



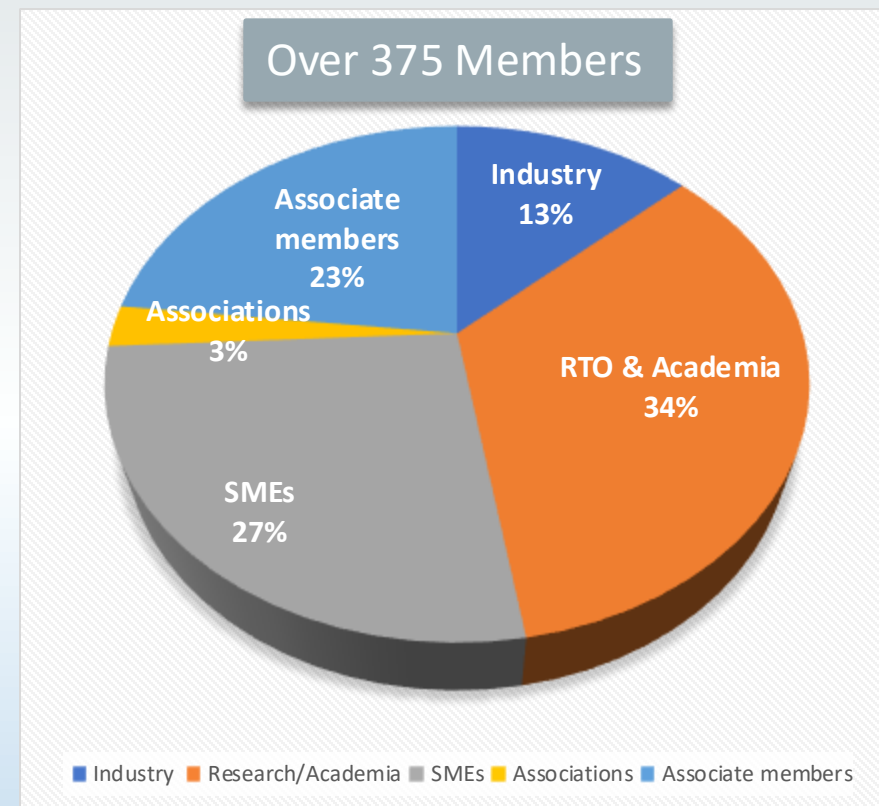
6G SNS European IA 6G Research

**The Voice of European Industry and Research
for Next Generation Networks and Services**

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The VOICE of EUROPEAN INDUSTRY for the DEVELOPMENT and EVOLUTION of 6G



6G-IA International MoUs/Joint R&I





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- The Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking is a major European 6G research program
- 1.8 B€ publicly funding for Next generation networks [equal resources from the private side and public side]

Know more [here](#)

Driving 6G development

Enhance European Leadership in Digital Infrastructure

Support collaboration targeting global standards

Support Societal and Environmental goals

Ensure Security, Resilience and Trust

Foster collaboration at the European and global levels

What societal values will 6G address?

Societal Key Values and Key Value Indicators analysed through 6G use cases

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5GPPP Architecture Working Group

View on 5G Architecture

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WHITE PAPER THE EUROPEAN VISION FOR THE 6G NETWORK ECOSYSTEM

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[Download the White Paper](#)

From 5G to 6G Vision A Connected and Automated Mobility perspective June 2022



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Position paper KEY STRATEGIES FOR 6G SMART NETWORKS AND SERVICES

DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.8315347
URL: <https://6g-ia.eu/plans-papers/>

[Download the White Paper](#)



5G Public Private Partnership
Test, Measurement and KPIs Validation Working Group

Whitepaper Beyond 5G/6G KPIs and Target Values

Version 1.0 – June 2022

Date: 02-06-2022 Version: 1.0 June 2022

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5G-PPP Software Network Working Group

Network Applications: Opening up 5G and beyond networks 5G-PPP projects analysis

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More than 40 white papers. All of them are publicly available at <https://6g-ia.eu/plans-papers/> and at <https://5g-ppp.eu/white-papers>

Examples
Non-exhaustive

Smart
Network
Infrastructure
(6G capabilities)



