Welcome to the IFR CEO Round Table

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Schedule

Welcoming and presentation of the participants of the IFR CEO Round Table
Gudrun Litzenberger, IFR General Secretary

Preview on World Robotics Industrial Robots 2018
Junji J. Tsuda, IFR President

Discussion on Robots and AI: Vision and Reality

Get together and personal interviews with the participants
International Federation of Robotics
Representing the global robotics industry

- Robotics turnover 2017: about $50 billion
- More than 50 members:
  - National robot associations
  - R&D institutes
  - Robot suppliers
  - Integrators
- Sponsor of the annual International Symposium on Robotics (ISR)
- Co-sponsor of the IERA Award
- Primary resource for world-wide data on use of robotics – IFR Statistical Department
Speakers on the Panel – Robot Suppliers

Dr. Kiyonori Inaba
Director Executive Managing Officer, General Manager
ROBOT Business Division, FANUC CORPORATION Japan

Stefan Lampa
CEO
KUKA Industries Germany

Per Vegard Nerseth
Group Senior Vice President
ABB Switzerland
Speakers on the Panel:

**Expert**

**Professor Dr. Bruno Siciliano**
Director of ICAROS and Coordinator of the PRISMALab
University of Naples Federico II, Italy

**Robot user**

**Markus Kueckelhaus**
Vice President Innovations & Trend Research
DHL Germany
Presentation of WR Data

Junji J. Tsuda
IFR President
Representative Director Chairman of the Board
Yaskawa
Japan

Moderator

Ken Fouhy
Moderator, Editor in Chief,
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Preview on World Robotics 2018

Industrial Robots 2017

- Global installations
- Regions
- Main Markets
- Main Customers
- Challenges of the Robotics Industry
2017: Record growth of industrial robots

Estimated worldwide annual shipments of industrial robots

Source: IFR Statistical Department

+29%
2017: considerable increase in all regions

Estimated worldwide annual supply of industrial robots at year-end by regions 2015 - 2017

- Asia/Australia: 191,000 units (+34%)
- Europe: 67,000 units (+20%)
- America: 50,000 units (+22%)
- All Others: 5,000 units (+12%)

Source: IFR Statistical Department
China: Main driver of growth in 2017

Annual shipments of industrial robots in China 2007 - 2017

Source: IFR Statistical Department
Top 5 countries represent 71% of total sales in 2017

Estimated worldwide annual supply of industrial robots at year-end main markets 2015 - 2017

- **CHINA**: 2015: 40, 2016: 41, 2017: 87 (58% increase)
- **JAPAN**: 2015: 28, 2016: 33, 2017: 39 (6% increase)
- **UNITED STATES**: 2015: 22, 2016: 20, 2017: 28
- **GERMANY**: 2015: 20, 2016: 22, 2017: 69 (8% increase)

Source: IFR Statistical Department
Vietnam now 7th largest destination

Estimated worldwide annual supply of industrial robots at year-end main markets 2015 - 2017

Source: IFR Statistical Department
2017: electronics, automotive and metal industry are main drivers

Estimated annual supply of industrial robots at year-end by industries worldwide 2015-2017

- Automotive industry: 125,000 units in 2017 (+21% from 2015)
- Electrical/electronics: 116,000 units in 2017 (+27% from 2015)
- Metal: 103,000 units in 2017 (+54% from 2015)
- Chemical, rubber and plastics: 98,000 units in 2017 (+9% from 2015)
- Food: 91,000 units in 2017 (+19% from 2015)
- Others: 65,000 units in 2017

Source: IFR Statistical Department
Challenges of the robotics industry

Simplification – critical to SMEs, but also important for large Global Manufacturers

• Easier to use robots with more intuitive programming
• Standardisation and consistency across global brands

Digitalisation - Big Data allowing people to make better decisions about factory operations

• Industry 4.0, linking the real-life factory with a virtual one
• Vision and sensing devices, coupled with analytics platforms
• Machine Learning/AI
Challenges of the robotics industry

Collaboration - humans and robots in shared workplaces without fences opens up new possibilities and concepts in production and in non-industrial areas

- Robots assist humans in the workplace
- More flexibility in the production process – Increase of productivity
  - Shop floor flexibility – not defined by cages
  - New processes to manage low-volume high-mix production
- Cobots in warehouses to manage increasing order volume
Robots and AI – Vision and Reality
Thank you!

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