

# Sensors: What's hot and what's not – view to practical implementations & Trends - The IoT Forge Foundation



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Three ways to speed up and lower the companys risk level 1. Personnel help 2. Lab Facilities 3. Monetary grant for early phase activities



- Highly skilled personnel of 7 specialists.
- 600m2 laboratory
- Development equipment worth 2,5MEur
- SME & Start-ups
- Over 130 companies from over 20 locations around Finland.
- Free of Charge

# Everything Is Hot in IoT

# Trends, View to Practical Implementation

- Sensor development: “standard” sensors vs “high end” sensors: data accuracy need vs cost level
- From sensors to sensor HUBs and connectivity boxes and data visualisation & cloud connectivity
  - Sensor availability improving fast
  - Multisensor hubs with connectivity
- Use of AI → new innovation opportunity → Impact to sensor selection and cost
  - Use of math (AI) brings good visibility to sensor data visualisation even with low accuracy sensors.
- Selection of IOT sensor/sensor HUB processor platform and implications to SW development:
  - processor platform ( fex. Rasp for demos) known SW asset but many limitations
  - Fully embedded system, C coding, very efficient but more difficult
  - Embedded system with RTOS support, (fex Arduino) efficient and less difficult than fully embedded.
- Challenges: Power management, connectivity selection, security, technology lifetime, update needs, service vs product sales.