Convergence
with other
adjacent
technologies

6G will require significant **technological breakthroughs** to enable its ambitious goals

AI-Driven Architecture



- Programmability and Control
- AI governance
- Deterministic networking

Radio & Signal Processing



- Disaggregated RAN
- 6G RAN modulation
- Beamforming, RIS
- THz bands, VLC
- Harmonized Comms and Sensing

Optical Networks



- Intrinsically secure, green and flexible transport networks.
- Sustainability

Ubiquitous Computing



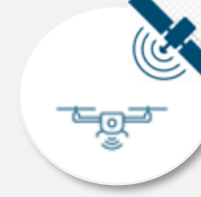
- Edge-Cloud Integration
- Responsiveness, reduced data flows
- Distributed microservices

Security



- Network and Services
- Larger attack surface
- Micro-segmentation
- Security as-a-Service

Non-terrestrial Networks



- Integration with TN
- (LEO) networks
- UAM services
- Edge flying nodes

Devices & Components



- **Advanced micro-electronics**
- Efficient Tx/Rx modules
- Optical & hybrid transceivers
- Neural processing units

Special purpose (sub)-networks



- **Vertical sub-networks** such as in-body, in-robot, in-car networks, etc

Future Emerging Technologies



- May have deep impact in the future
- Do not have a clear industrial path yet

Source: Network Europe SRIA - <https://www.networkeurope.eu/sria-and-whitepapers/>

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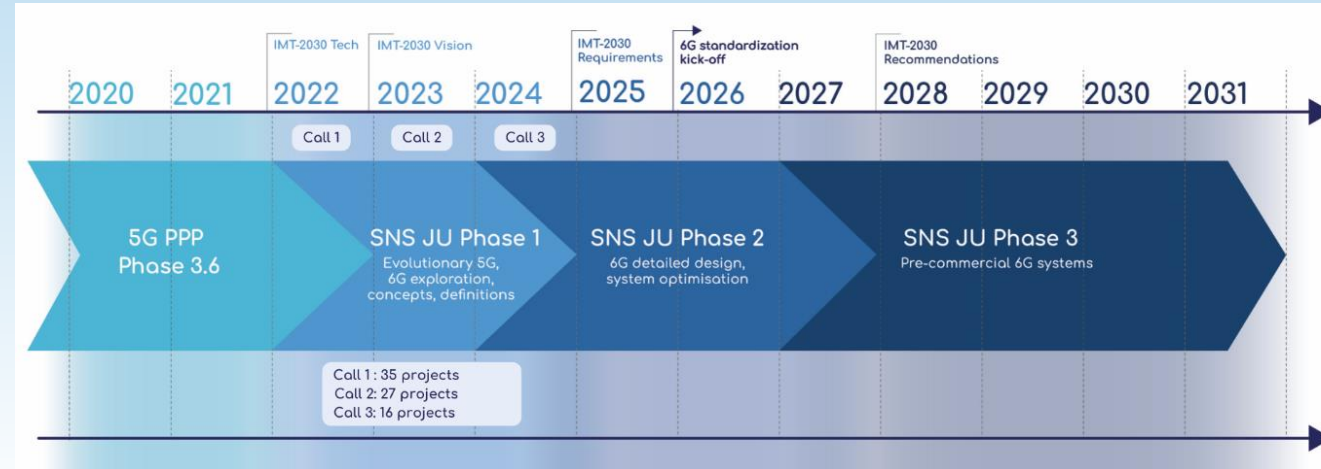
Calls

79

Funded Projects

501

€ Million invested



1244 Total entities funded



505 Unique entities funded



297 6G-IA members (59% of Unique Beneficiaries)

