

# INNOVATION IN POLYMER ENGINEERING

**TESTING \* MATERIALS \* PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT \* PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES** 

#### PIEP | INNOVATION IN POLYMER ENGINEERING

Private entity dedicated to research and development, based at the Minho University in Guimarães

Created in 2001 through the initiative of industry in collaboration with the University of Minho and the National Government

Capacity to support national and international industry in terms of material development, product engineering, production processes and testing





#### PIEP | COMMITMENT TO INDUSTRY

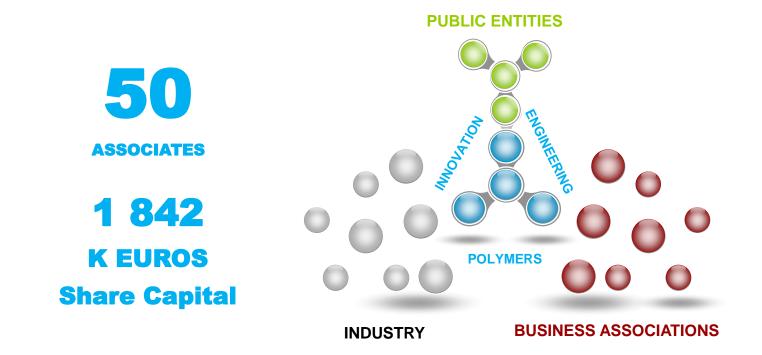


To be an innovation in polymer engineering reference entity, ensuring a timely response to the R&D+i needs of its associates and clients, based on differentiated knowledge in the strategic technological domains, materializing the vocation of converting ideas into products.



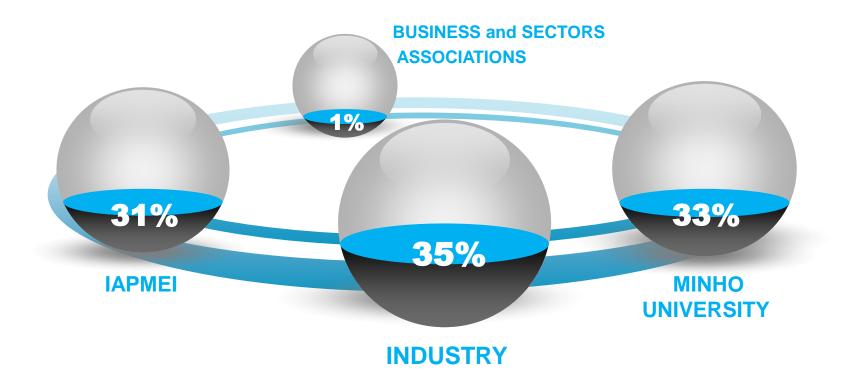
#### PIEP | ASSOCIATIVE STRUCTURE

The associative structure of PIEP defines a tripartite representation: Industry | Business Associations | Public Entities





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#### PIEP | KEY FIGURES

### 295 industrial R&D projects (2008-2016)

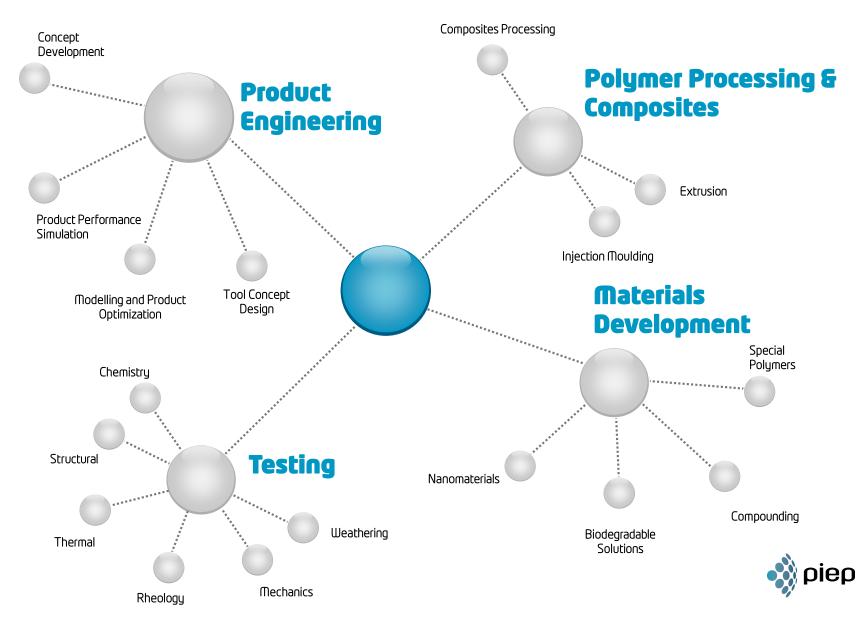
## **10%** average annual growth (2008-2016)

