



# THEMATIC AREAS

# GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE PROCESS SYSTEMS ENGINEERING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

#### 1 Modelling and optimization for multi-scale integration

- ♦ Synthesis, design and optimization methods and algorithms
- Digital twins and data-enabled modelling
- Data engineering in multi-scale integration and decision support

#### 2 Control, scheduling, and operability at the process and enterprise-level

- ♦ Advances in scheduling, planning, and supply chain optimization
- Integration of process control with data and network structures
- Decision making for security and resiliency
- Smart operations and knowledge extraction using machine learning and AI

#### 3 Safe and sustainable products by design

- Molecular and materials systems engineering
- Process intensification and additive manufacturing
- ◆ Smart and agile manufacturing for the future

#### 4 Green and sustainable processes for the circular economy

- Technology and process integration for circular economy ecosystems
- ◆ Integrated biorefineries using thermal and biochemical processes
- ♦ Use of waste as a feedstock: modelling and process development applications

## 5 Systems methods in industrial biotechnology and biomedical applications

- ◆ Tools and methods to expand the industrial exploitation of microbial biodiversity
- Simultaneous integration of strain and process design
- Digital twins and embedded models for autonomous bioprocesses
- lacktriangle Novel PAT instruments and biosensors for in-process monitoring

# 6 Multi-scale energy systems engineering (organized by the EFCE energy section)

- Energy efficiency and renewable energy integration
- lacktriangle Energy management and process system engineering in energy applications
- ♦ CO2 capture, usage and sequestration
- Mitigating Global Warming impact of industrial processes
- Water-Energy-Waste nexus, energy storage, power to renewable fuels and hydrogen

## 7 Sustainable supply chains and ecosystems

- Systems paradigms for eco-efficiency and intelligence in supply chains
- Social engagement and incentivization: methods and tools
- Urban systems engineering and social network models
- Life Cycle Analysis in the Digital Age

## 8 Education and knowledge transfer

- ◆ Interactive environments, pen science and education
- Best practices in design education
- Promoting systems thinking in engineering curricula