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大南方新矽谷推動方案

The Southern Taiwan Silicon Valley Program

–An Overview

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The State of Industries in Southern Taiwan Taiwan

- Place equal emphasis on manufacturing and services
- Revenues in the Southern Taiwan Science Park ranks #1 (Jan. ~ Apr. 2025), with a growth rate of 39.55% in 2024.



Area 11,174 km²

SNT 30.9%



Population 6.78 M

SNT 29.0%



SNT 25.3%



Total Revenue NT\$ 11,7720 B

SNT 19.7%

Manufacturing 40.9%

SNT: Share of the National Total

Services Industry 45.7%

Others 13.4%

Source: ISTI/ITRI, 2024/12

Metal **Products**

8,219, 42%

Auto. **Parts**

3,323, 16%

Food **Process**

2,640, 37%

Food/Bev./ Restaurant Industry

51,897, 22%

Retail Industry

111,596, 18%

Other **Services**

19,209, 19%



Plastic **Products**

2,070, 24%

Chemical **Products**

988, 17%

Power Equipment

989, 37% (#, Sales %)



Source: Ministry of Finance Statistics Database — Number of Profit-Seeking Enterprises in Southern Taiwan



Program Overview



• Goal: Empowering the national "Al island" vision through the establishment of a new Silicon Valley in southern Taiwan, launching from the Shalun region.

Execution Plan:

- Augment computing capacity
- ✓ Cultivate AI talents
- ✓ Bridge the ecosystems
- Expand Al applications across industries
- ⇒ Domain-specific requirements & intelligent (AI) system integration





Content



Toward Demand-Driven Industry Implementations

Shalun Al Industry Zone, Carbon-Free Power Operation Demo.

Smart Health Industry Innovation Park

- Smart Healthcare Key Technology R&D
- Smart Healthcare Industry-Academia Alliance

Net Zero Green Energy Demonstration Zone

- Compound Semiconductor Innovation & Development
- Green Ammonia-to-Hydrogen, Fuel Cells & Net Zero Tech.

Al Data Center

Sovereign AI: 9.6 MW
 Computing Power & 60 PB
 Storage

Cyber Security & Smart Tech R&D

- Al Innovation Hub
- Smart Grid Demo Zone

Smart Rainforest Ecosystem Development

Smart Healthcare, Dining/Lodging,
 Manufacturing & Retail Industry



Value-added Industries, Talent Cultivation

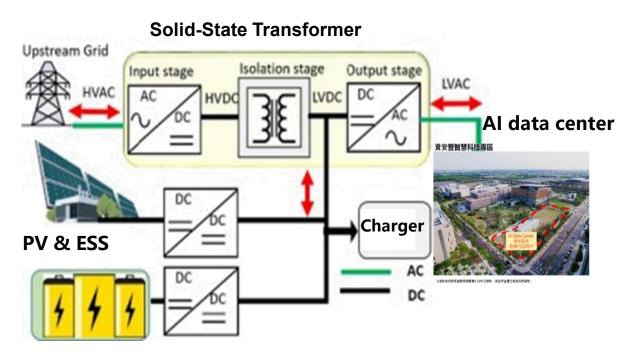
Industry-Government-Academia Research Collaboration

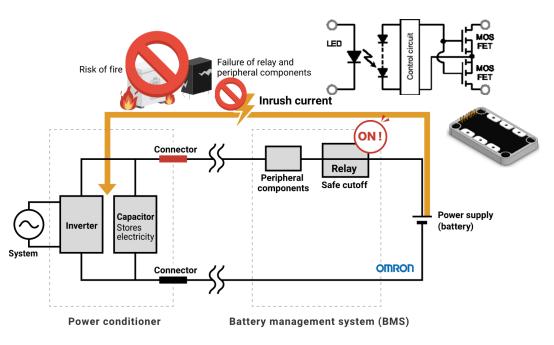


DC Micro-Grid Demonstration



- Driving growth in compound semiconductor industry through innovative system applications and service models
- Leverage Taiwan's expertise in power module packaging, testing, and subsystem technologies, combined with the system integration solutions, to create a validation environment





