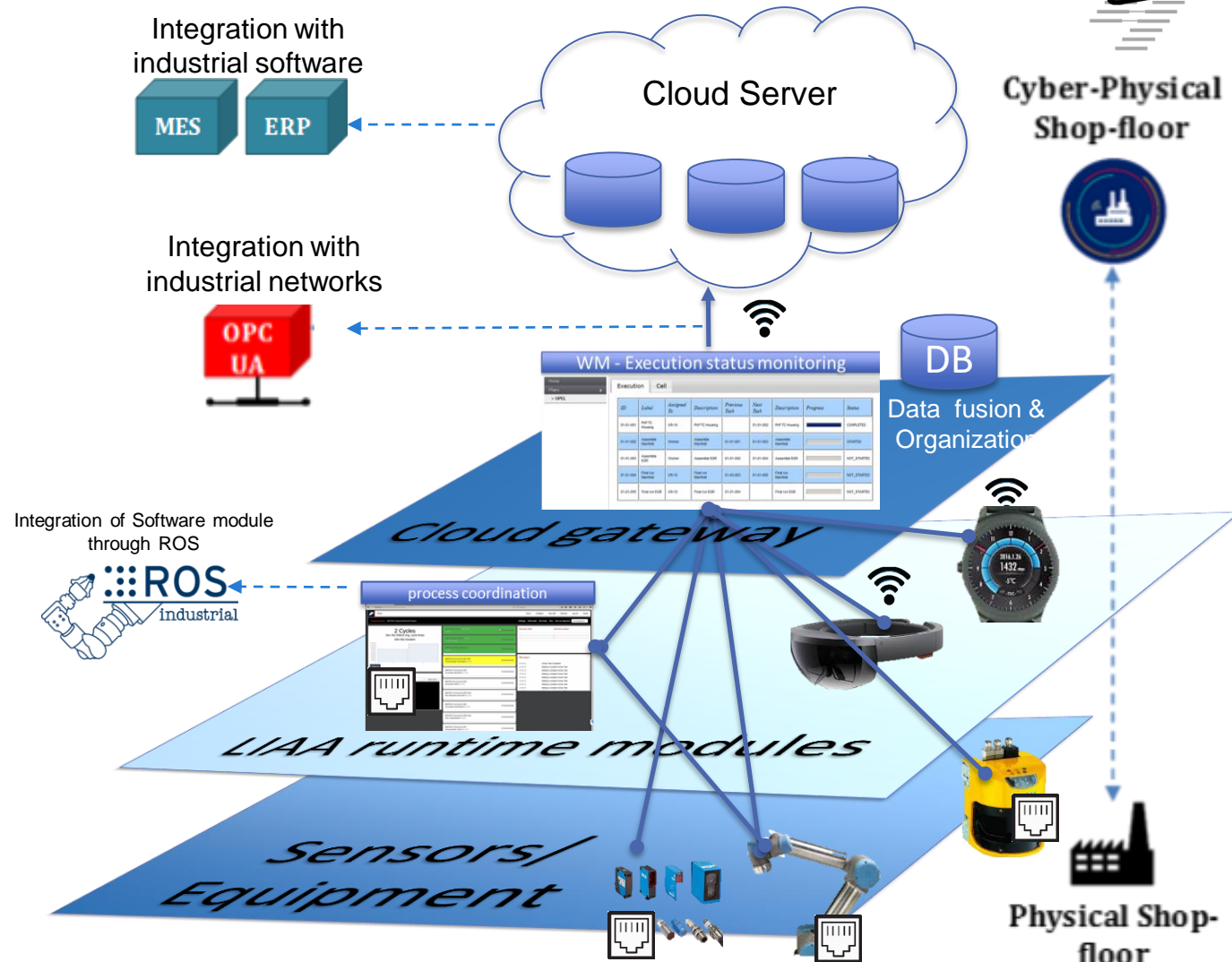


# LIAA IoT application approach

- ✓ Cloud server for meaning full information storage
- ✓ data visualization
- ✓ Decision making

- ✓ Data collection
- ✓ Data fusion

- ✓ Process coordination
- ✓ High level and low level modules communication through ROS

