

Soft, Digital and Green Skills for Smart Designers:

Designers as Innovative TRIggers for SMEs in the manufacturing sector

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# Final Analysis Report

Survey 80 SMEs of the manufacturing

to the development of the project training

programme

























# The survey

Survey 20 SMEs of the manufacturing

sector for every country:

- Italy
- Spain
- Poland
- Romania

# What has emerged?

#### Digital skills →

mainly related to communication and marketing: such as digital marketing, e-commerce and social media management. Due to the Covid and post-Covid scenario, the key role of these skills is perceived of increasing importance.

#### Soft skills →

it emerged that these are crucial skills to develop for employees, specifically regarding communication, innovation, creativity, teamwork and time management.

#### Green skills →

actually green competencies are only partially requested to be integrated in the furniture sector, but their role and importance will grow following the market attention. In fact, the future trends perceived by the companies are linked to circular economy and short supply chains.

# What has emerged?

#### **Design skills** →

The majority of the SMEs interviewed notes the skills of design as fundamental for their sector, particularly in terms of aesthetic sensibility, creative thinking and visualization.

#### **Technical skills** →

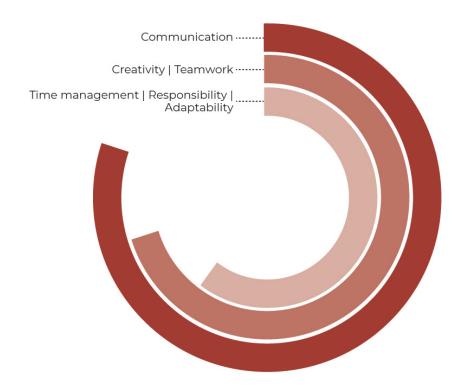
The companies interviewed expressed the willing to be trained on several aspects related to the technical skills: such as product and project management, quality assurance and management and critical thinking.

### **Soft**skills

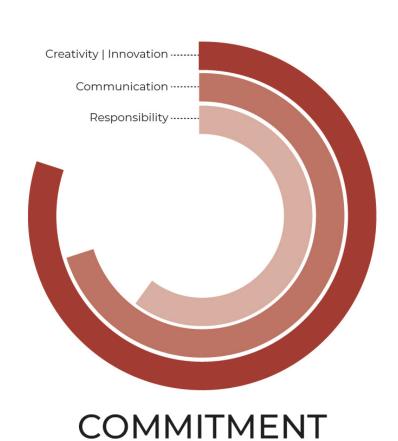
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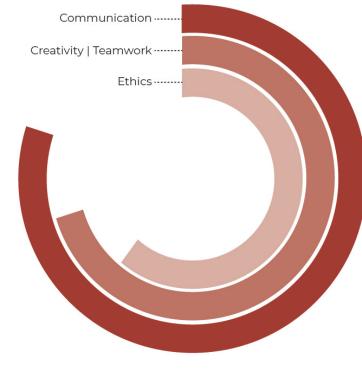
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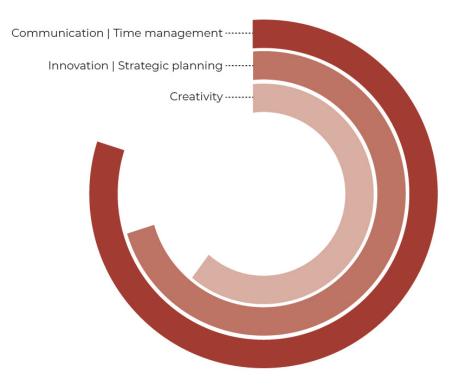


#### **IMPORTANCE**





**STRENGTH** 



## **Digital**skills





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#### **IMPORTANCE**





#### **STRENGTH**



### Greenskills

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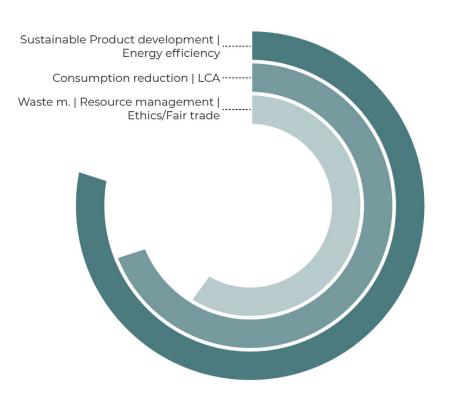
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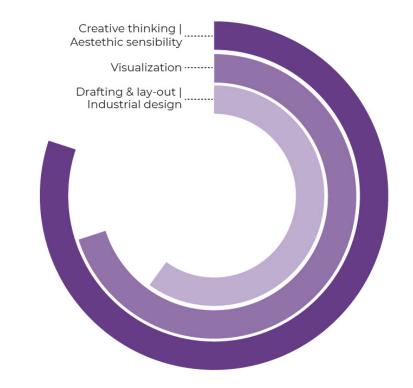


# Designskills

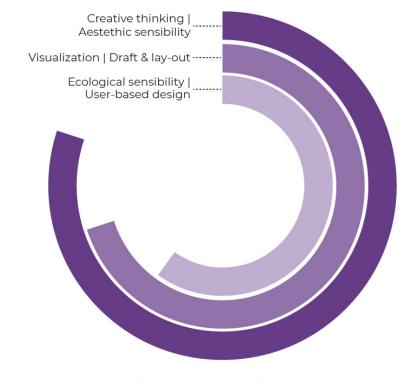
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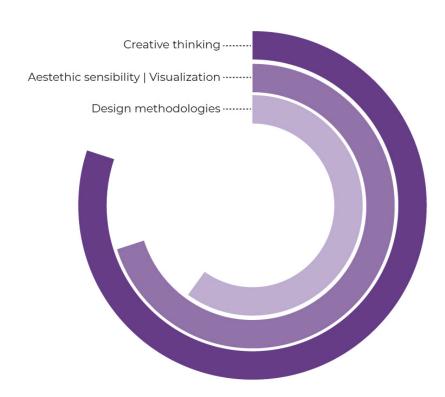


#### **IMPORTANCE**



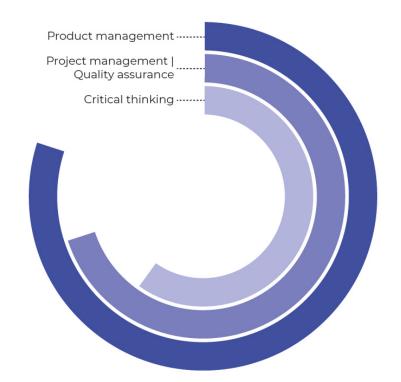
#### **STRENGTH**





### **Technical**skills

- 1° | Average Value
  - 2° | Average Value
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#### **IMPORTANCE**



COMMITMENT



#### **STRENGTH**

Product management |
Project management
Critical thinking |
Process engeneering

### Skills'frequency

How to read it

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3 · · · · · skill naming

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sustainable product

lyfe cycle
assessment

pollution control

Greenskills consumption reduction
waste management
social responsibility efficiency
resource management

product management process engeneering

Technicalskills data visualization quality assurance & project management management

# digital marketing cybersecurity ligital skills

mobile applications e-commerce & networking & IT social media

drafting & lay-out
ecological sensibility

Designskills creative thinking industrial design design methodologies aestethic sensibility