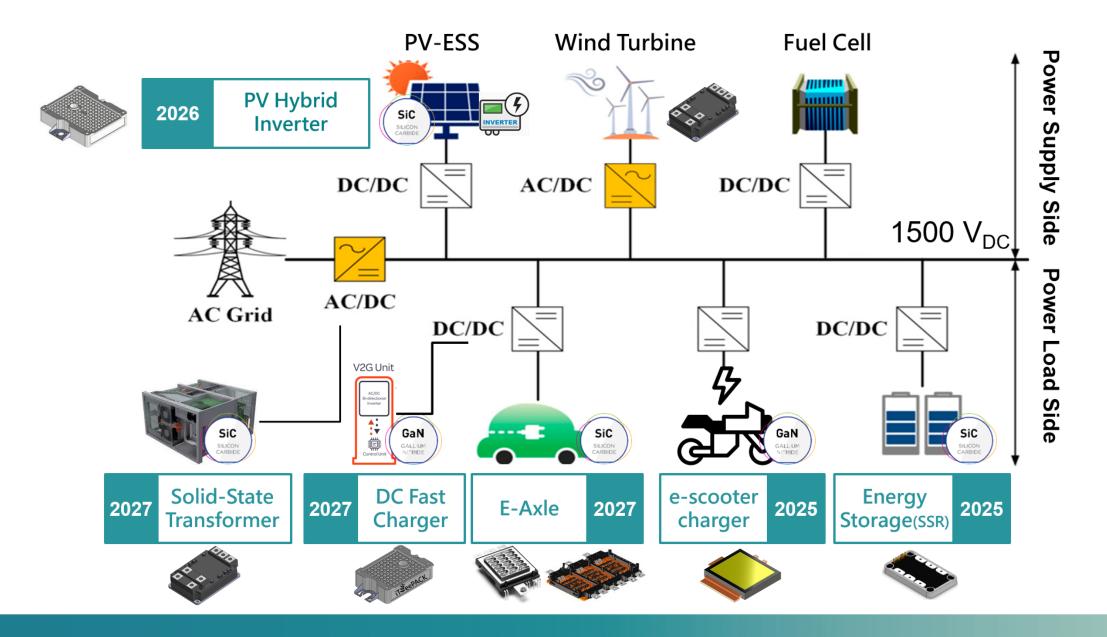
Demo. site at Shalun region

Solid-state relay



DC Micro-Grid Architecture (in progress)







Smart Rainforest Industry Innovation Subsidy Program



Empower all Sectors to Adopt Intelligent Technologies and Al

- Fostering a smart industrial ecosystem in southern Taiwan through Al system integration and cross-sector collaboration, leveraging the strength of the semiconductor industry.
 - ✓ Co-sponsored by multiple government departments including the MOEA, NSTC, NDC, and MOE.

Industry-specific initiatives rolled out year by year











2025	2026	2027	2028	2029			
Smart Dining/Lodging, Healthcare	Smart Dining/Lodging, Retail, and Services						
	Smart Healthcare and Agriculture						
	Smart Manufacturing for Metal Processing/Fabrication, Automotive, and other High-Value Industries						

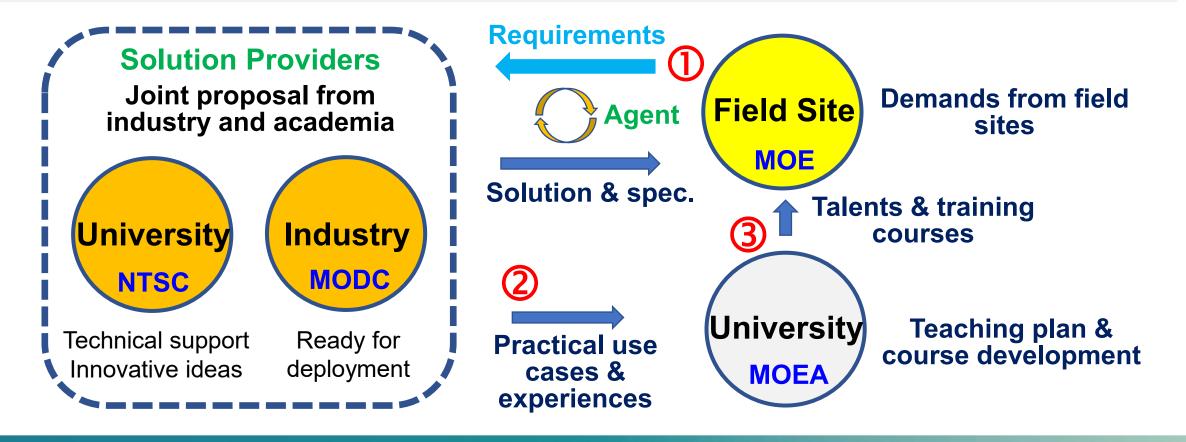


Smart Rainforest Industry Innovation Subsidy Program



Promotion Strategies

- Tackle on-site demands and provide value-added advice and innovative ideas.
- Deliver solutions while fostering talents who are familiar with the field site.





