# The Flex Innovation System Jeannine Sargent President of Innovation and New Ventures flex.

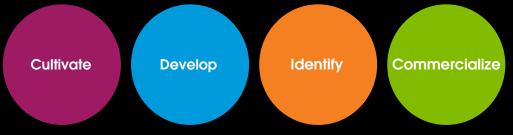
## Our Innovation Journey...

## **Build-to-Print**

## Sketch-to-Scale™

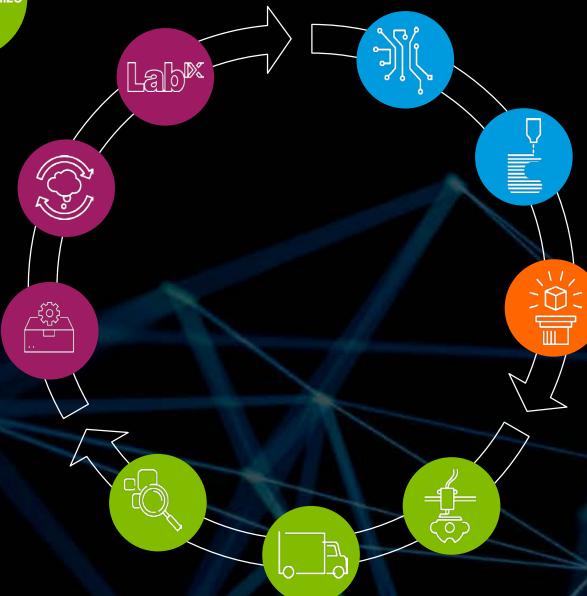


## Flex Innovation System



## Cultivate Technology and Provide Market Access

- » LabIX
- » Collective Innovation Platform (CIP)
- » Technology Centers of Excellence (CoE)
- » Flex Smart & Connected Solutions (FSC)



# Product Development/ Identify Opportunities (Sketch)

- » Innovation Labs
- » Multek Interconnect Technology Center (ITC)
- » Innovative Connected Emerging Technology Group (ICE)
- » Innovation Centers
- » Global Design Centers
- Cloud Labs
- » Flex Power
- » Flex Digital Health
- » Flex Lighting Solutions
- » Flex Living (Residential/Commercial)
- » Advanced Engineering Group (AEG)

#### Commercialization (Scale)

- » Product Introduction Centers (PIC)
- » Centers of Competence (CoC)
- » Manufacturing Sites
- » Global Services and Solutions / Logistics
- » Active Tracking (Pulse)
- » Financial Supply Chain Design (FSCD)
- » Elementum



## Growing our Innovation System

5 Innovation Centers | 9 Product Introduction Centers | 25+ Design Locations | 3000+ Design Engineers



## **Expanding Our Co-Innovation Capabilities**

We are growing our product development scope and depth



Product Depth

## Identifying Transformative Opportunities

Laptop

History has shown inflection points in the past. We are at a new inflection point.