## 25 qualified human resources (2016)

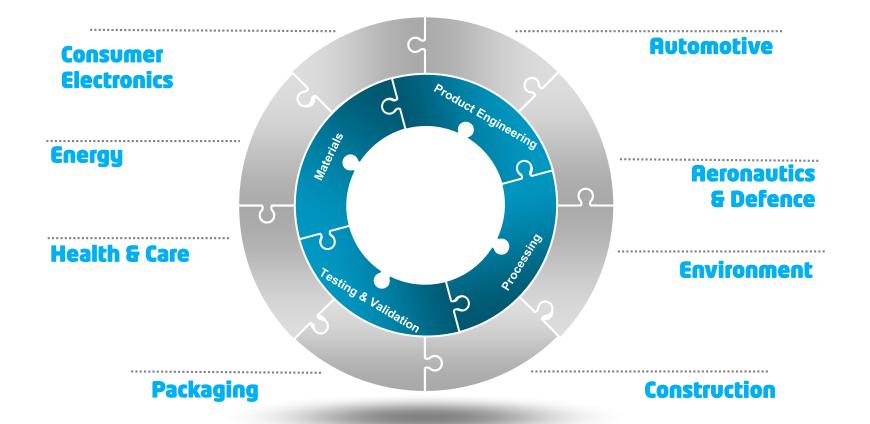




#### **PIEP | SPECIALIZATION AREAS**

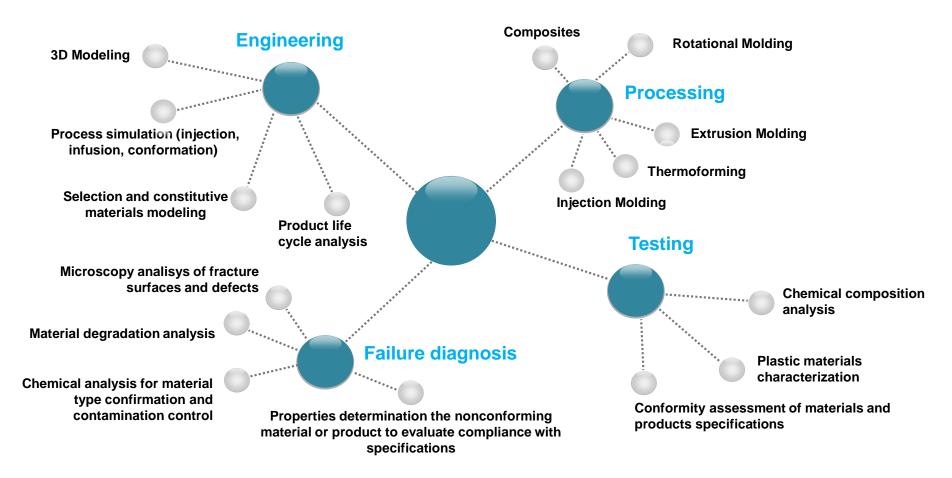


#### PIEP | COMPETENCIES & BUSINESS AREAS





#### PIEP | SPECIALIZED SERVICES TO COMPANIES





#### PIEP | INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS



Health Cluster Portugal Pólo de Competitividade da Saúde







# CEÏJA









THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ENGINEERING ANALYSIS COMMUNITY





#### PIEP | NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL CLIENTS

ACECIA AGERE ALOUÍMICA **AMORIM CORK COMPOSITES** AMTROL-ALFA, METALOMECÂNICA ANCAL PLÁSTICOS ATLANTAAUGUSTO GUIMARÃES & IRMÃO BAHCO OBERG FERRAMENTAS BRISA CABELAUTO **CADILHE & SANTOS** CAPAVENTURE CASO CEIIA CELOPLÁS **CELULA 3PP** CENTIMFE CENTRO TECNOLÓGICO DO CALCADO CIMIANTO CLEAN COMPOUNDS COFICAB PORTUGAL CIRES CORDENET CORDEX CORTICEIRA AMORIM **CARLOS VIEIRA PINTO** COLLEPCCL DFAS-LI DIEHL ENCO DUOFIL

