

The future of ergonomics- a personal view

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Is ergonomics a too big or too
small community?

What are the political,
micropolitical or financial benefits?

The double demands on benefit

- Improve practice systems
- Scientific impact

In what fields are ergonomics needed?

- Production design
- Product design
- Design of complex and safety critical systems

The performance potential –
through interactions between
humans - technology - organisation

- Safety
- Quality output
- Productivity

New branches

- Service sector
- Health care
- Public sector

Why ergonomics instead of traditional disciplines?

- Integration of knowledge from specialized disciplines
- Holistic approach
- Focus on work
- Focus on interactions between humans, technology, organization and environment
- Improvement of safety, health, wellbeing and systems performance