







Hybrid IoT solutions for the foundry industry

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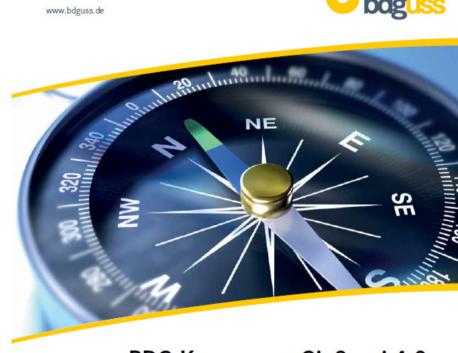
## Internet of Things (IoT) capable technologies in foundries

- Continuous improvement necessary by global economic environment changes
- High pressure to increase productivity and quality while reducing environmental impact and costs
- Addressing the challenge with lean tools and commercial efforts
- Interconnect equipment and process offers a significant potential to raise efficiency to a new level
  - Increase production efficiency by creating transparency of the production status
  - Fast reaction on production interruption by company-wide fault information and condition monitoring system
  - Predictive maintenance concepts based on predictive analytics of real-time data allow proactive service and maintenance
  - Support operators by additional information and recommended actions



Internet of Things: How to start?

- Foundry owners are aware that they must invest in digital solutions but most of them hesitate to start.
- Federation of the German
   Foundry Industry\* published a
   guideline to help foundries to
   analyze their digitalization level
   and to give them approaches
   for development



BDG Kompass - Gießerei 4.0

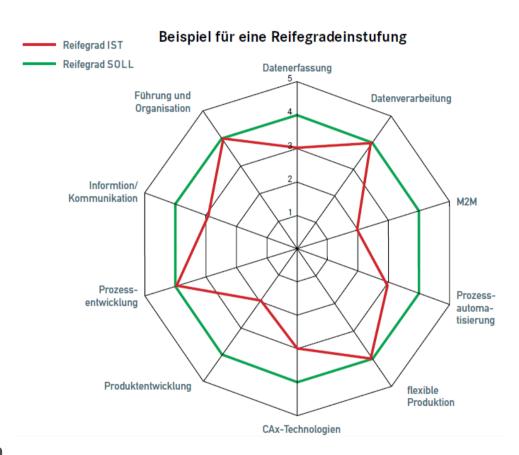
Entwicklungsschritte zur digitalen Produktion

<sup>\*</sup>Bundesverband der Deutschen Gießerei-Industrie Arbeitskreis Gießerei 4.0



# Guideline "BDG Kompass"

- Data acquisition in production
- Data processing in production
- Machine to machine communication (M2M)
- Process automation by using robots
- Flexible production, flexible resources
- CAx technology
- Product development
- Process development
- Information and communication structure
- Employees, management and organization





