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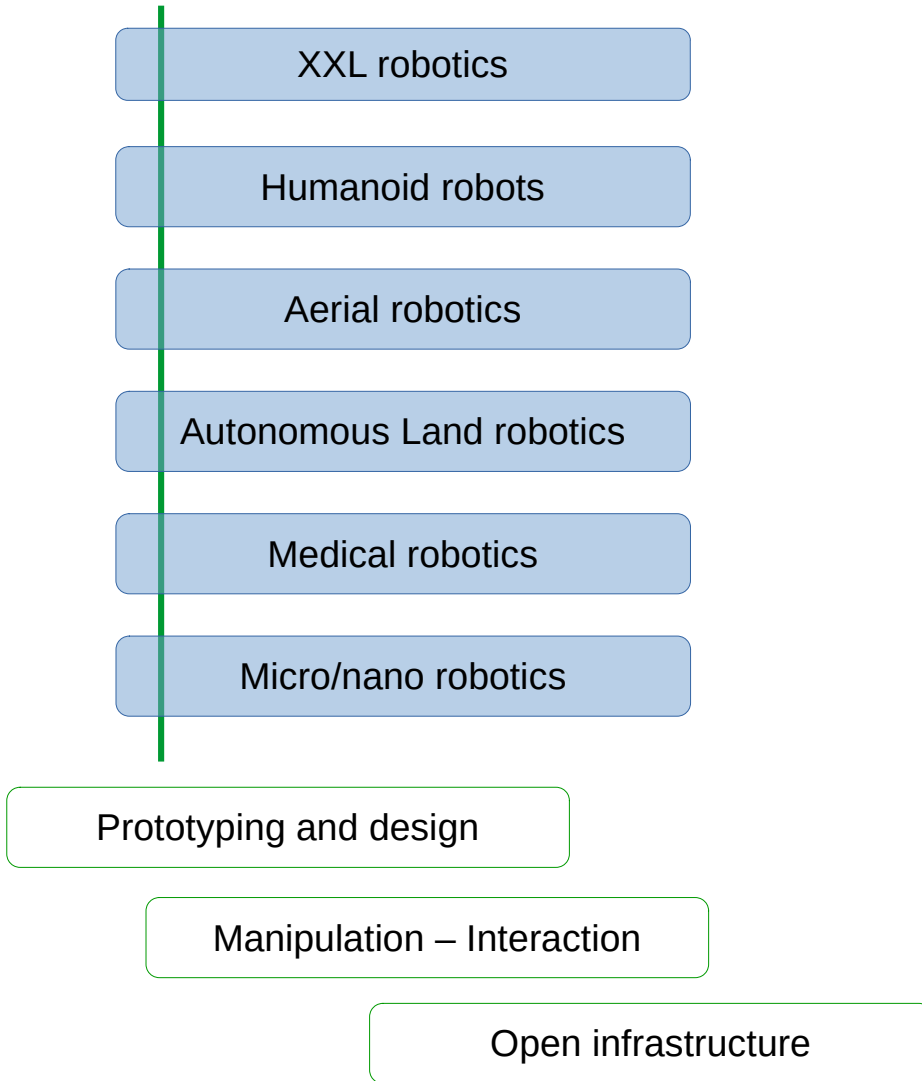
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Le projet porté par le CNRS-INS2I et soutenu par

- CEA
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- INRAe
- Alliance Allistène
- GDR Robotique

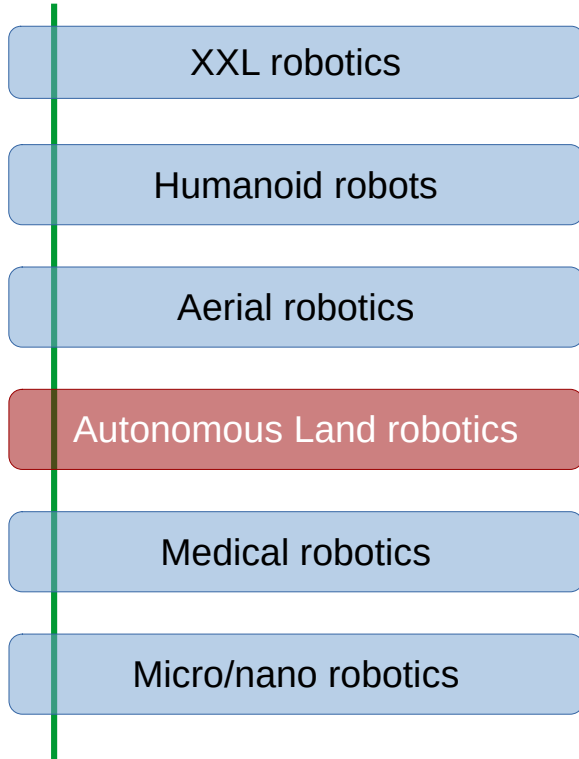
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- Aims at giving robotic research common equipment



