## HYPROD:

## The Smart composites platform towards advanced functionalization of smart lightweight components for automotive and aeronautics

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To answer the need for new solutions combining high performance and high throughput processes, IPC has developed with partners newhybrid solutions its (thermoplastic composite overmoulding) to produce net-shape lightweight semistructural parts with advanced an functionalization.

Going one step further, the "smart composites" Pilot Lines were set-up to increase functionality of composites parts by integrating new features to FRPs.

This development answers the need for continuous monitoring of structural composite parts to guarantee user safety. It opens the way to improved competitiveness of composite solutions against other materials by increasing function integration with an underlying mass-production approach.

With this breakthrough Pilot Lines, IPC is developing a wide array of integrated smart solutions - covering various technological approaches and functions: sensing, identification, anti-icing, etc - for automotive and aeronautics applications.

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Figures



**Figure 1:** Composite cowl panel produced in the frame of the ARIZONA project (French National project, 2013-2017)



Figure 2: Pieces of equipment of the HYPROD platform