

Smart Factory Demonstrator Proposal v3

Digital Manufacturing Team

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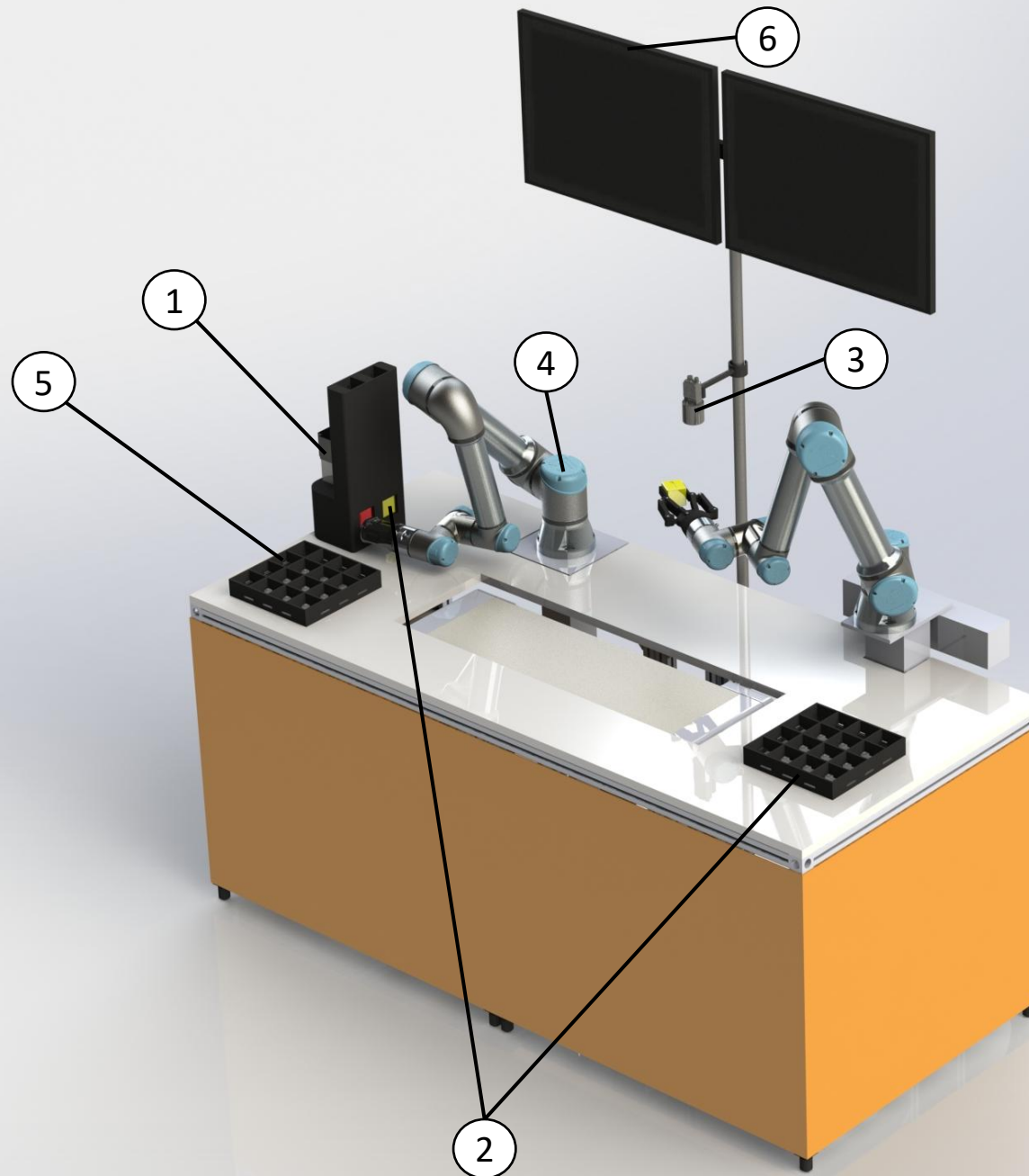


Client Facing Objectives

- Showcase i4.0 'Smart Factory' technology for SME manufacturers in a meaningful way
- Demonstrate manufacturing activity & control concepts, relevant to a range of industries
- Engage SMEs leaders, exploring the relevance and potential benefits to their business
- Help SME leaders to understand the investment case (ROI) and routes/ease of adoption
- Practical use in projects to provide proof of concept support for client processes

