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Smart Manufacturing: The Practice of Real Time Data and Manufacturing Intelligence

Manufacturing is an industry that needs to make data a key asset, change how manufacturing is structured and adopt next generation IT and technologies for future manufacturing competitiveness. It is in what way, at what speed, and how well the data and next generation IT are applied that will impact the future of individual manufacturers and their supply chains. Smart Manufacturing (SM) is a practice. From a business standpoint, it is the opportunity-based and business oriented practice of end-to-end use of real-time, networked, data based intelligence for enterprise integration of dynamic market demands, high precision/qualified products, and enterprise and ecosystem optimization. From a technical standpoint, SM is the practice of applying advanced sensors, controls, platforms and modeling not only as advanced technologies but as integrated operations and information (OT/IT) technology systems. As a practice, SM achieves increased economic, energy, and material productivity, zero incidents, reduced industry energy usage, and environmental sustainability. The Clean Energy Smart Manufacturing Innovation Institute (CESMII) is the 9th U.S. institute under the White House-led “Manufacturing USA” initiative. The Public Private Partnership focuses on accelerating the transformational use of data, the extensive application of enterprise manufacturing intelligence, the provider and practitioner market changes and the adoption of advanced sensors, data analytics and controls to radically improve the precision, performance and efficiency of U.S. advanced manufacturing.

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