

# OPC DAY FINLAND 2022

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## Latest news about OPC UA (and OPC Foundation)



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# Agenda

- ▶ **Organization**
- ▶ **Technology: Status & roadmap**
  - **Field Initiative**
  - **Cloud Initiative**
- ▶ **Collaborations & Information Models**
- ▶ **Other News**
- ▶ **Call for Actions**



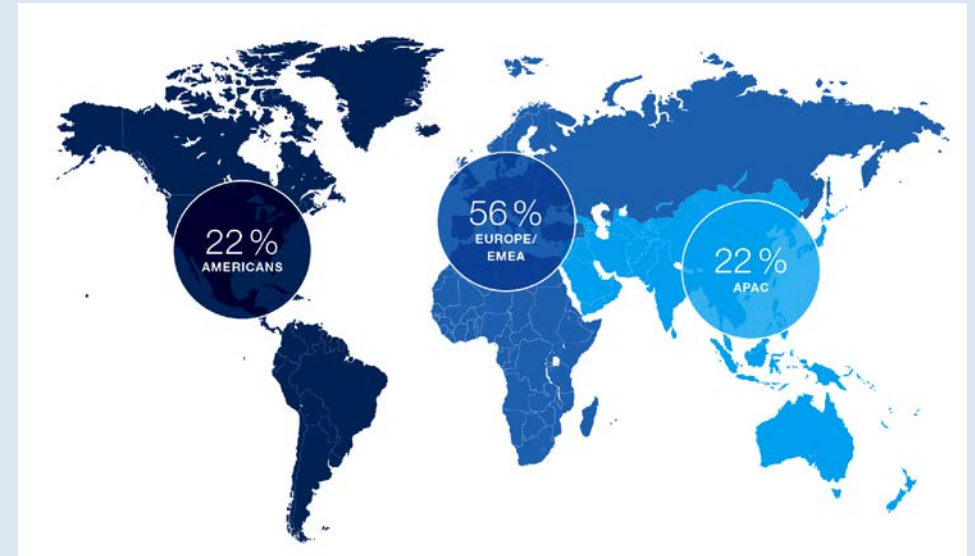
# OPC Foundation <https://opcfoundation.org>

- ▶ Vision
  - Secure & reliable
  - Vendor, platform, and domain agnostic
  - interoperability from sensor to enterprise and beyond
- ▶ Global Profile
  - Non-profit organization (founded 1995)
  - Companies from Automation & IT
  - Internationally recognized: OPC UA is IEC62541
- ▶ Deliverables
  - Specifications: openly available
  - Tools and code examples: open source for faster, easier adoption (AnsiC/C++, C# .NET Standard, Java)
  - Certification: OPC Labs open to everyone
  - Marketing: Evangelize solution in various markets
- ▶ Ecosystem with toolkits and education
- ▶ Modern IPR policy



## Organizational Overview

**Membership:** 896 (Status: Nov 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022)



## Board of Directors (elected for 2021/2022)

Microsoft	Honeywell	Rockwell
SAP	Yokogawa	Schneider
Siemens	Mitsubishi	ABB
Beckhoff	Ascolab	Emerson



# OPC Unified Architecture

Largest Ecosystem for Cross-domain Industrial Interoperability

## 895+ Member Companies



## The Industrial Interoperability Standard

Open Scalable  
Independent Secure  
Robust and reliable International IEC standard  
Transport extendable Modeling

## OPC World

Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021: 850 members

Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022: 896 members (10 from Finland)

→ 46 new members within 1 year



# OPC Foundation Members Norway

Company	Country	
<a href="#">Bazefield AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Cody AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Cybernetica AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">ecco it</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Equinor ASA</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">IPJ AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">ITIS AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Kongsberg Maritime A/S</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Malthe Winje Automasjon AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Prediktor AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Proserv</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Rocketfarm AS</a>	Norway	
<a href="#">Searis</a>	Norway	

# OPC Foundation Members Finland

Company	Country	
<a href="#">Augumenta</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Brightly Works Oy</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Neste Engineering Solutions Oy</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Prosys OPC Ltd</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Synchron Tech Oy</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Synopsys Finland Oy</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Tampere University</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Valmet Automation Oy</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Wapice Ltd</a>	Finland	
<a href="#">Wärtsilä Finland Oy</a>		



# OPC Foundation: Status on legal topics

## Trademark expansion

- Additional protections for OPC UA – application for OPC UA wordmark filed in US & EU
- Applications filed for OPC Foundation name and logo  
OPC UA wordmark and OPCF Certification logo in CN, IN & JP

## Key legal activities

- Legal audit: Review & reconciliation of all key OPCF template documents and agreements
- China: Application to establish formal Representative Office ongoing
- IPR Common Principles
  - Goal: ensure that all implementers of jointly-developed specifications can get RAND-Z (royalty free) licenses to essential patents
  - Some org IPR policies do not ensure this
  - OPCF solution: all participants in joint efforts agree to MOCA
- Proposal for future: Align key orgs around “IPR Common Principles” (min. RAND-Z)

# Events 2022: Example Achema 2022

- 324sqm booth ! .. but in vacation time lot of partners canceled
- Partners: Member Siemens – and associations VDMA, FDT, Open Process Automation Forum, COPA
- Huge areas for
  - Technology
  - Field
  - Cloud
  - Collaborations
- 2 hours „OPC Day“





# OPC UA:

Exclusively selected by major process industry initiatives

Sync meeting happened in Berlin 2022

## OPC UA Adaption in Process Industry

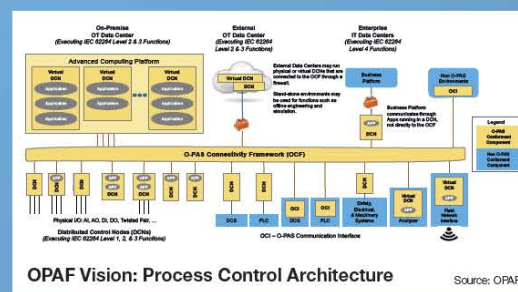
Associations selected OPC UA as their communication framework

### Open Process Automation Forum (OPAF)



#### Mission

- Creating an open standards-based interoperable, portable, secure automation process control architecture



#### O-PAS is leveraging OPC UA

Version	Year	Theme	O-PAS™	Subject	Reference Standards
V1	2019	Interoperability	Part 1	Technical architecture	IEC 62540 (ISA-95)
V2	2020	Configuration Portability	Part 2	Security	IEC 62443 (ISA-99)
V2.1	2021	Control Functionality	Part 3	Profiles	N/A
V3	TBD	Application Portability	Part 4	Connectivity framework	IEC 62541 (OPC UA)
		System Orchestration & Physical Platform (hardware)	Part 5	System management	DMTF (Redfish), IEC 62542 (OPC UA), IEC 62714 (Industrial 4.0), IEC 62715 (ISA-112), IEC 61131-3, IEC 61489
			Part 6	Information and Exchange Models	
			Part 7	Physical platform	TBD
			Part 8	Application Portability	TBD
			Part 9	System Orchestration	TBD

Source: OPAF

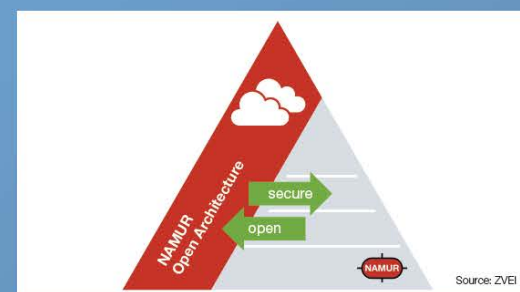
- Open heterogeneous multi-vendor control system
- OPC UA models used for connectivity framework and throughout for alarms, function blocks, information exchange, and execution engines

### NAMUR Open Architecture (NOA)

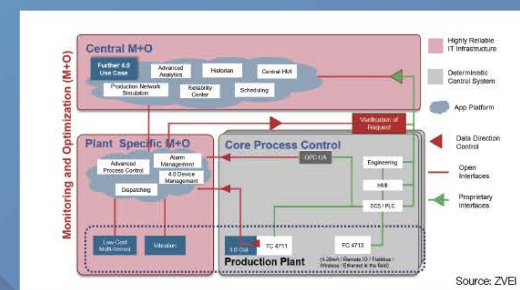


#### Mission

- Make production data easily and securely usable for plant and asset monitoring as well as optimization



