Abstract: Intuitive, Interoperable, Intelligent – The future of automation engineering will embrace these basic characteristics to continuously reduce the effort and expertise required by engineers to implement industrial automation solutions while increasing the flexibility and the capabilities of engineering tools. This talk will give an overview of several research activities in the area of industrial automation engineering, showing how they aim to realize these three basic characteristics, and provides a vision for automation engineering in the near future.

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