EDIVAL PORTUGAL EFAPEL ELNOR EPOLI FEHST COMPONENTES FIBOPE PORTUGUESA FLEXACO FRIGOCON FICO CABLES FLOW SYSTEMS GLOBALMOLDE **IBEL** IBER-OLLEF IBERFIBRAN **IBEROALPLA PORTUGAL IDITE MINHO** IFDR INAMOL INCONS **INESC PORTO** INPLÁS INSTITUTO SUPERIOR TÉCNICO INTELI INTEPLÁSTICO IPE **ISAR RAKOLL**, ISOLTUBE IS0 INTRAPLÁS IOALPE JOSÉ JÚLIO JORDÃO

JOUTIL **KEY PLASTICS PORTUGAL** LABOPLASTE LEICA LISMOLDE LINMOLDES LOGOPLASTE LOGOPLASTE TECHNOLOGY LUSOFANE MANUEL RODRIGUES OLIVEIRA SÁ MAPISERV MARTIM MASTER BLANK MAXIPLÁS MECANARTE MONTE-MEÃO MOSTEIRÔ MOULDMAN MADALENO **NEOPLÁSTICA NEUTROPLAST NUNO MARTINS LIMA** NVE OLESA **OLIVEIRA & IRMÃO** PATRÍCIOS PERIPLAST PLASDAD PLASFIL PLASMERIZ PLASTAZE PLASTIDOM

POLIPOLI POLISPORT POLIVERSAL PREVINIL PROBOS PROCALCADO POLIARTE OUIZCAMP **OUIMONDA PORTUGAI** SELENIS SET SICOR SIM TEJO SIMALA SIMOLDES PLÁSTICOS ENGINEERING SIMOLDES PLÁSTICOS SISTAVAC SIVAL 2 SNA Europe SOCIEDADE PONTO VERDE SOMAPLA SONAE SOPREFA-COMPONENTES INDUSTRIAIS SCHERING-PLOUGH PHARMA TECNOCRETE UNICER BEBIDAS UNICER ÁGUAS UNIVERSIDADE DO MINHO URCAPLÁS VIDROPOL VIEIRA ARAÚJO YAZAKI SALTANO



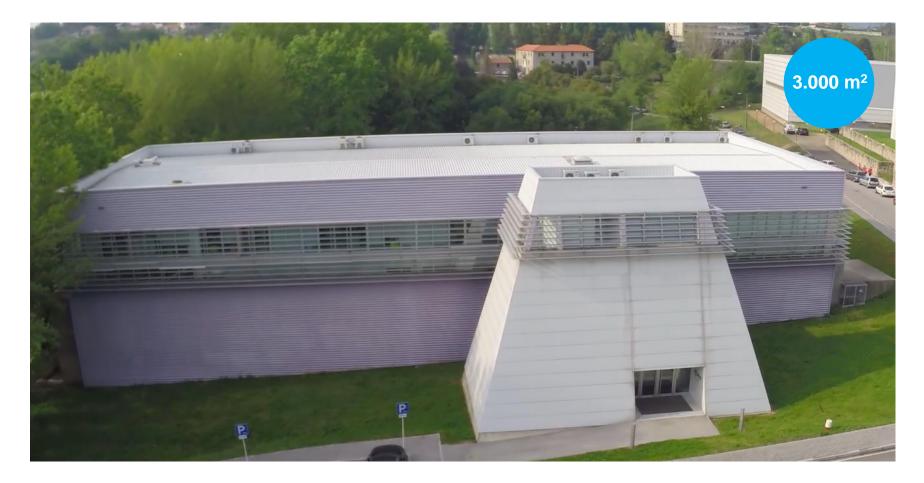
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ALCOA **AIRCARFT DESIGN & CERTIFICATION** ANTON PAAR APPLIED SCIENCES **ARKEMA FRANCE BATTENFELD EXTRUSION** BASF BILLION BOREALIS POLYOLEFINE BRASKEM **CENTRAL PRODUCTS COMPANY** COPERION FERROMATIK MILACRON FRESENIUS **HEINZ INNOVATION CENTRE HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPOSITES** JOHNSON & JONHSON LIGHTWEIGHT STRUCTURES LOCKHEED MARTIN CORPORATION LUZENAC EUROPE MARTIN VAN DUIN **NESTLE PRODUCT TECNOLOGY CENTRE** NOVAMONT OBERG PIOVAN **PRINTHEADS & PAPER REPSOL YPF** SABIC SHELL GLOBAL SOLUTIONS