#### NOA is leveraging OPC UA



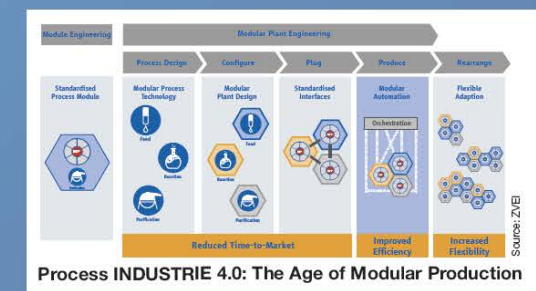
- OPC UA is the desired communication technology in NOA to connect the Core Process Control to Plant Monitoring and Optimization systems

### NAMUR, PROCESSNET, ZVEI Module Type Package (MTP)



#### Mission

- Time reduction of automation engineering and commissioning
- Manufacturer-independent connectivity of equipment modules



#### MTP is leveraging OPC UA

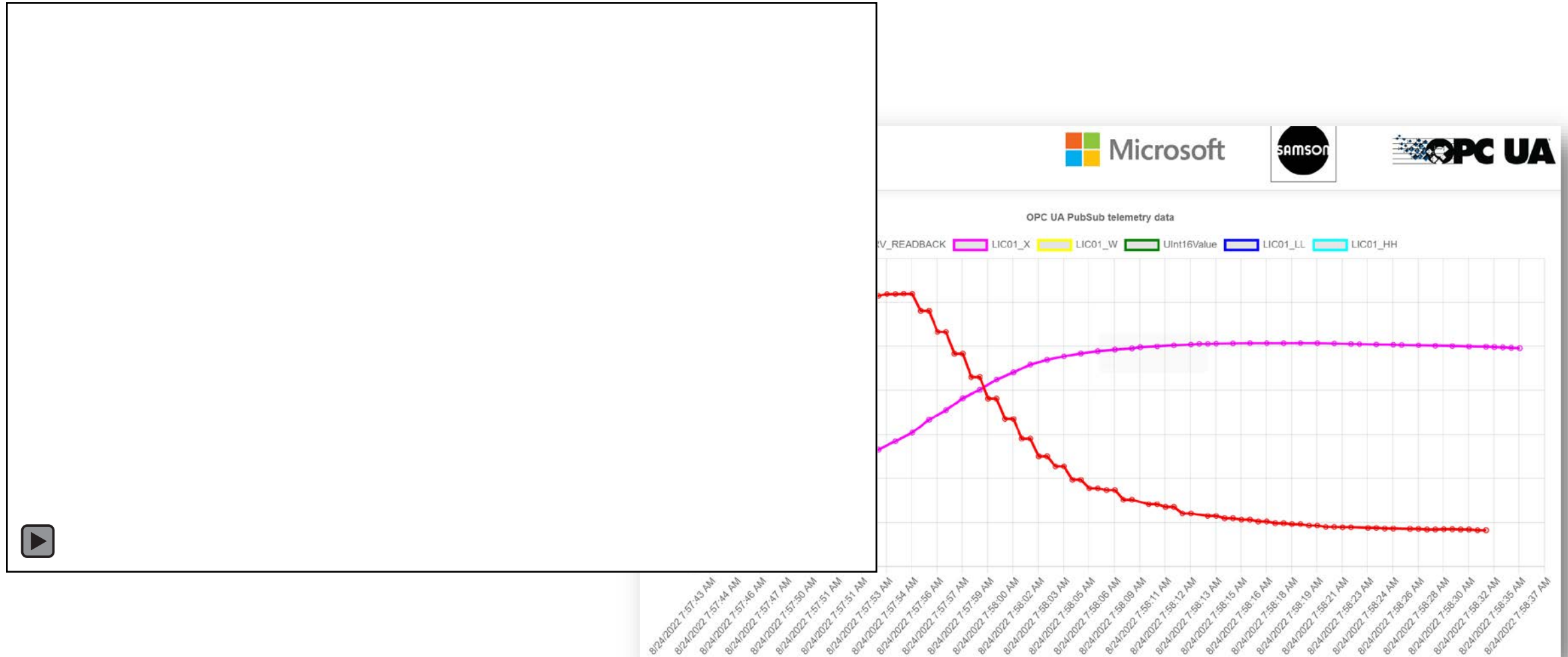
Domain Specific Typicals	Chemical Engineering	Automation Engineering
	Data and Services Model for Bio-Pharma Equipment (BioPhorum Operation Group)	Data and Services Model for XXX Equipment (XXX Group)
Methods & Models	Modular Equipment and Plant Engineering (VDI/VDE 2776) DIEKPI P41D	Module Type Package (VDI/VDE NAMUR 2653) IEC 665/663/NP (MWP)
Serialization	Process Data Exchange (ISO 15926)	CAEX (IEC 62424)
Communication	OPC UA (IEC 62541)	

Source: ARC Forum

- OPC UA (IEC62541) is today the only communication channel for MTP

# Achema 2022: New Class-A member SAMSON

## Demonstrator OPC UA leverages MQTT



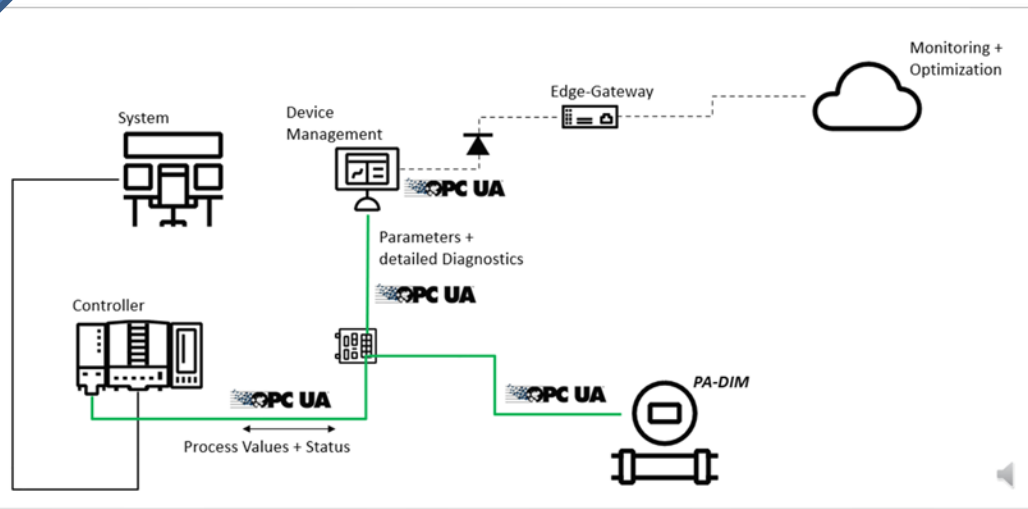
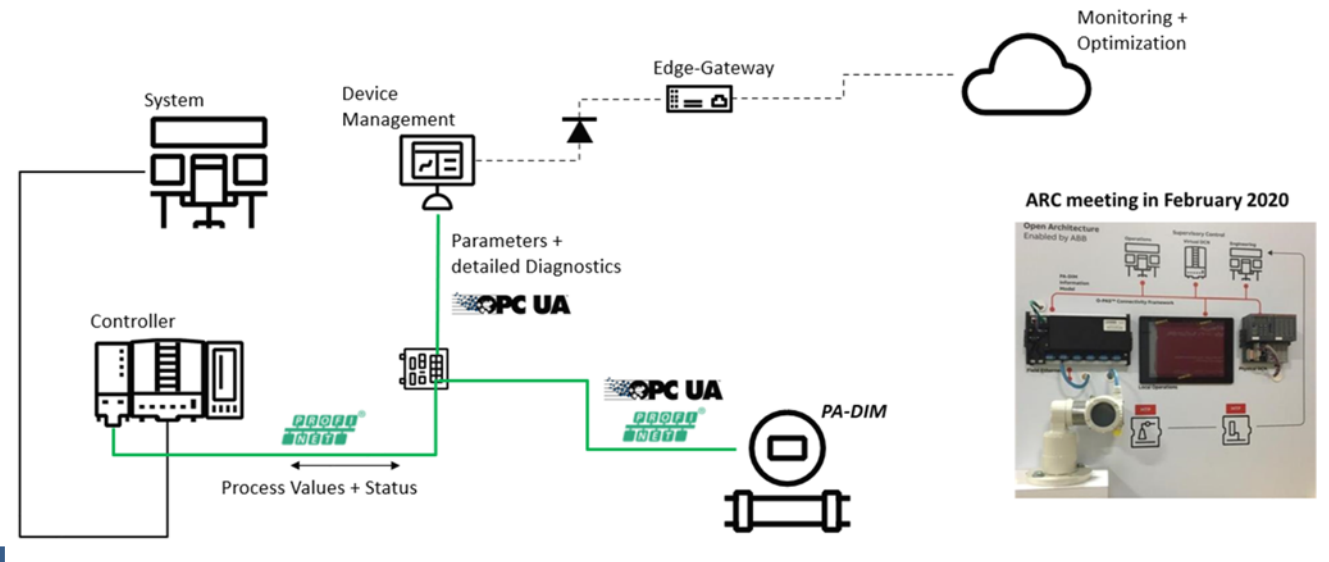
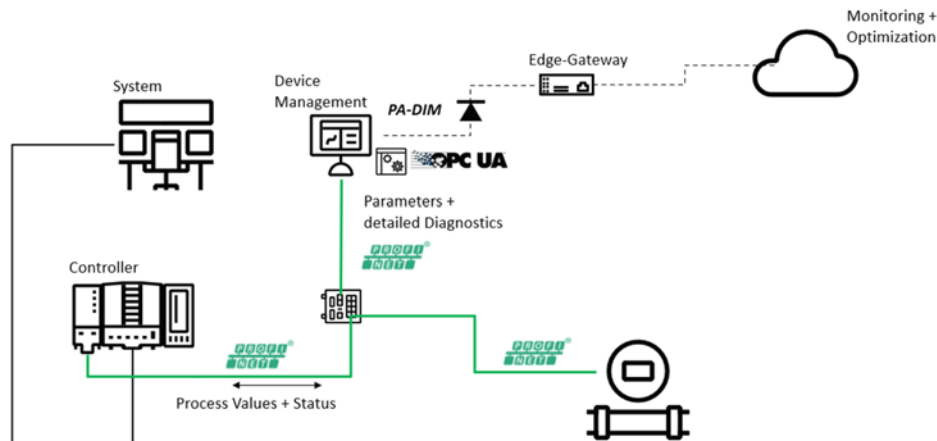


