



Season's Greetings from Open IIoT!

Well done everyone - we made it through the first year of the 'New Normal!'

The continued disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic did present obstacles which we hope you tackled with the same innovation, creativity and drive we know to be possible in our Australian manufacturing industry.

We were so hoping to meet up with you this year, but due to extenuating circumstances, the exhibitions we were looking forward to participating in were postponed. However, it's all systems go for AUSPACK 2022 in May at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre and we can't wait to see some familiar and new faces! Pop it in your calendar and make sure not to miss this event.

Before we log off, let's take a look at our six top stories of the year – we hope you find them interesting.



We welcome Robotics Giant KUKA to Open IIoT



For over 120 years, KUKA has stood for ideas and innovation. Joining Open IIoT gives us the opportunity to join fellow prominent brands in promoting the latest technical advances in smart automation" - Cameron Fisher, General Manager at KUKA Robotics Australia.

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IIoT – The State of The Industry

The global IIoT market is set to be worth \$263.4 billion by 2027, with accelerated uptake across a variety of sectors. On local shores, the uptake had been relatively slow with the exception of the manufacturing sector – where key players had grasped the potential benefits of Industry 4.0 early on.

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The PKN Podcast With Open IIoT



Have you heard? We're on a podcast! The PKN Packaging News Podcast to be exact. PKN Editor Lindy Hughson sat down with our members to discuss the implementation of Industry 4.0 in Australia. Listen to the full podcast on your favourite streaming platform or by clicking on the above.

Managing COVID-19 Threats On The Factory Floor



From ensuring business continuation, to allowing for better remote monitoring and using the technologies to reduce the risks of Covid-19 outbreaks, there are many advantages for manufacturers who choose to integrate IIoT into their operations during periods of disruption and uncertainty.

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Cloud As The Connective Tissue of Industry 4.0

"As an industry, manufacturing stands to benefit from the widespread adoption of Cloud Deployment because it enables manufacturers to test, validate and run 'Proof of Concepts'. As rates of Cloud Deployment increase, more and more systems will be able to securely connect and talk natively, pushing and pulling data to fast-track insights that will ultimately create smart chatter and live predictive decision making for businesses." – Richard Roberts, Operations Manager at ZI-ARGUS Australia.

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The State of Smart Manufacturing

"The key to unlocking the full potential of IIoT systems is to take small steps. Many manufacturers are still at the early stages of their digitalisation journey, so it's not feasible to overhaul their entire systems. Such clients benefit from the flexibility of introducing digital systems at their own pace. And, like any project, it's important to start with the drivers for change, clearly identifying desired objectives for system or process. It's equally important to understand which aspects of IIoT technology need to be deployed to achieve the set outcomes." – Jozef Ceh, Digital Transformation Manager at SMC.



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