



Elementi innovativi nel supporto alla digitalizzazione delle PMI

Esperienze e risultati del progetto D3T

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Punto di partenza

- ▶ Esperienza crescente nel supportare Piccole e Medie Imprese (PMI) nel percorso di digitalizzazione
- ▶ Interesse a sviluppare un servizio di supporto alla digitalizzazione e i processi interni di gestione del servizio
- ▶ Pre-covid: progetto presentato nel 2018, iniziato attività nel 2019

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*Supporting experimentation in innovation
agencies*



Il Progetto D3T

Data Driven Digital Transformation

Obiettivo: validare e analizzare l'impatto di un servizio di supporto alla trasformazione digitale nelle Piccole e Medie Imprese

Attraverso:

- ▶ uno *small-scale experimental pilot*
- ▶ **24 PMI piemontesi** interessate alla trasformazione digitale nelle fasi di “assessment” e “planning”
- ▶ Sviluppo di una **Roadmap con le priorità di trasformazione digitale**
- ▶ **Misurazione degli impatti generati** dall'implementazione della roadmap (readiness and timeliness)



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La metodologia



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The experiment

Trial Design

Trial protocol: Research question, population, intervention, duration, outcomes



Scouting of companies

Open call and direct contact with companies interested in digital transformation

Randomisation

Supported by IGL-NESTA

Classification of companies data

Service provision and monitoring

Delayed because of Covid-19

Started in Feb. 2020 and will end in March 2021

Analysis of results

Impact in the companies, answers to the research question, outcomes measured, impact analysis



D3T Trial Design

Research question:

Does offering a data driven approach to the Digital Transformation support services (*the intervention*) improves SMEs (*the trial population*)' readiness and timeliness (*the outcome*) for the DT implementation?

→ Main outcome: change in the readiness of a company in getting to know exactly what digital technology can adopt to improve the business processes and the time spent in doing so.

- ▶ 26 SMEs
 - ❑ Located in the Piedmont Region
 - ❑ Are more than one year old
 - ❑ Have less than 100 employees
 - ❑ Are already aware of their need of digital transformation
- ▶ Interventions: 2 different ways to deliver the service
- ▶ Duration: 1 year