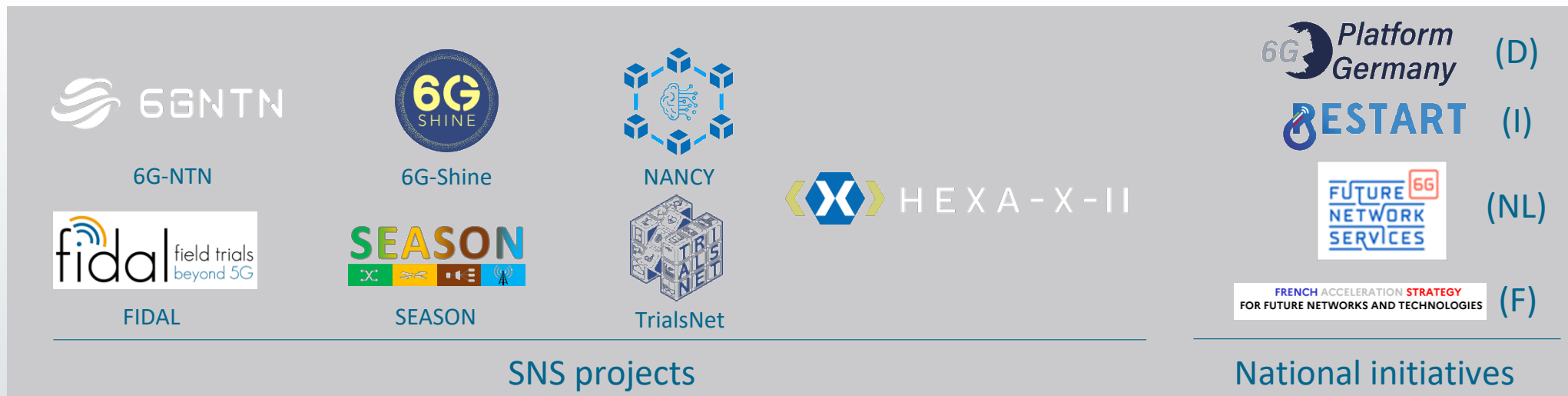


26% SME participants, claiming 24% of EU funding



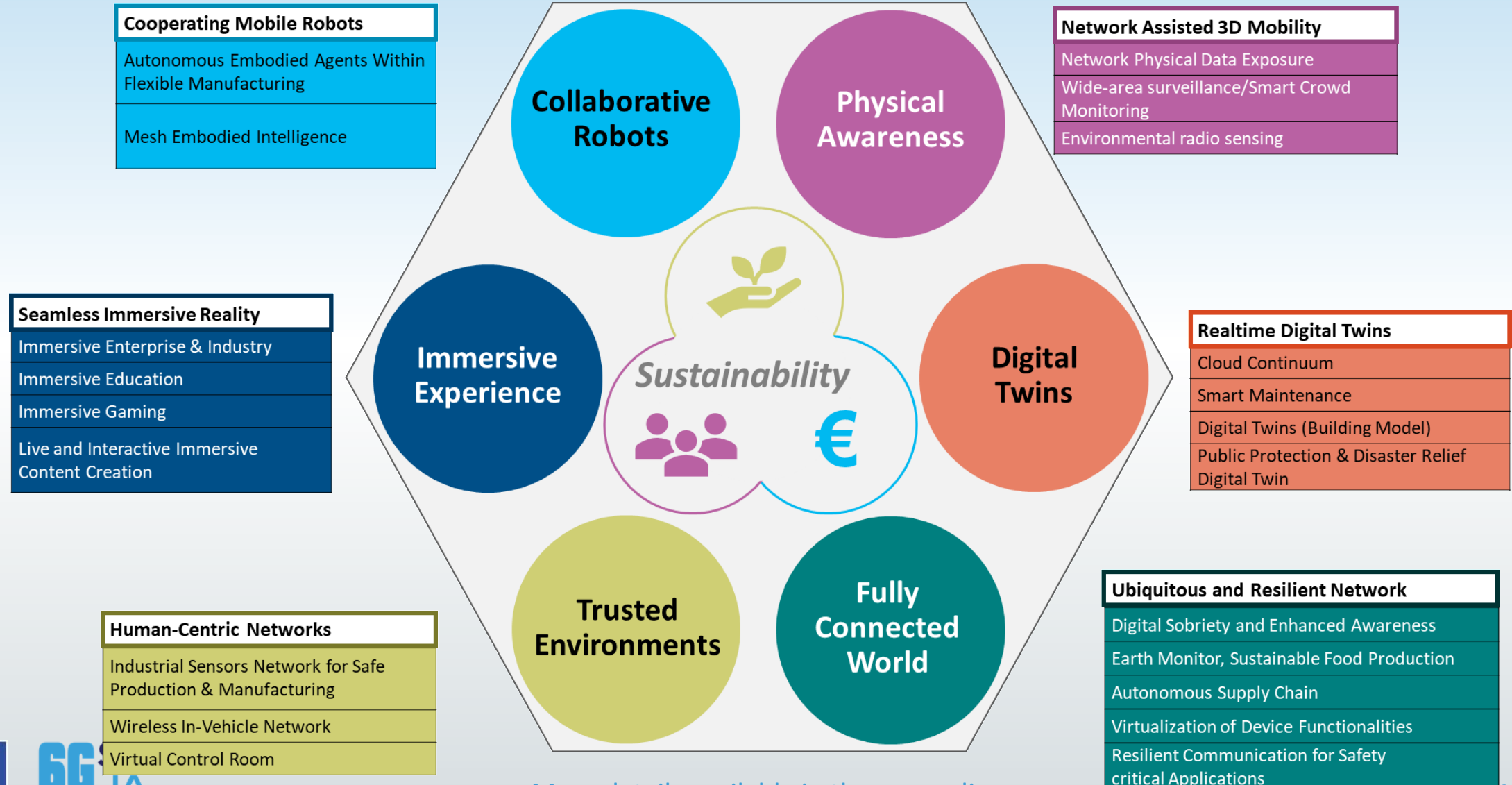
33 participating countries

- **3GPP SA1** invited **SNS** to participate in the workshop and present the envisioned 6G Use Cases based on the projects' work
- As SNS values collaboration with all EU stakeholders, it has invited EU National Initiatives to contribute to a coherent European view, formulated through SNS-ICE
- The following projects have contributed:



**6G SNS
ICE**





More details available in the appendix

IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCE

Immersive Experience use cases are based on an evolving XR technology.

Immersive Experience is all about meeting the fundamental human need of "experiencing" a now digitally extended or virtual environment to understand and to act.

Use Cases

Seamless Immersive Reality | Immersive Enterprise & Industry | Immersive Education | Immersive Content Creation

COLLABORATIVE ROBOTS

The network's main users are machines.

Emphasis lies on task-specific local connectivity. Depending on the task or needs, the network topology may undergo frequent changes. The level of machine autonomy determines the communication requirements.

Use Cases

Cooperating Mobile Robots | Autonomous Embodied Agents with Flexible Manufacturing | Mesh Embodied Intelligence

PHYSICAL AWARENESS

Physical Awareness use cases build on beyond-communication capabilities in networks: sensing, positioning, compute, and AI. By gathering 3D data about physical scenarios and situations, efficiency and safety can be improved.

Use Cases

Network Assisted Environment