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#### PIEP | INFRASTRUCTURE



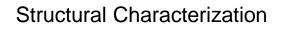


#### PIEP | LABORATORIES

Engineering









Conditioning and Flammability



Composites



**Injection Molding** 



Extrusion

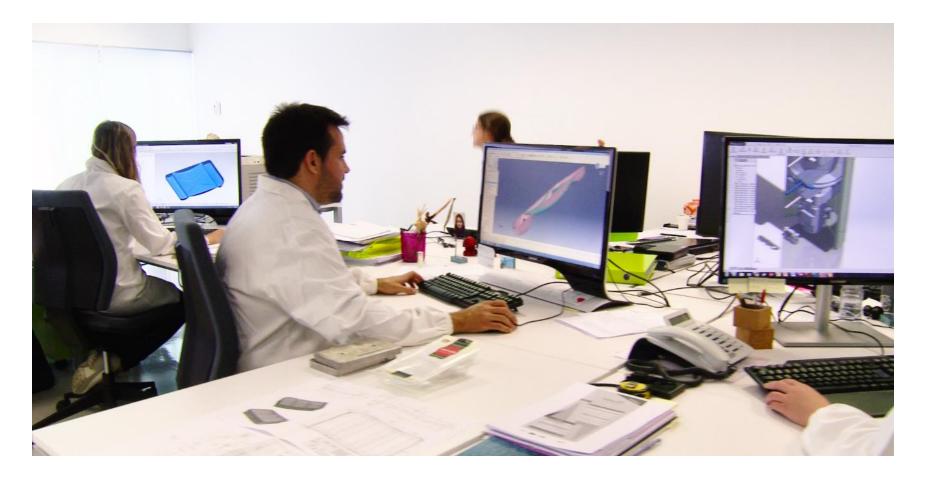


Rheology



Mechanical properties

#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | ENGINEERING





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3D modeling, product design (constructive solutions) and 3D mesh generation (CAD models discretization)

Simulation and optimization of static, thermo-mechanical, dynamic behavior, FSI

Simulation and optimization of thermoplastic injection molding

RTM and Vacuum infusion production process simulations

Filament winding paths simulation

Constitutive material modeling

Thermoplastic matrix **composites conformation simulation** 

Materials Selection using GRANTA database (CES Selector)

Integration of injection process simulations with structural simulations

Product and process life cycle and cost prediction (LCA/LCC)



#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | ENGINEERING



#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | STRUCTURAL CHARACTERIZATION

Differential scanning calorimeter (DSC) Infrared spectrophotometer (FTIR) VICAT/HDT Stress cracking Moisture Determination (Karl Fisher) Thermogravimetric (TGA) with interface connection to FTIR





#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | REOLOGY

**Capillary rheometer** 

**Oscillating rheometer** 

MFI

**Rotary Viscometer** 

**Viscometer Ubbelohde** 





#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

Instrumented dart drop impact testing Instrumented pendulum impact testing Universal testing machine 50kN Universal testing machine 300kN Rotary abrasion tester Instrumentation / actuators / data acquisition





#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | CONDITIONING AND FLAMMABILITY

Xenotest chamber for accelated weathering tests

**Temperature and Climatic chamber** 

Horizontal flammability chamber

Horizontal and vertical flammability chamber



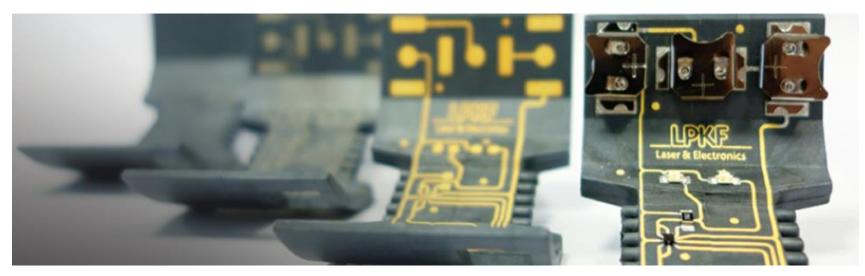


#### LDS LAB @ PIEP | FUTURE INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES





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#### Integration of electronic functionalities into injection moulded parts



HARTING (speed control module)



Steering wheel controls (Manufacturer: TRW Automotive for BMW)



Robert Bosch GmbH pressure sensor)



#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | PROCESSING HALL





#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | EXTRUSION PROCESSING

PVC extrusion line (double counter-rotating screw extruder)

