Visible Things™

THE EDGE TO ENTERPRISE IOT PLATFORM
Visible Things simplifies the complexity of secure edge to enterprise IoT technology. It delivers a complete evaluation and reference platform to connect smart devices right through to the cloud and enterprise software. Avnet Silica supports an ever increasing range of sensors, connectivity, gateway and security technologies, together with cloud, analytics, mobile and enterprise integration services. We regularly add new features, provide updates and deliver training on our Visible Things platform.

Visible Things is delivered in the form of many different boards which can be taken depending on the functionality required. The very nature of IoT technology requires the features delivered by these boards to be pre-integrated and tested end to end wherever possible. This fundamental principle of Visible Things allows the users to concentrate on their applications to deliver the target IoT business outcomes.

This product brief aims to describe the features delivered and provide guidance to the most appropriate board or kit to use.

Key Features
- Sensor to server security layer on top of network security
- Quick evaluation of end application
- Highest degree of flexibility
- Reduces development time significantly – time saving
- Optimised power consumption
- Integrated and tested communication path from Edge to Enterprise
- Cloud ready

Examples of Target Applications
- Remote monitoring
- Predictive maintenance of motors and drives
- Room control in homes and buildings
- Lighting and shading (indoor & outdoor)
- Security and surveillance
- Home appliances
- Smart energy (metering & in home displays)
- Health care & infrastructure
- Industrial automation, inspection, drives monitoring, sensor hub

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SCOPE OF THE VISIBLE THINGS PLATFORM

![Diagram showing the scope of the Visible Things Platform]

VISIBLE THINGS – FEATURES SUPPORTED

Sensors
- Connectivity
  - Bluetooth Smart
  - Sigfox
  - LoRaWAN
- Temperature
- Proximity/gesture
- Accelerometer
- Gyro
- Compass
- Humidity
- 3-Axis + temperature
- Pressure
- Ambient light
- Secure element

Gateway Functions
- Connectivity
  - Bluetooth
  - WiFi
  - 3G, 4G
  - LoRaWAN
  - Sigfox

- MCUs based on ARM Cortex™-M cores
- Camera module 1.26Mpx
- 1x QVGA TFT display with touchscreen
- Audio – microphone and speaker
- NFC
- 1x PoE PD
- 2x Ethernet IEEE1588v2
- 2x USB (1x HS, 1x FS)
- 1x CAN 2.0B
- 32MB SPI flash
- 32MB SDRAM
- MicroSD card
- Secure element

UbiquiOS™ gateway embedded software:
Ubiquios is an extremely small footprint embedded IoT stack which runs on Visible Things gateways. It manages all aspects of communication and security. It can run on bare metal (in the case of GW001), or within and RTOS (as in the case of GW002).
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**Network stack**

- IEEE 802.11 / Wi-Fi
- Cellular: Modem Manager, PPP, STA, Soft AP (multi-STA)
- Cellular: AT command interface, MLME, Supplicant, Transport drivers

**Cloud and connectivity agents**

- Microsoft Azure IoT Hub
- Amazon AWS IoT
- BlueApp.io

**Strong development roadmap...**

- Mesh, SPP, GAP, RFCOMM, GATT, ATT, SDP, L2CAP
- HCI common layer, HCl transport drivers
SECURITY

A new security feature is added to starter kit 2 SK002. A secure element is added to the Bluetooth sensor node and the Gateway. Server side reference code is available, and the Ubiquios stack manages the exchange of certificates between the sensor, gateway, and server. The result is an additional end to end application security layer. It bridges the gap between expectations of enterprise IT security and the limitations of non IP based low power wireless sensor nodes.

CLOUD SERVICES

Demonstrator cloud platforms are built into the Visible Things starter kits. On top of this sits a whole range of services to develop a deployed solution.

- **Evaluation** – Visible Things cloud starter kit instances.
- **Manage** – Provision, deployment, and management of the cloud service.
- **Build** – Building the Software as a Service (SaaS) specific to customer application – mobile and cloud application development, device management, security, analytics.
- **Enterprise** – Integration of new cloud based and existing systems together – API architecture, industrial use case implementation, enterprise security.

