

# Expert Group on Internet of Things (IoT) / Cyber-physical Systems (CPS)

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## **Internet of Things (IoT)**

- Internet of Things (IoT) Paradigm based on the convergence of:
  - Low-cost sensing and computation
  - Ubiquitous connectivity and mobile apps
  - Cloud analytics and big data
- IoT annual global economic potential: Between \$1.4 trillion to \$14.4 trillion by 2020 – big hype
- IoT initiatives, alliances, and clusters
  - US: Several alliances with international membership
  - European IoT Research and Innovation Cluster with over 40 European projects

EU Alliance for Internet of Things Innovation (AIOTI)

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- Buildings with advanced HVAC controls
- > Manufacturing plants
- > Power plants
- > ...

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 Large networks of systems (electric grid, traffic systems, water distribution)

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 Material/energy streams
 Shared resources (e.g. roads, airspace, rails, steam)
 Communication networks

### > An area of European strength

- € 410 billion market
- 4 million jobs worldwide, of which one quarter are in Europe



## **Convergence of IoT and CPS**

Focus of current research and development in IoT

- Low-cost sensors / computing
- Provision of connectivity, middleware
- Enormous amounts of data can be collected

> How to make it useful (and a business) is sometimes not so clear

- What benefits can be gained from the data?
- Challenge: From sensing to actuation, closing the loop

# → IoT/CPS

➤ Cyber-physical systems are often embedded in large systems consisting of many coupled components with partial autonomy → Cyber-physical Systems of Systems (CPSoS)



Large, complex, often spatially distributed Cyber-physical Systems that exhibit the features of Systems of Systems

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#### Systems of Systems (SoS)

#### **Dynamic reconfiguration**

#### Components may...

- be switched on and off (as in living cells)
- enter or leave
  (e.g. in air traffic control)

#### **Continuous evolution**



Continuous addition, removal, and modification of hardware and software over the complete life cycle (often many years)

#### Partial autonomy Local actors with local authority and priorities

#### Autonomous systems ...

- ... cannot be fully controlled on the SoS level
- ... need incentives towards global SoS goals
- Examples > Local energy
- generation companies
- Process units of a large chemical site

#### **Emerging behavior**

The overall SoS shows behaviours that do not result from simple interactions of subsystems



Usually not desired in technical systems, may lead to reduced performance or shut-downs

#### Examples

 Power oscillations in the European power grid

Think on The St.

 Oscillations in supply chains



#### Examples of Cyber-physical Systems of Systems



#### Integrated large production complexes

- > Major source of employment and income in Europe
- > Major consumer of energy and raw materials
- Many interconnected production plants that are operated mostly autonomously with distributed management structures



#### Transportation networks (road, rail, air, maritime, ...)

- Vital to the mobility of EU citizens and the movements of goods
- Large integrated infrastructures with complex interactions, also across national borders
- Involve multiple organizational and political structures

Many more examples, e.g. smart (energy, water, gas, ...) networks, supply chains, or manufacturing

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### **CPSoS**

- CPSoS are a key element in the ARTEMIS Strategic Research Agenda
- "IoT = Systems of Systems"
  - → IoT that involve physical systems = CPSoS ("Internet of Energy")



# **Expert Group on IoT/CPS**

- Scope of the Expert Group: The intersection of IoT and CPS
- IoT related to applications that involve physical systems
  - Smart Cities
  - Smart Energy
  - Smart Transport
  - Smart Production
  - Beyond connectivity:
    - How can the data be transformed into useful knowledge and actions?
    - Large scale systems (CPSoS) with multiple / multiscale feedback loops, local autonomy
    - Strong involvement of humans
    - But also strong need for support of humans ("Cognitive Systems")

# **Expert Group Members**

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## Some Facets of the Discussion (1)

- Different understanding of the concepts ("semantics") clarification is needed
- > US: Two views of IoT
  - IoT meaning connectivity/middleware
  - Broader understanding: IoT = physical + computing + virtual + human "worlds"
- CPS has the connotation of being rigorous, whereas IoT is "quick and dirty"
- IoT comprises CPS vs. CPS make use of IoT

## Some Facets of the Discussion (2)

> Dependability, security, trustworthyness ...

- Vulnerability of IoT-connected devices is worrying, many systems were never meant to be connected to the internet
- Several examples of cyber attacks in energy/production in the last years
- To which extent is regulation needed?
- Applications come to the market quickly → de-facto architectures, how can they migrate to better defined, more reliable and secure and extensible ones
- Localization and expiration of data



## Some Facets of the Discussion (3)

- Autonomy means that systems are not confined, deep "worldknowledge" is needed
- > Full autonomy not likely in the near future
- Important role of humans in semi-autonomous systems
- Deeper understanding of cognition, situation awareness, ... needed



### Some Facets of the Discussion (4)

- Several competing IoT reference models unification/reduction/interfacing
- > How to connect different platforms e.g. in smart cities
- Many options for transatlantic collaboration
- > What kinds of topics are appealing for funding agencies
  - Fundamental: Autonomy, human in the loop, ...
  - Applied: Address world-wide challenges, beyond US and EU
- > Discussion who could be US partner for joint calls
- IoT/CPS/CPSoS need 5G and Big Data technology

### **Proposals to the EU side**

"One-stop shopping for EU funding" (?) "Simplified rules and regulations" (?)

## **SUMMARY**

... the discussion helped both sides to understand better the initiatives, the players, and their focus on the other side



### **Next: Opportunity Report**

- Start from "Panorama Report"
- > Analytical work by the Expert Group
  - Investigate current research priorities and the focus of on-going projects
  - Analyse gaps and new opportunities
- Interviews with leading representatives of industry and academia on challenges, opportunities, and technology and policy gaps
- > **Discussions** with funding bodies (e.g. NSF, EU)
- > Synthesis: Key challenges, proposals for strategic initiatives
- Posting and discussion

