**Enhancing IIoT competences: SICK takes over MOBILISIS**

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* **SICK to take over Croatian IT company MOBILISIS in its entirety on 01.01.2022.**
* **This acquisition expands SICK AG’s expertise in the wireless networking of industrial IoT devices. Wireless solutions close the gap between sensors and IT.**
* **SICK expands its worldwide technological leadership in** **digital localization in the context of Industry 4.0 beyond stationary conveyor systems, and enables seamless integration in customers’ ecosystems at the machine and process levels.**

SICK AG will expand the minority holding it has held in MOBILISIS d.o.o. since 2017 to 100 percent with effect from 1 January 2022. The Croatian company thus becomes a full member of the SICK Group.

SICK focuses on innovations involving software-based sensor solutions within the context of Industry 4.0 and the associated digital transformation. This purchase enhances SICK’s competences in the wireless networking of industrial IoT devices. MOBILISIS supplements SICK’s portfolio of sensor-based cloud and edge solutions. The aim is to create seamless connections between sensor data and cloud platforms, making a major contribution towards rapid networking between the worlds of information technology (IT) and operational technology (OT).

“Together with the experienced colleagues at MOBILISIS, we will more quickly be able to offer application-specific digital sensor system solutions and services,” explains Dr Niels Syassen, Executive Board member at SICK AG. An initial milestone is to expand the portfolio of digital localization solutions within and between companies in the context of Industry 4.0 – beyond stationary conveyor systems and applications on the shopfloor. Users will thus be able to obtain transparency regarding the location of their goods as soon as they leave stationary conveyor systems.

“We have already developed the first sensor solutions with MOBILISIS, closing the gap between the sensors and IT,” adds Dr Niels Syassen. He is talking about joint development projects – including the TDC-E series of edge/gateway products, the SIM2000ST-E, a system controller for track & trace applications, tags for indoor localization, as well as programming for localization solutions. In recent years, MOBILISIS has also successfully expanded its core business with intelligent transport systems, fleet management and the corresponding cloud applications, and fulfilled the role of distributor and proven system integrator for SICK in Croatia. Business in Croatia is also to be enhanced in collaboration with SICK.

Both partners have taken advantage of the opportunity to get to know each other better during collaborations in recent years: “Our cooperation with Mobilisis has been very trusting and enriching. We hope to carry this forward in the new structure,” Dr Niels Syassen describes the two companys’ joint work.

Goran Kanižaj, Managing Director of Mobilisis, adds that, “We have been driving forward our innovations involving Industry 4.0, IoT and mobility since our founding. Whereby our personnel play a decisive role. We employ experienced specialists whose individual distinctions enhance our teams. Our strategic partnership with SICK AG since 2017 has also accelerated our growth and enhanced our reputation on the market. We are very proud about the merger, and about becoming a valuable member of the SICK Group. We are sure that we will be able to achieve even greater success together.”

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Legend: The building of the MOBILISIS headquarters in Varaždin/Croatia.

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*About MOBILISIS*

Mobilisis was founded in Varaždin (Croatia) in 2005. The company employs 78 personnel – including product developers, application and software developers, and sales staff – and achieved annual sales of about EUR 6.1 m. in 2021. Mobilisis influences IoT strategies with its development of modern and innovative IT infrastructures for industrial process management. This is also the result of research into methods for mobile data capture and transmission. With its open attitude, MOBILISIS is also able to exploit its comprehensive wealth of experience from working with the world’s largest technology and communication companies. MOBILISIS has set worldwide standards with the development of an intelligent parking system.

*About SICK*

SICK is one of the world’s leading suppliers of sensors and sensor solutions for industrial applications. The company, founded in 1946 by Dr. Erwin Sick and based in Waldkirch-im-Breisgau near Freiburg, is a technology and market leader with a global presence – with more than 50 subsidiaries and associated companies, as well as numerous sales offices. SICK achieved Group sales of about EUR 1.7 bn. during the 2020 fiscal year with more than 10,000 employees worldwide. Further information on SICK is available at www.sick.com or at +49 (0)7681 202-4183.