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Brussels 10 February 2015 - Business Centre, Diamant Building. Manufacturing SMEs in Europe and beyond are under increasing pressure today for adopting advanced technologies and products in order to stay competitive and successfully participate in local and global supply chains.

This workshop will bring together stakeholders from different Member States to debate on the readiness factors of SMEs, as well as the barriers and implications of up taking advanced manufacturing technologies and products. In particular, intermediary support organisations that are currently providing specific services to manufacturing SMEs will provide information about their experience and lessons learned in working closely with manufacturing SMEs across EU countries. Taking into account the expressed views and the key recommendations from this debate, the objective will be to draw some concrete policy actions that could be implemented under COSME and H2020 in 2016--?2017, with a view to help Member States leverage their efforts in this area or to be inspired by it and launch similar support schemes in their country.

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