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EnerHarv 2024 Workshop: CONNECT – Energy Research for Sustainable IoT solutions



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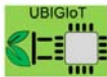


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OVERVIEW

CONNECT Centre – Who we are

Sustainable IoT working group

- Vibrational energy harvesting
- Sustainable energy storage for IoT
- Energy optimization
- Energy Harvesting Testbed

Conclusions

CONNECT Centre in NUMBERS

Ireland's **6G** Research Centre

11 Universities and Research Centres

83 Principal and Funded investigators

36 Large companies

15 SMEs

5 Local Councils

€129M Funding

2015-2026

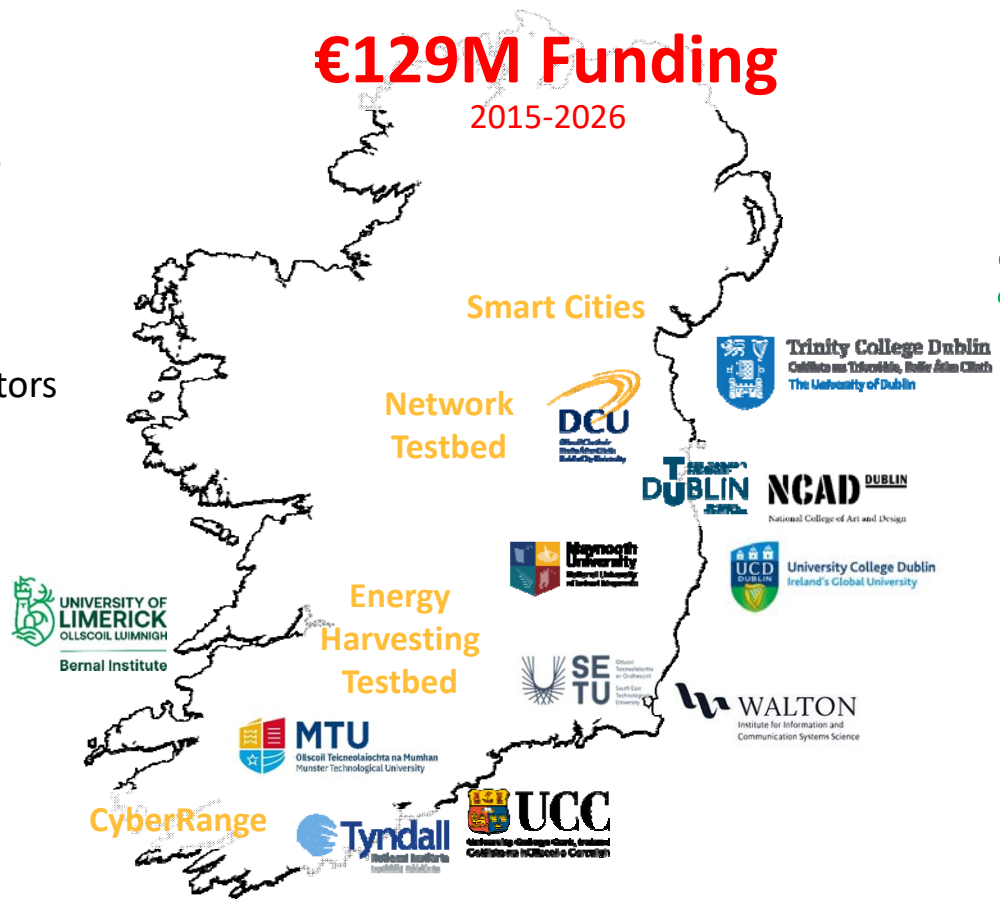
9 Research Themes

2293 Papers

4 Large Research Infrastructure

127 PhD students

9 Spin out companies



CONNECT Centre for Future Networks & Communications



Dependable Networks

- Provision
- Distribution
- Analytics



Sustainable IoT

- Energy
- Platforms
- Security



Link Performance

- Multi Gbps
- Photonics
- Signal Processing



AI Driven Network Optimisation

- Proactive