WMG Objectives

- Position WMG as i4.0 thought-leader and SME manufacturers champion
- Generate i4.0 leads for Made Smarter and direct WMG engagements
- Develop our understanding of i4.0 through this exercise and its use at Expos
- Use as a tool for internal training and development post completion
- VOTC... Feedback on the demonstrator to improve relevance and engagement



1. Overall Cell/Process Control
2. Presentation of material
3. Quality control (part recognition, quality defects)
4. Automated assembly process, light out manufacturing
5. Packaging / Palletising
6. QC metrics / shop floor performance dashboards / sensor data

Processes

Demonstrator Production Operation – Industry Relevance

Op	Op Description	Industry Sectors	Relevance
1	Overall Cell/Process Control	Food, A&D, Space, Pharma	HSE compliance (UserID/skills, Operator/dress, Process/action) Condition based monitoring (compare measured parameters vs output) Process control / energy management
2	Material Presentation (input)	Consumer Products A&D, Space, Pharma Electronics (PCB)	Automated robot pick & present Material validation, batch control/recording Visual image capture, RFID/QR/barcode reading Characteristics control (size/shape, colour/finish, etc)
3	Quality Control	A&D (Assets, Munitions) Automotive, Transport Food & Drink, Pharma, Chemical Finishing	100% inspection (visual, laser CMM, X-ray/AI, etc) As-built characteristics (Colour, dimensions, weights, etc) Process outcome anomalies & defects detection Foreign body detection
4	Automated Assembly	A&D, Automotive, Rail, Consumer Products Electronics (PCB)	Precision positioning/location & sequencing (e.g. PCB PnP) Fixing integrity, digital drivers (eg torque) Machine tending from previous process As-built BOM record, 3D As-built Model
5	Finished Article (output)	Consumer Products, Electronics (PCB)	Automated robot packing (carton, pallet, etc)

Primary drivers

- **Productivity** improvements as cobots can work through breaks and lights out
- **Capacity** to support growth
- **Quality** improvements to process, reducing the cost of quality
- **Skills** or lack of in the industry leading to specific processes requiring automation
- **Safety** improvements for operators as robots can handle hazardous conditions/materials.

Client objectives

- Health and safety
- Log data for further analytics to understand downtime, energy cost, common quality defects
- Pilot/proof of concept to increase stakeholder buy-in and catalyse automation adoption
- Reduce cost of employment
- Improve reliability and quality of processes
- Support “dim-lights” and “lights-out” manufacture.

WMG activities

- Support business case development, introduction to R&A vendors and integrators and grant/bid writing
- Proof of concept & feasibility studies using cobots and off the shelf AI/ML vision systems
- Bringing in skills to build automation capability within the business long-term
- Complementary offers i.e. digital strategy, factory optimisation
- Introduction to research groups to build partnerships.

We can help the client to understand and de-risk their automation investment

Primary drivers

- **I4.0 Vision:** ambition to be industry 4.0 manufacturer
- **Visibility** of shop floor
- **Efficiency:** cost reduction & improving process
- **Data logging** for further analytics (achieve predictive maintenance, higher efficiency)
- **Asset utilisation:** Customers renting out expensive machines to produce maximum value.

Client objectives

- Real time visibility of shop floor machinery, KPIs, OEE, cycle time.
- Dashboards and reports
- Energy/emission monitoring and reporting including alerts
- Systems and Cloud integration
- Predictive maintenance scheduling
- Real-time safety incident tracking and reporting
- Resource optimization
- Quality control & traceability.

WMG activities

- Assessing and defining operational needs and goals
- Recommend suitable technologies
- Provide framework for real-time data architecture monitoring and analysis
- Assist in selecting and integrating sensors and platforms
- Documenting implementation process and outcomes
- Ongoing support and training for continuous improvement.

We can help the clients unblock bottlenecks by delivering IIoT strategy, solutions and implementation framework

Primary drivers

Primary drivers for this offering:

- **Unaware**, of the state of AI or the opportunities for them
- **Productivity** improvements by automating routine tasks.

