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# AutomationML and OPC UA – Enabling Technologies for PLUGandWORK in a Smart Production

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# Agenda

- Motivation
- Plug-and-work principles
- Goals
  - Mapping of AutomationML and OPC UA
  - Access to the AutomationML model in OPC UA
- Examples
- Conclusion and Outlook

# Motivation - Changes

- Continuous changes of production systems → reconfiguration of hardware and software components
- Objects to change within a manufacturing enterprise
  - Products
  - Technological or logistical processes
  - Parts of the manufacturing facilities
  - Software systems
  - Company's organization
- → interoperability and seamless semantic integration necessary

## Initial situation - 'Babylon' on the shopfloor

## Visualization / SCADA Production Monitoring & Control

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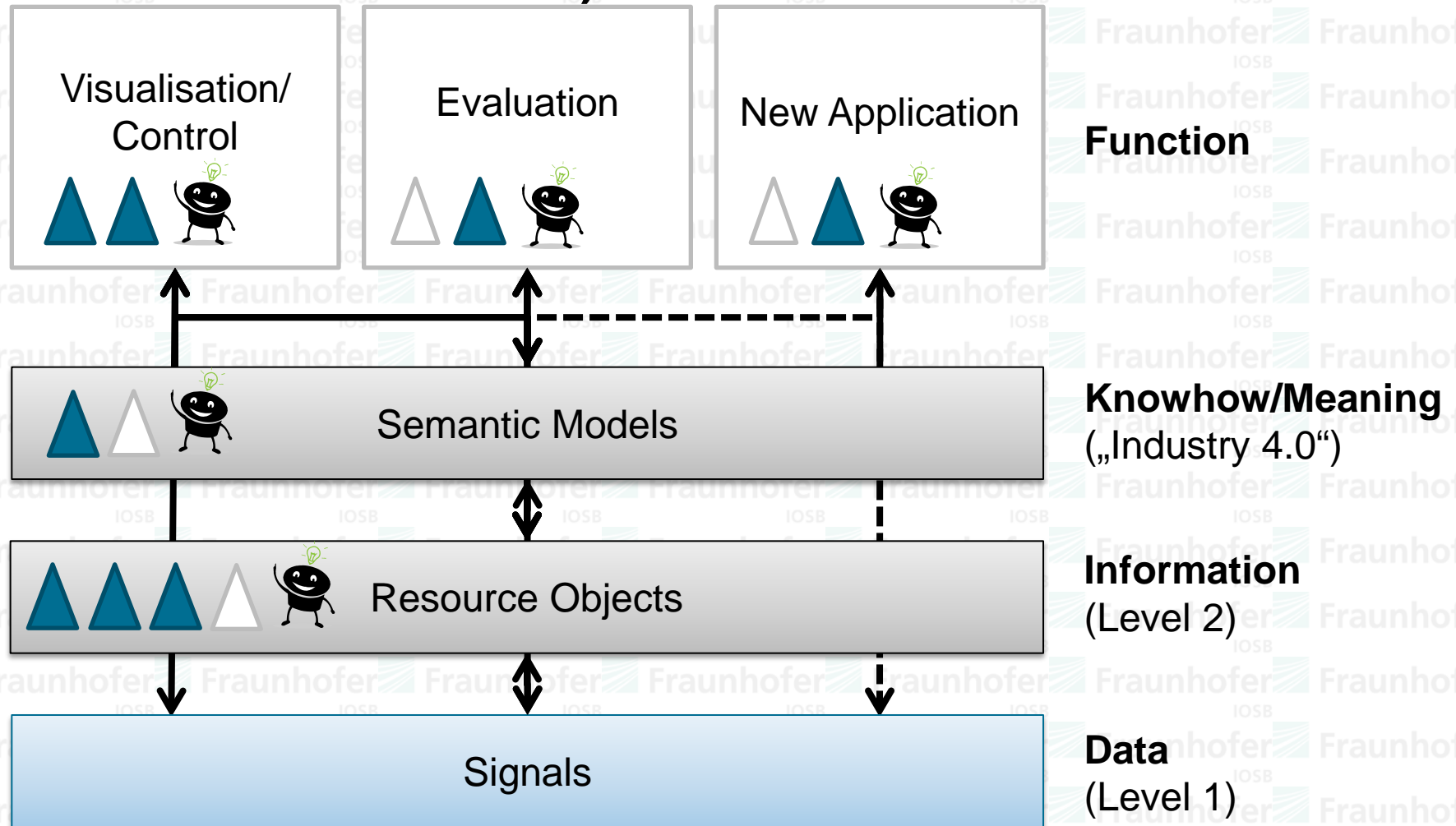
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# Plug-and-work

- Term definition:
  - setting up, modification or termination of interoperation between two or more involved parties with minimal effort
  - **Note 1:** The interoperability of those involved is assumed.
  - **Note 2:** The minimum effort can vary depending on the state of the art.
  - **Note 3:** Plug & play and plug & produce are synonyms or similar terms.