BUILD SERVICES

Avnet Silica and eco system services capabilities to create specific solutions to business issues.

- Mobile and cloud application development
- Device management and end to end security
- Cognitive and predictive analytics
- Advanced visualisation
- Managed services

ENTERPRISE INTEGRATION

Transform clients business models bringing new and existing systems together by working with our services capabilities and partner eco system.

- API architecture
- Industry demonstrators – use cases
- Enterprise class security
## Starter Kit Comparison Table

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**Gateway**

- **NFC**
  - X
- **Bluetooth Smart**
  - ✓
- **NFC**
  - ✓
- **Ethernet**
  - ✓
- **CAN**
  - ✓
- **Embedded Vision**
  - X
- **Audio**
  - X
- **Power Supply**
  - USB
- **PoE and DC Jack**

**Smart Sensor**

- **Bluetooth**
  - ✓
- **Motion**
  - ✓
- **Ambient Light**
  - ✓
- **Proximity Detection**
  - ✓
- **3D-Gesture**
  - ✓
- **Temperature**
  - ✓
- **Humidity**
  - ✓
- **Pressure**
  - X

## Visible Things Deliverables

The Visible Things starter kits consist of a smart sensor with Bluetooth connectivity through to a gateway. The gateway then manages connectivity through the cloud services where sensor data can be visualised and managed with simple tools. A mobile app is delivered to the boards and also directly visualise sensor data.

Both kits are designed to work together with quick start guides to quickly get up and running with a proof of concept. Technical documentation and design files are then available once development and integration of the technology into products starts.

Further smart sensors and PMODs are then available and described below to evaluate further connectivity such as GSM and LPWAN.

An Avnet mobile application for iOS and Android is provided for configuration of the devices locally and to support connections to the cloud service. The application is fully integrated with a quick start guide to make it easy to connect the system from edge to enterprise.

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**SK001 – Entry Level Starter Kit**

**Smart Sensor**

- **Expansion connector**
  - BGM111 (Bluetooth Smart module with ARM Cortex M4)
  - MPU9250 (WiFi, Bluetooth Smart module with ARM Cortex M4)
  - Si7021 (Temperature/Humidity)

- **Low power memory**
  - Macronix MX25R3225

- **Trust controller**
  - Trusted Objects TO136

- **Proximity/Ambient Light Sensor**
  - Si1143

- **Temperature/Humidity**
  - Si7021

- **LAN8742** (Ethernet PHY)

- **Switch**

- **LED**

- **USB power input**

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**Gateway**

- **Bluetooth Smart**

- **PMOD (I2C)**
  - Expansion

- **APM6668** (WiFi, Bluetooth Smart module with ARM Cortex M4)
  - APM Communication

- **LAN8742** (Ethernet PHY)

- **Switch**

- **LED**

- **USB device**

- **Devicepoint Cloud Service (IBM)**
SK002 - INDUSTRIAL STARTER KIT

Industrial Gateway with Energy Harvesting Environmental Sensor

### Smart Sensor

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### WiFi

- MicroSD
- Microsoft Azure
- IBM Bluemix Cloud Services

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**ML9935TI**

*3x3 Fast Ethernet*

**LAN95353TI/ML**

*3x3 Fast Ethernet*

**LAN95353TI**

*3x3 Fast Ethernet*

**LAN95353TI**

*3x3 Fast Ethernet*
**SIGFOX SMART SENSOR**

The Sigfox Smart Sensor, together with local sensors, is managed by an NXP Cortex-M0 microcontroller. Messages are sent directly to a Sigfox server and then Devicepoint™ manages them into the cloud service.

![Sigfox base stations and network server](image)

**Devicepoint™**

**Cloud Service**

**LORAWAN SMART SENSOR**

The LoRaWAN Smart sensor, together with local sensors, is managed by an NXP Cortex-M0 microcontroller. Whether a private or public LoRaWAN network is being used, Avnet Silica can support the integration between the network server and a cloud service such as Devicepoint.

![LoRaWAN base stations and network server](image)

**Devicepoint™**

**Cloud Service**

**GSM PMOD**

As an expansion to the gateway board a GSM PMOD is offered with embedded SIM and SIM connector options.

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