

ECS-SRIA 2025

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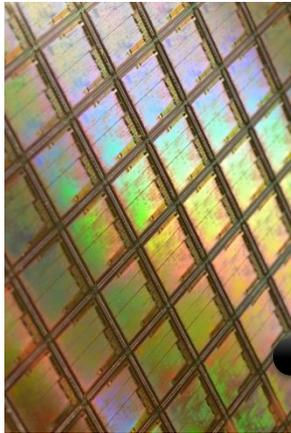


*Strategic Research and
Innovation Agenda 2025*

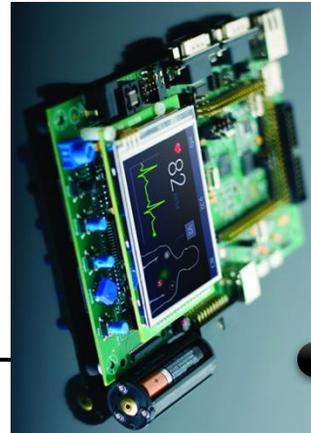


The 2025 ECS SRIA – What ?

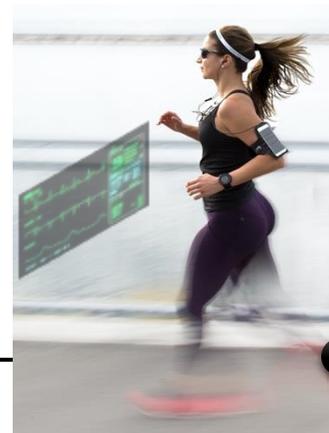
- Presenting **research topics** to be investigated over next 15 years
- To foster and accelerate our European **digital transformation** reflecting European values
- Covering the **whole value chain of Electronic Components & Systems (ECS)**



Materials, processes, semiconductors, micro & nano electronic components, ...



Smart sensors, integrated devices, edge AI, embedded SW, ...



Systems and applications, value creation, societal goals, ...

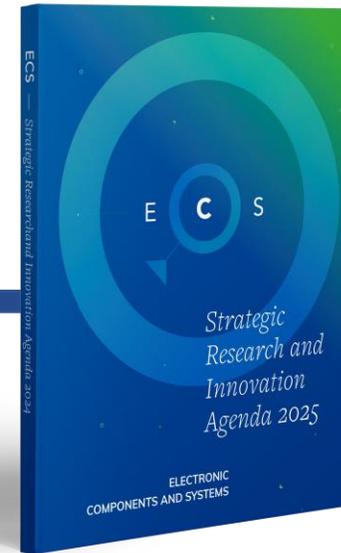


ECS engineering tools

ECS SRIA 2025 – Why?



Align and coordinate
research policies
across Europe



The 2025 ECS SRIA – Who ?



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Core Team

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- Jerker Delsing - Lulea University of Technology
- Jürgen Niehaus - SafeTRANS
- Patrick Pype - NXP
- Sven Rzepka - Fraunhofer
- Wolfgang Dettmann - Infineon Technologies AG

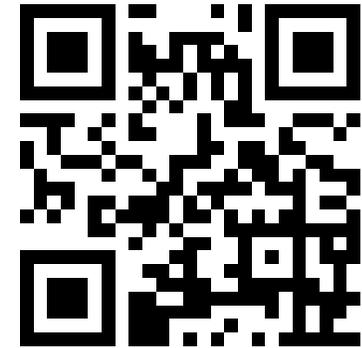
More than 280 European experts

- Interdisciplinary
- Across the whole ECS value chain
- Representing industry, RTO and academia
- 24 countries

