



Internship opportunities
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## **General Information**

#### Why is an internship valuable for you?

In the first instance, an internship needs to be worthwhile for you, the student! Everyone deserves the opportunity to participate in an internship that is captivating and educational, in order to receive a hands-on work experience.

This will help you obtain a better **insight in your chosen field of study** and the possible **career paths** that come with it. You will not only be able to gain and **improve your skills**, but you can also interact with people who practice this profession on a daily basis. They will have the answers to many of your questions and are able to help you **discover your strengths and interests**.



#### Why consider an internship at PsiControl?

At PsiControl, we believe that we can help you and not the other way around. We will **help you define your subject**, by talking about your interests and aligning them with our expertise. Hence, we are able to offer you an internship that will suit you, one that you can be **passionate** about.

In addition, interns are part of our team and have tasks that closely relate to our ongoing projects. A **personal coach** will guide you every step of the way with a view to both realizing the internship goals and optimizing your experience.

#### What does PsiControl do?

PsiControl takes care of the design, development and production of custom-made electronics, human-machine interfaces and touch devices. To facilitate this, we have an **R&D** and prototyping department in Ypres (Belgium) and procurement, production and service activities at our branches in Belgium and Romania.

Our R&D department consists of **several teams** that undertake tasks such as analog and digital electronics design, writing embedded and application software, product design, environmental testing and development of reliable production tests with the goal of increasing quality.

You can find more information about PsiControl by visiting www.psicontrol.com.





#### How can I apply for an internship?

There are two ways to apply for our internships. Firstly, you can contact us by e-mail or telephone to **set up a meeting in which you can tell us about your interests**. We have listed in this folder some topics that are related to our activities and which you can use as a **guideline**. With this information, we can propose a suitable internship subject for you!

#### Contact us via jobs@psicontrol.com

A second option is to apply for one of the **predefined subjects** outlined in this folder!

## PsiControl Research Fields



We have listed a number of topics and skills related to the PsiControl activities. You can review these themes to ascertain whether they align with your interests and, if so, come have a chat with us! Together we can **define** your ideal internship subject.

## HUMAN-MACHINE INTERFACES

**Capacitive Touch** Interface Display Integration Sensors

### **Graphical User Interfaces**Applications in Ot / C++ / C#

Applications in Qt / C++ / C# TouchGFX / Embedded Wizard

Mechanical Product Design 3D-Printing & **Prototyping** Materials Engineering

#### WIRELESS CONNECTIVITY

RF design Antenna Circuits

#### **Internet of Things**

Bluetooth & Wi-Fi TCP/IP Stacks Mesh Networking

#### **DESIGN & COMPLIANCE TESTING**

Immunity Radiation Safety

#### **EMC**

Climate Tests Circuit Verification

#### **POWER**

Consumption Monitoring **Low Power Analog Design**Input-output Control

Battery

#### **FPGA**

State-Machines / **VHDL** Test Bench / Real-time ModelSim / Tcl



#### **APPLICATIONS**

# **Web Integration**GUI Database Management

.NET / C# Angular Js SQL

Qt

#### MOTOR CONTROL

Control of **Stepper Motors** Analog Driver Design

> Feedback System Control Technics

#### LINUX

#### **A9-Processor Platform**

Multicore High Performance Applications

Networking Capabilities **Yocto / Python** Raspberry Pi / BeagleBone

## **Testimonials**



### Alexander Cornelissen & Jarne Wille Electronics-ICT / Kortrijk

During our internship, we investigated several stepper motor drivers that will be used on a Picanol weaving machine. Our coach, Niels was really supportive and always ready to answer our questions. We had a desk right in the middle of the PsiControl colleagues and were part of an ongoing project. We were also invited to join in with all of the social activities, such as after-work drinks and sports. This really helped us feel part of the team.

Furthermore, we appreciated the flexible working hours, and the fact we could even extend our internship to a summer job!

## Tom Lierman Electronics-ICT / Ghent

For a period of five weeks, I was part of a project involving the PsiControl Embedded Software team, writing a protocol analyzer tool.

There is a pleasant and friendly atmosphere in the workplace and everyone was ready to help out and answer all of my questions. For me, it was the perfect place for my first work experience!



# **Proposed Subjects**



The following section contains a few **examples of internships** you can undertake at PsiControl. If you are interested in any them, let us know!

Is your preferred subject not listed here? Don't worry - we can still do our very best to provide you with an internship that is perfect for you.