- Resilient
- Distributed
- Trust



Network Ecologies

- Regulation
- Financial Model
- Human Centric



Quantum & Satellite Communication

- Deploying
- Software/Hardware
- Services



Smart Cities



Cybersecurity



Autonomous Vehicles

Sustainable IoT



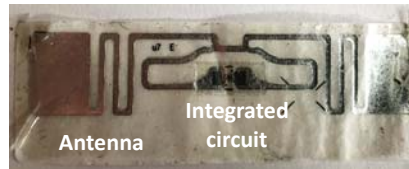
Copilot Designer, AI generated

~ **30 billion** of IoT connected devices will be deployed by 2030

METI Convenience Store RFID Initiative (Japan):
100 billion RFID tags per year by 2025



1-9 million tonnes eq. CO₂
just to fabricate microchips



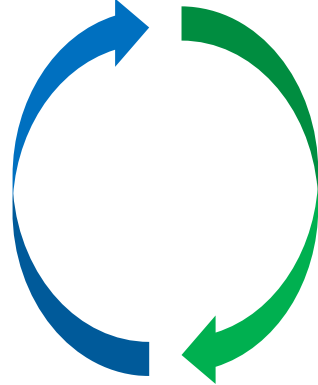
Sustainable IoT – Mission (Aidan Quinn, Connect Review 2023)

Develop resource-efficient fabrication, deployment and usage of **smart sustainable sensors** for “Edge of the Edge” Network

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Platform Projects

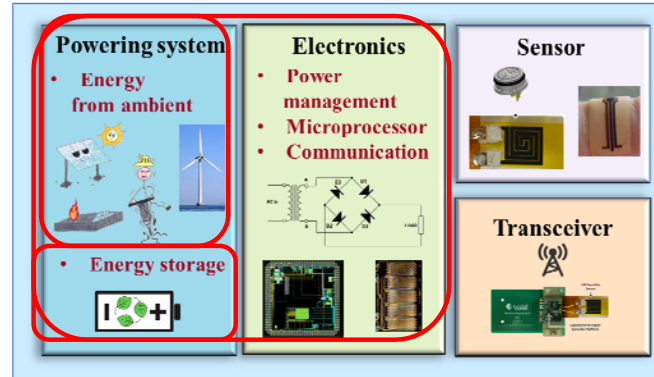
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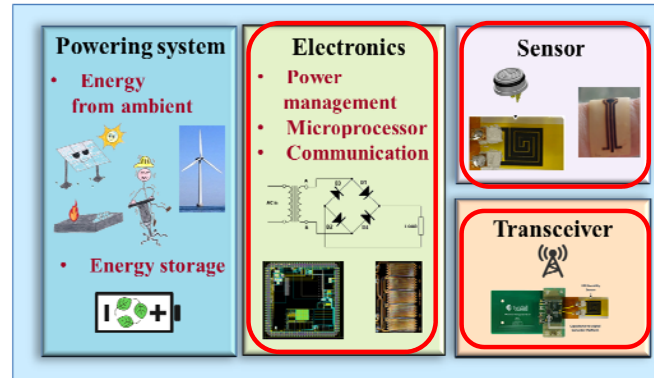
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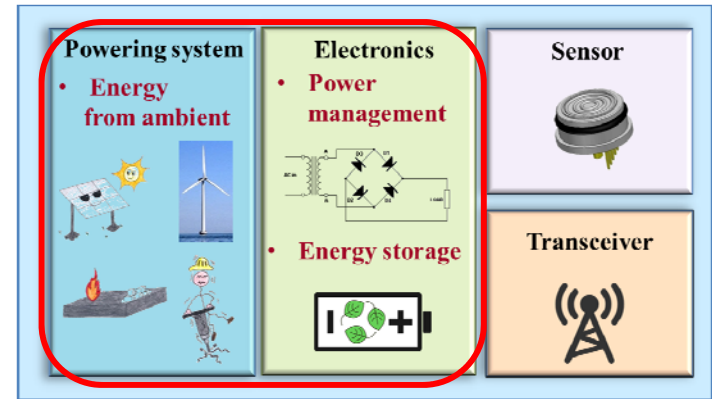
Resilient and Dependable Systems
(Roedig, Sreenan, Pesch)

