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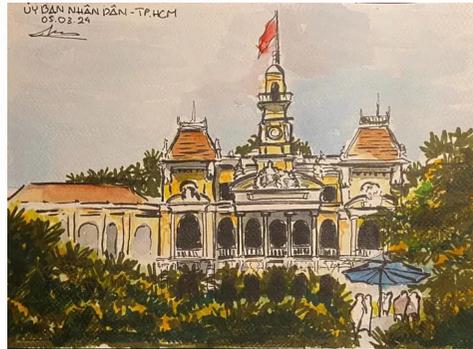
Global cooperation:  
Policy enhancement  
and Strategic promotion

# From Marie Curie Fellowship to Sustainable Research Leadership in Vietnam

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**HO CHI MINH CITY  
ECONOMIC & CULTURAL HUB  
IN ASEAN**



# Academic Profile & Leadership

**Assoc. Prof. Quoc-Chi Nguyen, PhD**

**Vice Dean, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering – Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology (Vietnam)**



## Research Areas

- Robotics & Intelligent Control
- Digital Twin & Smart Manufacturing
- AI-based Modeling for Industrial Systems



## International Collaboration

- Research partnerships across **Asia – Europe – Australia**
- Strong engagement with industry in automation, precision manufacturing, and intelligent inspection



## Professional Mission

- Bridging **fundamental control theory and industrial implementation**
- Driving digital transformation through advanced robotics and Digital Twin technologies



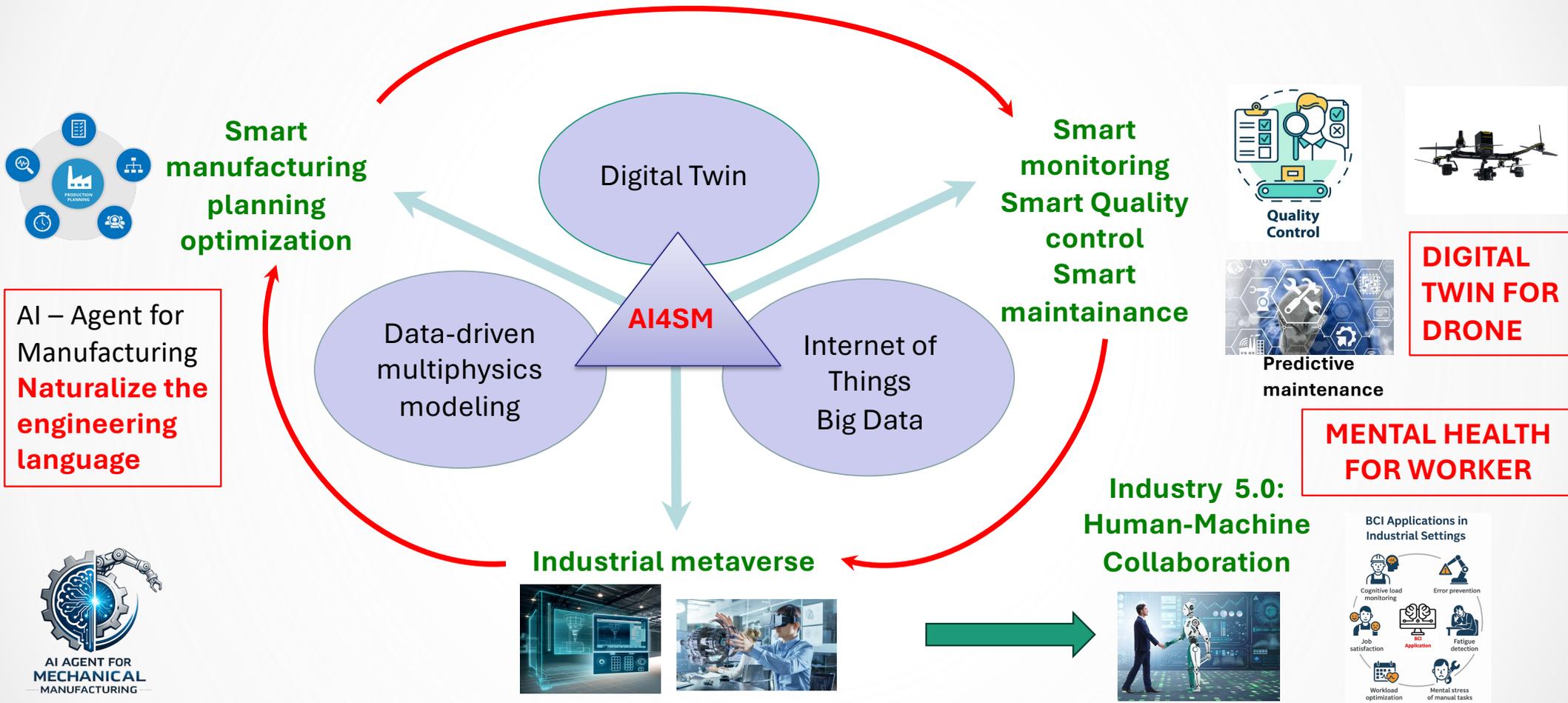
## Academic & Leadership Roles

- Vice Dean, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, HCMUT
- Former Head, Department of Mechatronics Engineering
- Associate Editor, *International Journal of Control, Automation and Systems*
- Steering Committee Member, Asian Control Association



## Prestigious International Fellowship

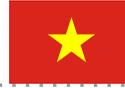
- **Marie Curie Fellow (EU-funded Programme)**
- Awarded in 2013 under the project: **“Vibro-Impact Machines Based on Parametric Resonance (PARM-2)”**