ECS SRIA 2025 is online

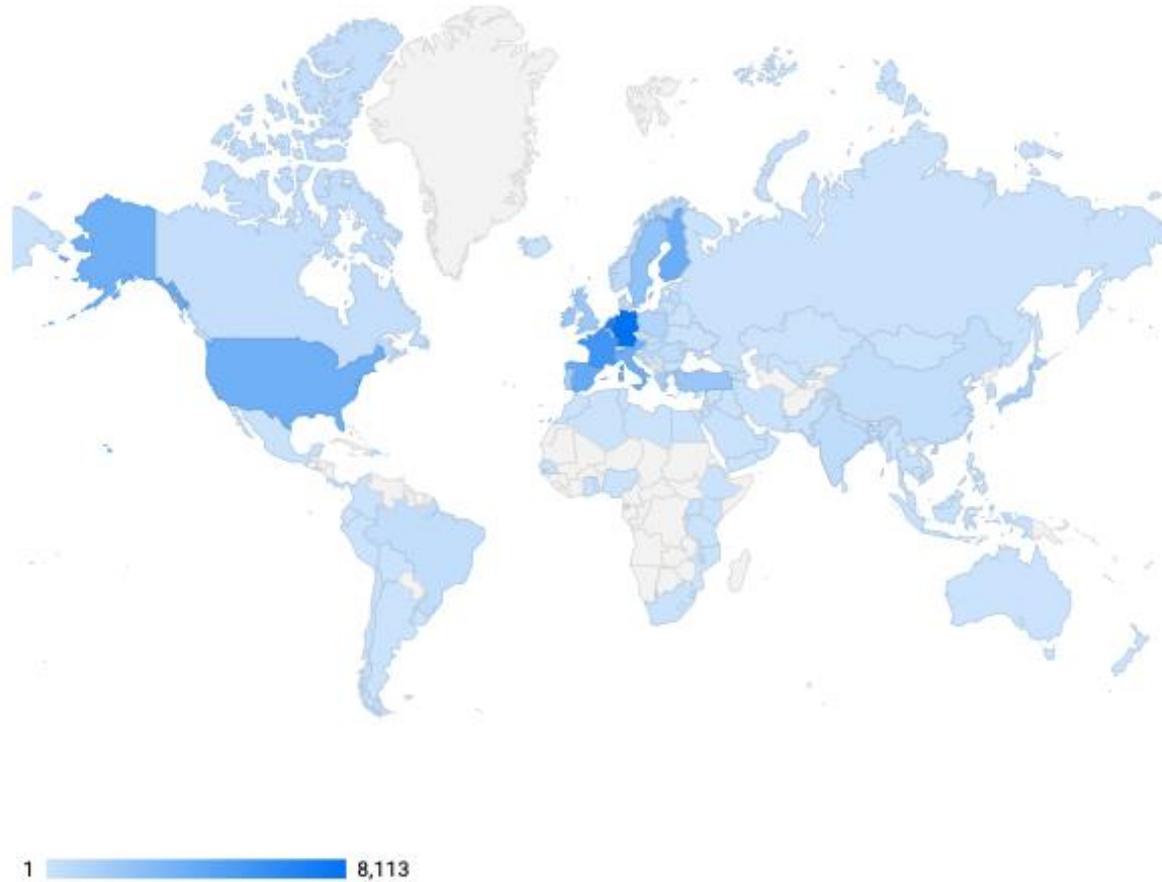
The screenshot shows the ECS SRIA 2025 website. The header is purple with the text "ECS — Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda". Below the header is a navigation bar with links for "Home", "ECS SRIA 2025", "ECS SRIA 2024", "ECS SRIA 2023", "Change History", and "Contributors". A search bar is also present. The left sidebar contains a tree view of the site structure, with "1. Foundational Technology Layers" expanded. The main content area features a blue header for "1 Foundational Technology Layers" and four chapter icons: "Chapter 1.1", "Chapter 1.2", "Chapter 1.3", and "Chapter 1.4". Below this is a green banner with a grid icon and the text "Users by Country in the last 12...". The main content area displays "1.1 Process Technology, Equipment, Materials And Manufacturing" with a sub-header and a paragraph of text.

<https://ecssria.eu/>



- Native indexing and analytics
- More advanced functionalities for:
 - Topics search
 - Selective reading
- Increased visibility and accessibility
 - Attract new talents and experts

Global reach out



	Country	Views ▾
1.	Germany	8,113
2.	Netherlands	6,551
3.	France	5,476
4.	Spain	4,023
5.	Finland	3,875
6.	Italy	3,714
7.	United States	3,680
8.	Austria	3,601
9.	Belgium	3,026
10.	Sweden	2,291
11.	Türkiye	2,008
12.	United Kingdom	1,812
13.	Ireland	1,789
14.	Portugal	1,247
15.	Japan	1,244
16.	Greece	1,214
17.	Poland	992
18.	Switzerland	780
19.	Taiwan	721
20.	Norway	554
21.	India	498
22.	Hungary	461
23.	Latvia	444

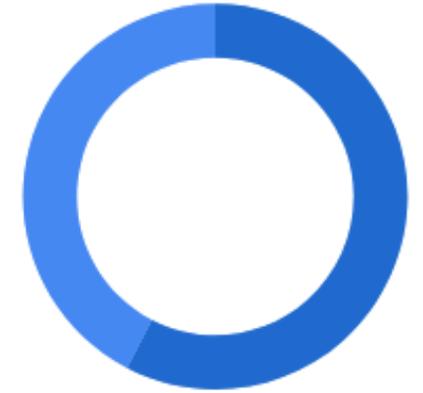
Visited from
120 countries

Visits and engagement index

Page	Visits			Eng. Index
Website Home	8307			
ECS-SRIA Home	12003			23
Introduction	5974			67
Outline	2392			28
CHP 1.1	3505	Part 1	9019	80
CHP 1.2	2724			86
CHP 1.3	1523			74
CHP 1.4	1268			51
CHP 2.1	3141	Part 2	6773	73
CHP 2.2	874			63
CHP 2.3	1384			59
CHP 2.4	1374			70
CHP 3.1	1214	Part 3	5731	62
CHP 3.2	988			68
CHP 3.3	937			55
CHP 3.4	1098			82
CHP 3.5	845			91
CHP 3.6	649			40
CHP 4	909	Part 4	909	58
Appendix A	814			
Appendix B	529			
... Other pages	6391			
Total:	58843			

The engagement index provides a better indication of audience interest on chapters