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Il servizio di supporto D3T

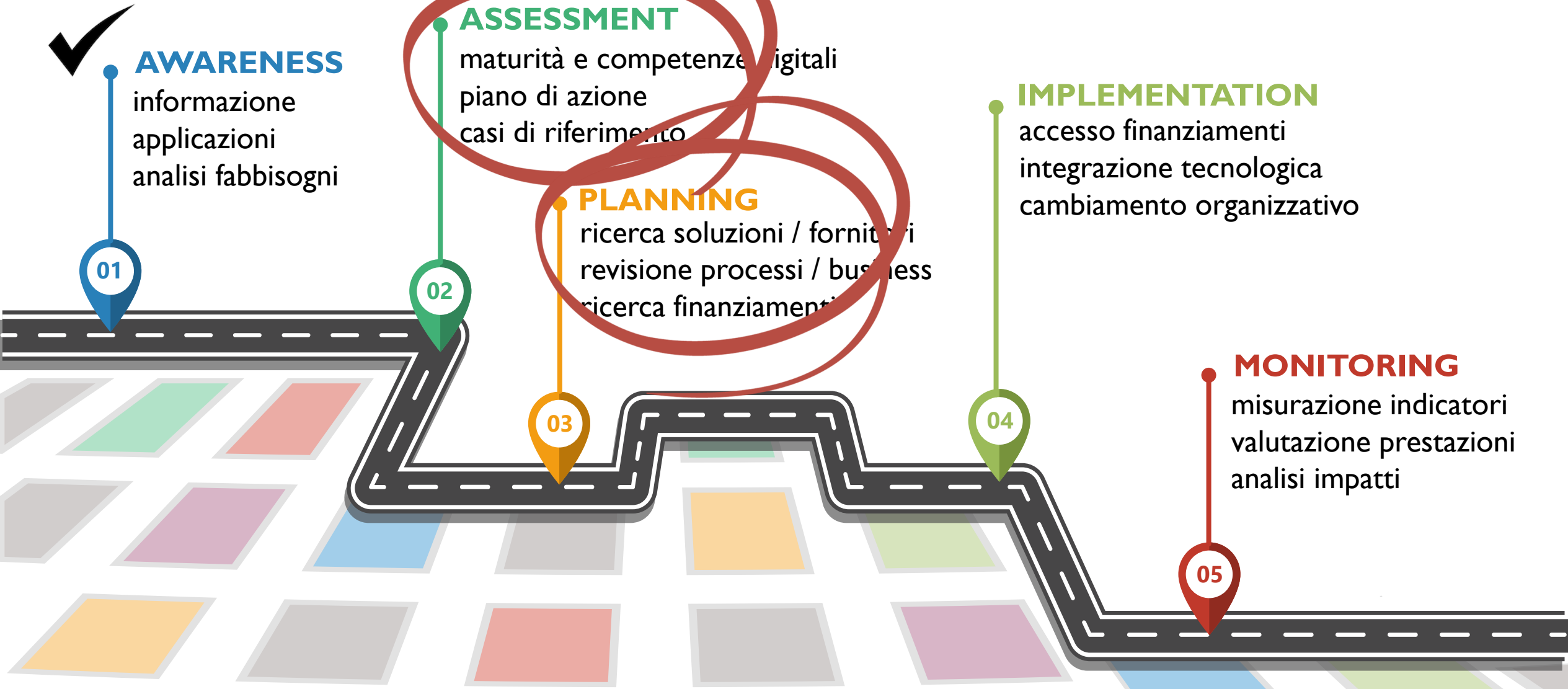
Per PMI piemontesi



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Le fasi della trasformazione digitale



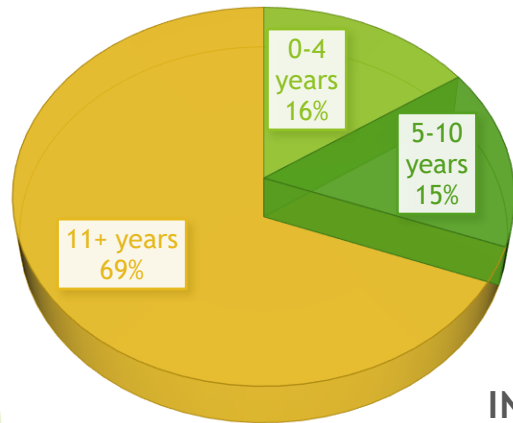
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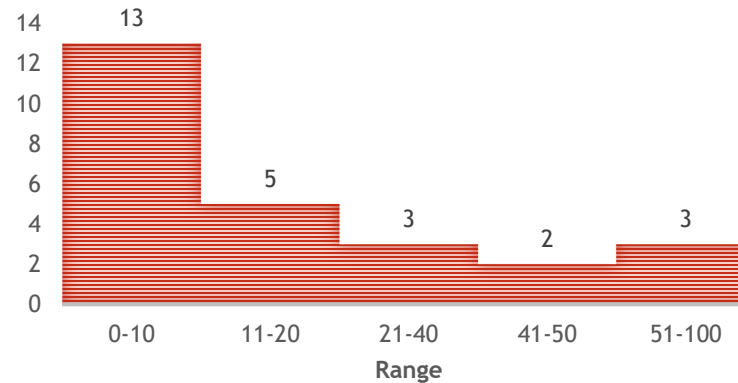


