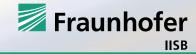


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Strong cooperation of Fraunhofer IISB and University Erlangen-Nuremberg (FAU)



- Headquarters IISB: Erlangen
- Branch labs in Nuremberg and Freiberg
- Ca. 300 employee
- Ca. 26 Mio. € operating budget
- 6.400 m² offices and laboratories
- 1.600 m² Cleanroom
- Test centre for electric vehicles
- Application laboratory for DC-grids
- Applied research and basic reserach



Energy Electronics

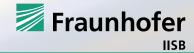
Materials

POWER ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS

From Material to Power Electronic Applications • Everything from One Partner •

Technologies

Devices, Moduls and Reliability **Vehicle Electronics**



We are an enabler for intelligent ...

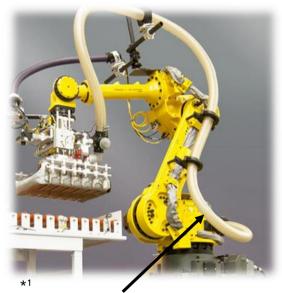


... in mobile or stationary autonomous systems.

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Exemplary robotic application in industry



Cable: up to 40kg of weight

"Inductive ball bearing"

Increased ...

- range of motion
- robustness for energy and data transfer
- resistance against humidity, oil, dirt, ...

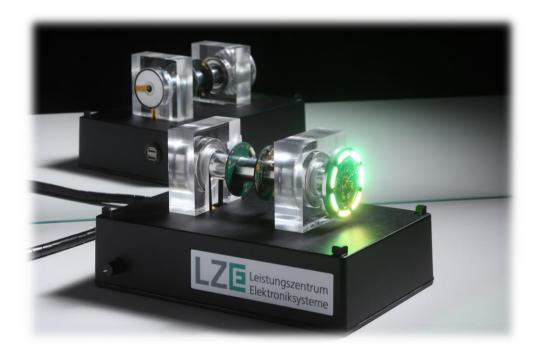


- Improved process times for production due to unrestricted movement and reduced inertia
- ➔ Reduction of required robots for each production line

*1 https://www.fanuc.eu

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Technology demonstrator for inductive ball bearing



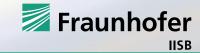
"Inductive ball bearing"

100 W transferred power

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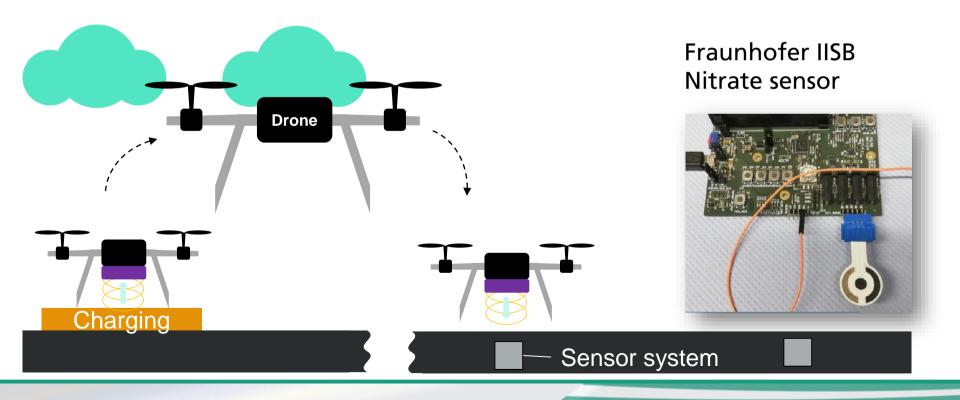
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- Efficiency up to 90 %
- Bidirectional data transfer of 10 Mbit/s
- Increased robustness with wireless technologies



Robotics for agri-food

- Farming drone acts as power distributor and data collector for single sensors and sensor networks
- Goal: needs-based fertilization to reduce fertilizers, reduce costs and protect the environment



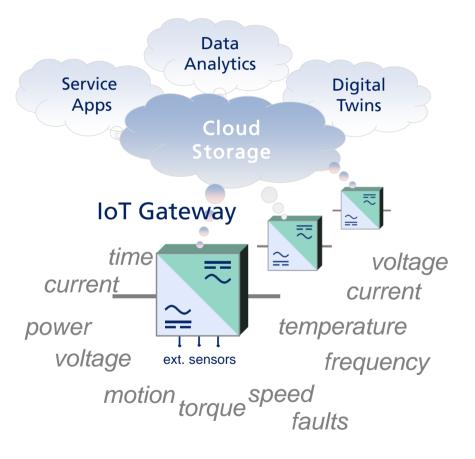
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Cognitive Power Electronics for Cognitive Mechatronic Systems



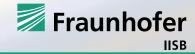
- Continuous measurement of electrical parameters
- Secure data transfer
- Energy distribution and gateway for additional application specific sensors





What project partners we are looking for?

- Robotic/mechatronic system developer and manufacturer
- Sensor and sensor system developer and manufacturer
- Companies specialized in
 - Data transfer
 - Data analytics
 - Highly automated production
 - Smart farming



Thank you for your attention

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