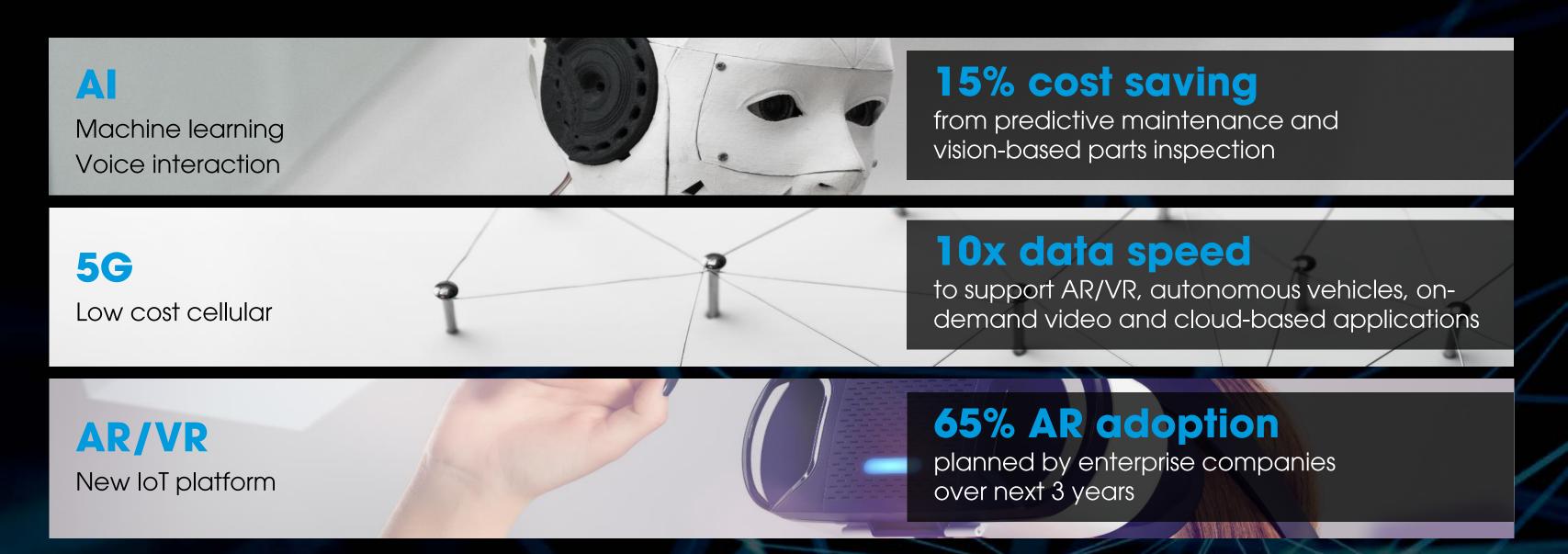
#### **Smart** Recommendation Prescriptive Machine Expert technology analytics learning Neutral Predictive systems networks analytics Voice Natural Deep interaction language processing learning Connected Dial-up 1G 2G / 3G 4G / LTE 5G Cable High speed internet **LPWAN** broadband **Solutions** AR / VR Desktop Smart PDA **Platform** Smartphone Devices

Time

endpoints

Wearables

## Next Key Transformations for Intelligence of Things™

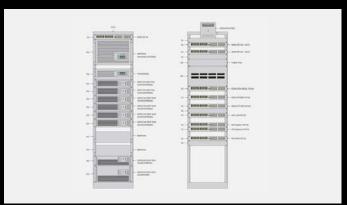


\$3 Trillion+ potential impact of IoT in factory setting

## Case Study: AR/VR for Manufacturing

Pricing a complex Configure-to-Order manufacturing opportunity

#### Traditional Approach



#### VR Enhanced Approach



#### **Background**

- » 5 weeks to quote, assemble and validate data center rack with many parts and complicated assembly
- » Worldwide 250K+ product SKUs assembled
- » Time consuming and error prone to price project
- » Difficult to recover cost if build cost higher than initial quoted price

#### Solution

- 5 days to "virtually build" product, generate quote and validate costs
- » Flex-developed VR application avoids manual process

#### **Benefit**

- » Accurate price quotes in days not weeks
- Applies to multiple business segments



## Case Study: Al for Manufacturing

Al enhanced approach to assembly

#### Traditional Approach





#### Al Enhanced Approach





### **Background**

- » Unnecessary handling, bending and operations cause variance
- » 5 Billion+ individual human operations annually performed during product assembly
- » Improve repeatability, quality and ergonomics for workers
- » Optimize process to replicate and scale

#### Solution

- Digitize human operations to identify and recommend improvements
- Pilot project uses machine vision and algorithms to digitize human activity, 'learn' assembly process and mentor

#### **Benefit**

- » 10%+ potential quality and productivity improvement
- » Improved worker ergonomics and engagement in process



## Case Study: 5G Infrastructure Projects

#### Telecom Pilots in Europe



#### Flex Cell Radio Experience



Small cell infrastructure



Cellular base station

## **Background**

- » IoT device and data volume will exceed existing cellular capacity
- » Telecoms are investing \$6B in 5G R&D pilots over next 4 years
- » 5G infrastructure market exceeds \$250B globally