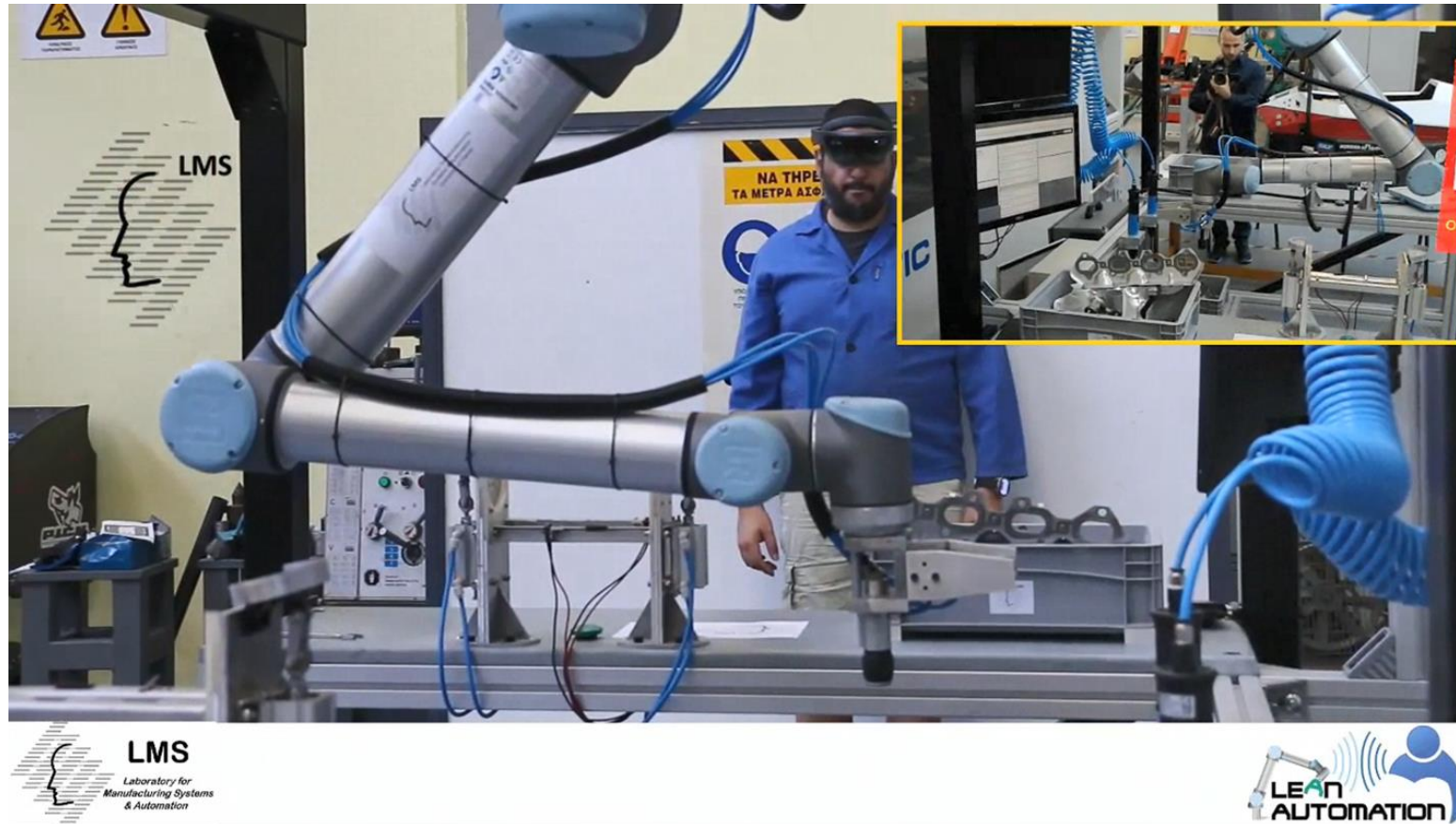




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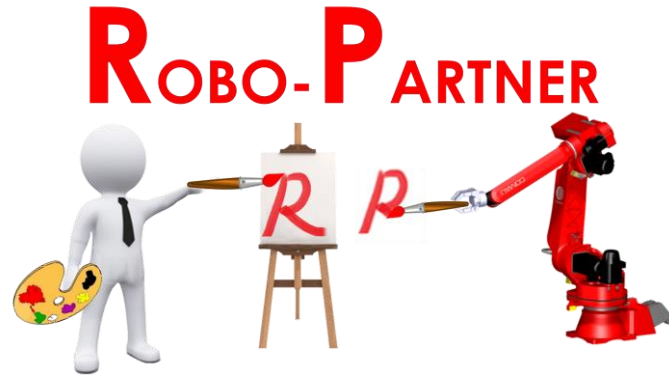
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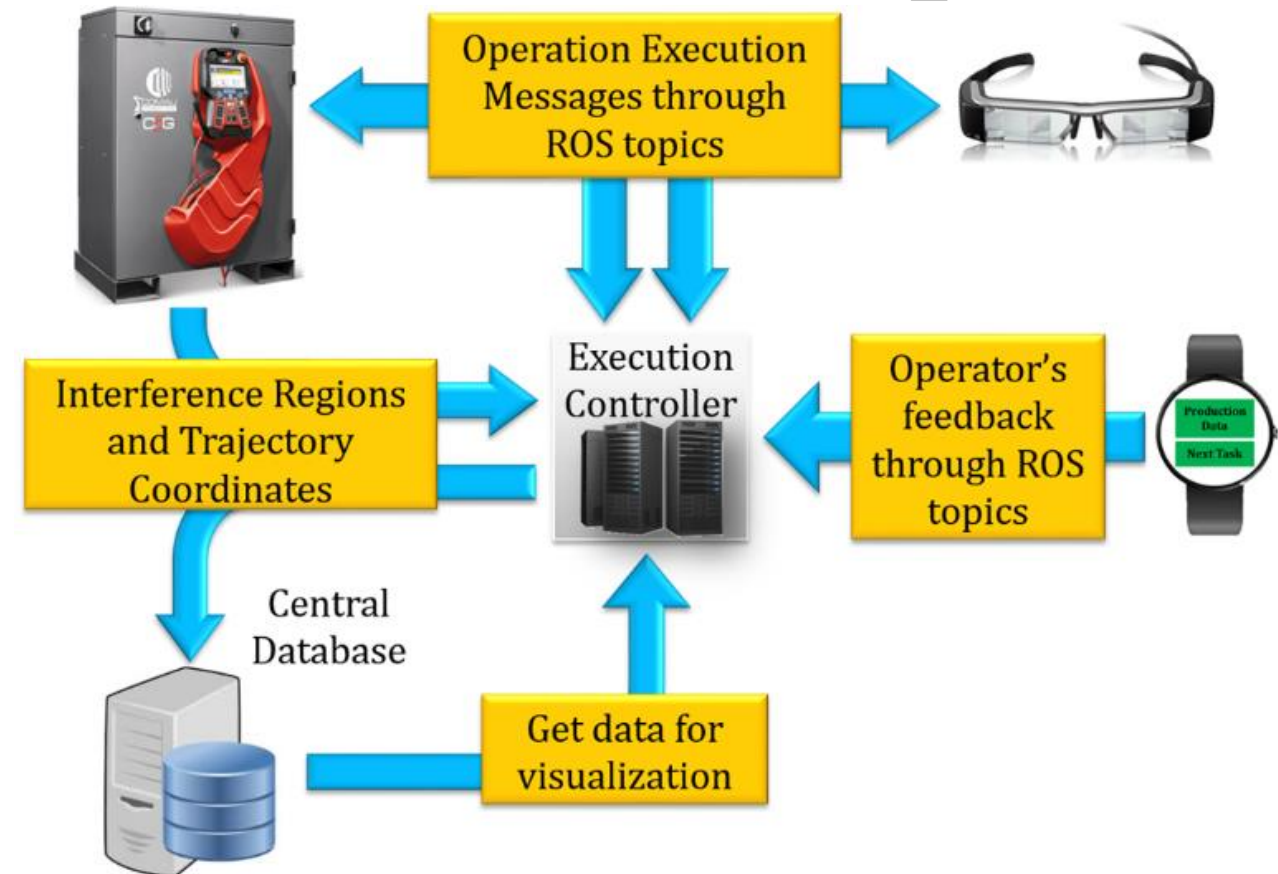




# ROBO-PARTNER Architecture

## Overview of the different systems and their connections

- **Usage of smartwatch** for operator's feedback to the execution system
- **Usage of AR glasses** for visualizing the necessary information to the operator
- **Usage of a central database** where all the data are stored
- **Execution controller** responsible for the message exchange and the data flow
- Information exchange through ROS topics and services – Usage of Rosbridge Server for the non-Ros applications (glasses, smartwatch)