Smart Rainforest Ecosystem Development NSTC

2025 Progress of Smart Dining Promotion

Industry Status

 Hiring difficulties, rising dining-out population, and growth of delivery platforms. Area of Applications



Customer Side

Al Customer Service Al Smart Ordering



Store Side

Al Procurement Forecasting Al Operational Decision-Making



Al Smart Kitchenware Al Meal Scheduling

Challenges

- Labor shortage
- High staff turnover
- Service quality instability
- Non-Standardized Service Processes
- Competition and cost pressures
- Fragmented IT systems

Technical Solutions

Al Forecasting

Multilingual Service

Al Customer Service

Smart Vision

IoT Control

Smart Inventory

Meal Scheduling

Food Waste Sorting

Standardized Modules

Application Methods

- Voice Ordering
- Customer Service
- Membership Marketing
- Multi-Brand Restaurants

- Hotpot Restaurant Supply
- Barbecue Restaurant Supply
- Bakery Supply
- Buffet Restaurant Supply
- Buffet Restaurant
 Diverse Ingredient &
 Inventory Application
- Kitchen Automation



Smart Rainforest Ecosystem Development



2025 Progress of Healthcare Promotion

Industry Status

- There are 830,000 people in need of care, but only 90,000 caregivers available.
- Taiwan is facing a dual challenge of increasing service demand and a severe shortage of caregiving professionals.

Challenges

- Difficulty in training personnel
- Diverse care needs
- Insufficient care facilities
- Lack of digitalization capabilities

Applications

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Patient Care Management



Safety **Monitoring**

Socialization Facilitation

Rehabilitation **Assistance**

Solutions

Health Assessment and Decision-Making Platform Module

Digital Twin Module

Multimodal Analysis Model

Multimodal Sensing System

Abnormal Behavior Recognition

Cloud Notification and Visual Analysis

Interactive Dialogue Technology

Emotion Perception & Need Recognition

Digital-based **Functional** Recovery **Optimization**

Motion Recognition and Feedback Module

> Multisensory Guidance **Technology**

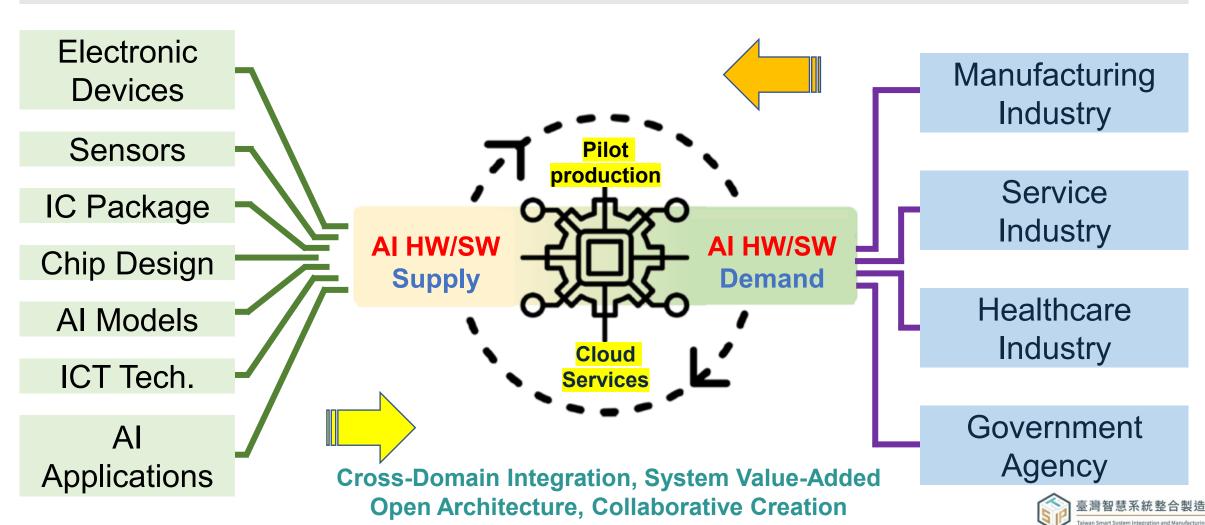
Application Methods

Expansion to care facilities such as long-term care institutions, nursing homes, hospitals and clinics, senior centers, community long-term care stations, and health centers.