24 supported SMEs: numbers and figures

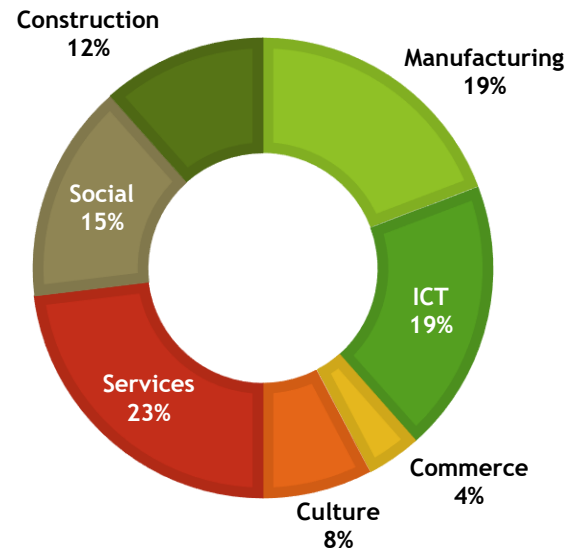
SMES' AGE RANGE



NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES



INDUSTRY

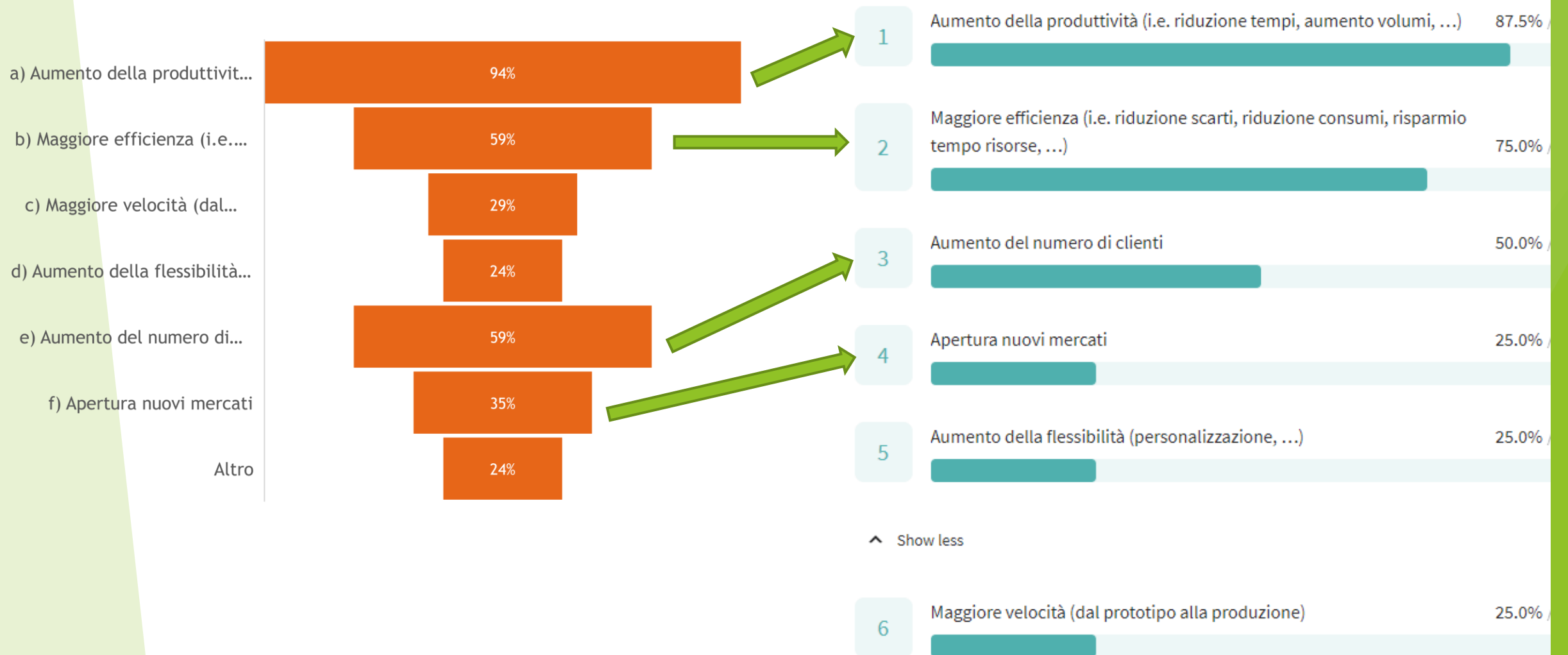


Priorities

- ▶ CRM
- ▶ Privacy and compliance
- ▶ AI solutions
- ▶ Energy management
- ▶ Sito web
- ▶ e-commerce
- ▶ Review of internal processes

Baseline vs Final survey

Consideri che la trasformazione digitale può generare delle nuove opportunità per la tua azienda? Quali?