# Achema 2022: OPC Press Conference – ABB statement

## - ABB's Process Automation System Vision: 3 Steps to OPC UA

### ABB's Process Automation System Vision

Transitioning from the status quo to OPC-UA and APL based solutions



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# OPC UA: One Harmonized Solution

## News about Extending OPC UA to the Field



Visit us at: OPC Booth // Hall 5 – 140

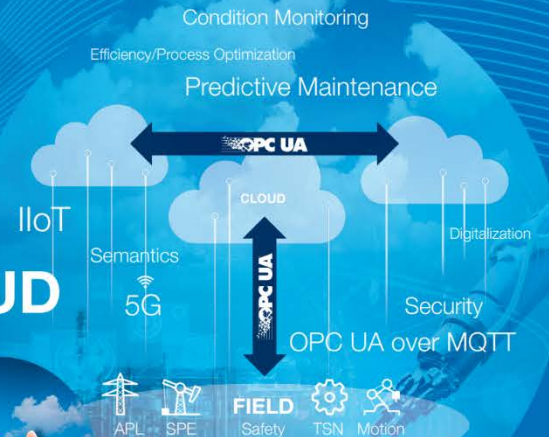
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OPC UA  
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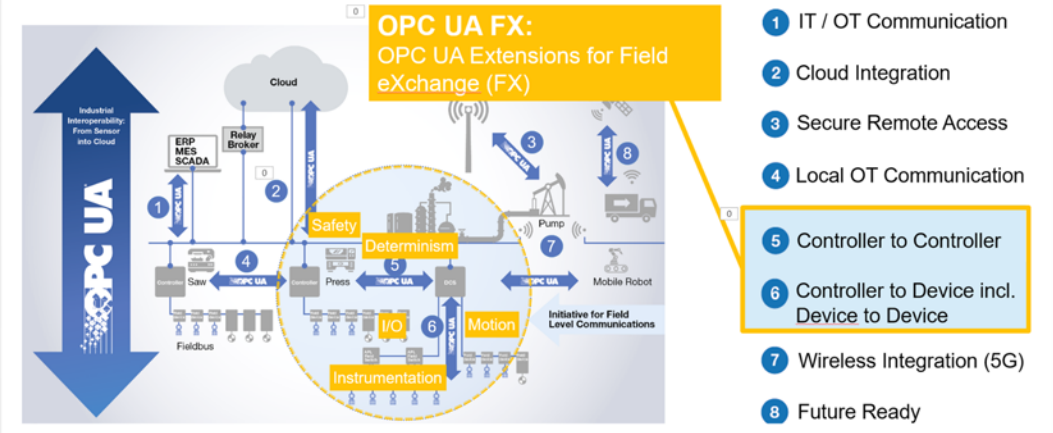
# Four Years Field Level Communications (FLC) Initiative (11/2018 - 11/2022)



Press Conference November 2018



FLC Initiative to create OPC UA Field eXchange (FX) specifications:  
Extending OPC UA to the field incl. Determinism, Safety & Motion



Members of the Field Level Communication (FLC) Initiative's Steering Committee



# OPC UA for field: APL and TSN as enabler for OPC UA

- ▶ Ethernet APL and TSN are enablers for OPC UA
  - Ethernet APL is the enabler to scale from edge down to field to sensor  
Integrate OPC UA into field devices to implement information model as near as possible at data source
  - OPC UA has strategic benefits for future compared to established fieldbus solutions  
OPC UA provide data transfer, information modelling, Safety and IT security scaling from field to cloud
  - ABB announced to replace existing solutions with OPC UA over APL in future
- ▶ TSN is the enabler for deterministic real-time  
At begin: Expected to be inside machines with fixed set of configuration like
  - ProfiNET over TSN
  - CC-Link over TSN
  - EtherCAT over TSN
  - OPC UA over TSN

Criteria for success at market: Speed, costs, easiness to enable (setup) and maintenance (diagnostic)



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## News from Cloud initiative