Source: I4.0 Glossary of the [VDI GMA technical committee 7.21 »Industrie 4.0«](#)

# Unique Datamodels (yesterday-Level 1, today-Level 2, tomorrow-Industrie 4.0)



# Plug-and-work

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Plug-and-work  
hardware and software

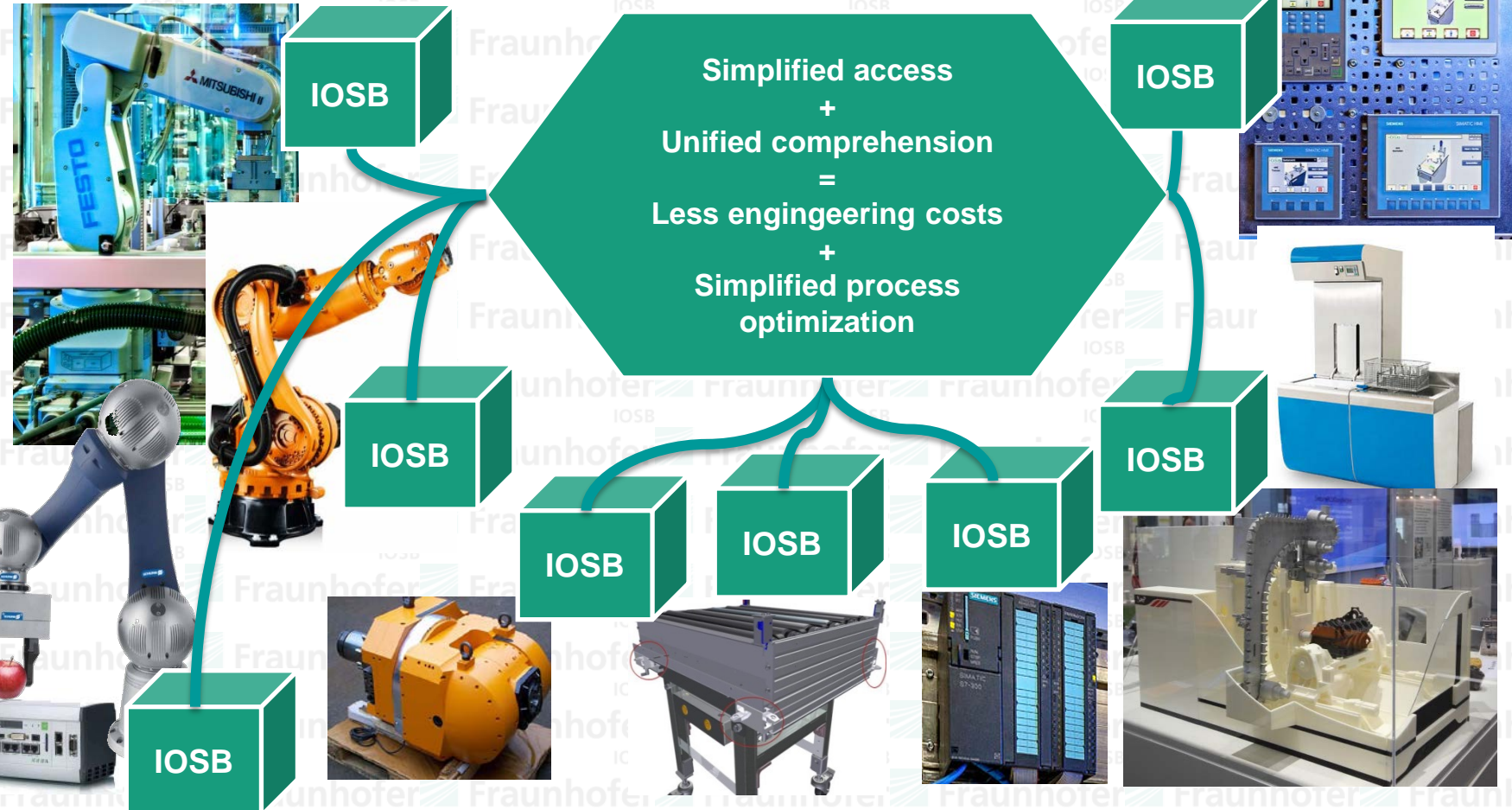


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# Requirements for plug-and-work

- Component description
- Component selection
- Component access
- Component control

<AutomationML/>



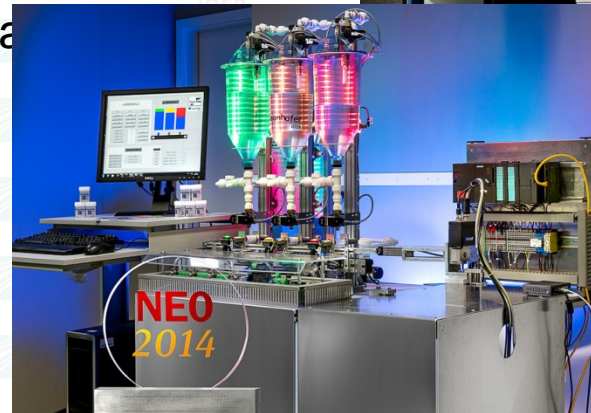
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# Plug-and-work principles

