### CODE4EV: Collaborative Development Framework for Electric Software-defined vehicles

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# **Evolution of the automotive industry**



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### Software defined vehicle





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### **Benefits of SDV**





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### Vehicle architecture



#### SDV architecture highlights

- Includes in-vehicle and cloud components
- Separation of hardware and software for rapid updates and hardwareindependent software operations
- Separation is achieved through a layered architecture akin to those used by hyperscalers
- Enables modular development of software, together with other players
- Applications and functionalities are created by combining underlying services across layers
- Services are used across and within layers via standardized APIs<sup>4)</sup>

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# **CODE4EV: key facts**



software-defined vehicles (SDVs) play a crucial role in the automotive landscape of the future



Development of digital design tools and a reliable methodology for electric SDVs in 3 use cases:

- Collaborative Development Framework
- Tailored Electric SDV architecture
- Optimal Powertrain Design & Control
- EV Health Monitoring & Predictive Maintenance
- Smart motion control



### **CODE4EV: key facts**

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Started in January 2025 Project duration 36 months Coordinated by TU Ilmenau, Germany Costs of the project amount € 4.995.981,25



14 partners from eight European countries



#### **Project consortium**

Technical University of Ilmenau AGH University of Krakow Armengaud Innovate Aptiv Services Austrian Standards International BET Motors Elektrobit Automotive Elaphe Propulsion Technologies FAE Technology Heron Sports Instituto Tecnológico de Aragón Siemens TTTech Auto Université de Lille

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## **CODE4EV: objectives**

### Not New SDV but Design Process





### CODE4EV: CoDe-Framework - Concept



- (Real-time) connection of labs, testing facilities, and developers in **different geographical locations**
- Safety critical apps Non-safety critical apps **Motion Control Health Monitor EV Optimiser** Software (Use Case III) (Use Case II) as a service (Use Case I) Safety Hypervisor **Middleware** Platform as a service Vehicle Operating System Computing Infrastructure **Data & Power Distribution** as a service Sensors, Peripherals & Actuation
- **Manager** cloud-based hub with global vehicle model and emulated on-board software (VehicleOS, middleware, apps et al.)
- **Agents** local hosts that can (i) replace a system in the global vehicle model with real hardware on the test setup, or (ii) replace components of emulated SW with own blocks / apps

### **CODE4EV: CoDe-Framework - Realisation**



- Preliminary five connected hosts
  - Ilmenau as "manager"
  - Ljubljana, Graz und Saragossa as Use Case owners (incl. hardware components)
  - Lille as digital twinning of Use Cases
- Performance of available Internet-based communications confirmed in previous studies, e.g. round-trip time for soft-RT applications (< 80 ms)</li>



### **CODE4EV: Use Cases**







### **CODE4V: Hardware for Data Collection and Demonstration**







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