Smart Industry is driven by the clever use of ICT among companies and between companies and customers. The combination of new production technology, digitization and a network approach offers entrepreneurs an opportunity to develop new and smart products, processes and services. The Smart Industry Action Agenda was launched in 2014 and the results presented below show a cross section of this.

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- 29 Fieldlabs are operational and 3 candidate Fieldlabs are ready to start.
- Action Agenda on Standardization has been prepared:
  In order to improve interoperability and collaboration in the supply chain.
- Dare-2-Share partnership agreement available:
  Faith among parties is essential for being prepared to share data. The agreement helps to lay down cooperation in the chain in an honest and reliable way.
- Unique €15-million Fieldlab scheme supported by the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs launched (December 2016):
  To stimulate new Fieldlabs.
- Smart Industry Route Map incorporated into the Dutch National Research Agenda:
  To secure the medium-term development of knowledge.
- Dutch Minister Kamp of the Ministry of Economic Affairs received the Smart Industry Action Agenda (November 2015):
  This is implemented by a team comprised of representatives of companies, government, knowledge institutions and sector organizations.
- The High Tech top sector has set up a Smart Industry Roadmap:
  to ensure that this subject has been incorporated into the Dutch Smart Industry Route Map.
- Several different research grant subsidy schemes:
  The NWO call and STW call regarding Smart Industry have been carried out:
  The SIA KIEM Smart Industry scheme is still open to entrepreneurs who wish to address practical research questions with Universities for Applied Sciences.
- Innovation of curricula for Higher and Intermediate Vocational Education:
  Schools of Intermediate and Higher vocational education and universities have taken the lead in the development of Smart Industry teaching modules.
- Lifelong learning for everyone:
  A lot of work is being done on new forms of learning for employees, focusing on up-to-date skills and flexible employability.
- 200 presentations given at events for small and medium-sized businesses, visited by well over 15,000 participants.
- Partner of ESF, Technishow, New Industries and Industrial Processing technology fairs.
  We are regulars at the Hannover Messe.
- Smart Industry partners reach tens of thousands of entrepreneurs:
  Through publications, tools, workshops, masterclasses, blogs, newsletters and LinkedIn and Twitter posts.
- Smart Industry Governance set up:
  A Smart Industry programme bureau, steering committee and forum have been set up and are staffed by a team that largely mirrors Dutch society.

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- More than 200 Smart Industry ambassadors:
  Businesses, knowledge organizations and stakeholders make an active contribution through customer days, round tables, publications and promotion in their daily business.
- EU is enthusiastic about the Dutch Smart Industry approach:
  The Dutch approach is unique due to the intensive cooperation among organizations and the integral approach to technology, business, education and Lifelong Learning.
- Platform with 30 lectors at Universities for Applied Sciences:
  The platform focuses on coordinating practical research, knowledge transfer and innovative curricula. The Social Innovation Fieldlab has taken off.

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