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Autonomous vehicles



Virtuoz : Toward a common modular and generic platform



Roboterrium : Toward a set of generic off-road robots

Agricultural robots

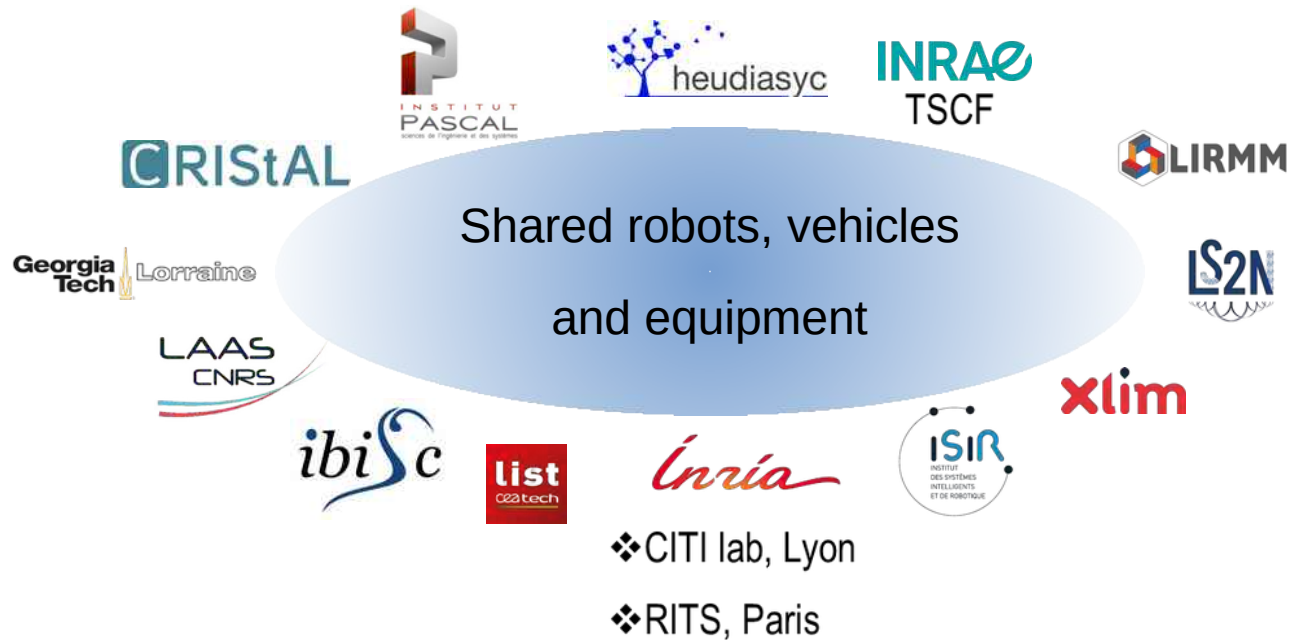
Prototyping and design

Manipulation – Interaction

Open infrastructure

Tirrex – Autonomous Land Robotics

Step 1: Shared equipment for research



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Tirrex – Autonomous Land Robotics

Intelligent Vehicles



Shared robots, vehicles
and equipment

Two “Virtuoz” prototypes + 5 roofs
+ Test tracks (SEVILLE, PAVIN and Charade)



Needs for research

- Develop vehicle autonomy and autonomous navigation
- Integrity monitoring and estimation of autonomy abilities
- Cooperative multi-vehicles
- New human-machine interfaces for shared autonomy



