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**In This Issue: The Power of Process Automation Protocols**

In today’s era of the Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT), process automation protocols play a crucial part in digital transformation. They provide the means to connect and integrate digital information, using intelligent field devices to reduce waste, improve safety and increase operational efficiency. The protocols are quite literally the foundation that the IIoT is built upon.
The possibilities of smart connected devices and software applications within an industrial plant are endless, and once a connection across the Internet is also provided, this value can be extracted to varying levels within the organization.

FieldComm Group technologies have been driving digital transformation for more than two decades. FOUNDATION Fieldbus™, HART™ and WirelessHART™ devices can be the basis for digitization supporting IIoT initiatives.

Read more about the Power of Process Automation Protocols in this issue.

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- Enables wired device to have wireless communication capability
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By FieldComm Group

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FieldComm Group has announced the endorsement of its Process Automation Device Information Model (PA-DIM) specification, based on NAMUR requirements, by OPC Foundation, PROFIBUS/PROFINET International, and The Open Group/Open Process Automation Forum. This development validates FieldComm Group’s position at the center of process automation standards development and product conformance testing.

In a presentation at the 2018 ARC Forum in Orlando, FL, FieldComm Group and OPC Foundation presented their joint vision for creating a protocol-independent PA-DIM specification to implement the requirements of the NAMUR Open Architecture (NOA). PROFIBUS/PROFINET International is also participating in this effort.

FieldComm Group President and CEO Ted Masters stated, “The goal of PA-DIM, when used alongside registered products that support FieldComm Group and PI’s joint FDI technology, is to simplify field device integration to systems and clouds, as recommended by NAMUR and ZVEI, by standardizing on a single information model that supports the many field device protocols used in process automation. This includes HART, FOUNDATION Fieldbus, ISA100.11a, PROFIBUS PA, PROFINET and WirelessHART.”
OPC Foundation President and Executive Director Stefan Hoppe commented, “Using the OPC UA-based PA-DIM with FDI products will enable end users to dramatically reduce time-to-market for advanced analytics, Big Data, and enterprise cloud solutions that can often rely on information from thousands of geographically dispersed field devices employing multiple process automation protocols.”

Dr. Peter Wenzel, executive director, PI Germany, also confirmed the importance of PA-DIM to the industrial automation industry. He said, “Industry 4.0 requires a high degree of digitization and standardization, which triggers a need for a series of future-oriented innovations in the field of industrial automation. For PI, PA-DIM is one of the essential enabling technologies that support this fact. PI is looking forward to continuing the years of successful cooperation with FieldComm Group and OPC Foundation in the new field of standardization of PA-DIM.”

Building on the success of PA-DIM standardization, FieldComm Group now has a liaison agreement in place with The Open Group/Open Process Automation Forum. As part of the agreement, the OPA Forum and Open Group have joined the membership of FieldComm Group – further underscoring the importance and relevance of its technologies and their fit-for-future process automation architectures. This and other related developments place FieldComm Group at the center of a global effort to digitally transform the process industry to realize the benefits brought by IIoT and Industry 4.0.

“FieldComm Group technologies, such as Function Blocks and FDI, are important enablers of interoperability, interchangeability, and portability in the standards-based open process automation architecture envisioned by OPAF,” said Don Bartusiak, co-chair, Open Process Automation Forum.

Standards development working groups are actively engaged in finalizing specifications for the first release of PA-DIM during the first half of 2019.

For more information, please visit the FieldComm Group website.
This video describes Field Device Integration (FDI) technology used in industrial process automation and how devices and systems can be more easily maintained through built-in cloud repository capabilities - thus reducing maintenance efforts. FDI Technology is owned by
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Watch the video now.

For more information, please visit the FDI website.
Do you know of a process plant or other industrial facility that sets the standard for use of FOUNDATION Fieldbus, HART or FDI technology? If so, you can enter it for FieldComm Group’s 2019 Plant of the Year Award.

Don't delay – submit your nomination by May 31, 2019. All entries are eligible to win a great prize!

For more information, please visit the FieldComm Group website’s Plant of the Year webpage.
When it comes to industrial plants that have implemented process automation protocols, only a select group of facilities receive FieldComm Group’s annual Plant of the Year Award. These plants earn the much-deserved recognition that goes with being a leading adopter of FOUNDATION Fieldbus, HART, WirelessHART or FDI technologies.