- (Self-)Description via AutomationML (IEC 62714)
- Assistant-Functions and Accumulation/Fusion
- Communication/  
Data-Management/  
Identification/  
Validation via OPC UA (IEC 62541)
- Combination with Middleware,  
Fieldbus-Technologies,  
IT-Security-Components, Hardware
- Test/Realization of  
Components/Systems of  
industrial partners  
and accordingly  
inhouse demo systems

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# (Self-)Description of Components, Machines and Plants

1. Production system components and their skills  
(function-oriented descriptions)
2. Function-oriented descriptions of production tasks
3. Methods for an automatic matching/comparison
4. Description of the access path to the functions

What?

<AutomationML/>

Semantic description of production plant



# Communication, Data Exchange of Components, Machines, Plants and IT-Systems

1. Standardized interfaces for the access to components
2. Universal combination of components to production systems
3. Modular and self-adapting information and control structures
4. Self-parametrisation of the structures possible



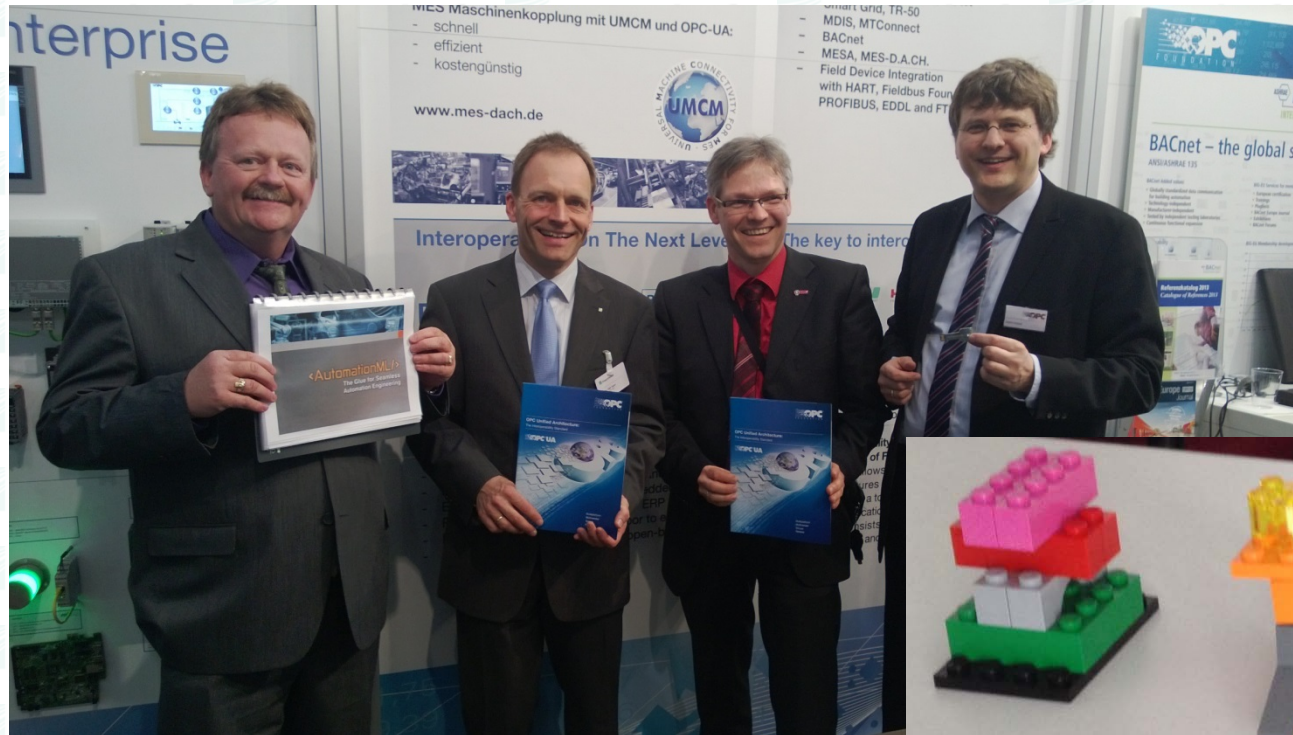
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# Start of cooperation at SPS/IPC/Drives 2013 (AutomationML e.V. and OPC Foundation)



# Work group members



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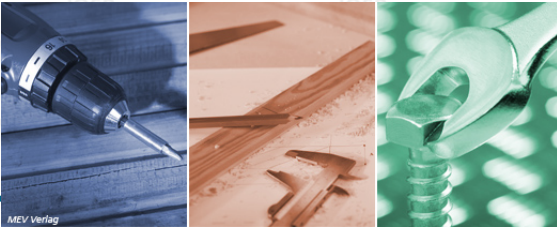


