

NAME OF THE CENTER

Center for Organizational Readiness towards Enterprise 4.0 (CORE4.0)

UNIVERSITY

University of Louisville

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CENTER ACTIVITIES

- Applied Research
- Industry Assessment
- Technical Assistance
- Workforce Training

COLLABORATORS

Western Kentucky University (WKU) Louisville Healthcare CEO Council

CLIENTS

- Manufacturing, Logistics, and Healthcare Industries
- Students and Faculty
- Communities and Institutions of Higher Education

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UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE EDA UNIVERSITY CENTER

The University of Louisville EDA University Center aims to explore the dimensions of enterprise 4.0 (E4.0) and ways of introducing it to local and regional industries. The Center for Organizational Readiness towards Enterprise 4.0 (CORE4.0) provides systematic methods to assess the readiness of enterprises to adapt to E4.0, identify skill gaps and technological needs, and provide customized roadmap, training and technical assistance. The outcome will inform enterprises on how to implement new initiatives related to E4.0, which enhances the smartness, connectedness, and responsiveness of their systems to grow and compete in today's fast transitioning economy.

The University of Louisville EDA University Center's support and services include:

Applied Research

CORE4.0 conducts research on applied organizational transformation with an emphasis on People, Process, and Technology (PPT). The goal is to understand and optimize the organizational transformation process and identify the significant factors that contribute to successful transformation.

Industry Assessment

CORE4.0 develops assessment programs on E4.0 to help organizations achieve high quality, affordable, and engineering-based digital solutions. The Center works with companies in manufacturing, logistics, and healthcare to assess their needs and business transformation goals. This free service includes site visits, sharing best practices from comparable companies, and providing a data-driven customized maturity index for E4.0.

Technical Assistance

Technical assistance is provided to local and regional industries to identify opportunities for improvement and develop a roadmap for business planning. CORE4.0 helps industries translate operational issues into known and fixed cost digital solutions to streamline and accelerate intraoperability. The Center fosters the existing collaborations and partnerships with regional organizations and academic units.

Workforce Training

CORE4.0 prepares workforce for E4.0 through customized training to support the regional and national manufacturing, logistics, and healthcare capabilities, competencies, and employment. Training courses and certification programs as well as remedial coursework will be provided by the Center to develop the workforce skills needed for successful transformation towards E4.0.

The Center for Organizational Readiness towards Enterprise 4.0 (CORE4.0) provides technical assistance and research and development tools to increase productivity, spur innovation, and promote entrepreneurship to help increase long-term regional competitiveness and economic diversification. Funding support for the Center is provided by the U.S. Economic Development Administration. The University of Louisville, Western Kentucky University, and Louisville Healthcare CEO Council provide a 50% cost-share.