Sustainable IoT - Energy

OUR CHALLENGE

Provide a **sustainable energy** source to the billions of sensors forming the IoT:

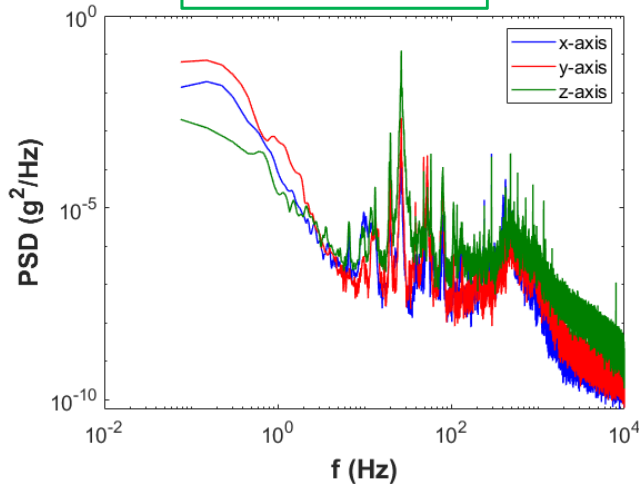
- Recover **ambient energy** (vibration, thermal)
- Develop **sustainable batteries** for energy storage
- Minimise **energy consumption** of the sensor node
- **Optimise** how energy is used



Vibrational Energy Harvesting

Ibnu Taufan, Nouman Ghafoor, Jeff Punch, Valeria Nico, University of Limerick

Acceleration of car



Challenge: to harvest energy from real-world **multi-axial** vibrations

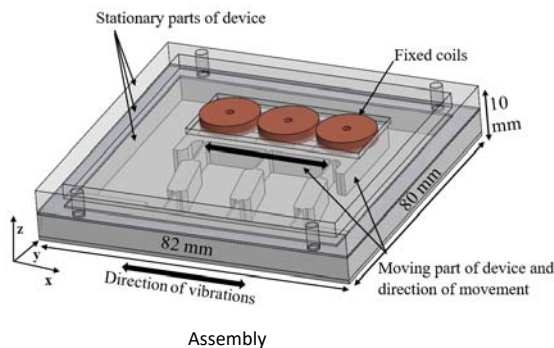
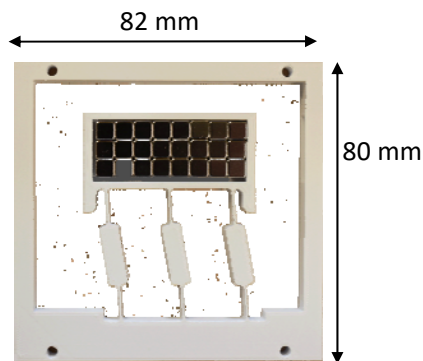


Hybrid Planar Electromagnetic and Out of plane Piezoelectric Energy Harvesting

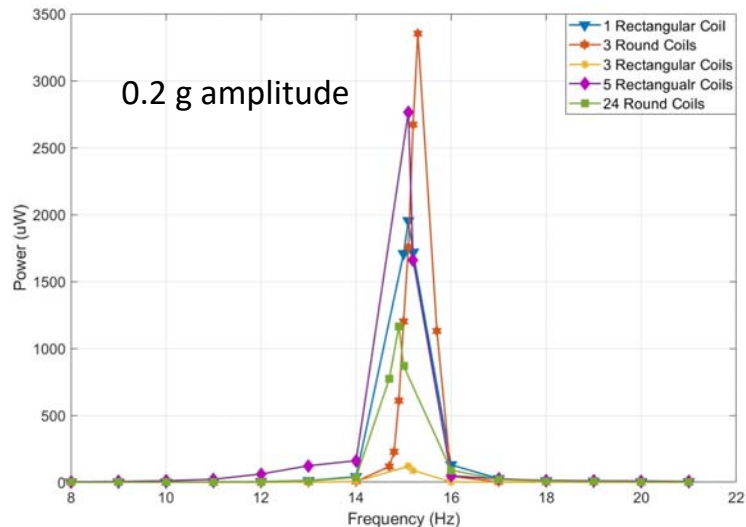
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PLANAR Electromagnetic VEh