PO extrusion line (single screw extruder)

**Co-Extruder** 

Compounding modular extrusion line (corotating twin screw extruder)

**Feeders** 





#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | INJECTION MOLDING PROCESSING

Multi-material injection cell | 200T

Injection cell | 110T

Injection cell | 45T

CIM

Thermographic camera

IML / IMD





#### PIEP | LABORATORIES | COMPOSITE PROCESSING

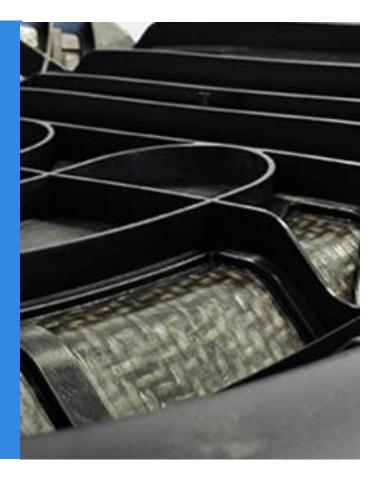
Vacuum infusion RTM (Resin Transfer Molding) Filament winding

Pre-impregnated OOA processing

Molds and prototype components production

**Thermoplastic composites** 

**Thermoforming machine** 





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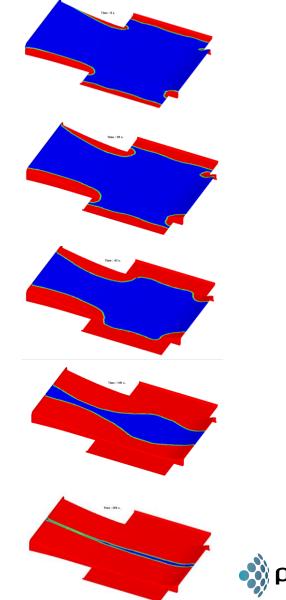
RTM and Vacuum infusion production process simulations

#### **Setup definition**

- The injection/infusion strategy
- The injection pressure or flow rate
- The molding temperature
- The location of injection gates, vents and vacuum ports
- The flow media

#### **Available means**

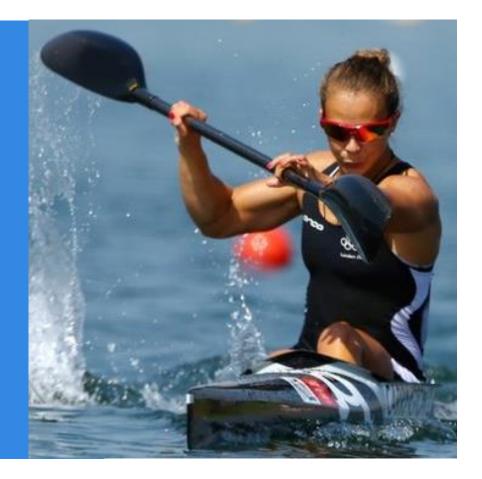
- The filling time
- The degree of curing and the curing time
- The risk of dry spots-appearance
- The risk of fiber washing
- The flow front velocity
- The pressure applied to the mold
- The porosity level



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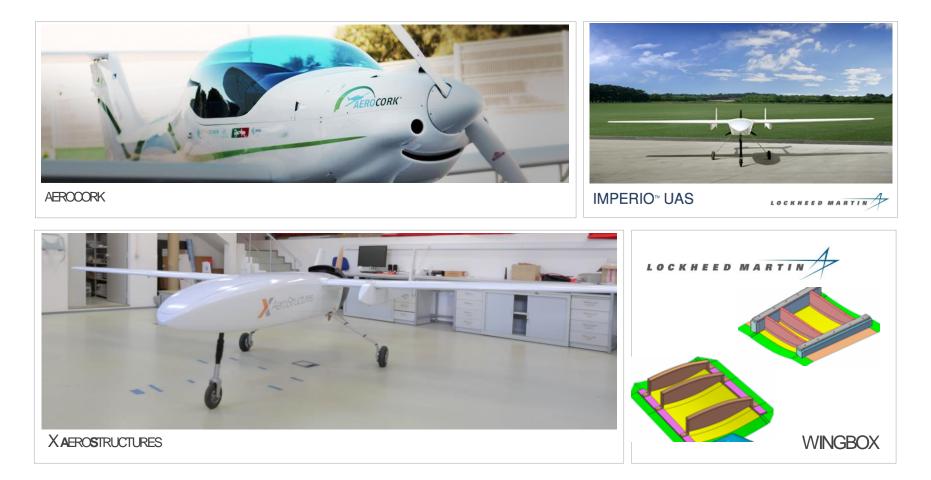
#### RTM and Vacuum infusion production

