

Functional Safety



Why functional safety matters

Why functional safety matters is critical wherever people and machines work together. It ensures machines respond predictably to protect people, equipment, and operations







Meet strict standards Comply with IEC 61508, ISO



Sell in the EU Without certification, your machines can't legally be sold in the EU market.



Be ready for tomorrow As safety regulations evolve, our products evolve with them, keeping you compliant without the extra work.

How HMS Networks can help

With over 15 years of experience, TÜV-certified solutions, and expert support, HMS helps you achieve compliance faster and with less risk.

Why choose HMS?

Connect with ease – PROFIsafe, CIP Safety, or FSoE all supported. Proven technology – TÜV-certified to simplify integration and shorten time to market. Expert guidance – From concept to production, we're with you every step. Flexible options – Plug-and-play devices, embedded hardware, or protocol stacks.

"HMS makes it easy to add functional safety — giving you proven technology and the right solution for your application."

Stefan Kraus Functional Safety Manager **HMS Networks**



Four flexible ways to implement functional safety

Choose the right fit for your application.

Safe2Link Remote IO

Plug-and-play with advanced safety features

Type-approved I/O device with SafeBound™ and SS1-t, mounts directly on your machine, connects via CIP Safety over EtherNet/IP.

Choose when: You want the quickest path to add a safe remote stop or integrate multiple local/remote safety signals with zero custom hardware work.



Embedded I/O board with advanced safety features

Compact, pre-certified safety I/O board with SafeBound™ and SS1-t for OEM integration. Uses the Anybus Black Channel for safe communication via CIP Safety.

Choose when: You need advanced safety functions in an embedded form factor for mobile machines or logistics equipment.



Embedded I/O board with standard safety features, multi-protocol

Compact, pre-certified safety I/O board supporting CIP Safety target, PROFIsafe F-device, and FSoE SubDevice. Uses the Anybus Black Channel for safe communication.

Choose when: You want standard safe I/Os with flexibility to match different protocols in factory or mobile automation devices.



Maximum design freedom for expert teams

Certified CIP Safety and FSoE stacks for integration directly into your own safety hardware. **Choose when:** You have in-house expertise to design custom safety hardware and need complete flexibility in device or controller architecture.





| Product | Safety Level | Protocols Supported | Certification | Integration Effort |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---|---|-----------------------|
| Safe2Link Remote IO | Up to SIL3 / PLe | CIP Safety over EtherNet/IP | Type-approved, ready to use | Lowest |
| Safe2Link Pure IO | Up to SIL3 / PLe | CIP Safety (Black Channel UART) | Pre-certified HW, re-certification re- quired | Medium |
| T100 Safety HW | Up to SIL3 / PLe | PROFIsafe (F-device); CIP Safety (target); FSoE (Sub- Device) | Pre-certified HW, re-certification re- quired | Medium |
| Safety Protocol Software | Up to SIL3 / PLe | CIP Safety (Originator + Target); FSoE (Main + Sub) | Pre-certified soft- ware | Highest |

Meeting EU safety standards for mobile robots

Customer: Leading Chinese AMR Manufacturer

Industry: Logistics & Mobile Robotics

Region: China → Europe

The Challenge

To enter the European market, the manufacturer needed to meet Performance Level (PL) d and implement safe remote stop functionality, a requirement for AGVs and AMRs operating near people. Their existing systems weren't compliant with EU safety standards, and time-to-market was critical.

Key Results

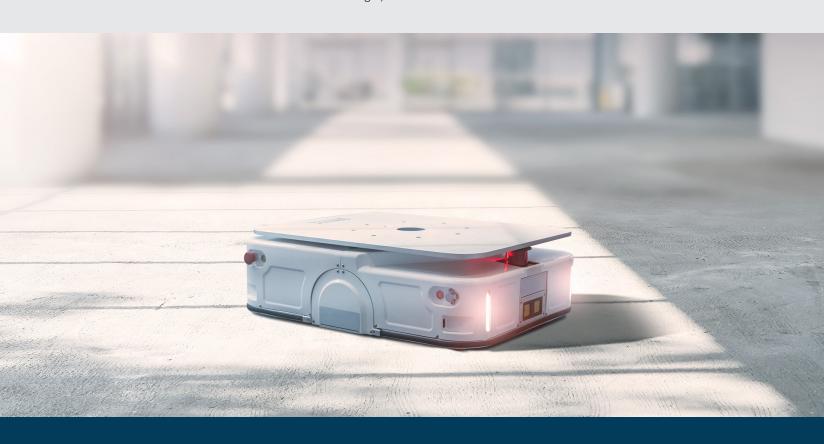
- 10 months from project start to TÜV-certified product
- Protocol flexibility: Easy to change CIP Safety ↔ PROFIsafe without major hardware redesign
- Lower development effort—no need to master foreign safety standards
- Future-ready for upcoming EU Machinery Regulation changes in 2027

The Solution

- HMS Networks provided a complete, TÜV-certified solution:
- Anybus CompactCom for non-safe communication
- Ixxat Safe T100 for implementing CIP Safety to the drive's safe stop inputs
- Pre-certified architecture for faster approval
- Local support in China from HMS engineers

"Partnering with HMS made it easy to add the safety functions our European customers demand. The pre-certified T100 module saved us months of development and certification time."