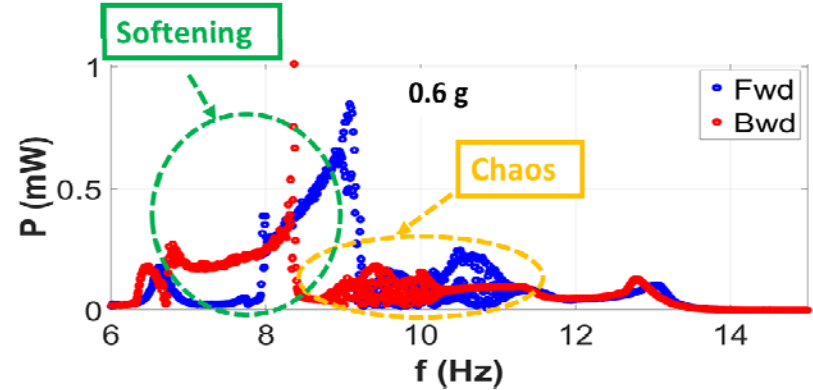
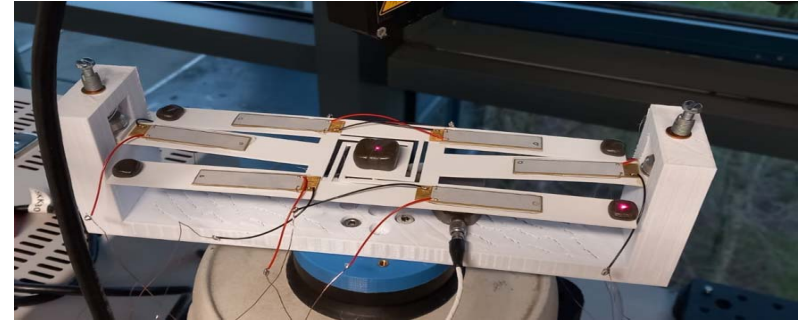
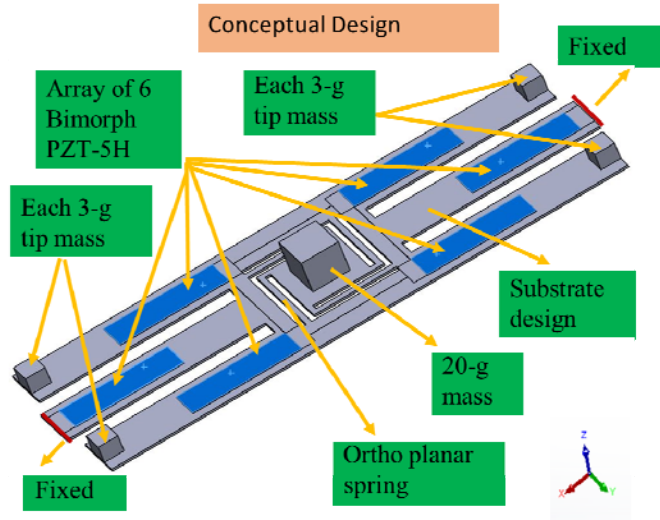
Up to **3.35 mW** generated from an acceleration amplitude of **0.2g***



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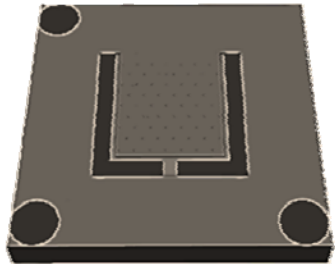
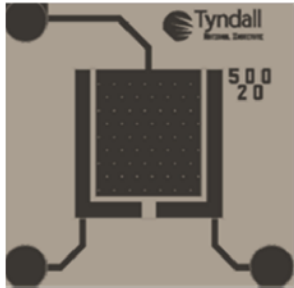
Out-of-Plane piezoelectric VEH