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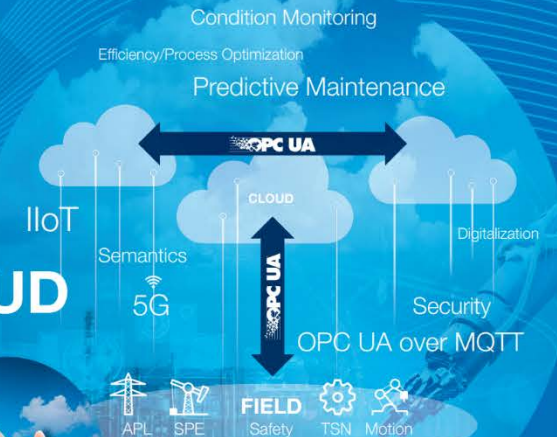
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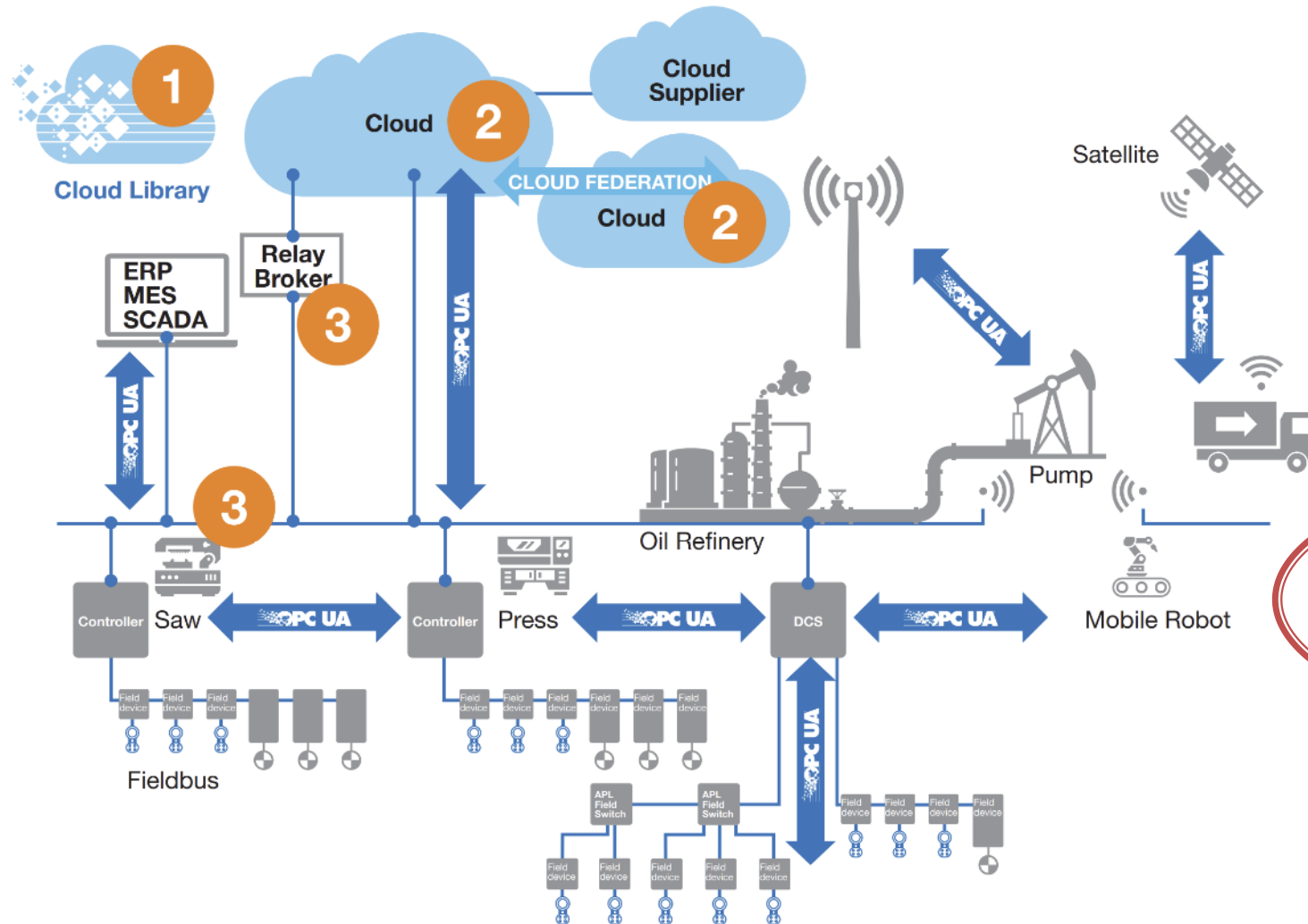
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# UA Cloud Initiative



- 1 Cloud Library**
  - Repository for OPC UA based information models (IMs)
  - Upload, store, search, download IMs
- 2 Cloud Federation**
  - Standardized communication
  - Cloud to Cloud
- 3 Asset / Edge / Cloud**
  - Standardized communication
  - Field to Cloud
  - Cloud to Field
- 4 Education, IIOT Starter Kit**
  - Success stories

# 2021: Support by 2 OT companies and 1 IT company

## Challenge:

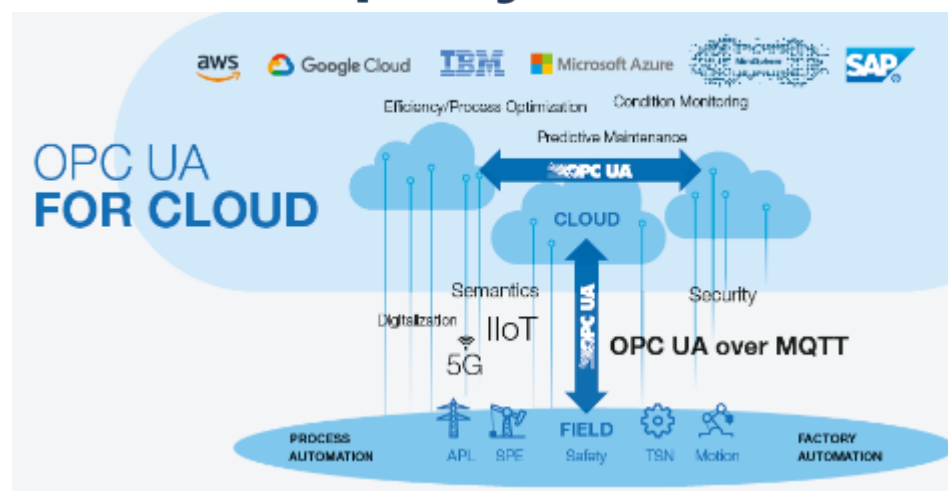
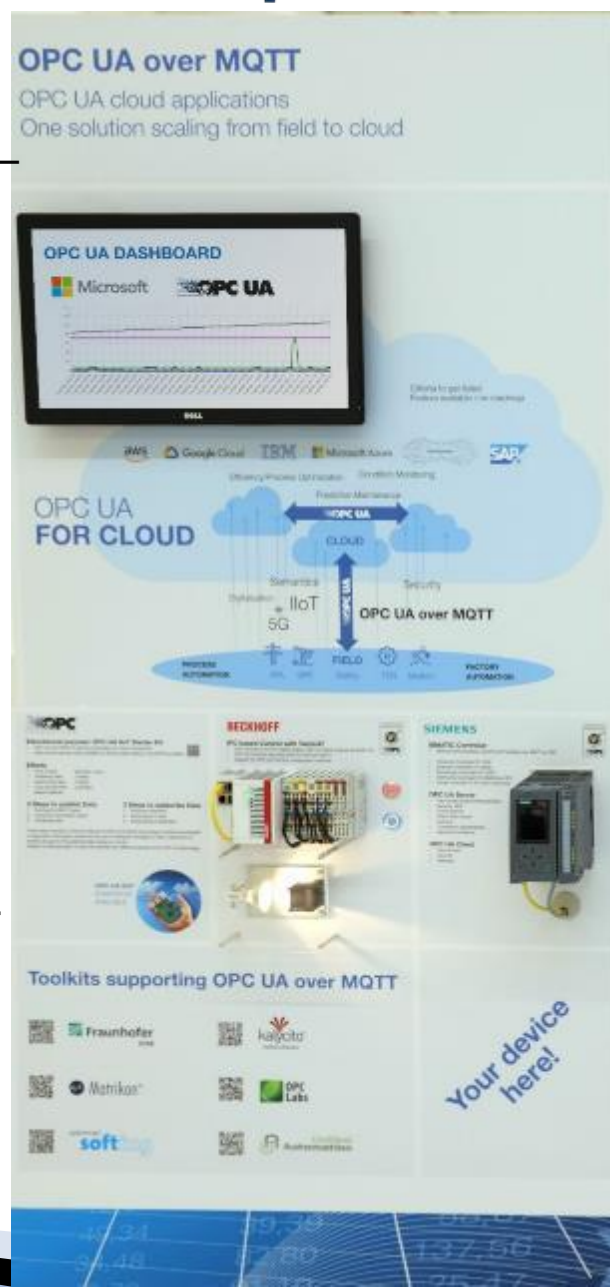
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BUT: MQTT does not define payload – results in multiple company or consortia mapping definitions

## Solution:

- OPC UA Pub/Sub (over UDP and MQTT) published in Feb 2018
- Different bindings (JSON/BINARY) for different use-cases

## Eco-System:

- Major cloud suppliers like aws, GoogleCloud, IBM, MS Azure, MindSphere, SAP confirmed to support „OPC UA over MQTT“
- Implementers of OPC UA over MQTT Beckhoff, Siemens,
- UA IIoT Starterkit / Toolkits available
- Plugfest is established – live!



## News Release

### Leading IoT Vendors Commit to OPC UA Adoption

Major IoT vendors including AWS, Google Cloud, IBM, Microsoft, SAP and SIEMENS leverage secure, standardized information exchange in edge-to-cloud applications based on OPC UA

**Scottsdale, AZ – February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022** – Leading Internet-of-Things (IoT) vendors are adopting OPC UA technology for edge-to-cloud applications. The growing list includes Amazon Web Services (AWS), Google Cloud, IBM, Microsoft, SAP and SIEMENS.

Key drivers behind this progression are, first and foremost, the global adoption of OPC UA as the open standard of choice for secure production-system interoperability across OT and IT networks, leveraging standardized data exchange. As such, there are over 850 registered OPC Foundation members supporting a large, rapidly growing eco-system of end-users, standards bodies, and vendors.

