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The establishment of this competence centre brings together scientists from engineering, microsystems and nanotechnology, applied life sciences, chemistry, physics, biotechnology and medicine to work together in the broad field of functional layers.

**Aims of the network**
- to strengthen the partnerships
- to conduct collaborative research projects
- to provide organizational infrastructures for research exchanges
- to support research visits
- to enhance research experience and capacities
- to link research and education
- to develop joint degrees and doctoral programmes
- to intensify student exchange

**Who can join?**
The network is open to all members of the participating institutions.

**Research**
- research visits
- collaborative research projects
- joint publications
- project meetings
- participation in conferences

**Education**
- internships
- bachelor theses
- master theses
- PhD theses
- joint degrees
- doctoral programmes
- summer schools
- workshops