Nearly 60000 visits in 2024

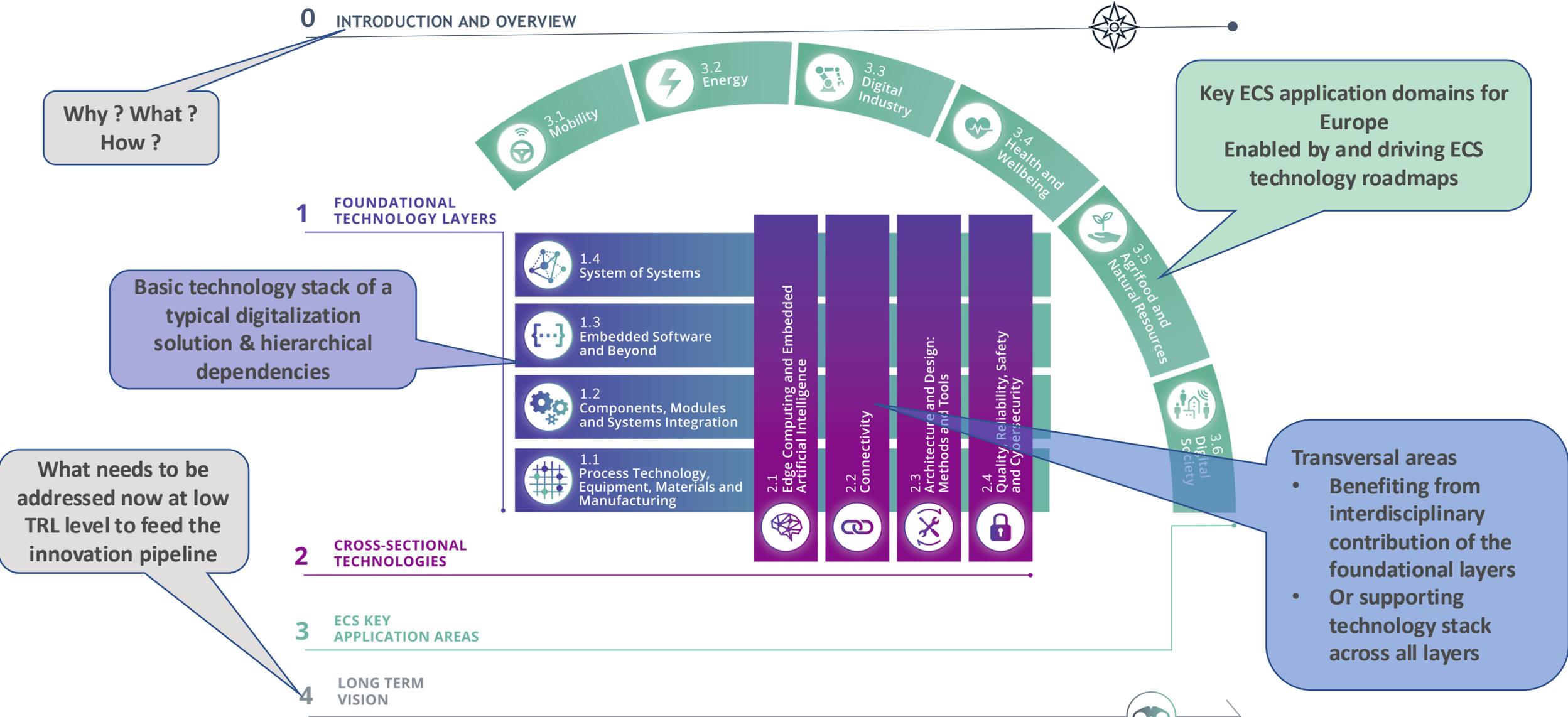


MALE 57.6% FEMALE 42.4%

Users' interests:

- Technology 51%
- Finance 38%
- Politics 32%
- Lifestyle 31%
- Sport 28%

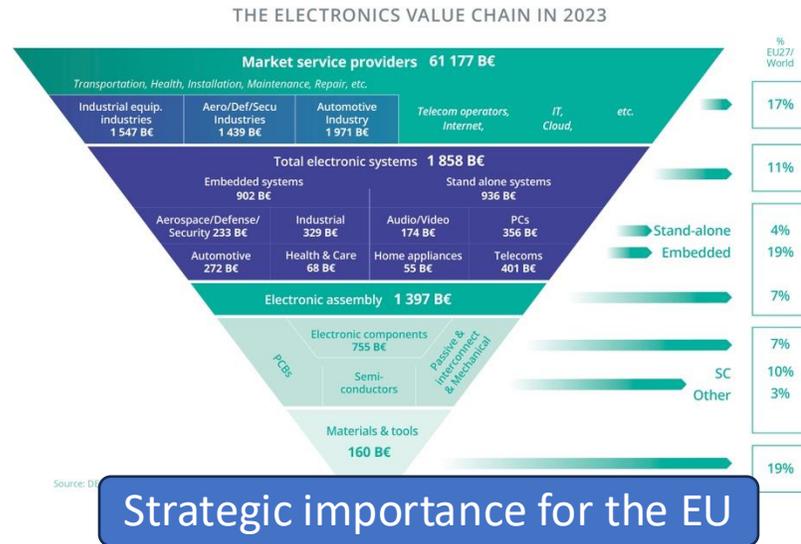
ECS-SRIA structure



ECS-SRIA 2025 updates

Ch. 0 - Restructured in Why / What / How

- Why ECS matter



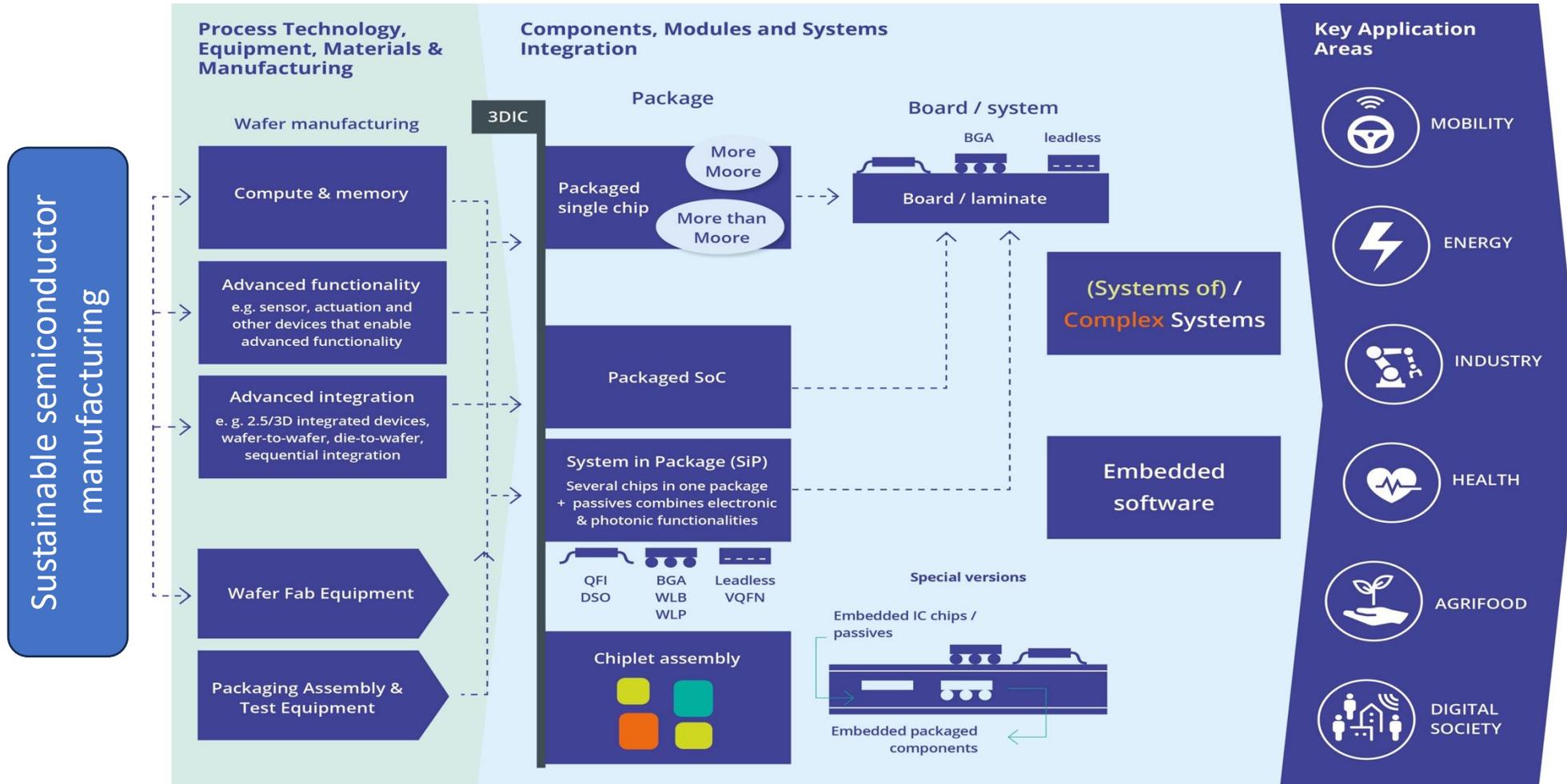
- What? SRIA content, including new and/or expanded cross-cutting themes



- How to make it happen

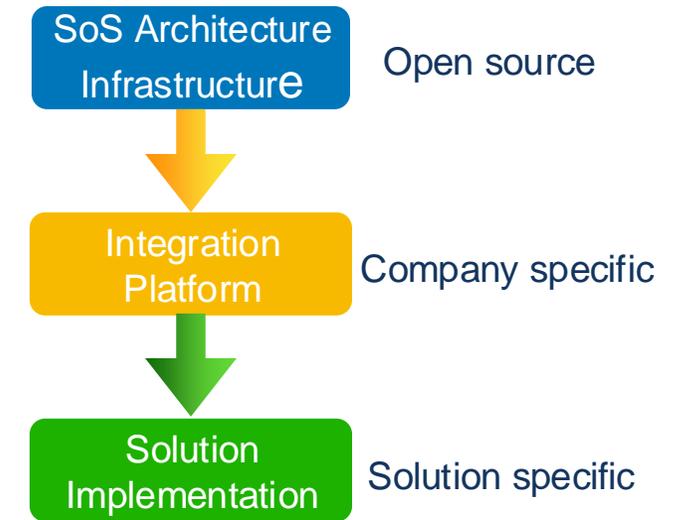
- Link with Pilot Lines and the Design Platform

Ch. 1.1 - Process Technology, Equipment, Materials and Manufacturing & Ch. 1.2 – Components, Modules and Systems Integration



Ch. 1.3 – Embedded Software and Beyond & Ch. 1.4 – System of Systems

- **Scale and complexity of System and SoS integration, monitoring and management over its life cycle**
 - Including sustainability dimension
- **Importance of engineering efficiency**
 - Embedded software
 - New programming languages (Rust)
 - Virtualisation and virtual prototypes
 - System of Systems
 - Model based engineering
 - Low code technologies
 - AI supported engineering tools
 - Automation of test, verification and validation processes



Key trends in embedded Software

- Quantum Computing
- Computing accelerators
- Artificial Intelligence

SoS infrastructure concept

- Enabling company and application specific platforms
- Enabling efficient engineering of solutions

Ch. 2.1 - Key trends

More and more convergence between edge computing and embedded (generative) AI, but ***still a lot of edge will be without AI***

Emergence of ***Gen-AI at the edge***

New Recommendations:

- A system becomes an ***orchestration of federated services, distributed or centralized*** (Software Defined X).
- Disaggregation of complex SoC into chiplet + interposers, but still no ecosystem of interoperable chiplets and overall architecture.
- ***Memory cost is crucial for generative AI at the edge.*** New innovations required to avoid to waste RAM
- Emergence of (very) cheap Chinese Risc-V microcontrollers
- Further ***reducing standby power*** and fast on operation (stop and go for chips?)
- Still research required for ***new computing paradigms*** (neuromorphic, ***using physics to make computation*** – analog computing -, etc) and their ***validation*** in product ready solutions.