#### Solution

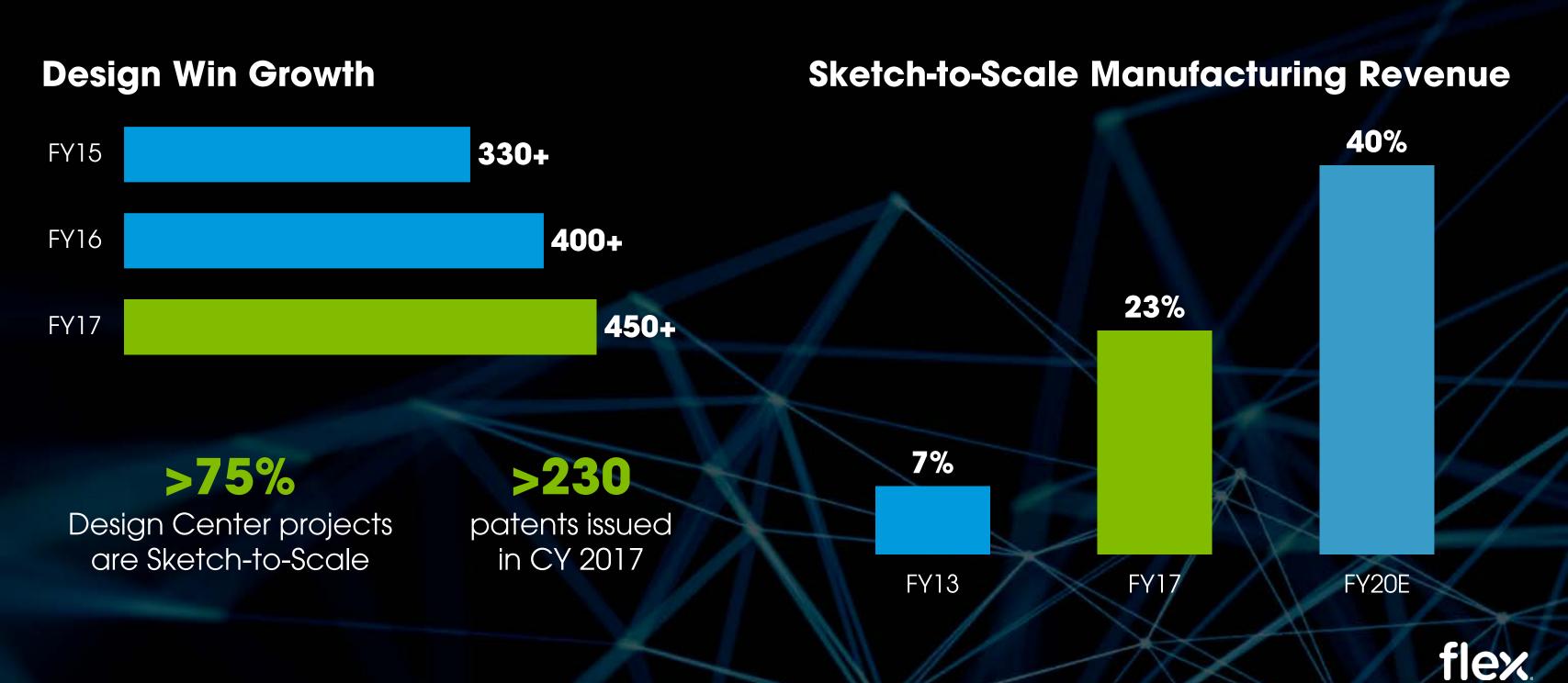
- Flex Sketch-to-Scale expertise in centralized radio area networks (C-RAN) applies to 5G infrastructure
- » Telecoms can leverage Flex facilities for RF testing and certification

#### **Benefit**

- by less latency for on demand video
- » 10x less expensive to embed in loT devices
- 100x more connected devices supported
- » 1,000x more data volume

## Design-Enabled Business Impact

Sketch-to-Scale solutions deliver greater value



Developed a comprehensive innovation system

Majority of new design engagements are Sketch-to-Scale

Leading development of next foundational digital technology advances

Next digital disruptions will generate >\$6T economic impact