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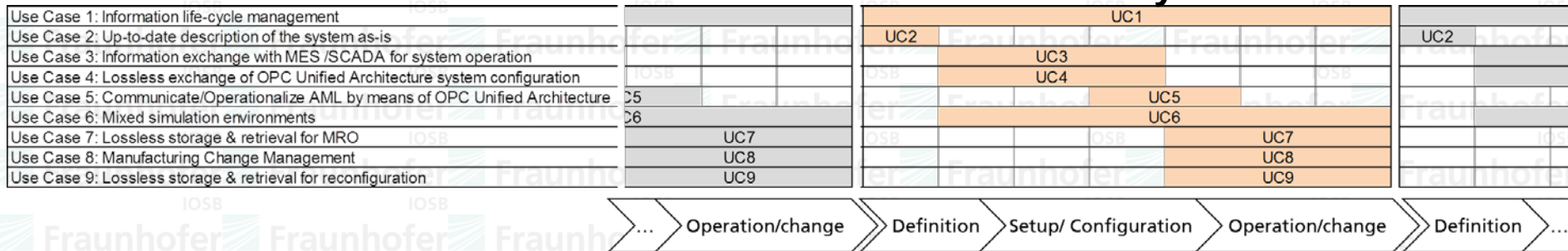


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Semantic description of production plant

# Relations between use cases over the lifecycle



## Actors and related use cases

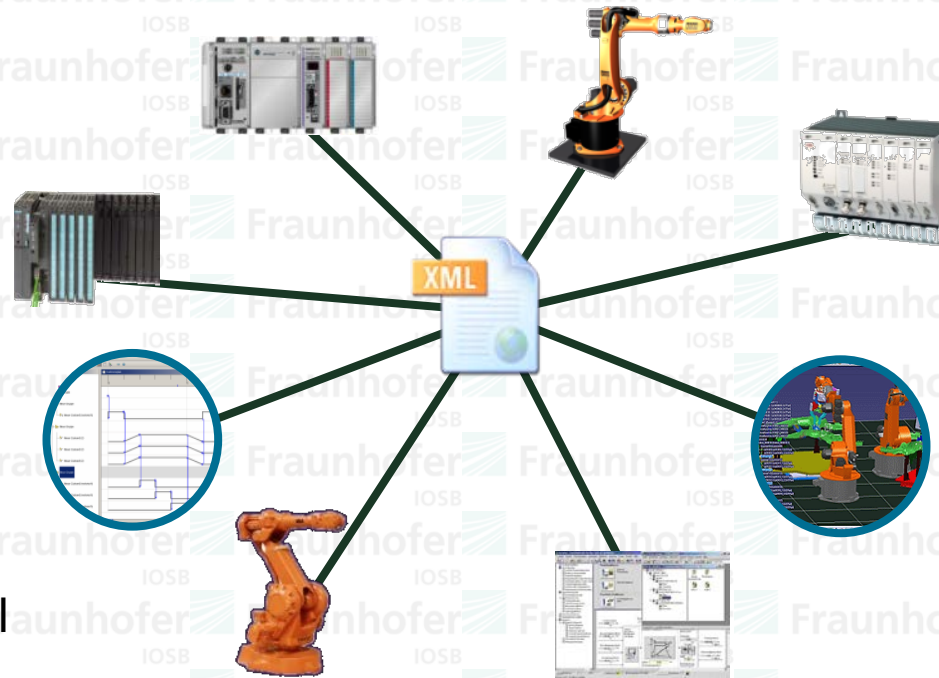
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	Use Case 1: Information life-cycle management	Use Case 2: Up-to-date description of the system as-is	Use Case 3: Information exchange (e.g. asset information, quality information, diagnostic data, etc.) with MES or SCADA system for system operation	Use Case 4: Lossless exchange of OPC Unified Architecture system configuration	Use Case 5: Communicate/Operationalize AML by means of OPC Unified Architecture	Use Case 6: Mixed simulation environments	Use Case 7: Lossless storage and retrieval of system engineering information for system maintenance, repair, overhaul (MRO)	Use Case 8: Manufacturing Change Management	Use Case 9: Lossless storage and retrieval of system engineering information for manufacturing system reconfiguration
Mechanical engineer	x	x		x	x		x	x	x
Electrical engineer	x	x		x	x		x	x	x
Software developer (PLC, HMI, Robot, distributed control system (DCS), network, etc. )	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Plant operator	x		x	x		x	x	x	
SCADA system/MES provider, IT integrator			x	x				x	
Maintenance personnel					x		x	x	
Commissioner	x	x			x			x	
Plant/Factory Planner	x						x	x	



# Goals and benefits (1)

- AutomationML integration in OPC UA
- Goal: Communicate and operationalize AutomationML by means of OPC UA
- OPC UA server includes functional view on production  
→ information model
- Result: AutomationML models can be exchanged via OPC UA
- Benefit: simplify the creation of OPC UA information models based on existing AutomationML data
- Application: re-engineering and maintenance use cases where the AutomationML model evolves over time