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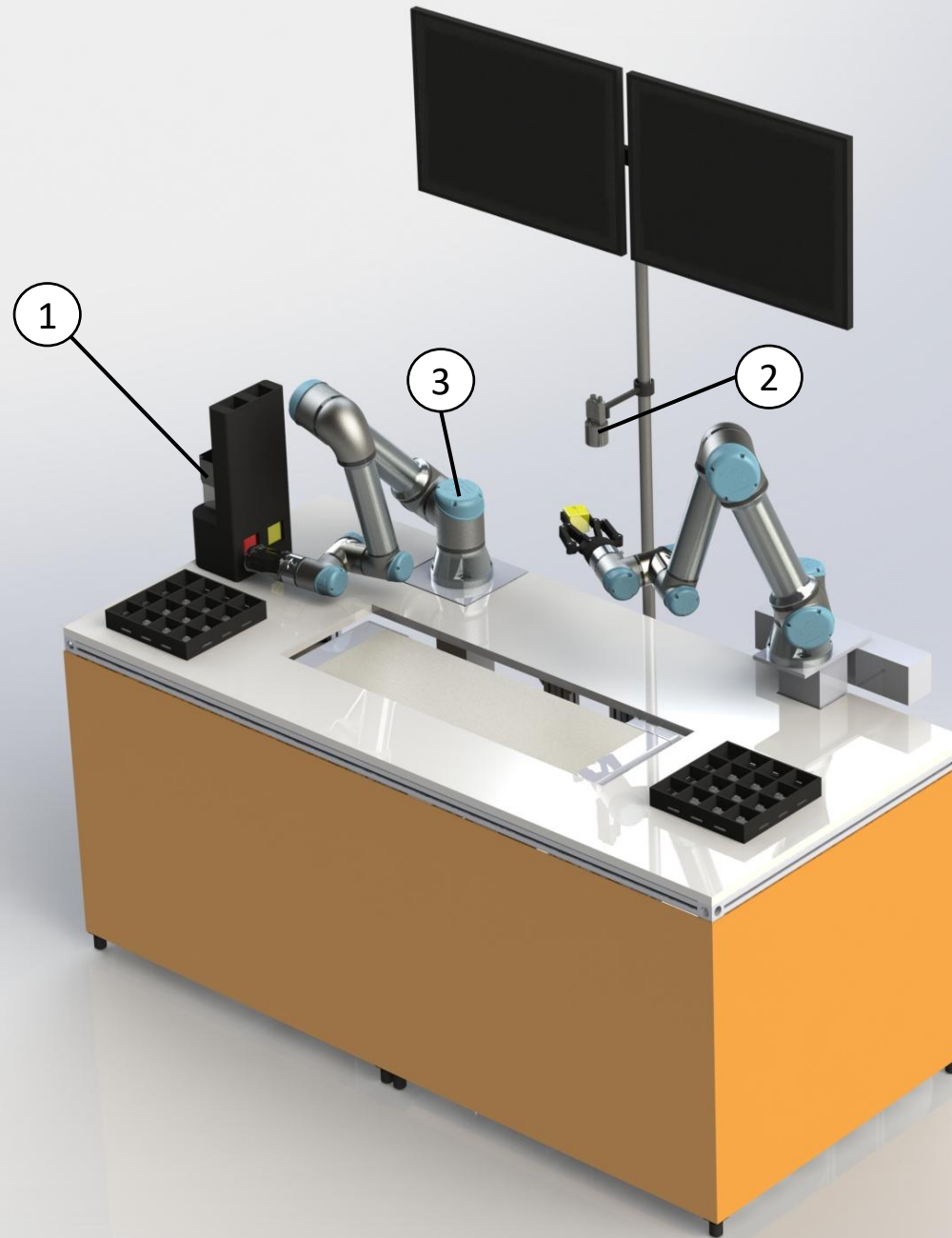
- Gain a baseline understanding of AI and the opportunities for them
- Transition from reactive to predictive decision-making with data
- Optimise resources and cut costs with AI
- Automate data analysis to improve efficiency and free resources.
- Develop a scalable AI strategy for growth
- Streamline processes with AI, reducing manual work and errors
- AI-driven analytics for insights and strategic decisions.

WMG activities

- Identifying business problems
- Creating tailored AI use cases
- Delivering actionable blueprints and AI use case reports
- Assessing systems and designing AI-supportive architecture
- Showcase AI impact by developing POC projects
- Educating on AI implementation and best practices.

We can help customer harness data and AI effectively by providing tailored solutions

1. LOGO! PLC + sensors ~1k
2. Cognex In-Sight 2800 vision system ~10k
3. UR5e cobot ~30k



Technologies + Costs