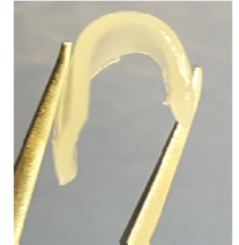
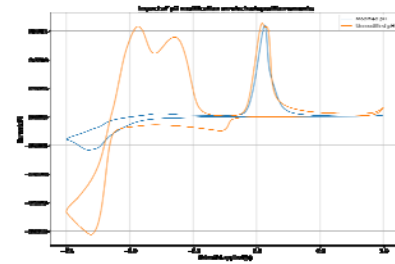
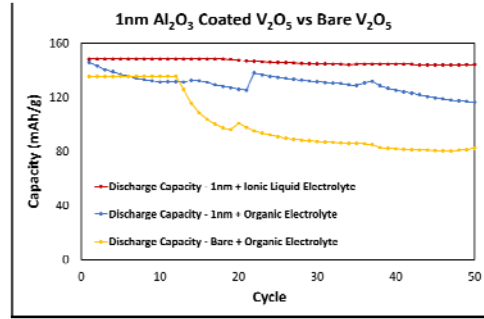
Sustainable Energy Storage for IoT

Neil Curtis, James Rohan, Tyndall National Institute

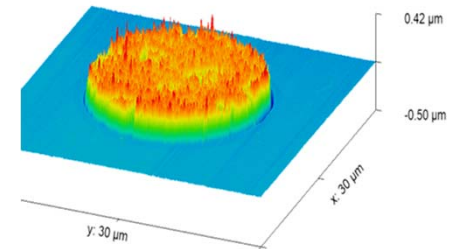
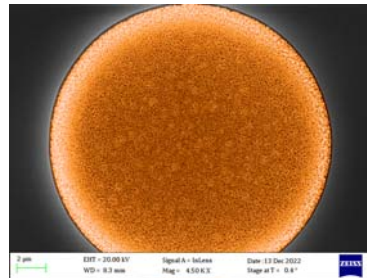
Microelectrode arrays for faster materials analysis



Sustainable materials for energy storage with reduced environmental impact



Nanoporous copper for enhanced nucleation and cycle life with Li metal anodes



Evaluate Energy Efficiency in Low Power Pulse Signals

Yousef Sultan¹, Sachin Sharma¹, Liam Barry,² Somayeh Mohammady¹, ¹ TuDublin, ² DCU

Objective:

Highlight the importance of BER and SNR for energy efficient communications

Key Findings:

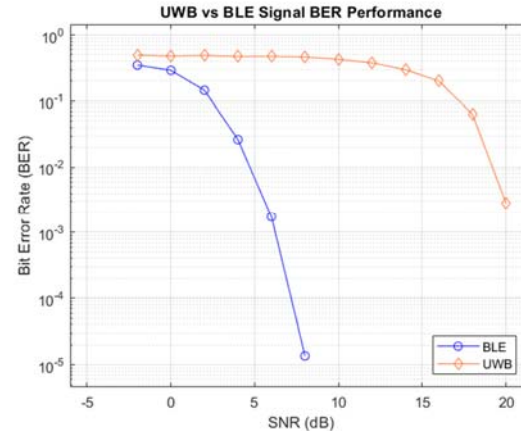
- Both show a positive trend towards lower BER with increasing SNR.
- UWB achieves optimal performance at higher SNR due to its broad bandwidth
- BLE shows lower BER at lower SNR, indicating better performance

Applications:

- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Environmental Monitoring

Future Work:

- UWB for crowd management
- UWB for emergency communications
- UWB for the assistance of the elderly



Energy Optimisation – Bayesian Theory for IoT Devices

Nirmal Wickramasinghe, Indrakshi Dey, Walton Institute



Auction model for Optimal Resource Allocation

- An extended version of Bayesian Game theory for games with incomplete information.
- Auction Model: $A_G = \langle M, N, V, P, B, U \rangle$