Product Manager, Chinese AMR manufacturer



Customer success: Easy PROFIsafe integration into safety interlocks

Customer: Fortress Interlocks **Industry:** Industrial Safety Systems

Region: UK & Germany

The Challenge

Fortress needed to add PROFIsafe communication to its amGardpro safety interlock series to meet growing demand from automotive manufacturers in Germany. Building a certified solution in-house would have required significant time and resources.

Key Results

- Quick time-to-market with minimal engineering effort
- Streamlined certification process
- Flexible architecture enabled seamless addition of CIP
 Safety and FSoE with CIP Safety overtaking PROFIsafe as the most adopted protocol
- Competitive edge in markets demanding integrated safety

The Solution

HMS Networks enabled fast integration with:

- Ixxat Safe T100 for PROFIsafe I/O signal management
- Anybus CompactCom for PROFINET communication
- Black channel principle to route safety data securely alongside non-safe communication
- TÜV-pre-certified modules to simplify certification

"The TÜV pre-certification has certainly been a big help for us. We could focus on building best-in-class interlocks, while HMS handled the communication with industrial networks."

Rob Johnson, Senior Electronics Engineer, Fortress Interlocks



Anybus Safe2Link Remote IO-CS

The fastest and easiest way to add functional safe I/Os

A compact, plug-and-play I/O device that mounts directly on AGVs, AMRs, and other mobile machines. Connects to factory safety systems via CIP Safety over EtherNet/IP, offering SIL 3 / PLe type-approved safety with advanced features like SafeBound $^{\text{TM}}$ and SS1-t.

Best for: System integrators or mobile machine builders needing a fast, reliable way to add functional safety and safe communication of critical signals.



| Feature | Details |
|--------------------|---|
| Safety level | SIL 3 (IEC 61508), PLe / Cat. 4 (ISO 13849-1) |
| Protocols | CIP Safety over EtherNet/IP |
| I/Os | 3× dual-channel safe inputs, 1× dual-channel safe output, 2× non-safe outputs |
| Advanced functions | SafeBound™, Configurable SS1-t |
| Enclosure rating | IP54 |
| Connectors | 2× M12 Ethernet, 1× D-Sub25 (power + I/Os) |
| Dimensions | 145.0 x 106.5 x 46.0 mm |
| Certification | Type-approved, TÜV certified |

Anybus Safe2Link Pure IO/CS

Advanced embedded Safety I/O for Mobile Machines

A compact, pre-certified safety I/O board with SafeBound™ and SS1-t for OEM integration. Uses the Anybus Black Channel for safe communication via CIP Safety and simplifies integration inside mobile machines and logistics equipment.

Best for: OEMs building mobile machines or logistics equipment that require advanced safety functions in a compact, embedded format.



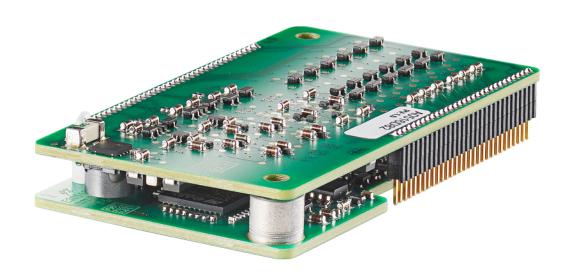
| Feature | Details | |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Safety level | SIL 3 (IEC 61508), PLe / Cat. 4 (ISO 13849-1) | |
| Protocols | CIP Safety over EtherNet/IP | |
| I/Os | 3× dual-channel safe inputs, 1× dual-channel safe output, virtual SS1-t output | |
| Advanced functions | SafeBound™, Configurable SS1-t | |
| Form factor | Embedded module, 30-pin male connector | |
| Dimensions | Approx. 70 × 40 × 13 mm | |
| Operating temperature | −30 °C to +68 °C | |
| Certification | Pre-certified hardware, TÜV documentation for re-certification | |
| Integration | Direct connection to Anybus CompactCom via black channel principle | |

Ixxat Safe T100

Embedded hardware with standard safety features

A compact, pre-certified safety I/O board supporting CIP Safety target, PROFIsafe F-Device, and FSoE SubDevice. Works seamlessly with Anybus CompactCom via the Black Channel principle, enabling flexible integration across factory and mobile automation devices.

