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# SmartMan

## Le grand depart

On Sep 1, 2020, **Fontys** and **TNO** start the **Eindhoven Engine** program '**SmartMan**'. In 3 years we will implement applied research at small- and medium-sized enterprises (SME's) in the domain of Smart Manufacturing. We will accelerate the innovation of the Brainport eco system. Basis for this innovation is the Fieldlab Flexible Manufacturing at the Brainport Industries Campus (BIC) in Eindhoven. Community forming with the SME's is an important aspect of innovation acceleration for which we will use the premises of Eindhoven Engine.

Fontys will at least contribute with 40 studentprojects per year executed at the participating SME's. TNO will apply their strategic Smart Industry competence to guide the students. TNO's program manager is Gregor van Baars. Hans Krikhaar will guide the students at Fontys, together with lecturers involved.