Production process definition Production process optimization Mold design Mold Manufacturing Prototyping Small series production



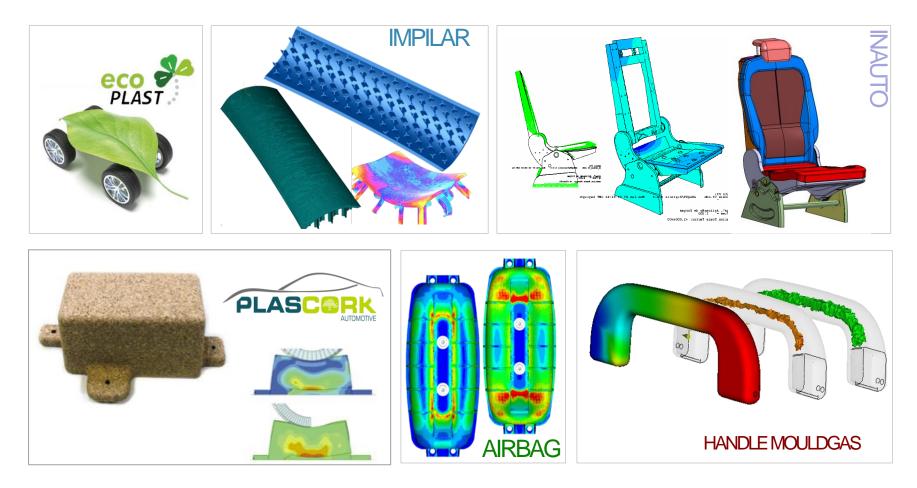


#### PIEP | AERONAUTICAL, SPACE AND DEFENSE PROJECTS





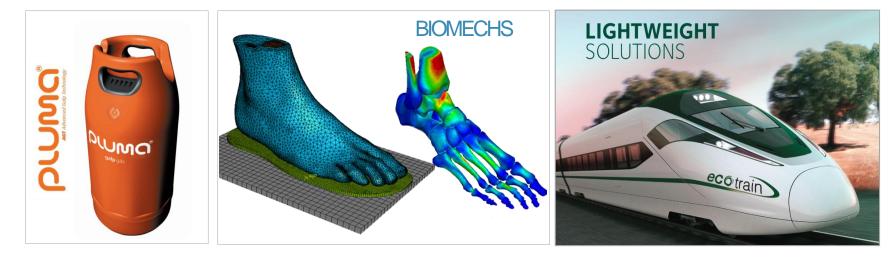
#### PIEP | AUTOMOTIVE PROJECTS





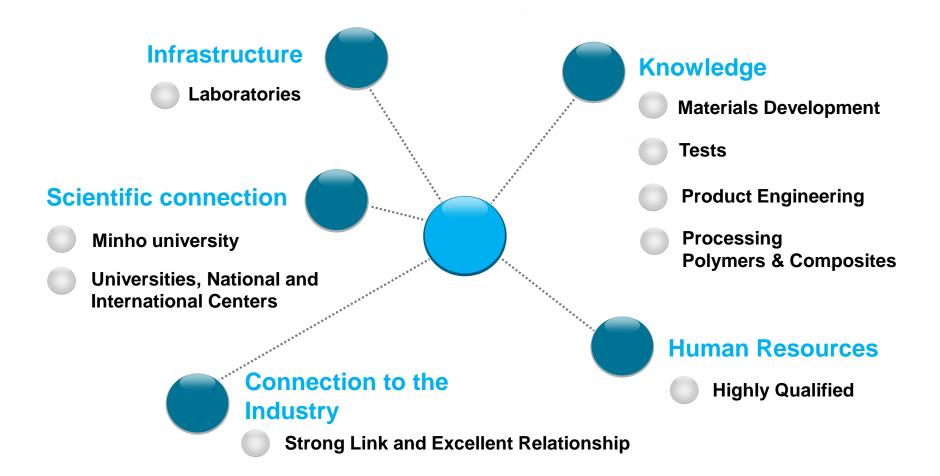
#### PIEP | PROJECTS RAIL | BIOMATERIALS | OTHERS







#### PIEP | INDUSTRY INNOVATION PARTNER





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