Second, OPC UA uses a standardized method of defining, discovering, and using Information Models (IMs) and services associated with the production systems. This standardized approach to semantic information sharing prevents vendor lock-in and costly custom programming needed for non-standard IM ingestion in the cloud. With the launch of the UA Cloud Library, OPC UA IMs are globally available to all cloud applications, making it easy for cloud applications to directly utilize OPC UA-based semantic information as well as live data coming from the edge.

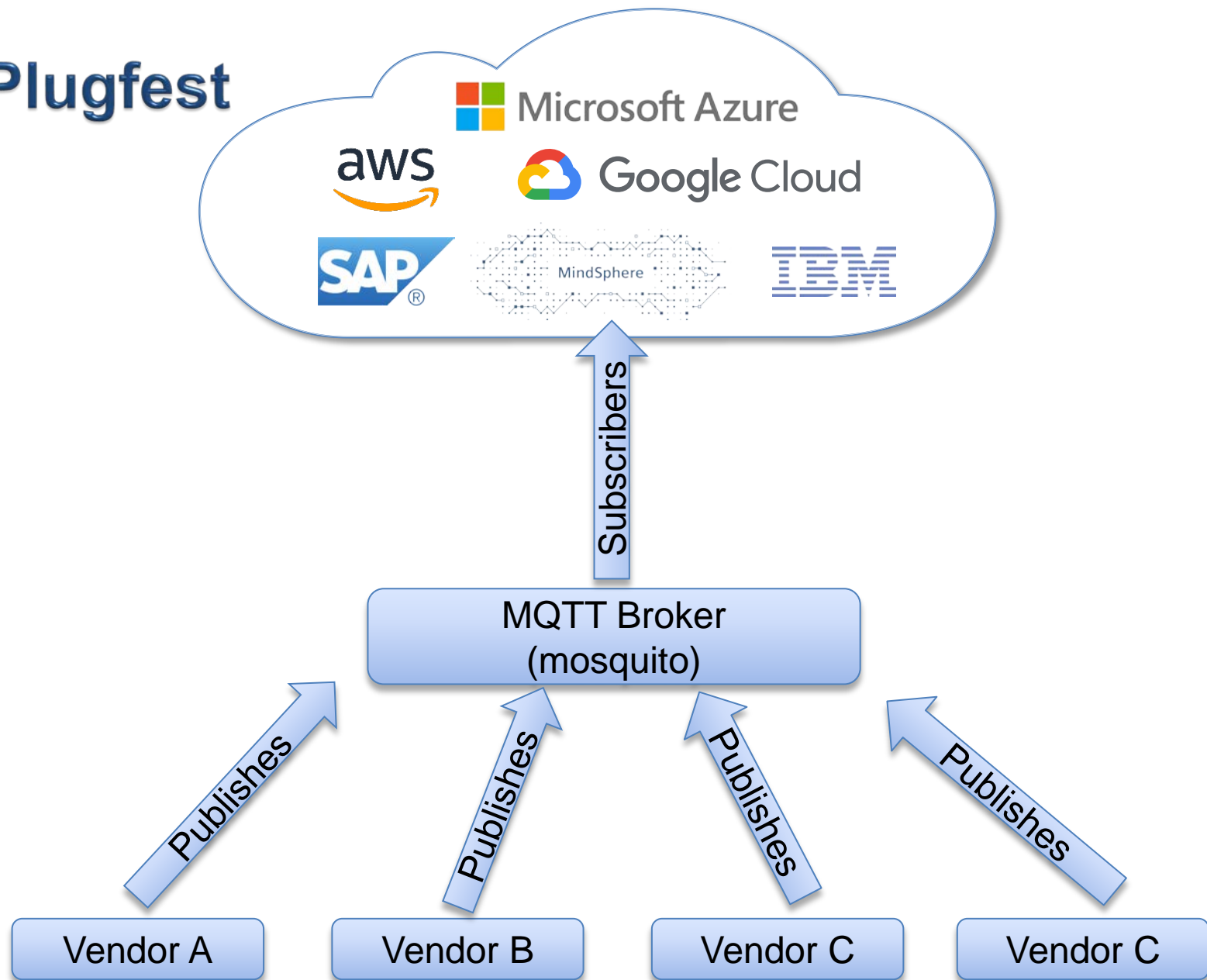
**Feb 01<sup>st</sup>, 2022 OPC Foundation PR:**  
**Leading IoT Vendors Commit to OPC UA Adoption**  
<https://opcfoundation.org/news/press-releases/>





# OPC UA over MQTT Plugfest

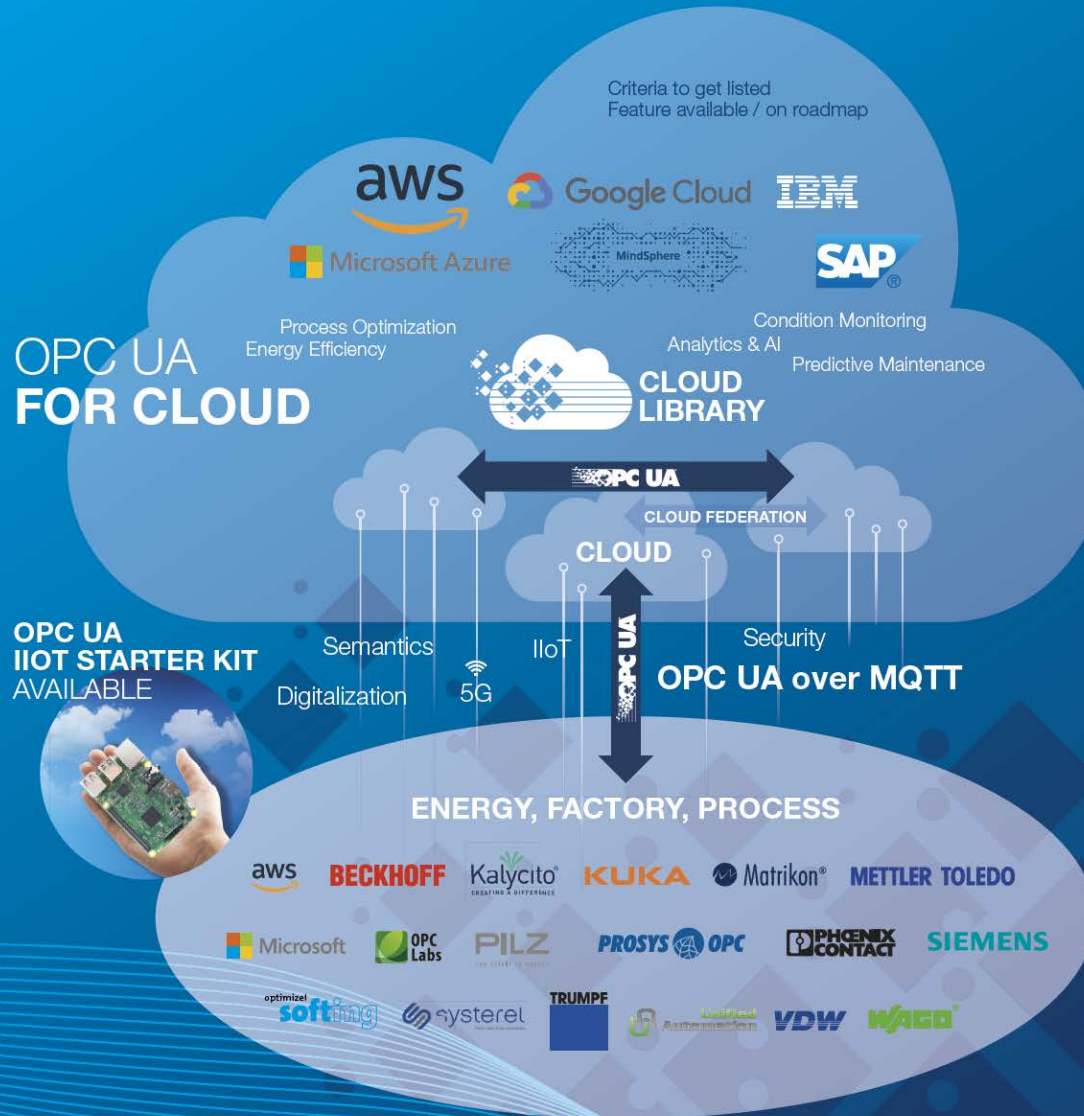
- ▶ OT faster with adaption then IT
- ▶ Participating vendors
  - Beckhoff
  - Kalycito
  - KUKA
  - Matrikon
  - Mettler Toledo
  - Microsoft
  - OPC Labs
  - Pilz
  - Prosys OPC
  - Phoenix Contact
  - Siemens
  - Softing
  - Systerel
  - TRUMPF
  - Unified Automation
  - VDW
  - WAGO