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### **VISUALIZATION ON EMBEDDED DEVICES: 4.3"**

#### **Description**

The **touch revolution** is still in progress. While many people are used to smartphone touch capabilities, old clunky interfaces (e.g. thermostats) remain widespread.

The challenge is now to bring touch to these **small controller interfaces**. To enable this, we often use the TouchGFX graphical library.

#### Your task

- Prototype and interface on our 4.3" touch platform
- Investigate and demonstrate the capabilities of TouchGFX library

#### **Skills and Tools**

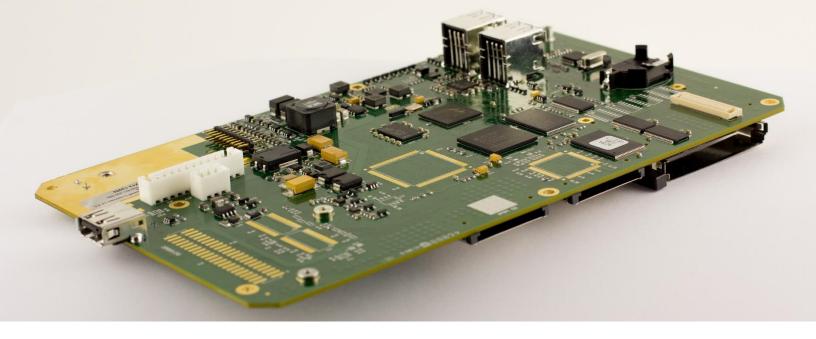
- TouchGFX
- o C++
- Embedded software



#### **Contact**



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### **EVALUATE EMBEDDED WIFI AND BLUETOOTH CHIPSET**

#### Description

Different chipset solutions for Wi-Fi and Bluetooth LE are available on today's market. Our SwipeStat platform supports Bluetooth LE with a specific chipset that is dedicated to BTLE. We now have our eyes set on a chipset featured with two cores, which can handle **both BTLE and WIFI**.

#### Your task

- Evaluate the chipset capabilities, tools, available libraries, ease of use, ...
- o Try out features by using code examples
- Compare BTLE functionality with our current BTLE chipset

#### **Skills and Tools**

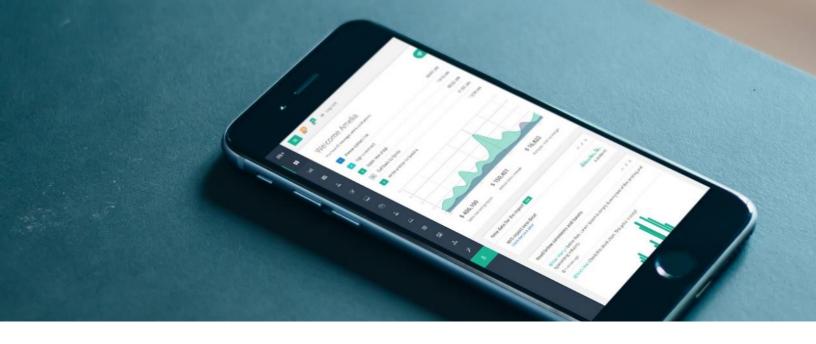
- TCP/IP Stacks
- o Wi-Fi / Bluetooth
- o C++
- Embedded software



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# AUTOMATIC TEST SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING

#### **Description**

PsiControl has two production sites: one is situated in leper, while the other one is in Romania. Part of the production flow involves the functional test of the products on automated test equipment. These test systems in production are monitored by an Excel document. However, this is far from optimal and creates a lot of overhead.

Your goal will be to convert the functionality of this Excel into a **web-based application**. The Front-End will be a lightweight Angular Application while the Back-End will be a C# based web API.

#### Your task

- Develop an intricate part of a Web-Based application in a .net environment
- Create an easy-to-use Graphical User Interface, based on an extended visual template
- Visually show the status of production test systems

#### **Skills and Tools**

- o Web API
- .NET / C#
- o SQL
- Graphical User Interface



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# DEFINITION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN AUTOMATIC TOUCH SCREEN TESTER

#### **Description**

As we integrate a growing amount of displays and capacitive touch solutions, our production testing equipment needs to evolve in order to guarantee the best possible quality for these products. It is a challenging task to **combine a camera setup for vision tests and capacitive touch probes in a compact and automated testing solution.** A combination of hardware and software skills are required to design and implement a reusable touch screen tester.