# ROBO-PARTNER Application



## Human Robot Coexistence

Autonomous Operation & Human Robot Interaction

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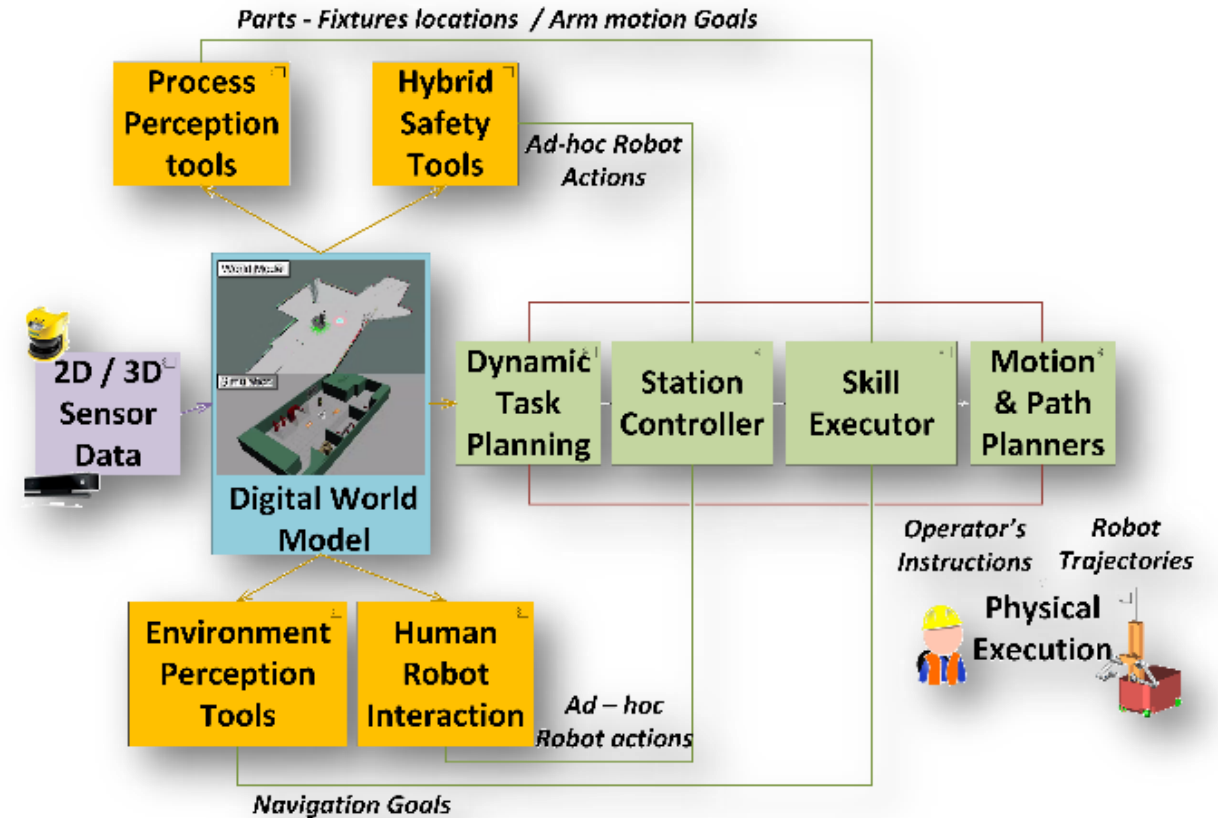




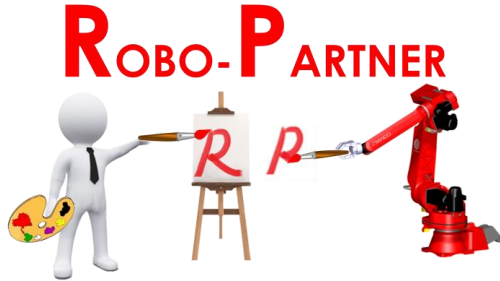
# THOMAS Architecture

## Overview of the different systems

- **Digital World Model** for multi sensor data acquisition, combination and representation
- **Hybrid safety** for closer human – mobile robot cooperation
- **Human Robot Interaction** through human behavior understanding
- **Enhance** environment and process **perception** combining 2D and 3D data inputs
- **Dynamic Task Planner** for on line work re-organization – task re assignment
- **Station Controller** responsible for the message exchange and the data flow



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