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MECHANICAL  
MANUFACTURING

# Research Group AI4SM

## Members



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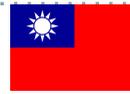
Dr. Do, Van Huong  
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## Mentors



Prof. Anne-Marie Habraken  
(University of Liege, Belgium)

Prof. Pai-Chen Lin (National  
Chung-Cheng University, Taiwan)

Assoc. Prof. Hoai Quoc Le  
(President, Ho Chi Minh City  
Automation Association)



05 PhD students

05 Msc students

10 members  
4 Professors & 8 PhDs  
6 members living in VN  
4 members from UK, USA, Belgium,  
Korea

## Networks



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# Marie Curie Fellowship Experience: Lessons Learned

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## Research Ethics

- Ethics approval and compliance
- Responsible for data and IP management
- **Ethics as a core research value**

## Proposal Writing

- Excellence- and impact-oriented research design
- Clear objectives and risk-aware methodology
- Interdisciplinary and industry-relevant focus

## Project Management

- Structured project management (WPs, milestones, KPIs)
- Partner coordination
- Balanced quality, cost, and risk

## Networking & Long-Term Collaboration

- Strong international research networks
- Joint outputs and mobility pathways
- From individual fellowship to institutional partnership

# Impact of Marie Curie Fellows on Vietnam

🇪🇺 **Marie Curie Fellows - European research ecosystem to Vietnam — transparent, ethical, data-driven, and sustainable.**

## 🌐 **SYSTEM – TRANSPARENCY – SUSTAINABILITY**

- Transparent governance
- Data-driven decisions
- Strong ethics
- 👉 Sustainable institutional strength

## 🤝 **HUMAN-CENTERED & ETHICAL RESEARCH CULTURE**

- Mandatory ethics compliance
- Diversity and equal opportunities
- IP and research data protection
- 👉 A responsible and trustworthy research environment

## 📊 **EVIDENCE-BASED SCIENCE & QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- Rigorous review and validation
- Reproducible and reliable research
- High publication standards
- 👉 Long-term research excellence

## 🚀 **CAPACITY BUILDING & KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER**

- EU-standard training
- Global mobility and networks
- Future research leaders
- 👉 Sustainable national capacity

## 🏭 **INDUSTRY LINKAGE & SOCIETAL IMPACT**

- Industry–academia collaboration
- Applied and translational research
- Digital innovation support
- 👉 Societal and economic impact

# The Future Impact of Marie Curie Fellowship on Vietnam's Development

## Vietnam's Emerging Development Era

- Modernization and innovation-driven growth
- Knowledge-based, high-value economy
- 👉 Strong research capacity and global integration

## Europe as a Strategic Knowledge Partner

- Europe offers advanced technologies and a proven research ecosystem
- Transparency and accountability
- Evidence-based governance
- Strong research ethics
- Long-term sustainability
- 👉 Essential for strengthening Vietnam's scientific and institutional foundations

## Marie Curie Fellowship as a Catalyst for Change

- Internationally competitive researchers
- European research standards
- Global academic–industry networks
- Innovation-oriented collaboration
- 👉 Long-term institutional transformation

## Long-Term Impact on Vietnam's Research Ecosystem

- Globally trained research leaders
- International science integration
- Sustainable innovation and technology transfer
- High-tech and digital competitiveness

# Building EU–Vietnam Research Pipelines

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## PhD & Postdoctoral Exchange

- Two-way mobility programmes for PhD candidates and postdoctoral researchers
- Joint training under EU research standards
- Development of globally competitive young scientists

## Joint Research Laboratories

- Establishment of shared research platforms and testbeds
- Integration of European and Vietnamese infrastructures
- Long-term cooperation in Digital Twin, Robotics, and Smart Manufacturing

## Integrated Collaboration Framework

- Connecting education, research, and industry
- Linking individual mobility to institutional partnerships
- Building a continuous pipeline from training to innovation

## Co-Supervision & Joint Mentorship

- Joint supervision of PhD and MSc students
- Harmonized academic standards and evaluation systems
- Strengthening international research training quality

## Joint Funding & Collaborative Projects

- Joint proposals for MSCA, Horizon Europe, Erasmus+, and national programmes
- Co-funded projects with industry participation
- Sustainable financial models for long-term cooperation

# Call for Partnership

## Why Cooperate

- Shared commitment to **research excellence, ethics, and sustainability**
- Complementary strengths between **European research systems** and **Vietnam's fast-growing innovation ecosystem**
- Strong alignment with global challenges in **digital manufacturing, robotics, and Industry 5.0**

## What We Offer

- Proven expertise in **Digital Twin, intelligent control, robotics, and AI-driven manufacturing**
- EU-trained research leadership with **Marie Curie experience**
- Access to industrial testbeds, real-world applications, and regional networks in Asia
- Strong engagement in **education–research–industry integration**

## What We Seek

- Long-term academic partners for **joint research and co-supervision**
- Collaboration on **MSCA, Horizon Europe, Erasmus+, and bilateral programmes**
- Industrial partners interested in **translational research and innovation deployment**
- Shared vision for **capacity building and sustainable impact**

## Next Steps

- Identify common research themes and complementary expertise
  - Initiate joint PhD/Postdoc supervision and mobility schemes
- Prepare joint proposals and pilot projects
- Establish a roadmap toward **sustainable EU–Vietnam research pipelines**

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