The 2018 Plant of the Year winner, Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd., is the first award recipient from India. The company has a “do things better” culture that led to the adoption of advanced digital communications for process control. Mangalore continuously strives for more effective utilization of its resources and facilities.

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WirelessHART Network Benefits Pharmaceutical Plants by Delivering IIoT Data

Pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities are deploying WirelessHART instrumentation to control costs, boost performance and improve efficiency.

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Pharmaceutical manufacturing plants, both full-scale production facilities and laboratories, are generally networked using IT platforms such as Ethernet and Wi-Fi. These are essentially office networks that have been extended into manufacturing environments to serve a variety of functions, but were not designed with manufacturing support as their primary purpose.

In contrast, HART and WirelessHART were designed for process manufacturing applications, and are thus better networking protocols for instrumentation and device-level communication.

Like the manufacturing systems they support, networks have to be flexible. While the pharmaceutical industry is known for being very static due to regulatory constraints, things change more than many realize. But wired networks, while highly reliable, are not easy to change or expand. Adding coverage for new equipment, moving equipment in a new location, or enlarging a building requires pulling wires, which is very expensive. This becomes increasingly important when setting an Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) strategy to improve the overall safety, reliability, and energy use at a plant.
Adding wired infrastructure is often a large cost barrier when examining the feasibility of an extended monitoring program, not to mention the challenges with cleanability of power and signal cabling.

Many pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities are deploying WirelessHART instrumentation designed to monitor various types of in-plant systems and utilities to control costs, boost performance and improve efficiency. A wide variety of devices can be used to monitor steam traps, check the various elements of pumps, measure processed water usage and the like. These monitoring devices can operate on the same networks as the WirelessHART process instruments, reporting their data through gateways and on to the larger plant networks.

In particular, laboratory and pilot-plant environments have been quick to recognize the value of WirelessHART networks and their ability to provide an exceptionally high degree of flexibility. In these areas where equipment is small, moveable and reconfigurable, wired networks are difficult to use without frequent extensions, modifications, and adding or moving wires.

One of the characteristics of the IIoT is its ability to reach the very edges of industrial networks. While implementing IIoT concepts does not require wireless device-level networks, they make the task far easier than traditional wired topologies. Sending data from WirelessHART devices to the gateway and on to the plant network allows for easy access to each of those devices.

WirelessHART networks also simplify deployment of new analytical tools such as pre-configured dashboards and condition-based maintenance programs. IIoT depends on data granularity, and these networks make it possible and practical to connect with individual field instruments, delivering the required level of detail.

This ability is changing manufacturing on all fronts, and it can have a profound impact on pharmaceutical producers. The IIoT facilitates data collection, analysis and movement more quickly than any mechanism to date. The ability to reach the cloud is very easy, supporting data access from anywhere.

For more information, please visit the Fieldcomm Group website.
Emerson’s *Wireless*HART Radar Level Device Meets API 18.2 Standard

Transmitter delivers enhanced accuracy which can be verified without having to open a tank’s thief hatch

By FieldComm Group

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Emerson’s new high-performance version of its Rosemount™ 3308 Guided Wave Radar (GWR) Wireless Level Transmitter is the first standalone *Wireless*HART radar level device to comply with the API 18.2 custody transfer standard. The transmitter delivers enhanced accuracy which can be verified without having to open a tank’s thief hatch, thereby increasing safety.

API 18.2 places strict accuracy demands on level measurement instrumentation because high levels of uncertainty during custody transfer can have significant financial implications. An upgraded microwave module makes the Rosemount 3308 more tolerant to difficult process conditions and able to deliver a more sensitive and repeatable measurement and higher accuracy.
Accuracy can be easily and quickly verified using the Rosemount VeriCase mobile verification tool. This straightforward procedure does not require a tank’s thief hatch to be opened or any product to be transferred, making it an important safety improvement.

In addition to providing the accuracy required for custody transfer applications, the Rosemount 3308 also delivers reliability in continuous level and interface monitoring applications in refineries, oil fields, offshore platforms and chemical plants, thereby providing a cost-effective standardized solution across an entire facility.

For more information, please visit the Emerson website.
Endress+Hauser Supports Mobile Device Configuration in Ex Zone 1
Field Xpert SMT77 allows field device configuration from anywhere in a plant
By FieldComm Group
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Field Xpert SMT77, Endress+Hauser’s latest addition to its mobile asset management portfolio, allows users to configure field devices in practically all areas of a plant. Certified for use in Zone 1 (Class 1, Division 1) applications, it has ATEX, IEC and UL approvals. It can be connected remotely (HART over PROFIBUS/PROFINET) or point-to-point via a modem to HART, WirelessHART and FOUNDATION fieldbus as well as to PROFIBUS and Modbus devices.