- V2X standard communication
- HD Maps
- Datasets

- **Equipment for safe testing and data acquisition**

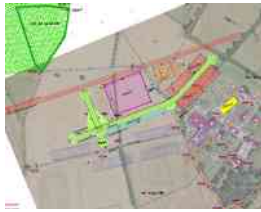
- Common roof and vehicle interface
- Shared software and dataset for perception, decision and control
- Safety drivers
- Prototyping tool

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Agricultural robots

Shared robots, vehicles
and equipment

A common site for agricultural robots



Needs for research

- Off-road mobile manipulation
- Several locomotion modes
- Repeatability environment
- Testing infrastructure
- Robots transportation capability



- Virtual twin
- Remote supervision for testing
- Datasets for replay

- **Equipment for safe testing and data acquisition**

- Common simulation testbed, remotely accessible
- An algorithm database for perception and control
- Robots monitoring devices
- Prototyping tool

Issues and open scientific problems

How to adapt robot behaviour

Perception robustness

Parameters adaptation

Situation awareness

Behaviour adaptation

Environment

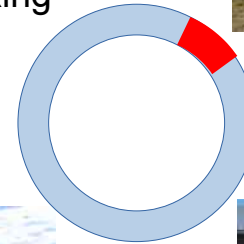
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People tracking



Robot association



Row following



Footprints tracking

Issues and open scientific problems

Perception robustness

How to ensure task integrity

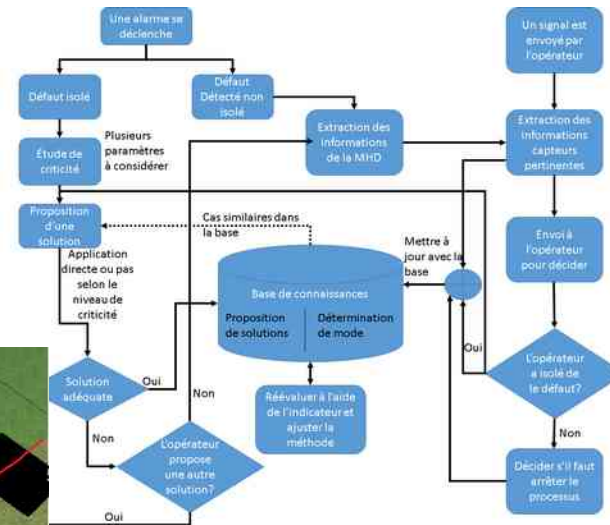
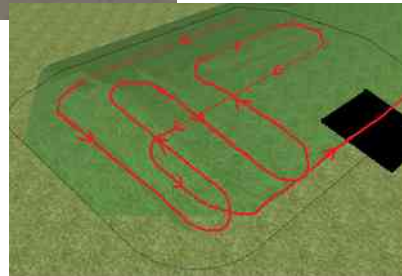
Robot stability/controllability

Traversability evaluation

Fault detection



Arpa testing - Ref ISO 18497



Issues and open scientific problems

Perception robustness

Interaction with soft objects (plant/soil)

Soft body interaction

Redundancy management

Tool motion



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Issues and open scientific problems

Easy to use machine

Human machine cooperation

Adaptation to human

Formation control and interaction

Remote supervision



Joining forces to solve scientific locks

How to adapt robot behaviour

How to ensure task integrity

Interaction with soft objects (plant/soil)

Human machine cooperation

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In network with agriculture and robotician

Shared operational research actions

Sharing developments and reults

On common devices and dataset

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- A national equipment facilities (Actual and Virtual)

- To accelerate research
- To share results and development about scientific locks
- An economic model to be proposed
- To permit tests on various platforms

- Dedicated to collaborative projects

- Open to research community
- To be used in the framework of projects (ANR, H2020, collaborative)
- Allow testing reference