# ABP Induction – People. Technology. Success.

400+ Employees

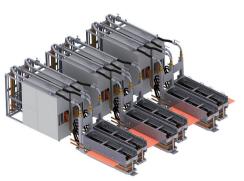
9 Location on5 continents

116 years of innovation customer success

Melting: Foundry & Steel making

Heating: Steel & Forging





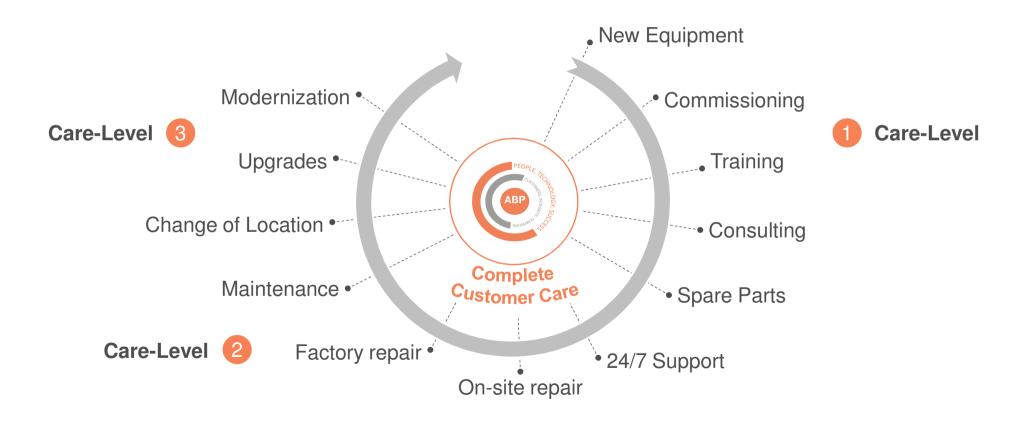






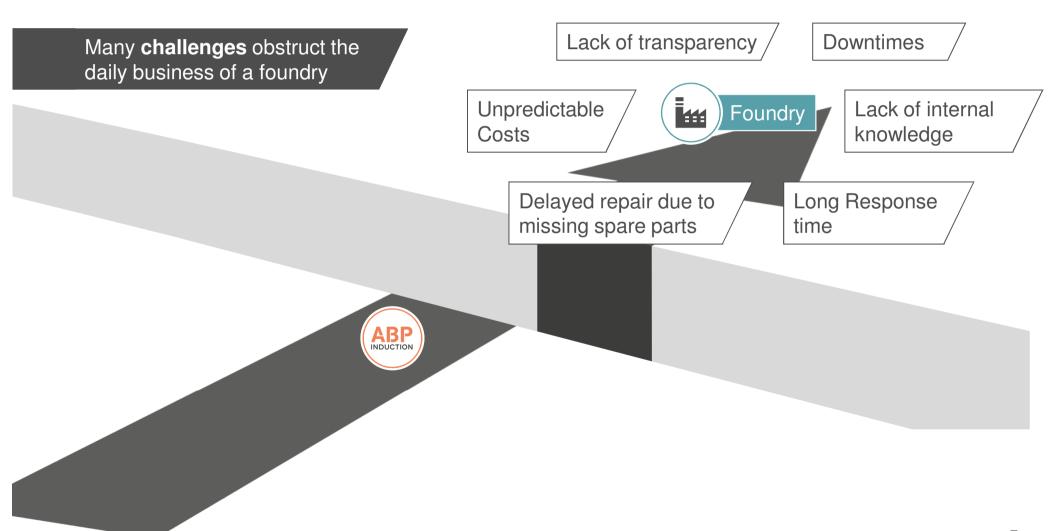


### ABP's conventional service solutions





Foundries were confronted with many challenges ...



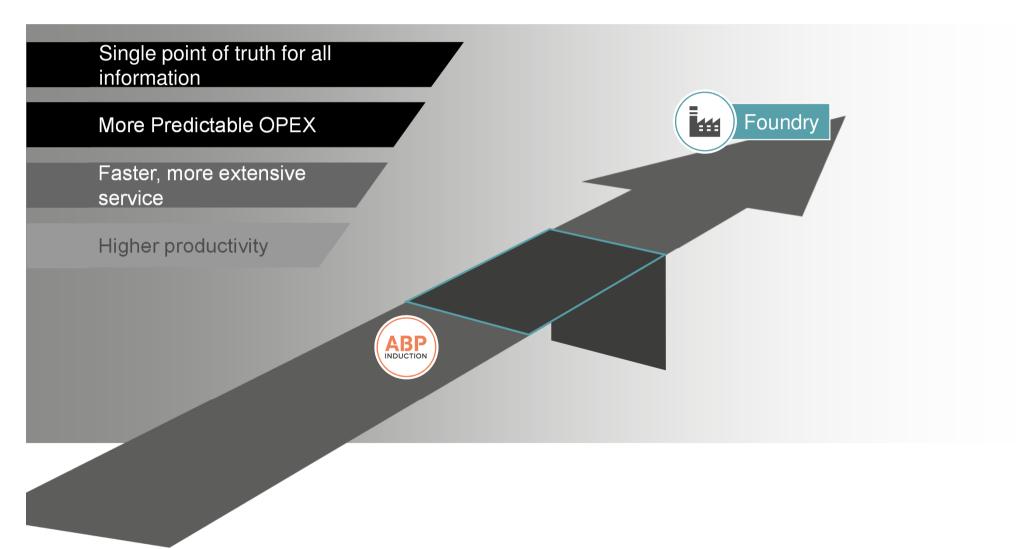


# Overcome gap in support and service by hybrid IoT solutions

- Improve user's ability and maintenance level, driven by dedicated training programs and digital service tools
- Hybrid idea behind all solutions is to connect machines and processes with transparency by data connection
  - Real-time condition monitoring leads to an event triggered action plan for people in operation and maintenance
  - System compares operational figures with thresholds and is focused on deviations from the normal behavior
  - Training is brought directly to employees with new training modules based on virtual reality simulations
  - Artificial intelligence increases the predictive maintenance level for higher utilization of the production process



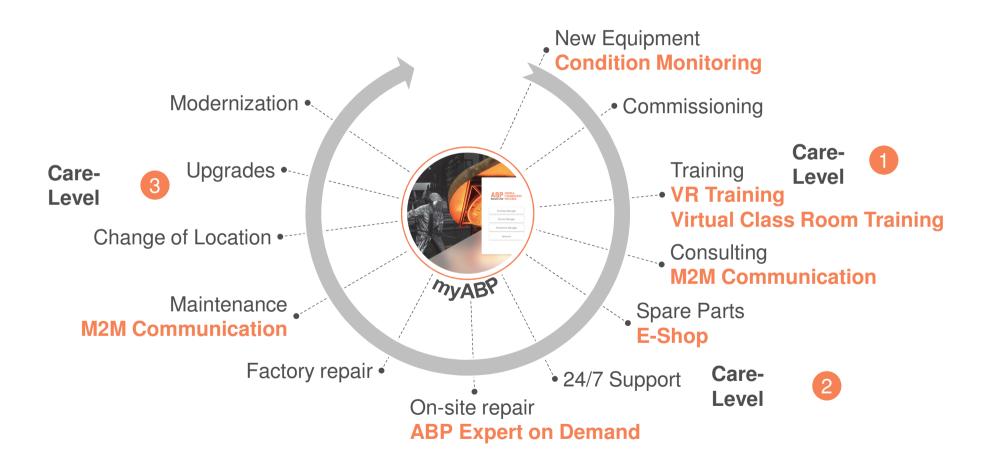
ABP tackles problems with hybrid IoT service products