Best for: Device manufacturers in factory automation wanting a head start with hardware already built for safety.



| Feature | Details | |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Safety level | SIL 3 (IEC 61508), PLe / Cat. 4 (ISO 13849-1) | |
| Protocols | CIP Safety over EtherNet/IP, FSoE, PROFIsafe | |
| I/Os | 3× dual-channel safe inputs, 1× dual-channel safe output | |
| Form factor | Compact module for embedded installation | |
| Dimensions | Approx. 70 × 40 × 13 mm | |
| Operating temperature | -30 °C to +68 °C | |
| Certification | Pre-certified hardware, TÜV approved, easy re-certification for end product | |
| Integration | Direct connection to Anybus CompactCom via black channel principle | |

Safety Protocol Software

Flexible Safety Communication in Your Own Hardware

Enables direct implementation of CIP Safety and FSoE in your hardware. Supplied as TÜV-approved source code with unit tests and a safety manual, it supports both Target/SubDevice and Originator/MainDevice roles up to SIL 3 / PLe.

Best for: Teams with in-house expertise looking to integrate safety protocols directly into custom hardware designs.



| Feature | CIP Safety Protocol SW | FSoE Protocol SW |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Safety level | Up to SIL 3 (IEC 61508) | Up to SIL 3 (IEC 61508) |
| Standards | CIP Safety Specification (current version) | FSoE Spec ETG.5100 |
| Platforms supported | PC demo, pre-tested with ODVA Testlab | PC demo, conformance pre-tested |
| Integration | Designed for flexible integration on top of existing non-safe EtherNet/IP communication interfaces or software | Designed for flexible integration on top of existing non-safe EtherCAT communication interfaces or software |
| Key features | Platform-independent, supports multiple CIP Safety connections as Originator or Target, easy porting to different HW/SW platforms, supplied as source code | Platform-independent, supports MainDevice & SubDevice roles in parallel, supplied as source code |
| Certification support | TÜV-approved, supplied with unit tests & safety manual | TÜV-approved, supplied with unit tests & safety manual |

Focus on your area of expertise, leave the networking to HMS Networks!

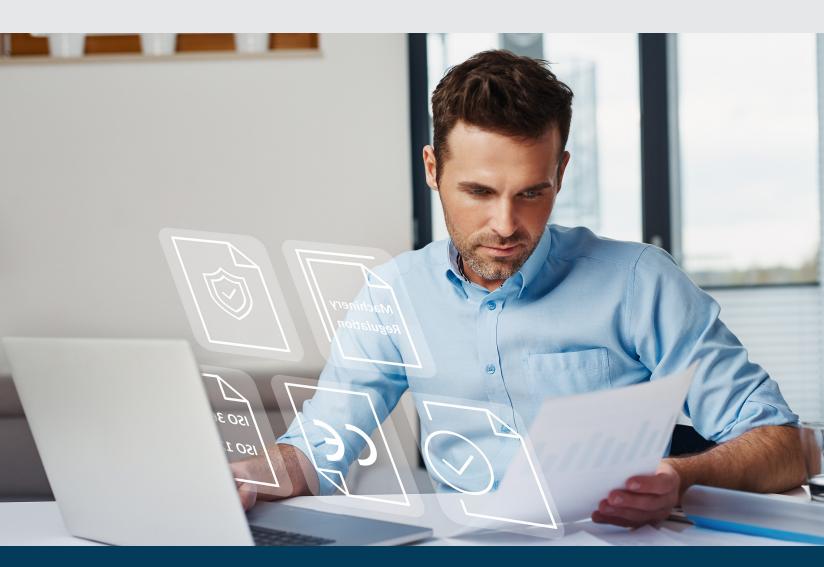
Did you know?

Most networks specifications are updated 1-2 times per year. With Anybus, you don't need to worry about this. You get free software updates whenever networks are revised.







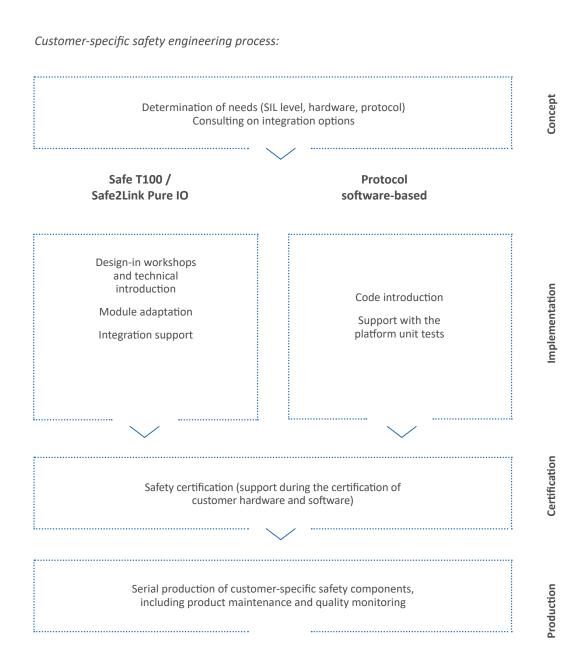


Services – development & consulting

Your partner in safety integration

To ensure a smooth installation, we'll support you every step of the way. From providing minimal assistance with the Safe2Link Remote IO (it's plug-and-play — you've got this!) to offering more hands-on help to integrate Safe2Link Pure IO, Ixxat Safe T100, or customize the Safety Protocol Software for your application. Whatever your choice, we've got your back.

Here's how we work with you:





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