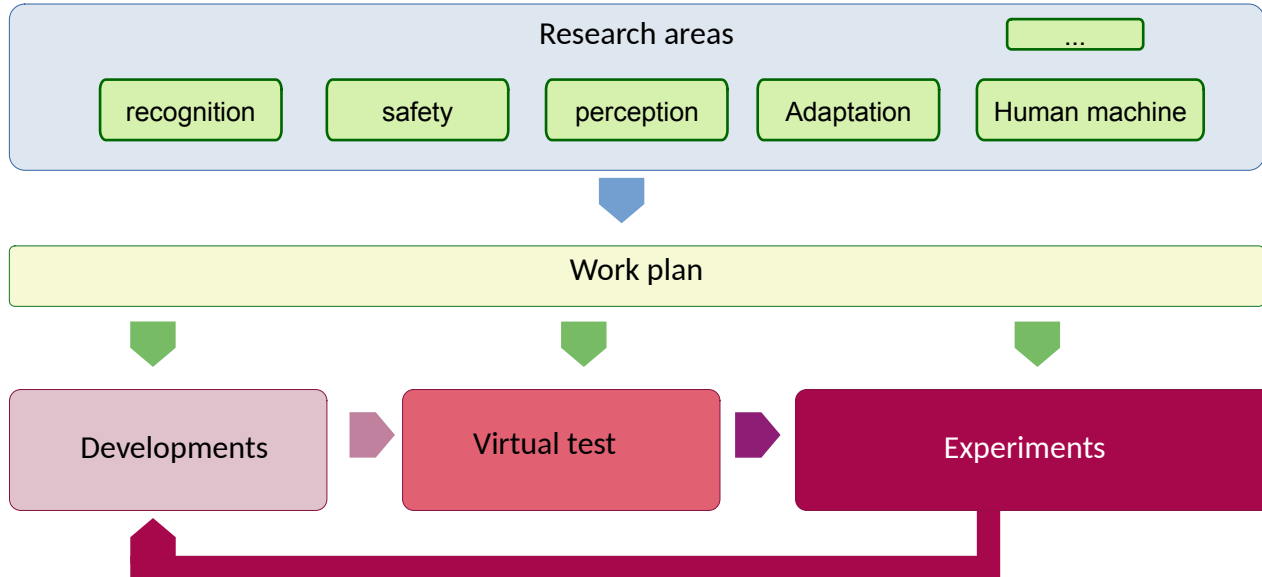
- Open to companies and foreign partners (middle terms)

- A business model to access robots within infrastructure
- Open to any projects
- Including virtual environment
- Allowing remote supervision



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- Step 2: Definition and coordination of a national research program

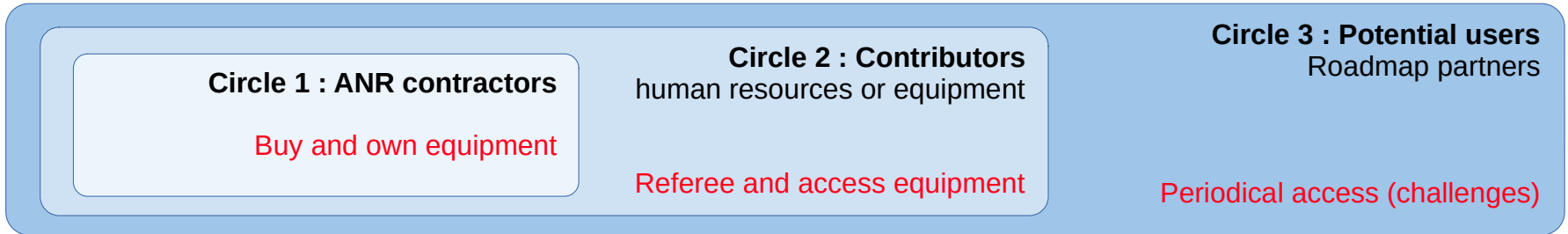


- Step 3: Open to community including private testing

- Offering on-demand testing and trial
- Using research equipment
- An economic model to be proposed
- Open to external lab and countries and private company