# End 2022: Support by 18 (!) OT companies

## OPC UA: One IEC standard for multi vendor cloud solutions

Field to Cloud – Cloud to Cloud – Cloud to Field



### CLOUD-RELATED ACTIVITIES:

#### 1. Cloud Library

- Repository for OPC UA based information models (IMs)
- Upload, store, search, download IMs

#### 2. Cloud Federation

- Standardized communication
  - Cloud to Cloud

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- OPC UA is IEC62541 Standard
- Supported by 6 major cloud vendors
- Plugfest with 25+ major OT companies

#### 4. Education IIOT Starter Kit



<https://github.com/OPCFoundation/UA-IIoT-StarterKit>



#### 5. Cloud success stories



<https://opcfoundation.org/resources/case-studies/>



# SPS 2022:

## Cloud giant AWS supporting OPC UA PubSub over MQTT

**OPC UA over MQTT**  
Directly from the device to the cloud  
Interoperability for cloud connectivity

**OPC UA: Interoperability for Cloud Connectivity**  
Semantic, normalized data directly available in cloud services  
Open eco-system – international accepted – vendor independent – multi-domains

Available on  
aws Microsoft Azure

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**DELIVERY**

- OPC UA is IEC 62541 Standard
- Tools and open source available
- Free of charge, but Starterkit
- Easy ramp start in less than 1h

Clouds to get listed  
Feature available / on roadmap

aws Google Cloud IBM Microsoft Azure SAP

Process Optimization  
Energy Efficiency  
Analytics & AI  
Condition Monitoring  
Predictive Maintenance

OPC UA  
CLOUD LIBRARY  
CLOUD  
SECURITY  
OPC UA over MQTT

OPC UA HOT STARTER KIT AVAILABLE

ENERGY, FACTORY, PROCESS

aws BECKHOFF KUKA MITSUBISHI  
METTLER TOLEDO Microsoft OPC Labs PILZ PRESTIS OPC SIEMENS  
soft systerel TRUMPF VDW WAGO

**aws**

**Monitor Health of Industrial Assets with AWS IoT**

- Remotely Control & Monitor Machines from Multiple Sites
- Observe Operational Health Data with Digital Twins
- Preemptive Maintenance through Machine Learning

**SYNTAX**  
Accelerate Value for your Smart Factory with IIoT

**OPC UA: Interoperability for Cloud**  
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Open eco-system – International IEC 62541 standard

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# SEMANTIC Interoperability: The key for the digitalization

Generic Device Models: Cloud, Controller, Field Device, Process Device	Manufacturing Devices: Robots, Machines, Machine Tools	Enterprise, Asset Mgmt, Packaging
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– OPC 30400 – UA for Cloud Library</li> <li>– OPC UA to Cloud Federation*</li> <li>– OPC 10000-100 – UA for Devices</li> <li>– OPC 10020 – UA for Analyzer Devices</li> <li>– OPC UA for Analytical System Integration (CAISI) (under prep)</li> <li>– OPC 30000 – UA for PLCs based on IEC 61131-3</li> <li>– OPC 30001 – UA for IEC 61131-3 Function Blocks</li> <li>– OPC 30010 – UA for AutoID Devices</li> <li>– OPC UA for Laboratory Devices (LADS)*</li> <li>– OPC 30081 – UA for Process Automation Devices (PA-DIM)</li> <li>– OPC UA for Power Consumption Management*</li> <li>– OPC UA for Global Positioning*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– OPC 40001-1 – UA for Machinery – Basic Building Blocks</li> <li>– OPC 40001-100 – UA for Machinery – Result Transfer</li> <li>– OPC 30070-1 – UA for MTConnect, Part 1: Device Model</li> <li>– OPC 40502 – UA for Computerized Numerical Control (CNC) Systems</li> <li>– OPC 40501 – UA for Machine Tools</li> <li>– OPC 40083 – UA for Plastics Rubber – General Types</li> <li>– OPC 40077 – UA for Plastics Rubber – Injection Moulding Machines to MES</li> <li>– OPC 40079 – UA for Plastics Rubber – Injection Moulding Machines to Robot</li> <li>– OPC 40082-1...n – UA for Plastics Rubber – &lt;device&gt;</li> <li>– OPC 40084-1...n – UA for Plastics Rubber – Extrusion</li> <li>– OPC 40100 – UA for Machine Vision</li> <li>– OPC 40010 – UA for Robotics</li> <li>– OPC 40200 – UA for Weighing Technology</li> <li>– OPC 40451 – UA for Tightening Systems</li> <li>– OPC UA for High Pressure Die Casting*</li> <li>– OPC UA for Powertrain*</li> <li>– OPC UA for Surface Technology*</li> <li>– OPC 40550 – UA for Woodworking Machinery</li> <li>– OPC 40301 – UA for Flat Glass Processing</li> <li>– OPC 40223 – UA for Pumps and Vacuum Pumps</li> <li>– OPC 40250 – UA for Compressed Air Systems</li> <li>– OPC UA for Intralogistics Communication*</li> <li>– OPC UA for Process Air Extraction and Filtration (PAEFS)*</li> <li>– OPC UA for Fibre and Yarn Testing Devices (FYTD)*</li> <li>– OPC 40560 – OPC 40569 – UA for Mining (Release Candidate)</li> <li>– OPC UA for Geometrical Measuring Systems*</li> <li>– OPC UA for Cranes and Hoists*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– OPC 10030 – UA for ISA-S95</li> <li>– OPC 10031-4 – UA for ISA-95 Job Control</li> <li>– OPC UA for Mimoso CCOM*</li> <li>– OPC 30260 – UA for OpenSCS Serialization Model</li> <li>– OPC 30261 – UA for OPEN SCS – Job Order Profiles</li> <li>– OPC 30050 – UA for PackML (OMAC)</li> <li>– OPC 40600 – UA for Weihenstephan Standards</li> <li>– OPC 30270 – UA for Industrie 4.0 Asset Administration Shell</li> </ul>
Oil & Gas		Engineering
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Energy		Field Device Integration
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	Miscellaneous	
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► 85+ groups with domain experts have defined the semantics for their verticals

► Largest eco-system for information models for the automation world

# SEMANTIC Interoperability: The key for the digitalization

- ▶ New landing page with complete overview here:  
[www.opcfoundation.org](http://www.opcfoundation.org) -> About -> Working Groups-> List of Working Groups



# Collaborations – Status overview working groups

Status Sept 2022: 12 releases and 5 new working groups

## ► Releases

- OPC 10000-1..24, OPC UA v1.05
- OPC 10000-100, Device Model v1.03
- OPC 10000-110, Asset Mgmt Basics
- OPC 10000-200, Industrial Automation v1.01
- OPC 30400-1..2, Cloud Library
- OPC 30080, FDI v1.03
- OPC 30142, PROFINET-RemoteIO
- OPC 40001-1 Machinery Basic Building Blocks v1.02
- OPC 40501-1 Machine Tools v1.01
- OPC 40084-1..12 PlasticsRubber-Extrusion v2.00
- OPC 30060 Tobacco Machinery v2.00
- OPC 4056n Mining

## ► New Working Groups

- Power Consumption Mgmt
- Additive Manufacturing
- Analyzer System Integration
- Global Positioning
- OPC UA for CAISI”  
Common Analytical Instrumentation  
System Integration

# Power Consumption: Joint activities including OPCF, PNO, ODVA and VDMA

## ► Development of energy management interfaces for IoT technologies

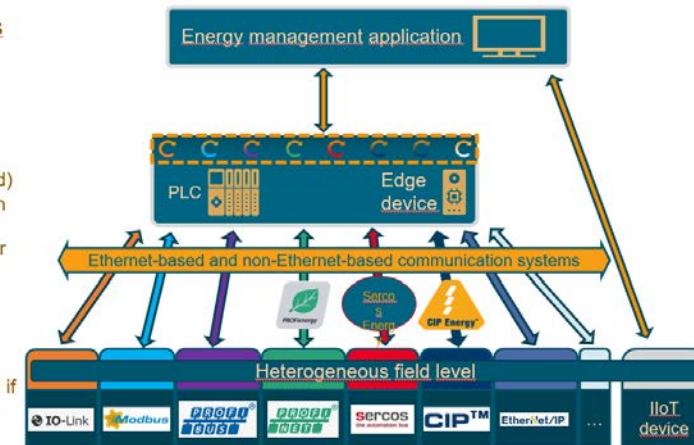
### → With the help of an energy information model