# Use Cases

## DIN SPEC 16592 Annex A – Industrial application

- Information life-cycle management
- Up-to-date description of the system as-is
- Information exchange (e.g. asset information, quality information, diagnostic data, etc.) with MES or SCADA system for system operation
- Communicate/Operationalize AML by means of OPC Unified Architecture
- Lossless storage and retrieval of system engineering information for system maintenance, repair, overhaul (MRO)
- Lossless storage and retrieval of system engineering information for manufacturing system reconfiguration

# PLUG & WORK –

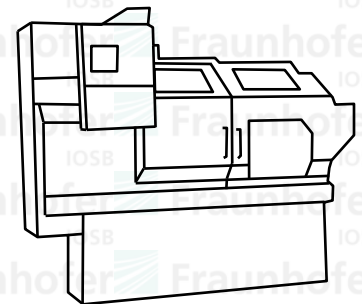
## Online/Operation: Data usage of operation phase

- Use Case „Lossless storage and retrieval of system engineering information for system maintenance, repair, overhaul (MRO)”
- Benefits and usage
  - More exact failure forecast (based on operational data)
  - Predictive maintenance (based on operational data)
  - Easy and safe maintenance and connection (at customer site → network)
  - Longer guarantee/warranty of components (based on operational data)
  - Log/history for components (persistent storage)

**Machine  
vendor**

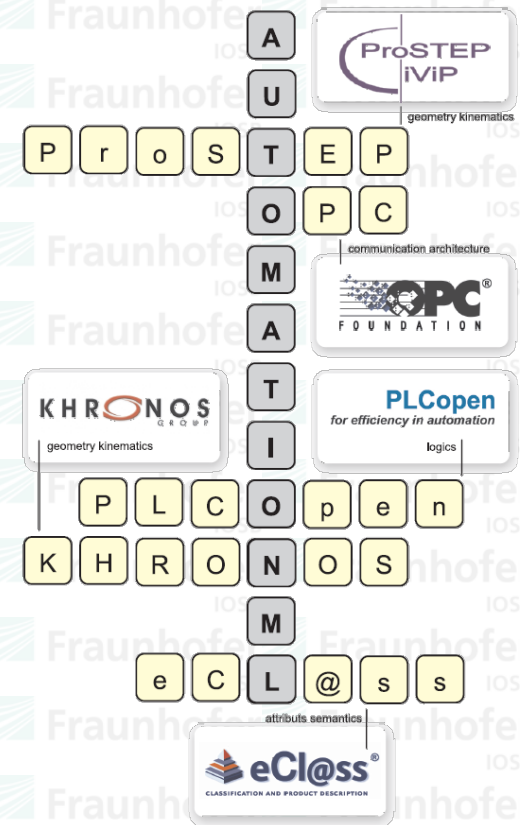


**Machine  
operator**



## Goals and benefits (2)

- OPC UA integration in AutomationML
- Goal: Lossless exchange of OPC UA system configuration within AutomationML models
- Result: Parameters to set up OPC UA communication between tools can be exchanged using AutomationML
- Benefit: simplify the configuration of OPC UA client connections to an OPC UA server (reduce manual configuration effort)
- Application: configuration of communication networks based on description of network configuration and structure (including communication components of sensors and actuators with respect to communication system parameters, network structure and wiring, quality of service, etc.)