Ch. 2.2 – Connectivity

	LAYER	DATA UNIT	FUNTION
	7. Application		Network process to application.
HOST LAYERS	6. Presentation	Data	Data representation, encryption and decryption, convert machine-dependent data to machine-independent data.
	5. Session		Interhost communication, managing sessions between applications.
	4. Transport	Segments	Reliable delivery of segments between points on a network.
MEDIA LAYERS	3. Network	Packet/Datagram	Addressing, routing and (not necessarily reliable) delivery of datagrams between points on a network.
	2. Data link	Bit/Frame	A reliable direct point-to-point data connection.
	1. Physical	Bit	A (not necessarily reliable) direct point-to-point data connection.

- Updates to the frequency scope of wireless connectivity
 - Downplaying significantly higher frequencies
- Support for efficient engineering of application solution connectivity
- Support to SoS integration and interoperability

Ch. 2.3 – Architecture and Design: Methods and Tools & Ch. 2.4 – Quality, Reliability, Safety and Cybersecurity

• Architecture and Design

- Ever increasing functionality and complexity of ECS based systems comprising heterogeneous subsystems and components
- Agile continuous development processes by using data collected during run-time (and production, maintenance,...)
- AI a curse and a blessing
 - Increased use of AI in components and subsystems, with corresponding challenges for quality and safety assurance
 - Advanced productivity and cost-effectiveness by using AI in Development and Test
- Need for sustainable design for sustainability

• Quality, Reliability, Safety and Cybersecurity

- A degraded behaviour in any of these 4 dimensions or an incorrect integration among them, would affect vital properties of ECS and could cause serious damage
- Rethink many “traditional” approaches and expected performances towards safety and security, exploiting AI and ML (machine learning)
- New text on
 - Chiplet-based approach
 - AI innovation & safety and cybersecurity issues

Ch 3.1 - Major challenges in ECS for Mobility

- **Major challenge 1:** SDV hardware platforms: Modular, scalable, flexible, safe & secure
- **Major challenge 2:** SW Platforms for SDV of the future; Modular, scalable, re-usable, flexible, safe & secure, supporting edge2cloud applications
- **Major challenge 3:** Climate and energy neutral mobility: CO₂-neutral mobility
- **Major challenge 4:** Digitalisation: Affordable, automated, and connected mobility for passengers and freight
- **Major challenge 5:** Edge2cloud mobility applications: Added end-user value by cloud2cloud features
- **Major challenge 6:** Validation: Methods and tools using AI for validation and certification of safety, security, and comfort in mobility



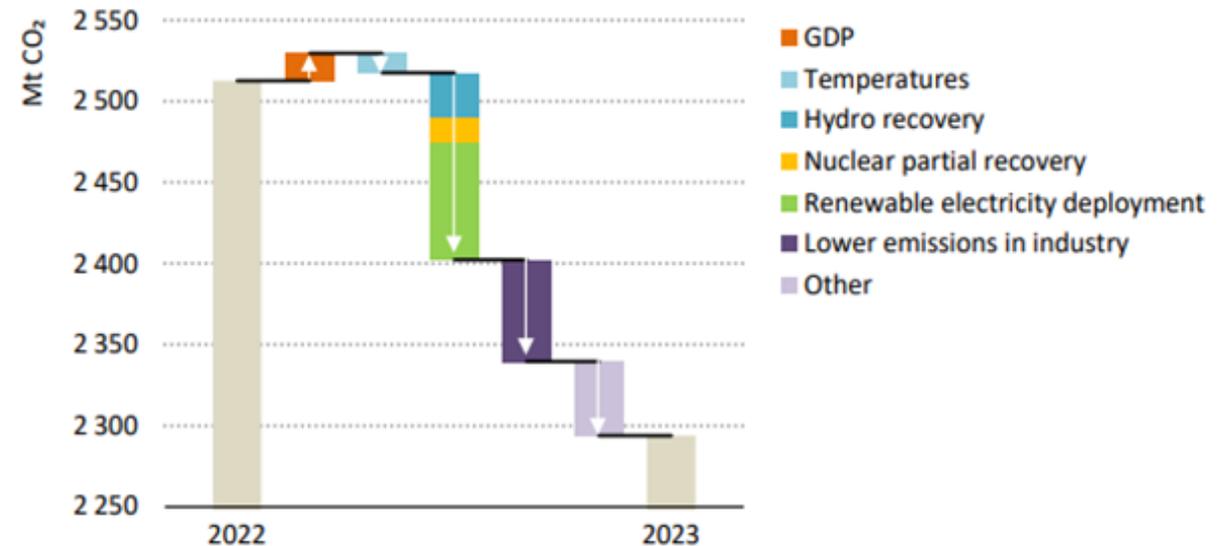
These 2 challenges were combined in one topic in SRIA 2024

- **Multimodal mobility**  moved to chapter “**Digital Society**” in SRIA 2025

Ch. 3.2 – Energy

Electronic components and systems (ECS) are key to future energy systems being optimised in both design and operation, for high efficiency, substitution to zero emission technologies, low CO₂-emissions, cost, and security of supply.