Taiwan Smart System Employer Economic Affairs Integration and Manufacturing Platform (TSIP)







TSIP Services & Technical Supports



Service Models:

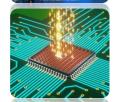
Consulting & Advisory, Matchmaking & Referral, Co-development, Contract Design, Value-Added Applications, Turkey Service, and Project/Application Support

Technical Supports:

- Cyber-Physical System Design & Specification Development
 - ✓ Digital twins & physical AI integrated cross-domain system design techniques
- Al Software Integration Platform
 - ✓ Integration of data annotation, AI models, compilers, and rapid deployment software tools
- Fast Prototyping for System Verification
 - ✓ Providing SoC reference designs, FPGA, EVB, and other platforms to accelerate chip product validation
- Multi-Industry Application Services
 - ✓ Covering a broad spectrum of applications, including smart manufacturing, healthcare and service domains













- Support industries to accelerate implementation of smart applications
- Currently over 90 partners have shown interest.





































































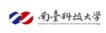






























































































Cyber-Physical Integration Framework



Built upon the NVIDIA Omniverse/Cosmos/Issac Sim framework, it is currently applied to smart manufacturing and service applications (Joint R&D Lab.)

Behavior Capture

Virtual-world Simulation

Al Training & Inference





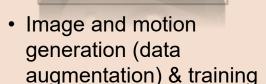




Fast virtual environment simulation and

Al model training



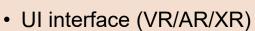


 Imitation & reinforcement learning

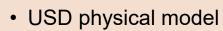


Real2Sim





 OpenUSD model construction



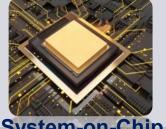
 Physics-based simulation of robotic arms





Automatic control

Sim2Real



System-on-Chip

- Deployed to physical devices
- Human-machine collaboration and SoC optimization















Al Model Deployment Framework



Heterogeneous Integration and Computing

Devices					Edge/Cloud Service
Al Software Development Framework					API/Service
Al Applications		Non-Al Applications			Data Collection & Augmentation Toolkit
NN Models (Classification, Detection, Segmentation, Multimodal App.)					Model Quantization/Lightweight/ Labelling
RAG Refinement Transfer Learning	LoRA Refinement Federate Learning				Model Training Framework (Pytorch, Tesorflow)
Prompt Tech.	Image Processing				Library (Classification, Detection,
Firmware Development Environment					Segmentation, Multimodal App.)
TVM Runtime	Device API for Edg	e Server	Middleware		Board Support Packages
TVM Device API	OpenCL Runti	ime	NPU Runtime		OpenCL Compiler
Busybox	OpenCL Driv	er	NPU Device Driver		TVM Compiler Framework
RTOS			Device Drivers (PCIe, DMA, ETH, FLASH, BT, WiFi, USB)		LLVM Compiler Framework
(FreeRTOS, Zephyr)	Customized Linux/				GCC Compiler/Linker
Test Firmware	ROM Code/SPL Loader	/Boot			Deployment Tools (OTA)



Al Application Development Tool – An Example



Common S/W Modules for Smart Manufacturing

Field Validation



Metal Proc.



Shoes



Plast. Proc.



Smart Manu.





Prec. Mach.

Cloud **Computing**

Production Line Process Parameter Optimization

Cross-Process Intelligent Automation in Production Lines Efficiency Enhancement of Production Line Work Environment

LLM/LMM/VLM App. Models

Decision

Computing

Path Opt.

Data

Fusion

Opt. Vision

Proc.

Param.

Feature Ident.

Quality

Assurance

Process Automation

Parameter

Calibration

Env. Sensing

Abnormal

Ident.

Behavior Sensing

Data

Augment.

Generation 3D points Processing

Program

Analytics

Edge

LLM/LMM/VLM OS Env.

Data Training & Collection Analysis

Model Selection

Quality Prediction **Parameters**

Suggestion

Experience Feedback

Multi-Model Bayesian Kriging/Model-Free Reinforcement Learning

LLM/LMM/VLM Compiler

Sensing



Vision

Temperature

Pressure



PLC



3D Printing



3D Metrology



Digital Twin – Intelligent Welding Robotic Arm

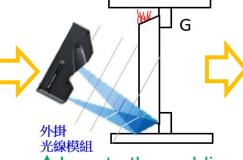


Use Case: ITRI cyber-physical steel structure solution — AI weld-seam inspection
 + AI path planning + domestic robot — enabling digital-twin intelligent welding for
 quality management on a real-world production line.