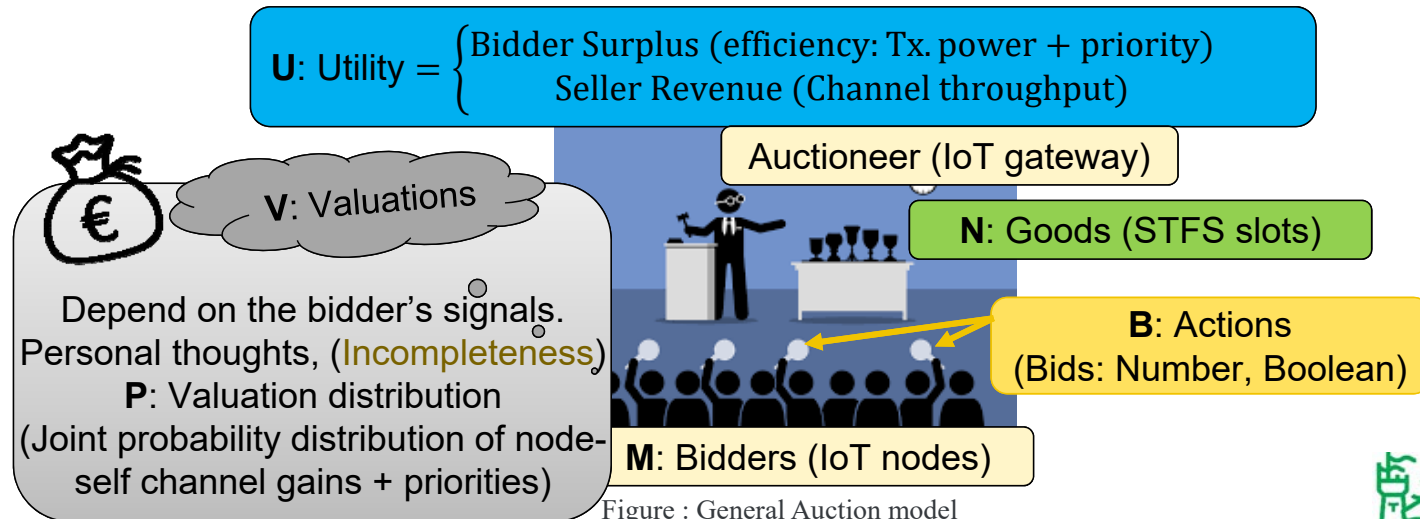





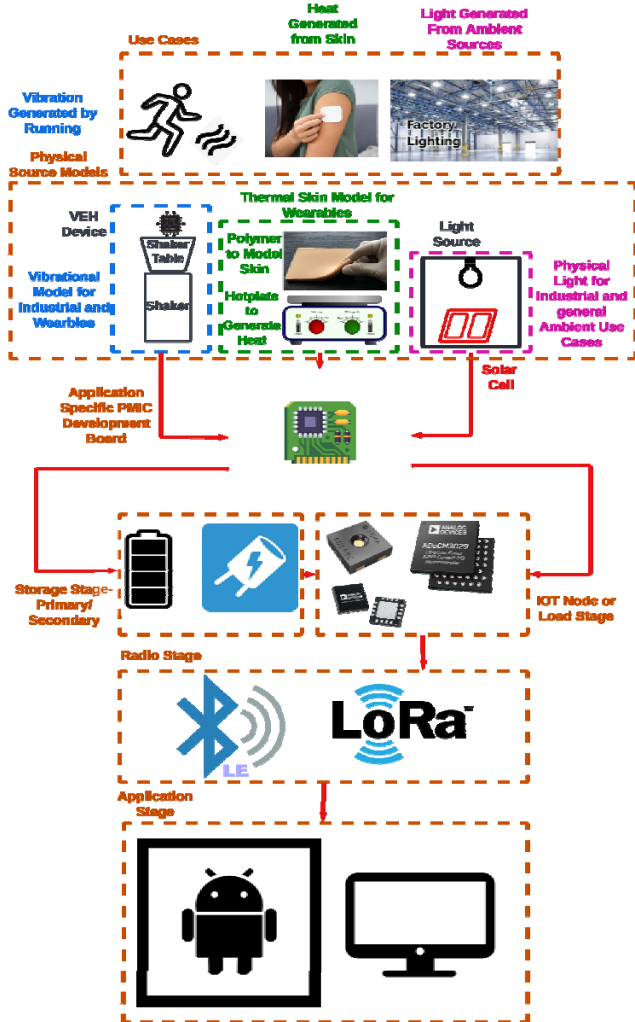
Figure : General Auction model

Energy Harvesting Testbed

Eoin Ahern, Mario Costanza, Prateek Asthana, John Flannery, Mike Hayes
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-  Energy-Harvesting Powered Wireless Sensors to Cloud Application
-  Incorporating Sensor technology, Wireless Communication, Power Storage and Management
-  Aim to Provide Applications for Energy Harvesting Tech Developers, and Energy Harvesting Tech for Application Developers



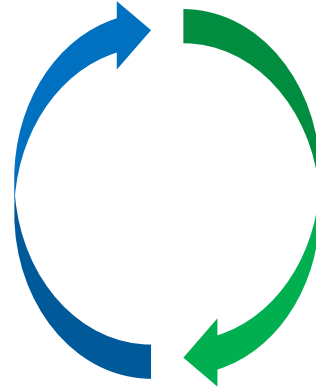
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Q & A



Thanks very much for your time and attention!

Questions/comments???



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Sustainable IoT – who we are

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Utz Roedig	UCC	Co-Chair
Daniela Iacopino	TNI	Co-Chair
Mike Hayes	TNI	Co-Chair
Cian Ó Mathúna	TNI	
Dan Kilper	TCD	
Alan O'Riordan	TNI	
Brendan O'Flynn	TNI	
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David McCloskey	TCD	
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Anthony Robinson	TCD	
