

Summary Webinar QRM 4.0 Region Belgium Limburg | March 30, 2021

Quick Responsive Manufacturing (QRM) is an upcoming growth strategy that focusses on the reduction of lead times in production processes. The Interreg QRM 4.0 project focusses on increasing the awareness of QRM and support the manufacturing industry to transform their processes and organizational structure to better meet the more stringent demands of clients (shorter delivery time, custom-made products, etc.).

POM Limburg has organized a live webinar in the morning of 30 March 2021, to inform the SMEs of the manufacturing industry of Limburg (BE) about the advantages of QRM and about the potential support (bootcamps, learning network, pilot cases, etc.) they could receive from the European project.

After a welcoming word from project manager Maxime Corvilain (POM Limburg), the floor of the studio was given to the invited speakers.

First, Pascal Pollet (SIRRIS), project leader of QRM 4.0 has highlighted the potential benefits of implementing QRM at the shopfloor of these SMEs. In addition, he also gave a quick overview of what kind of results could be expected and which opportunities are present for the local SMEs.

After this, Ief De Peuter, production manager of Belgian Cycling Factory (BCF) explained how his company has started to digitalize their shopfloor and which ambitious plans the company has with the QRM strategy. In addition, they showcased their unique product configurator, which gives customers and cycling fanatics the possibility to compose and order a completely customized cycle, tailored to the customer.

Next, Jorg Hendrickx from Vlegel Technology had a talk about an user case in a sawmilling company, where they have implemented industry 4.0 technologies to improve the insight of the production processes on the shopfloor via Internet of things (IOT). He discussed also the added value of digital work instructions in the automotive sector for more flexible operators.

Finally, the webinar ended with a lively Q&A session where interesting questions from the online audience were answered by the three respective speakers.