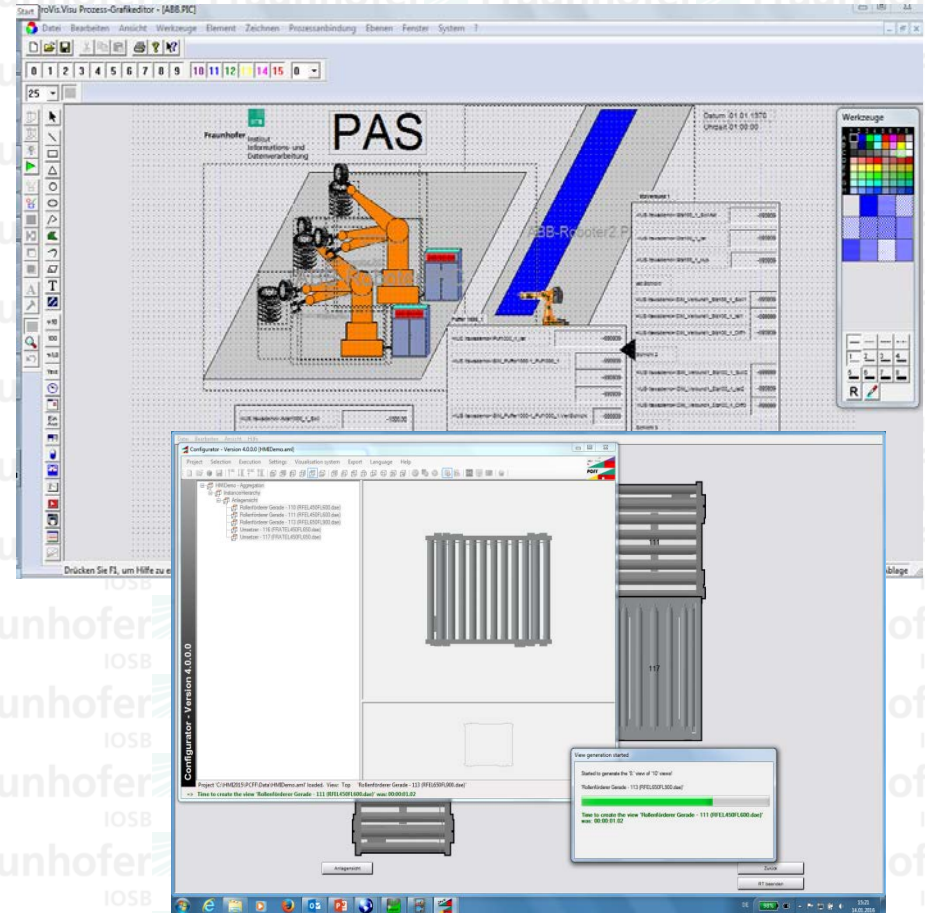
# Use Case

## DIN SPEC 16592 Annex A – Industrial application

- Lossless exchange of OPC Unified Architecture system configuration
- Mixed simulation environments
- Manufacturing change management

# PLUG & WORK – Offline/Engineering: Data usage for configuration

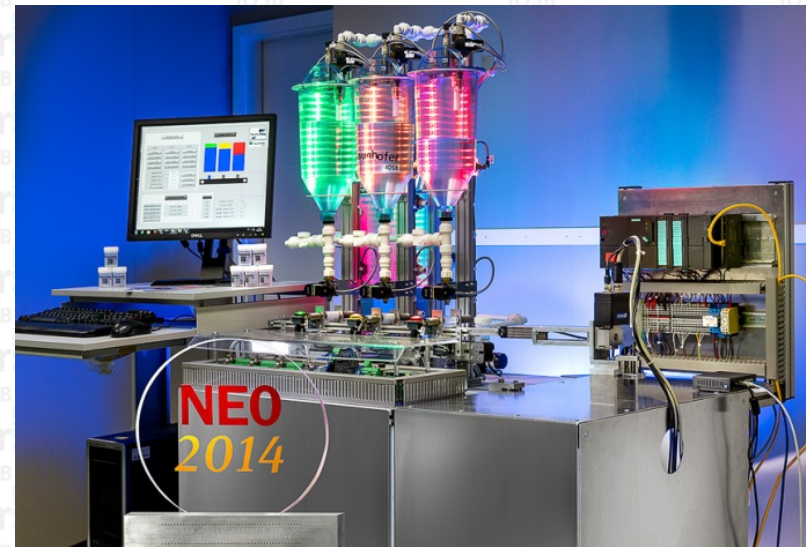
- Use case „Lossless exchange of OPC Unified Architecture system configuration”
- Benefits and usage
  - Faster startup
  - Integrated documentation for components
  - Usage of existing data for engineering of MES and visu





# Example: Demo available in Karlsruhe

- Demo plant: each module/controller equipped with OPC UA server
- Aggregating OPC UA server based on Unified Automation C++ SDK
- AutomationML model of plant
- Trafo tool: AML2UA
- AML model = information model of aggregating server with connection to OPC UA server of controllers
- View on aggregating server with AML-UA-information model via different clients





# Past and present research in this area

- BMBF, SecurePLUGandWORK, 02PJ2590 ff, 2013-2016, <http://www.secureplugandwork.de>
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- EU, SkillPro - Skill-based Propagation of "Plug&Produce"-Devices in Reconfigurable Production Systems by AML, FP7-2012-NMP-ICT-FoF (Grant 314247), 2012-2015, <http://www.skillpro-project.eu>
- EU, EIT Digital, EIT CPS High Impact Initiative – Industrie 4.0 Powering Europe, 2015, <http://www.eitcpshii.eu/>