TRUSTED ENVIRONMENTS

Comprehends use cases in local environments (streets, hospitals, schools, retirement homes) delivering human-centric services and promoting health, well-being, safety, inclusion, and autonomy in daily life.

These are based on sensing technologies as well as AI/ML and compute support to create spatial and situation awareness and enable context-driven interventions.

Use Cases

Human-Centric Networks | Industrial Sensors Network for Safe Production & Manufacturing | Wireless In-Vehicle Network

DIGITAL TWINS

Digital Twins is a set of use cases where digital equivalents of the real world are created and displayed for interaction, control, maintenance, as well as process and component management.

Use Cases

Realtime Digital Twins | Cloud Continuum | Smart Maintenance | Digital Twins (Building Models) | Digital Twin

FULLY CONNECTED WORLD

Ensuring connectivity everywhere, expanding beyond purely traditional terrestrial networks to deliver the benefits of communications to everybody.

Besides expanding coverage cost-effectively, it also enables network function availability for crisis management, earth monitoring, digital health services, virtualisation of device functionalities, or support of autonomous supply chains.

Use Cases

Ubiquitous and Resilient Networks | Digital Society and Enhanced Awareness | Earth Monitor & Sustainable Food Production | Resilient Communication for Safety Critical Applications



- 6G-IA collaborating directly with XGMF
- MoU agreed to be signed in May
- Joint workshop planned in Tokyo during May



Thanks for your attention!

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