- Unification of energy information in an energy information model
- Use of energy information from different sources of the heterogeneous field level
- Development of the energy information model based on existing standards and OPC UA

## State of the Art - Communication of energy information



- Energy information originate of different sources of a heterogeneous field level
- Challenges for plant operator to use energy information in the energy management application
  - Different communication interfaces (Ethernet-based and non-Ethernet-based)
  - Different semantics of energy information
  - Existing approaches for standardization → energy profiles (e. g. PROFenergy for PROFINET)
    - Have individual semantics
    - Lowers the effort for energy program development
  - High engineering effort to communicate energy information into upper levels
  - Unification of energy information needed if different source should be used



VDMA | Power Consumption Management | Holko Herden

05.11.2022



**OPC UA  
FOR A HARMONIZED  
ENERGY MODEL**

[www.opcfoundation.org/podcast](http://www.opcfoundation.org/podcast)



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# OPC Foundation: Promise for OPC UA based, secured Industrial Interoperability

Interoperability  
Robustness & Security

66+ Joint Working Groups  
Data Modelling/Harmonization

Validating / Certification  
Online Reference

Vendor, Platform, Market and OS  
Independent

Scalable From Sensor to Cloud

Discoverable Services Oriented  
Architecture

Independent of transport protocol

Non-Profit (OPC Foundation)

Widely Adopted: >50M install base

Open Source on GitHub

Security Design from Ground up

**Graph Support**, preserves source context

Vendor **extendable** data model via  
Companion Specifications

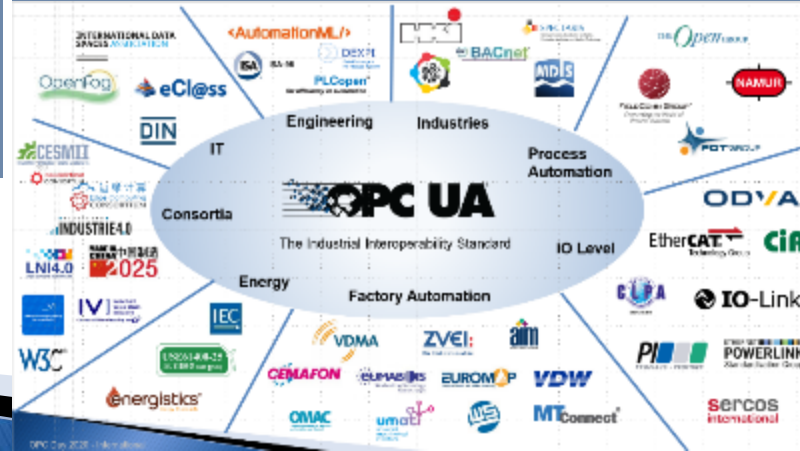
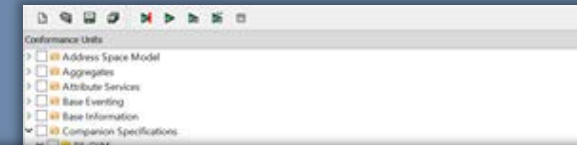
**Relevant:** Enables domain specific  
information models

- Discrete: Robotics, Machine Vision, ...
- Process: FDI, FDT, PA-DIM, MDIS, NOA..
- Energy: IEC61850, ..

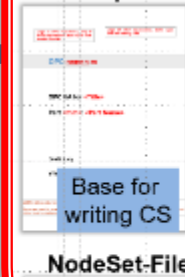
**Validation of Companion Specs**

**Compliance Test Tool (CTT):** Open available  
1800 test scripts for the OPC UA core functionality  
and for the Companion Specifications  
e.g. for PA-DIM / PLCopen / MDIS / ...

**Online Reference:** Public reference with all models



**CS Template**



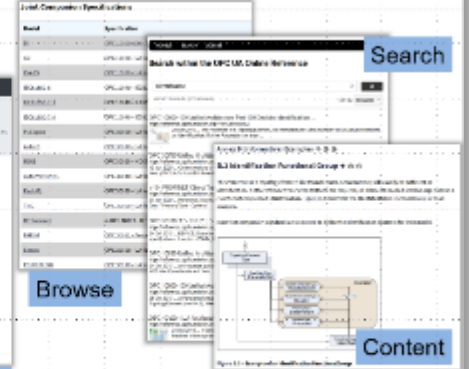
Electronic description of Model

**Validator**



Checks if NodeSet and Spec are in sync

**Online Reference**



Simplifies reuse of defined concepts





# CTT Availability

- ▶ CTT is available for free for Corporate Members of the OPC Foundation
- ▶ CTT is available for 1000 USD for non-paying members of the OPC Foundation
- ▶ OPCF has rules to share with collaboration partners during WG by providing a time limited CTT version
- ▶ Download:  
<https://opcfoundation.org/developer-tools/certification-test-tools>

# Agenda

- ▶ Organization
- ▶ Technology: Status & roadmap
  - Field Initiative
  - Cloud Initiative
- ▶ Collaborations & Information Models
- ▶ **News**
- ▶ Call for Action

# New: .NET User Group

- ▶ Group of companies to increase quality of the stack and integrate additional functionalities
- ▶ Focus on IT/cloud-connected scenarios
- ▶ Complementing, not competing with commercial toolkits
- ▶ 3 initial funder OPCF Board of Director companies: ABB, Microsoft, SAP
- ▶ No change in licensing  
.NET OPC stack will remain available to OPC members and as Open-source release

GitHub: <https://github.com/OPCFoundation>

## Nov 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022: OPC Foundation press release



### News Release

#### OPC Foundation welcomes the new “.NET User Group” to maintain the open-source UA-.NET Standard project

ABB, Microsoft, and SAP have joined forces to extend and enhance the OPC Foundation’s open-source .NET offerings

Scottsdale, AZ – November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - The OPC Foundation (OPCF) welcomes the launch of the “.NET User Group” initiated by three companies represented on the OPC Foundation Board of Directors ABB, Microsoft, and SAP. This group aims to maintain and extend the existing open-source “UA-.NET standard” project, which is available on GitHub. All three companies use this open-source project in their products in addition to commercial solutions.

Each company is donating a full-time development resource to coordinate the future direction of the initiative, increase project quality, and implement new features. This ensures that important extensions to the standard, like ECC security, are integrated in a timely manner. Through coordinated project management, the group is helping all users, and the broader developer community, to more quickly and easily implement OPC UA in their applications. The initiative is open for additional OPC Foundation members and encourages the public to continue their contribution to the open-source project.

With the engagement of the new .NET User Group Initiative, there will be no change to the existing license of the UA-.NET code on GitHub: The dual license allows RCL for OPC Foundation corporate members and GPLv2 for others. RCL allows corporate members to use the code in their products without opening their own additional implementation.