2D welding seam image recognition & localization

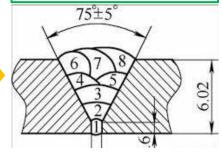


3D welding seam measurement (w/ arm sensing)



▲ Locate the welding start point

Welding seam and torch simulation



▲ Welding torch simulation



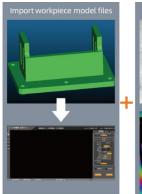
Ensure stable welding quality

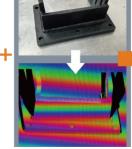


▲ Overlay inspection of virtual & physical objects

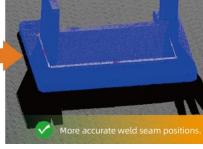


▲ Real-world application









CAD model Scanned data Overlay inspection



Smart Manufacturing

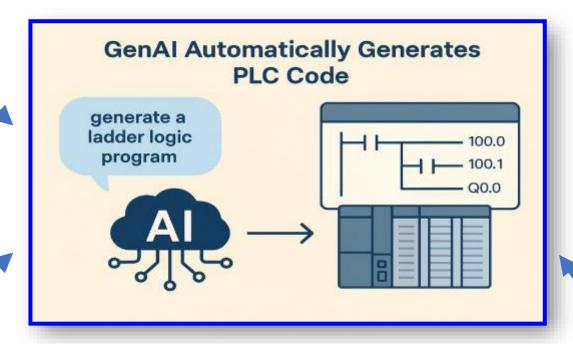


Generative Al-Enhanced PLC Intelligent Automation Control

 Use Case: Talent shortage of experienced PLC engineers makes the equipment vendors difficult to meet the massive demand for PLC program development required by downstream customers.

Utilize RAG scheme to enhance the accuracy of Prompts in Control Logic and I/O Configuration

Optimize the Gemma-3 (27B) LLM with in-context learning and iterative engineer feedback



Over a hundred customers benefited from the process

Pass the test cases for Mitsubishi PLC, validated by collaborating with an SI on metal processing/heat treatment applications.









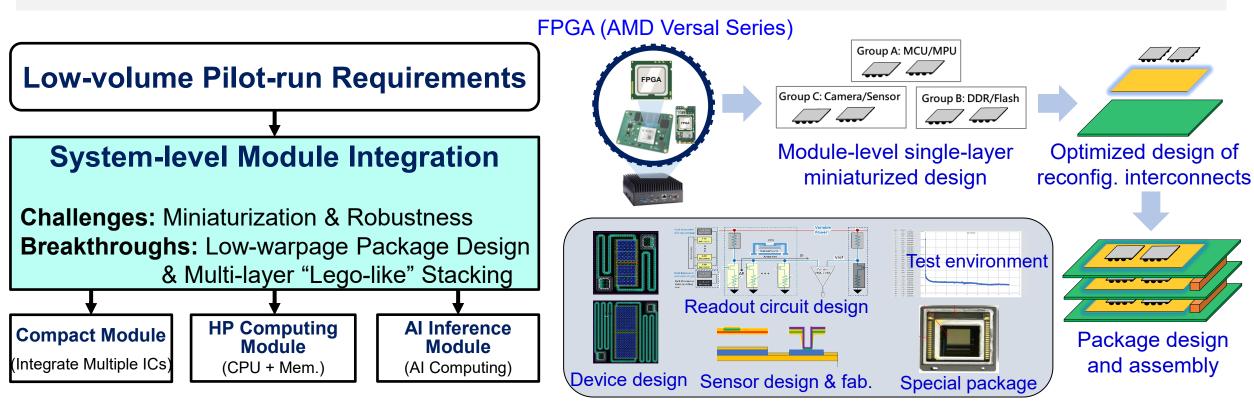
Reconfigurable System-in-Package Service



Pilot-Run Packaging and System Prototyping

Use Case:

- Partition the system into standalone functional modules, optimize the layout and interconnect, and improve cross-module coordination and system agility.
- Develop a single-layer miniaturized design encompassing computation, sensing, data access, and security modules to realize first-stage integration of diverse functional units.





Conclusion



- Policy guidance drives industrial innovation and regional growth.
- Aligning with regional strengths and real industry needs maximizes economic impact.
- Leveraging both commonalities and uniqueness across industries enhances effectiveness.
- In the Al era, rapid system integration and validation are key enablers of innovation and valued-added applications.



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