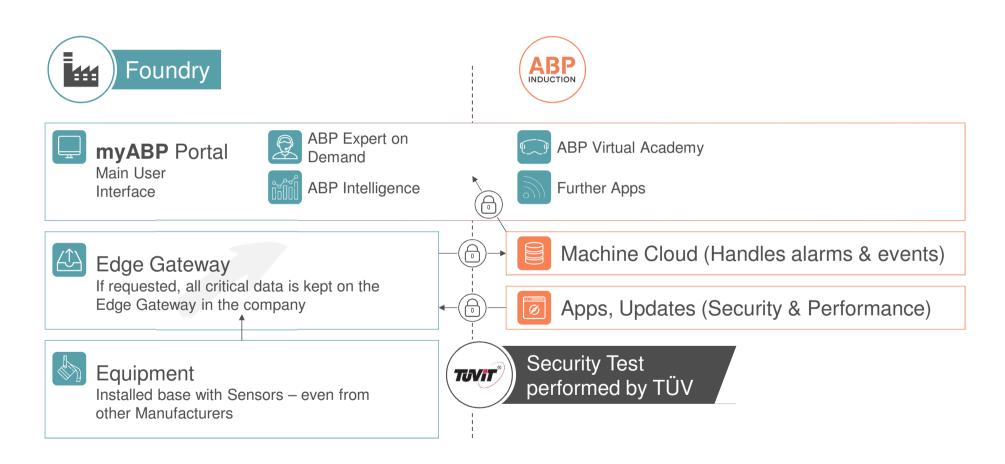
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# Digital solutions make ABP service even better



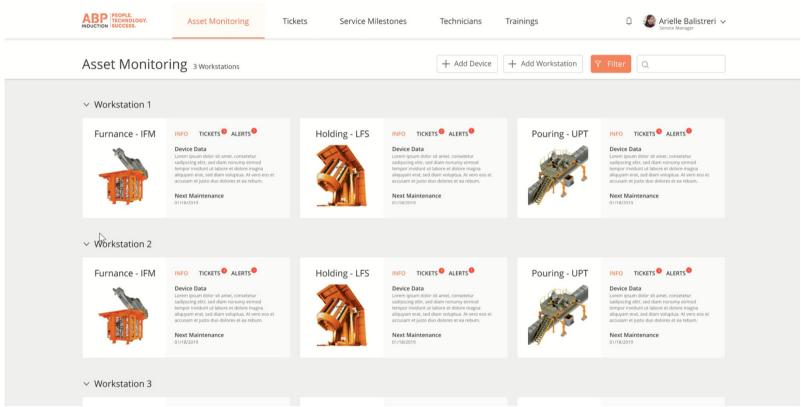


# Integration of Hybrid IoT service solutions





Customer portal myABP opens the doors to the digital services





- Detailed ticket for the service manager is created automatically
- Service manager can first investigate old incidents for troubleshooting purposes
- In addition, the service manager can contact ABP and arrange a prompt appointment with an Expert on Demand



# Expert on Demand: Maintenance support



- ABP experts see what technicians on-site see
- Guiding the maintenance team
- Using data glasses, smartphones or tablets
- Full access by teleservice
- Rapid failure identification
- New options for documentation





### ABP Virtual Academy



- Furnace systems and associated peripherals are simulated in a realistic environment as in a flight simulator
- Virtual training in process and safety procedures
- Operators and ABP's trainers can meet in virtual class rooms











### ABP Intelligence



- Predictive maintenance concepts are the future for service and maintenance of machines
- Based on the analysis of real-time data proactive service and maintenance is possible and will prevent unexpected machine breakdowns
- The data analysis by artificial intelligence technologies is an interesting field of research and is part of the developments at ABP



## Benefits of ABP hybrid IoT solutions

### Increase of availability

#### Shortened downtimes

Increase of the First Time Fix Rate through documentation and access to past incidents

#### Better allocation of resources

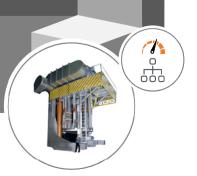
The maintenance team will have an overview of what system needs their attention

#### Reduce maintenance costs

Avoid breakdown of parts e.g. thyristor preventing avoidable replacements

#### Reduce Downtimes

The system advise you when to perform maintenance







Thank you very much!

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