Touch-enabled, Field Xpert SMT77 is sold as a complete solution with pre-installed driver libraries that can be securely updated online. Its state-of-the-art operating interface allows fast, single-tap connection to devices and a clear overview of important device parameters in up to 20 languages (dependent on DTM support). Maintenance activities are supported by NAMUR NE 107 diagnosis, PDF documented Heartbeat verification as well as device information and documentation. Endress+Hauser IIoT applications are also on call.
With IP65 protection and of ruggedized construction, Field Xpert SMT77 is a device ideally adapted to field environments. It has a large, easily-to-read 10.1-inch screen and a battery that can be exchanged in explosion-hazardous areas. Whether for commissioning or maintenance, a tablet that meets the highest demands!

For more information, please visit the Endress+Hauser website.

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Microcyber Announces NCS-TT106x Temperature Module
Temperature module supports multiple thermal resistances and thermocouples
By FieldComm Group
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Microcyber's NCS-TT106x temperature module is a high-performance fieldbus temperature transmitter with an independent R&D communication controller. It supports multiple thermal resistances and thermocouples. Thermal resistance supports 2/3/4-wire connection mode, and thermocouples can use cold-end compensation functionality. Easy integration with multiple electrical integration files is available, such as DD, EDD, CFF and GSD.

Multiple protocols:

- NCS-TT106H: HART Protocol
- NCS-TT106P: Profibus PA Protocol
- NCS-TT106F: FOUNDATION Fieldbus H1 Protocol

High accuracy (for common thermal resistance and thermocouples):
• ±0.09Ω for 0~500Ω
• ±0.7Ω for 0~4000Ω
• ±0.2°C for PT100 (-200°C~850°C)
• ±0.2°C for PT1000 (-200°C~850°C)
• 0.02mV for -100mV~+100mV
• 0.4°C for K-Thermocouple (-200°C~1372°C)
• 0.9°C for S-Thermocouple (0°C~1768°C)

For more information, please visit the Microcyber website.

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Moore Industries Accelerates HART Data to the Speed of Ethernet

HES HART to Ethernet Gateway System delivers critical information you need to address process and device problems before they turn into unplanned downtime

By FieldComm Group

Timely knowledge about your process enables better decisions and faster preventive action. Now you can get the process detail that you need from your HART 5, 6 and 7 field devices to MODBUS/TCP and HART-IP based monitoring and control systems at the speed of Ethernet with the Moore Industries HES HART to Ethernet Gateway System.

Connect up to 64 Smart HART devices to the HES and collect the Dynamic Variables and the Device Variables, along with diagnostic bits and bytes, from each device that help deliver critical information needed to help you address process and device problems before they turn into unplanned downtime.
The HES is simple to configure over Ethernet using PACTware or other FDT-compliant host with supplied HES DTM. Its support of open industrial protocols enables you to take advantage of any Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) initiatives that deliver your process data to your higher-level systems. Plus, you can view all of the HART data from connected field devices in read-only mode with any web browser via the HES’ built-in web server or a MODBUS/TCP compliant host.

The new HES continues the Moore Industries reputation for rugged and reliable products that are designed and built to perform dependably year after year.

For more information, please visit the Moore Industries website.
Vega 80 GHz Radar Available with HART or FOUNDATION Fieldbus

VEGAPULS 64 and the VEGAPULS 69 provide reliable and accurate measurements in tanks with internal installations and in compact vessels

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Get all the benefits of 80 GHz radar with HART and FOUNDATION fieldbus. The choice is simple with the VEGAPULS 64 and the VEGAPULS 69: one radar to measure level for liquids and one for bulk solids.

The higher frequency transmission gives operators unprecedented focus, allowing reliable and accurate measurements in tanks with internal installations and in compact vessels. Internal electronics make both radars immune to condensation and buildup. And finally, these radars are equipped with a high dynamic range, so they can measure even the smallest of signals.

The VEGAPULS 69 for solids is available with HART and FOUNDATION fieldbus, and the VEGAPULS 64 for liquids is available with HART. To learn more about the VEGAPULS 64, VEGAPULS 69, and other VEGA level products, call (800) FOR-LEVEL.

For more information, please visit the Vega website.