Adam Narbudowicz	TCD	
Tim Persoons	TCD	

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16 Funded Investigators

24 Projects

12 Platform projects

4 Industry projects

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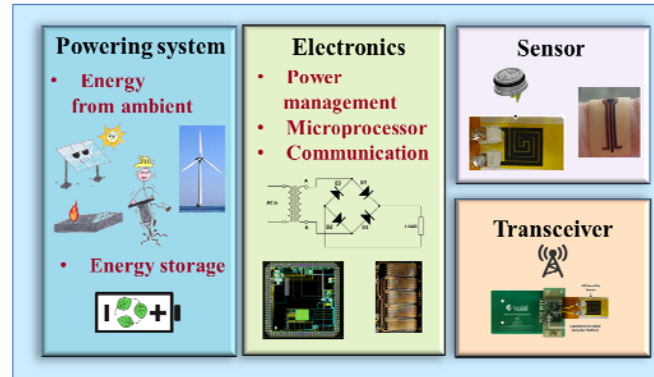
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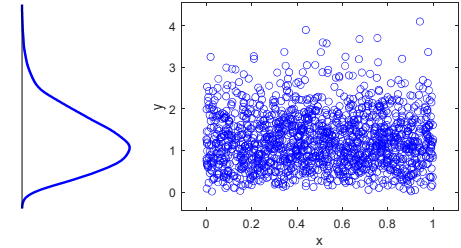
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- **IoT**- Game changing technology that enables the interconnection of heterogeneous devices.
- Challenges for resource allocation:
 - IoT nodes should be in low **SWaP**.
 - Small Size, Weight, and Power.
 - Spectrum.
 - QoS - Quality of Service.
 - M-ary **Hypothesis**, $H_i: i \in \{0, \dots, M - 1\}$.
 - **Energy Efficiency*** (long-life battery).
- Goal: Implement new methods to handle and integrate computing resources within massive IoT networks via distributed decision-making approaches.

Rayleigh distribution: Small scale **channel fading**



Uniform distribution: **Priority** assignment

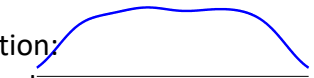


Figure: Joint distribution for node-self priorities with channel gain