Figure 9: Change in total CO₂ emissions from combustion in the European Union by driver, 2022-2023

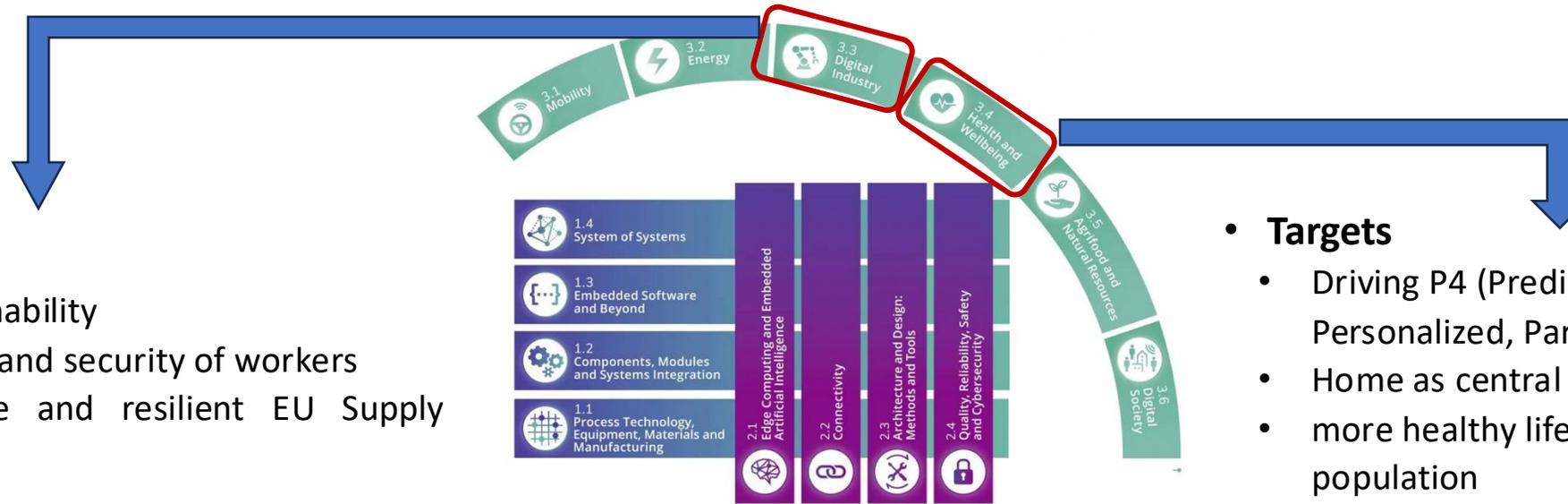


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Ch. 3.3 - Digital industry & Ch. 3.4 – Health and Wellbeing

Impact of introduction of cutting-edge digital technologies



• Targets

- Sustainability
- Safety and security of workers
- Flexible and resilient EU Supply Chains

• Key ECS research threads

- Trustworthy, responsible AI, XR and robotics
- Exploitation of next generation HW architectures and new chip design (e.g. RISC-V, PIC)

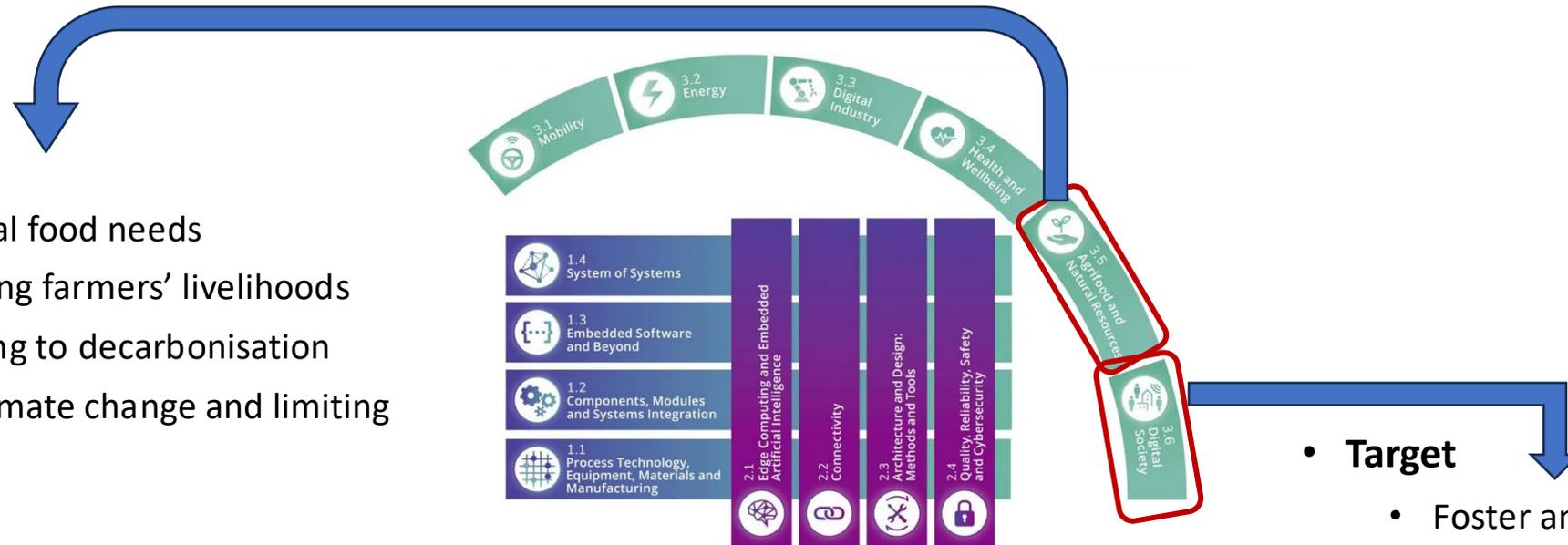
• Targets

- Driving P4 (Predictive, Preventive, Personalized, Participatory) medicine
- Home as central location of care
- more healthy life years for an ageing population

• Key trends

- MedTech and Pharma moving towards comprehensive healthcare platforms using smart devices, remote monitoring, data analytics, and AI
- Blurring the boundaries between Pharma, MedTech, and Chips companies, fostering cross-industry collaboration