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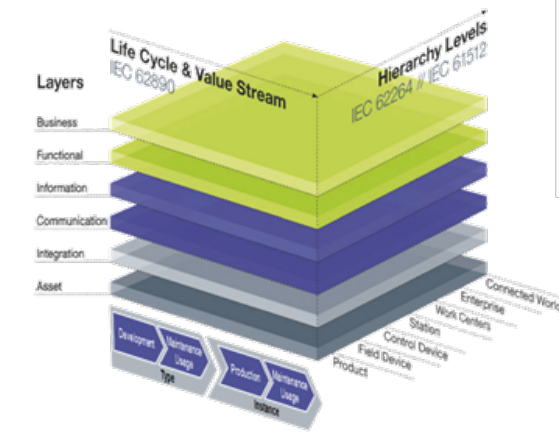
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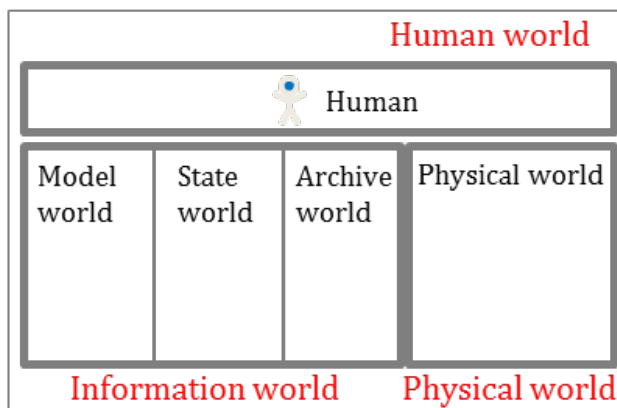
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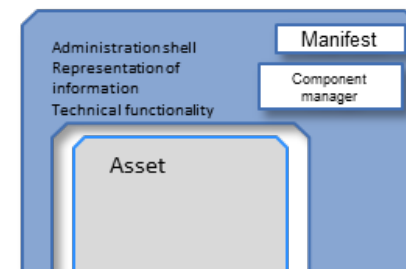
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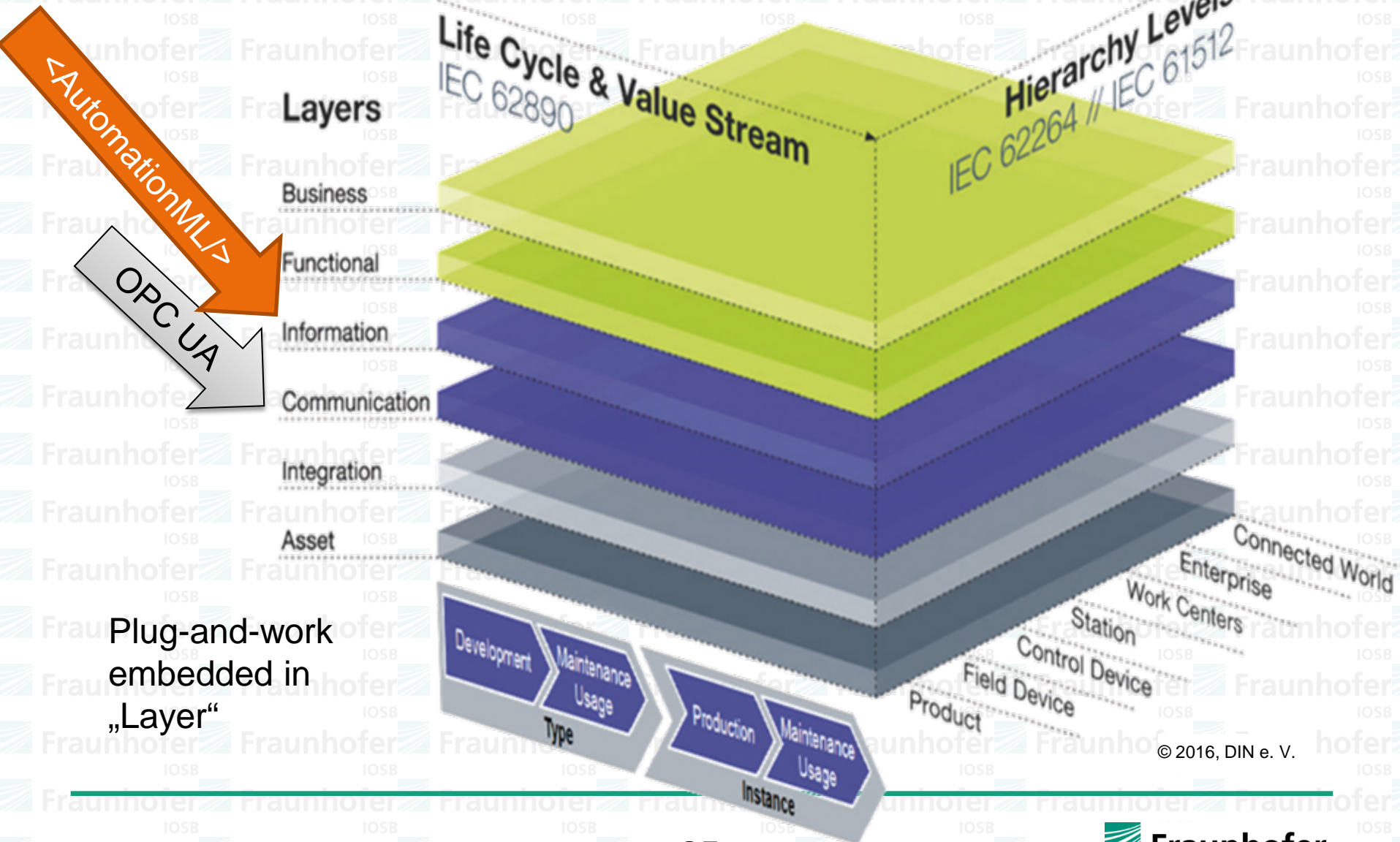
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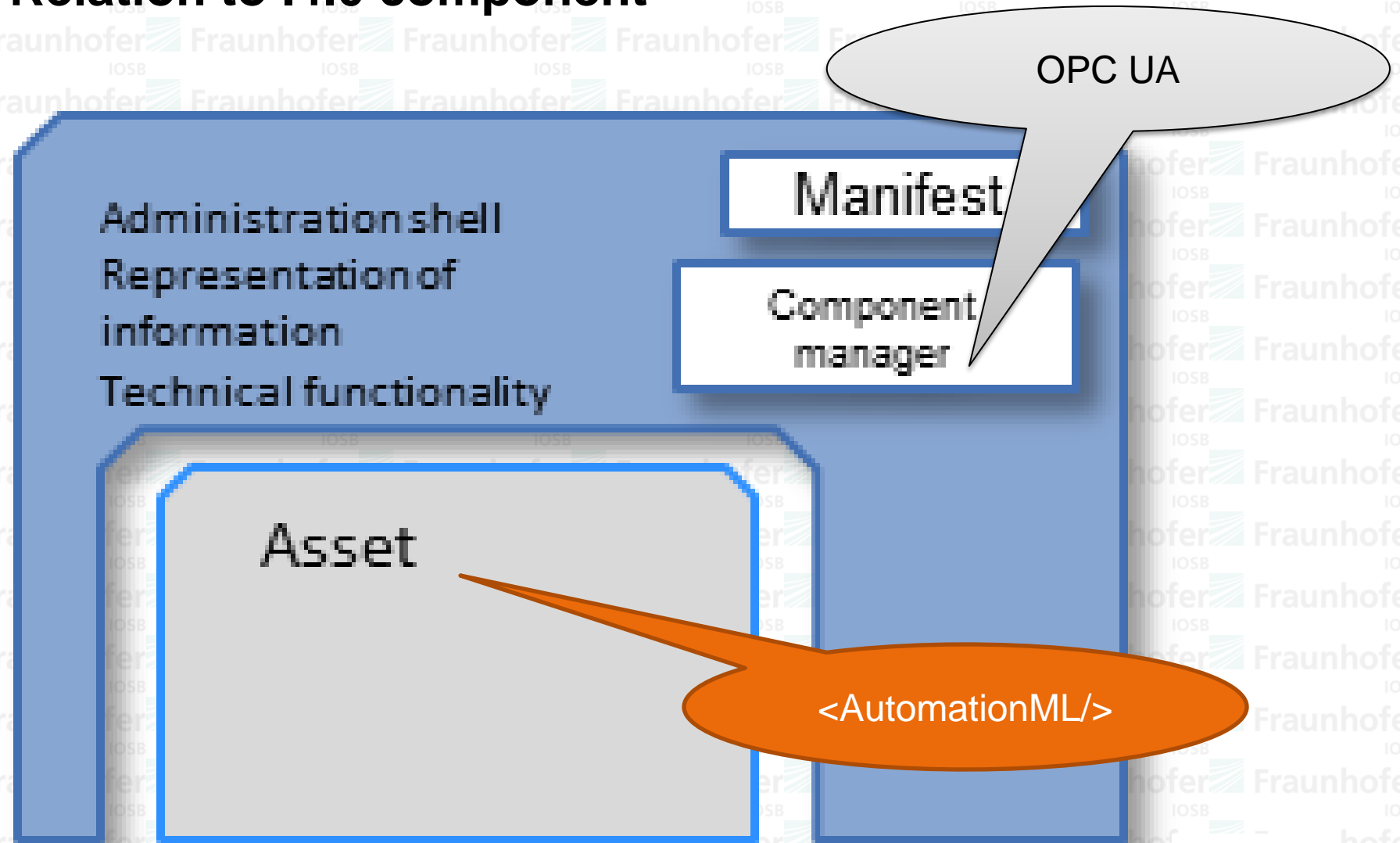
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# Relation to RAMI4.0



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# Relation to I4.0 component



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# Conclusion and Outlook

- Plug-and-work based on standards for I4.0 components
- February 2016: Companion Specification „AutomationML for OPC UA“: general explanation, mapping rules, and definition of organizing nodes and AutomationML standard libraries
- Coming soon (2016): DIN SPEC 16592 – Combining AML and OPC Unified Architecture
  - Extended mapping rules, integration of OPC UA configuration data in AutomationML, relation to other standards and specifications, and use cases for industrial application
- Current work of joint working group
  - AML BPR - DataVariable concept: Integration of OPC UA configuration data in AutomationML
  - Harmonization with other companion specs: OPC UA for devices, OPC UA for IEC62264 (ISA95), OPC UA for FDI, OPC UA for IEC61131-3 (PLCOpen)
- Current status via AutomationML/OPC-F website or <http://www.iosb.fraunhofer.de/?opcuaaml>



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