

# Evolve a framework, to enhance, management decision making process around adopting Al in SMEs

# CONTEXT & BACKGROUND



• The term Industry 4.0 is about a new industrial revolution - one that talks of leveraging AI to integrate emerging technologies like big data, robotics, IoT & IoE and create manufacturing systems that are not only interconnected, but communicate, analyze, and use information to drive further intelligent action back in the physical world.



- SMEs are a focal point in shaping enterprise policy in the European Union (EU).
- The EU Commission considers SMEs and entrepreneurship as key to ensuring economic growth, innovation, job creation, and social integration in the EU (Europa, Statistics on SMEs -, 2021).
- Enterprises employing fewer than 250 persons represented 99 % of all enterprises in the EU.

#### **EXISTING LITERATURE**

#### Summary of Journals on adoption of Technology

Discussion around a stronger role for EU in approaching Al adoption

Importance of developing a competitive advantage by adopting ICT

Investigate the adoption of ICTs in 11 micro-enterprises

Characteristics of the firm and industry sector are contributory factors to the extent of adoption and exploitation of ICTs by SMEs

Acoolection of Technological, environmental and oraganizational factors impact the adoption of digital technologies in SMEs 10 factors responsible for the adoption of Al among SMEs

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### Summary of Journals on Decision Making Framework

Evaluation framework of decision-making in SMEs with four main components: environment, organization, decision-maker and process.

Compare and contrast two such frameworks: Robust Decision Making and Epoch–Era Analysis

Broaden the traditional approach to leadership and decision making and form a new perspective based on complexity science

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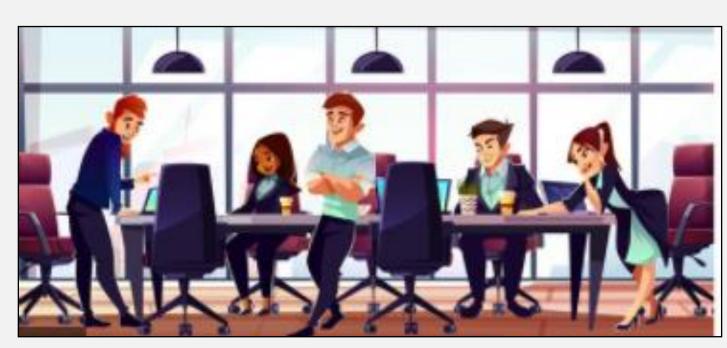
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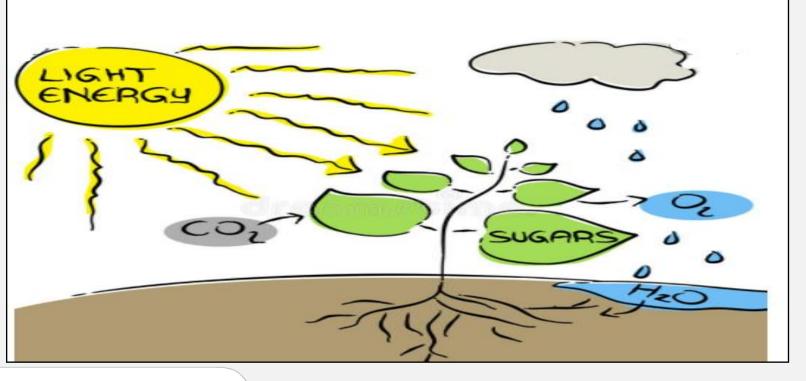
# Perspective Changes Everything

## **RESEARCH QUESTION & PLAN**

- Current perspective of management on Al adoption? Qualitative approach by interviewing management of SME's
- The influencing factors :
  - Uncertainty of breaking a set framework
  - Absence of right skill sets.
  - The material and human cost.
  - Change Management issues.
  - Employee reaction.



- Factors evaluated by management before setting up an Al strategy?
  - Qualitative approach through interviews and literature review.



- Synthesizing decision-making theories, to evolve a framework thereby enhance the management decision making process around adopting AI

   Qualitative approach through literature review and analyzing results from the research questions.
- Practically apply the framework on SMEs to compare results and gather feedback.