Ch. 3.5 – Agrifood and natural resources & Ch. 3.6 – Digital Society



• Targets

- Meet global food needs
- Safeguarding farmers' livelihoods
- Contributing to decarbonisation
- Slowing climate change and limiting its impact

• Accelerate the deployment of smart systems in agriculture, food production, natural resources and ecosystems

- Increase electrification and use of agrivoltaics solutions
- Increase the development of agroforestry
- Introduce IoT solutions based on AI
- Provide education and agriculture-based services
- Reducing food loss and waste

• Target

- Foster an inclusive, sustainable, and resilient society

• Trends

- Digitisation
- Use of AI-based tools (such as ChatGPT, ...)
- Increasing need to protect against fake video and audio
- Increasing importance of cybersecurity

Ch. 4 - Long Term Vision Chapter

Identify the research subjects that need to be addressed now at low TRL in order to feed the pipeline of innovation of the European ECS ecosystem in the longer term

- **Major topics:**

- Sustainability
 - Energy, power, water in chemical processes
 - Recyclable devices
 - Environmental aspects
 - Innovative materials
- Quantum technologies and enabling ECS
- Distributed intelligence (includes "Distributed AI", "Embedded AI", etc.)
- Connectivity (Information transfer, connectivity for system integration, security issues)
- Non-conventional computing and storage devices
- Advanced packaging and heterogeneous integration technologies and tools
- Autonomous systems
- Resilient (robotic) applications
- Supply chain issues

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- **ECS-SRIA 2026 Chaired by EPOSS**
 - Elisabeth Steinmetz – vdivde-it
 - Christoph Hesse - vdivde-it
- K.O. hold on 19/02/2025 – ECS Brokerage Event.
- **Confirmed the important role for our community, Chips JU and Xecs.**
- **High visibility and reputation / world-wide recognition.**
- EC estimates the high level of content but is **missing strategic guidance and priority setting** by the ECS-SRIA.
- The influence of the ECS SRIA as basis for the bottom-up calls in the Chips JU was reduced during the last years (more and more Focus Topic Calls and larger investments in the Chips 4 EU initiative).

Change request process overview

Open consultation

The community can submit change requests to the ECS-SRIA team through an online form during a consultation period (...)

- All changes are collected in a tracking system
- Approval and implementation status is tracked
- Chapter teams and Core team use the request form as well
- After the consultation period, the changes are reviewed and aligned
- The rest of the yearly process remains similar to the previous years

The change request submission form

- Where to find it: In the ECS SRIA 2025 view
- What can be submitted:
 - Contact information
 - Formatted text including images
 - Sub-Chapter
 - Affected additional chapters
- Security check
- At each request, a new excel is created with all requests up to now.
- Email is sent to two chapter leaders

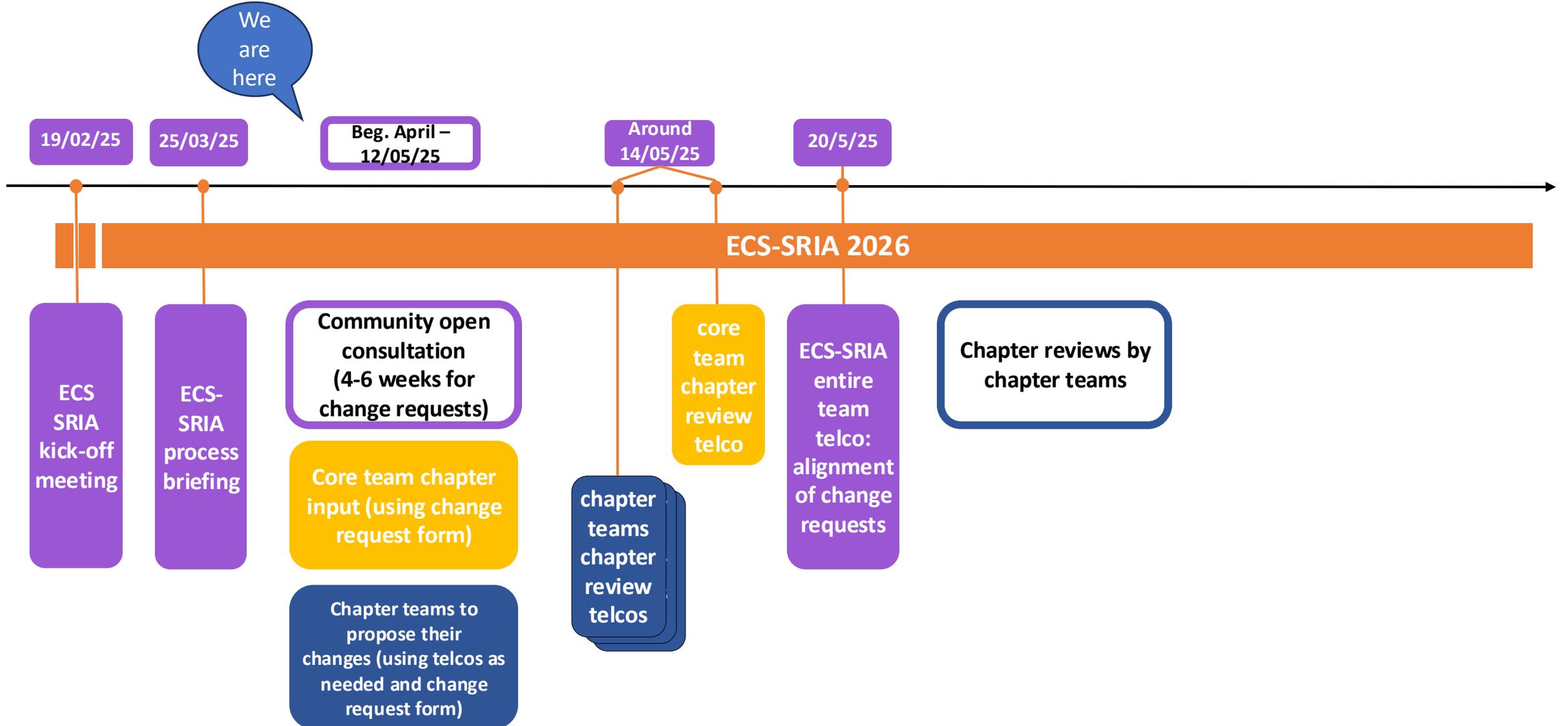
The change request submission form (2)