Lessons learned & recommendations

1 DATA-DRIVEN APPROACH
Digitalisation supports the time management and efficiency of the innovation agency but cannot be totally replaced by the human factor.

2 INTERNAL PROCESSES
Defined process for a service: planning, design, time & effort, skills needed. Take into account differences between analysts.

3 DESIGN METHODOLOGY
Questions to be answered, monitoring process, external factors.

4 RCT IMPLEMENTATION
Start small, high numbers are needed to assure the impact is visible and correctly measured.
Requires time and effort.



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Dissemination

Of the project results, lesson-learned and recommendations

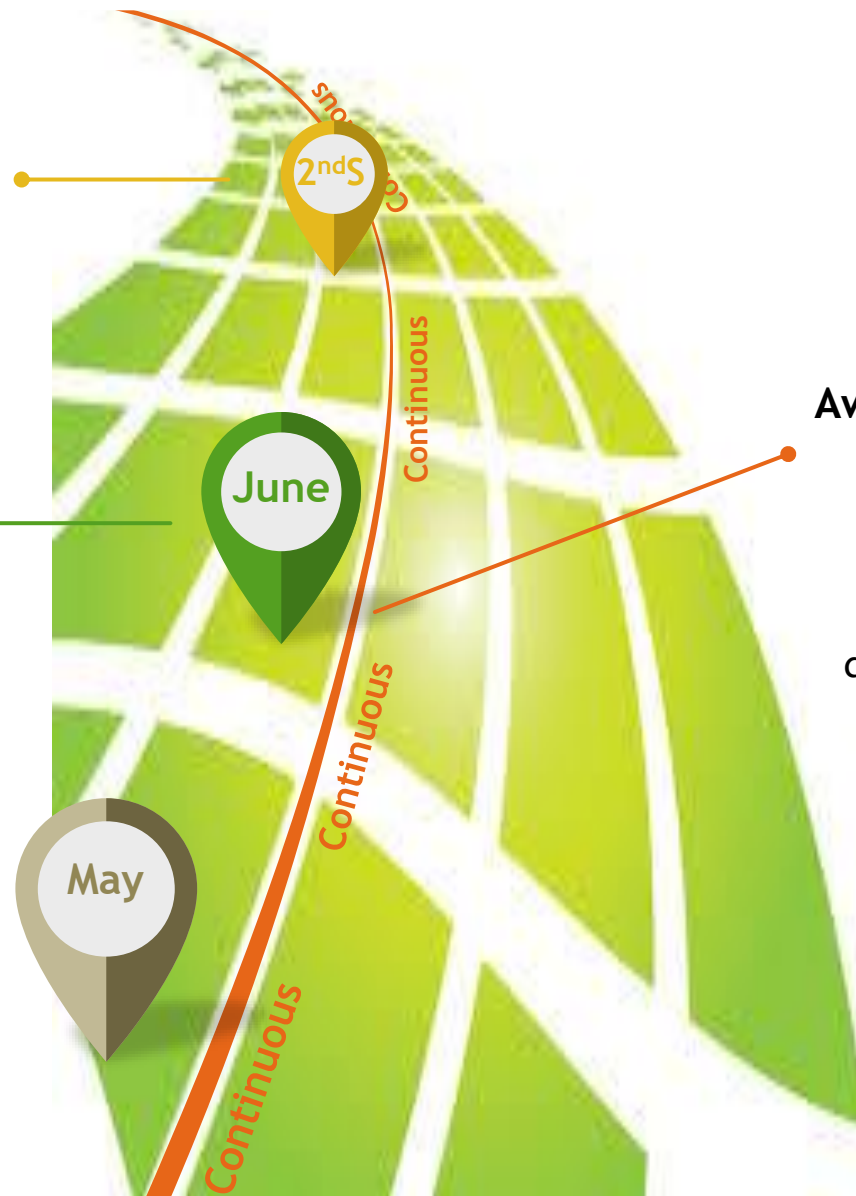
Publication of 2 papers about the experience and lesson-learned of:

- The data-driven approach
- The RCT implementation



Monitoring continues

To trace the impact and results of the supported companies



Awareness creation and support for digitalisation

Continue to support companies in their digital transformation path

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Thank you!

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