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- Sharing modalities



- Organisation of periodic joint challenge
- Related to the research roadmap

➔ Show the complementarity between laboratories and scientific advances

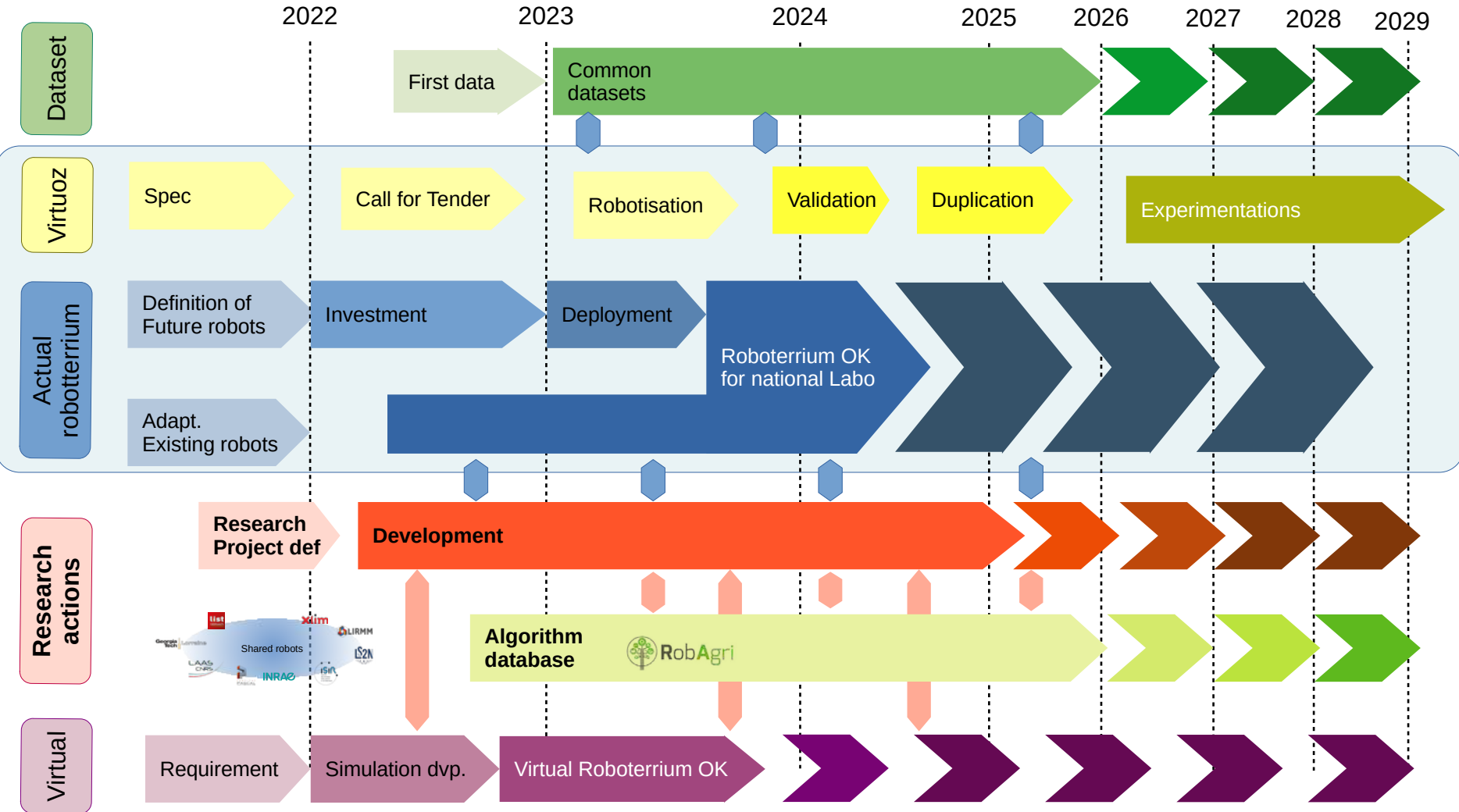
- Common development tools

- Numeric twins of equipment
- Shared Libraries for robot control and algorithms
- Sharing dataset

➔ To be build with open infrastructure axis

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- Planning for investment and availability



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- **Launching Rob@t - 3 main topics:**

- 1** Define a national scientific roadmap
that structures the use of the equipment
- 2** Identify the needs of each partner
Defining the specification of equipment
- 3** Identify the contributions of each partner
Robots for Autonomous Land Robotics
Manpower for design and shared software

- **How to work on these topics**