The screenshot shows the ECS Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda website. The main content area displays '2 CROSS-SECTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES' with sub-chapters 2.1 through 2.4. Chapter 2.1, 'Edge Computing and Embedded Artificial Intelligence', is selected. A feedback submission form overlay is visible on the left side of the page. The form has a blue header with the text 'Submit Your Feedback' and a pencil icon. Below the header, it states 'Feedback submission opens on April 1, 2025.' and includes a green button labeled 'Open Feedback Form'. The background content includes a navigation menu on the left, a search bar at the top right, and a detailed text area for Chapter 2.1.1 Summary, which discusses the importance of edge computing and AI in various sectors and lists major challenges like energy efficiency, system complexity, and device lifespan.

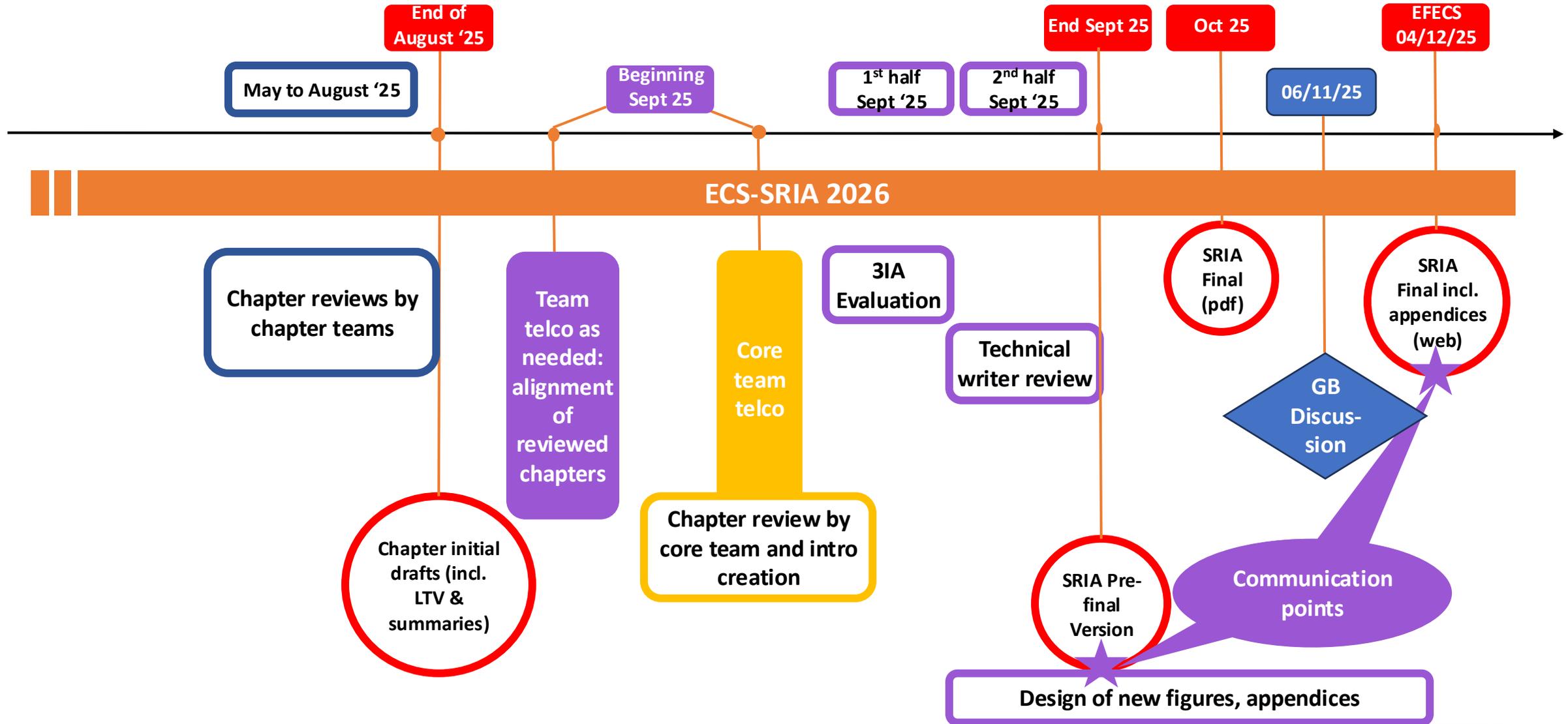
This call-to-action box has a blue header with the text 'Submit Your Feedback' and a pencil icon. Below the header, it features a calendar icon with the number '17' and the text 'Feedback submission opens on April 1, 2025.' in blue. Underneath, it says 'We appreciate your feedback. Click the button below to open the form.' and includes a prominent green button with the text 'Open Feedback Form'.

Open consultation start date to be confirmed!

ECS SRIA 2026 Timeline - 1



ECS SRIA 2026 Timeline - 2 - preliminary



Thanks for you attention