#### Your task

- Design a positioning table for touch screen testing
- o Program a control mechanism
- Create an automatic test for one of PsiControls
   HMI products using a vision testing library

#### **Skills and Tools**

- Electronics
- Stepper motors
- Programming
- Vision testing



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#### **GENERIC AND EMC BENIGN DISPLAY DRIVER TOOL**

#### **Description**

We have in-house electromagnetic compatibility (EMC), climate and durability testing facilities at PsiControl. We see that displays have a significant impact on the outcome of the EMC tests of our products, but there is little or no data available on how they behave under given circumstances. The risk and lead-time of a project decreases if we can understand and predict the display EMC-behavior. Hence, a stand-alone setup is required to test different kind of displays and each display will have its own software driver.

#### Your task

- Design a generic measurement-ready and EMC benign display setup
- Analyze results of different displays and the impact of various filters

#### **Skills and Tools**

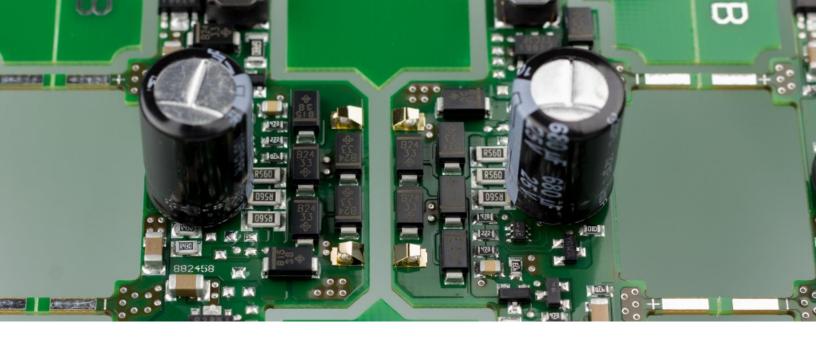
- EMC-measurements
- Displays
- o Embedded software



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# SELECTION AND INTEGRATION OF CAPACITIVE TOUCH SOLUTION IN AN INDUSTRIAL HMI PRODUCT

#### **Description**

Capacitive touch technology is used in a lot in modern products, e.g. smartphones, media players, TV's, etc. However, modern **industrial HMI controllers** are asking for the same look and feel. Since industrial applications require a lot more attention with regard to immunity and environmental influences, PsiControl is looking for the best possible solutions to **integrate** this technology in industrial applications.

#### Your task

- Investigate and compare different technology solutions that are currently available
- Experiment with different solutions and compare them in terms of functionality, ease of use and robustness
- o Integration in a PsiControl HMI product

#### **Skills and Tools**

- Human-Machine Interface
- Capacitive Touch
- EMC-measurements
- Analog Electronics



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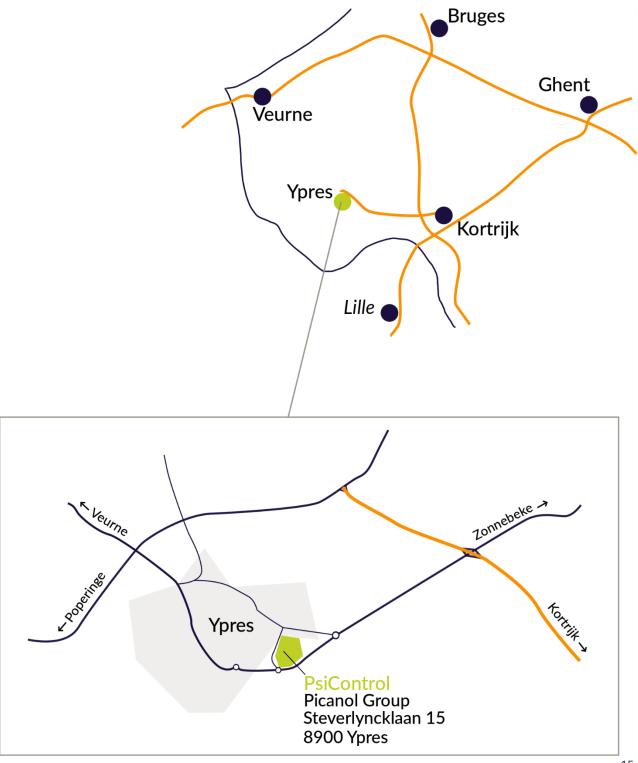
### **PROPOSE YOUR OWN SUBJECT**

The electronics and software sector are evolving rapidly and we are always interested in new projects to investigate! Do you have an idea that you want to work out, or a subject that you are very curious about? Let us know, and we can define your internship or thesis together.

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## Location



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