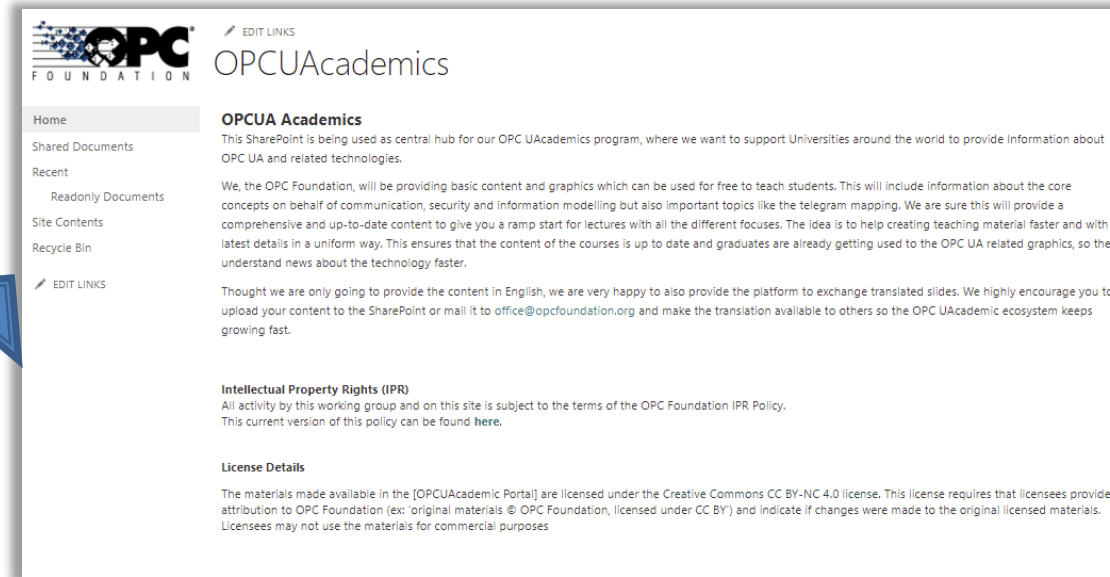
Mr. Martin Regen from Microsoft chairs the .NET User Group Initiative. The three founding companies manage the UA-.NET Standard development. The UA-.NET Standard project is still freely available to all developers for use in their in-house and commercial applications. OPC Foundation members who want to help maintain the UA-.NET project are welcome to join the initiative. To get started, the OPC Foundation invites interested parties to contact Martin Regen by email [martin.regen@microsoft.com](mailto:martin.regen@microsoft.com)

Claudius Link, of SAP, commented, “For SAP customers, transparency and fluid availability of manufacturing data is critical. Openness and industry-wide accepted standards are indispensable to connect SAP applications with equipment and systems on the shop floor. We are excited to be one of the founders of the ‘.NET User Group’, where we continue to develop and maintain the OPC UA-.Net Standard library in an open-source community.”

Stefan Hoppe, OPC Foundation President, said, “One of the OPC Foundation special advantages is the strength of our community where members from diverse industries and competing companies regularly work together to improve the OPC UA standard and make it easier to adopt. The .NET User Group Initiative is an excellent example of this process in action.” Mr. Hoppe concluded, “The OPC Foundation



# OPC UAcademics



- Done: (100%) Recording of the slides done - professors see/hear what we want to highlight with a slide
- Done: Translate to Chinese done
- Next:  
Translation to other languages like Japanese, French, Spanish, Arabic

# OPC UA: IIoT Starter Kit – available – shows easiness of OPC UA

## Efforts

- Publicly available <https://github.com/OPCFoundation/UA-IIoT-StarterKit>
- Educational purpose – open source - no commercial aspect
- Show easy user experience for OPC UA PubSub incl. semantics
- Learn cloud communication via OPC UA over MQTT
- Success in less than 1 hour

## Efforts

- |                                   |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Time in total                     | less than 1 hour |
| Publishing data                   | 3 Steps          |
| Subscribing data                  | 3 Steps          |
| Cost savings from lessons learned | Unlimited        |

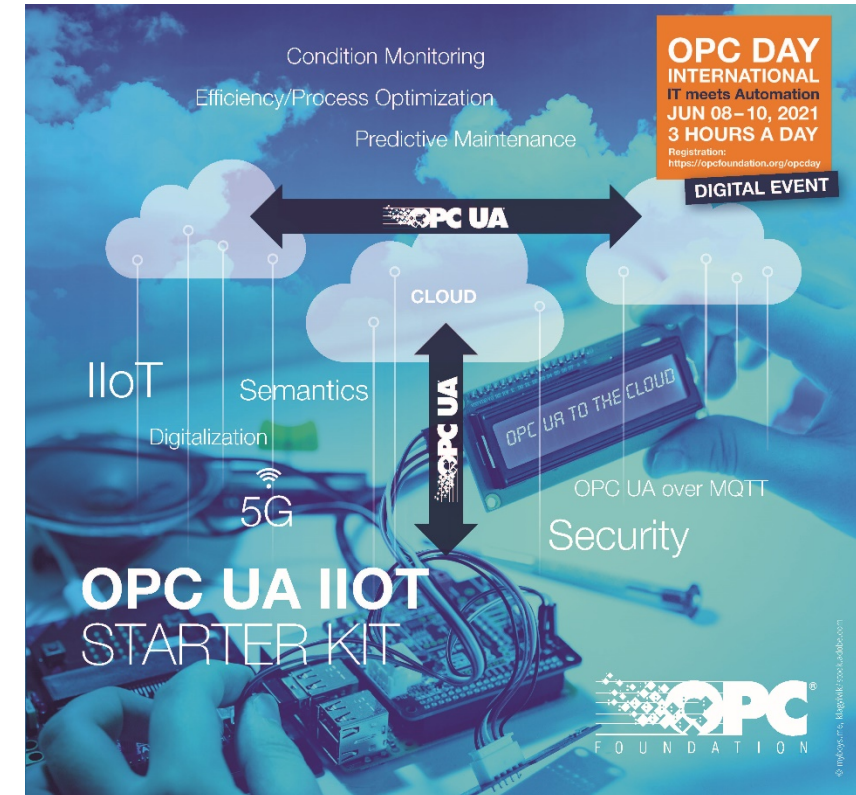
### 3 Steps to publish Data

1. Running the MQTT Agent
2. Chose the information model
3. Publishing data

### 3 Steps to subscribe Data

1. Discover publishers
2. Subscribing to data
3. Subscribing to MetaData

**Delivered June 2021**



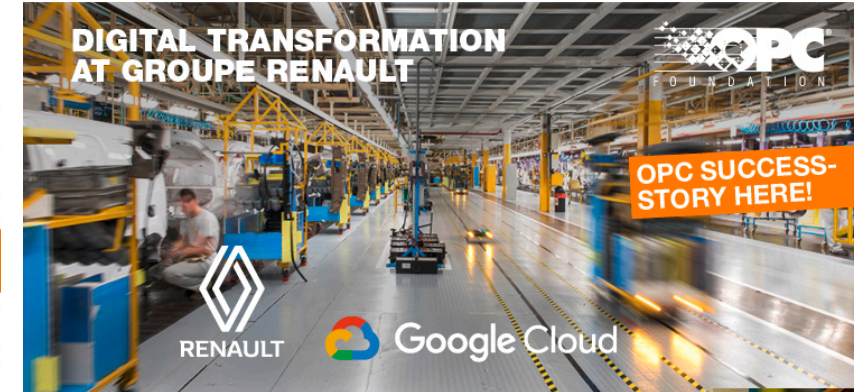


# Success Stories

- ▶ <https://opcfoundation.org/resources/case-studies/>

Resources ▾	News & Events ▾
Material ▶	Presentations
Multimedia ▶	Logos
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Security	eBooks
Specifications ▶	Case Studies
Samples and Tools ▶	Technology Articles
Issue Tracking	Whitepapers
SharePoint Access	Books
Online Reference	hule

- ▶ equinor, Microsoft, Prediktor
- ▶ Renault & Google Cloud
- ▶ Miele & Microsoft
- ▶ Rosendahl-Nextrom, Siemens



**Call for action:**  
**Provide your end customer success story**



# Huge number of initiatives

- Large enterprise companies have no issues supporting this... however...
- Small / Medium enterprise companies are confused about unclear interaction of all these initiatives  
Confusion prevents the adaptation!

Catena-X      Manufacturing-X      OPC UA

Gaia-X      AutomationML      85+ OPC UA  
Companion Specs

umati      Asset Administration Shell

MTP      IDTA → Digital Twin      MetaVerse

OPAF      DataSpace

Digital Twin Consortia

Open Industry Alliance  
“Service Bus”

**Position paper (in progress):**

**„The interaction of management shell, AutomationML and OPC UA -**

**A big picture of interoperability solutions“**

**Cooperation  
AML, IDTA, OPCF, VDMA**

# Call for Actions

- **Membership**

**Support the activities of the OPC Foundation and become a member**

**If you are a logo member, please register as full (corporate) member**

**If you are end-user, why not register as corporate member**

- **Success stories**

**Please share your experience with the rest of the world**

- **Your success story will be written by journalist – review and approval by your company**
- **Podcast**
- **Presentation at OPC Day International**

- **Share your requirements with OPC Foundation**

- **Initiate new groups**

- **Become active contributor**

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## Thank you! - Questions? Please contact us!



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