



USER MANUAL

THETIS-I USB RADIO STICK 2611086021011

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We strongly recommend to include in the customer system design, the possibility for a firmware update of the product.



Revision history

Manual version	HW version	Notes	Date
1.0	1.0	Initial version of the manual	March 2021
1.1	1.0	Updated document style	April 2023



Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Name	Description
API	Application Programming Interface	
FSE	Field Sales Engineer	Support and sales contact person responsible for limited sales area
COM Port	Communication Port	
FCC	Federal Communications Commission	
FTDI	Future Technology Devices International	USB-to-Serial converter chip
GPIO	General Purpose Input/Output	
HIGH	High signal level	
LOW	Low signal level	
MCU	Micro Controller Unit	
PC	Personal Computer	
RED	Radio Equipment Directive	
RF	Radio frequency	Describes everything relating to the wireless transmission.
UART		Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter allows communicating with the module of a specific interface.
USB	Universal Serial Bus	
VCP	Virtual COM Port	
VDD	Supply voltage	
WE	Würth Elektronik	

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1 Introduction

The Thetis-I is a radio module that provides wireless connectivity capabilities in the 2.4 GHz frequency band. The Thetis-I USB Radio Stick incorporates the Thetis-I in a USB stick form factor enabling easy interfacing with any USB enabled device like personal computer or laptop. The Thetis-I USB Radio Stick allows quick set-up of a radio link between PC and any system with integrated Thetis-I radio module.

1.1 Ordering information

WE order code	Description
2611086021011	Thetis-I USB Radio Stick

Table 1: Ordering information

1.2 Wirepas™ technology

As an official partner of Wirepas[™], Würth Elektronik eiSos is authorized to make commercial use of Wirepas firmware for the purposes of normal business.



2 Functional description

The Thetis-I USB Radio Stick consists of Thetis-I radio module along with a serial-to-USB adapter that enables direct connection to any USB compatible device. An FTDI serial-to-USB converter chip **FT231X** connects the USB interface to the UART pins of the integrated radio module. Besides UART, additional digital GPIO pins (CBUS) are connected to the radio module to provide special functions like reset. Figure 1 illustrates all the functional components of Thetis-I USB Radio Stick.

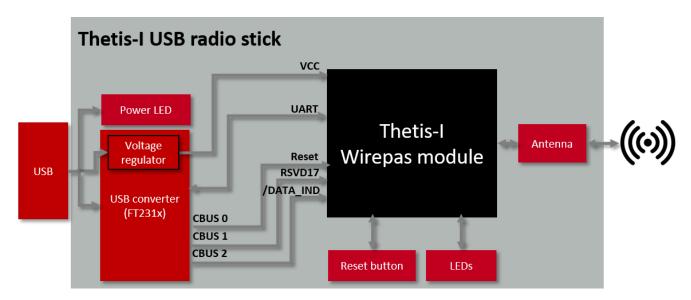


Figure 1: Block diagram of the Thetis-I USB Radio Stick

2.1 Typical Setup

The Thetis-I USB Radio Stick offers the Wirepas Mesh API on its UART interface. Please refer to the Wirepas dual MCU manual [1] for the full documentation.

Two or more modules or USB radio sticks can communicate with each other if they share the same Wirepas network ID, channel and encryption as well as authentication keys. Based on the network configuration, data can be:

- · broadcast;
- multicast to a group;
- unicast to a specific module.

The role of the Thetis-I USB Radio Stick can be:

- · sink;
- routing node;
- non-routing node.

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In the frame of the Wirepas EV-Kit and together with the PC tool Wirepas Commander [4], the USB radio stick can be used in a prototype Wirepas network consisting of the USB radio stick itself, a mini evaluation board, and three sensor nodes. Please refer to the Wirepas Evaluation Kit user manual [2].



2.2 Taking into operation

The serial-to-USB FTDI converter chip **FT231X** requires special drivers to be installed for proper operation. The Virtual COM Port (VCP) drivers have to be installed by following the "Installation Guides" found under: https://www.ftdichip.com/Drivers/VCP.htm



It is recommended to restart the PC after installation of drivers.

On proper installation of the drivers, the module appears as a virtual COM port on the PC (ttyUSBx on Linux, COMx on Windows) in case of the VCP driver use. This COM port can be opened in any serial emulator program or user written software to communicate with the radio module.

The radio module responds to commands in a specific format. Please refer to the corresponding Thetis-I user manual [3] for the complete description of the command set.



When connecting the USB radio stick to the PC, it is recommended to reset the USB radio stick once. This can be done using the USB stick reset button or using the CBUS0 pin (see chapter 2.2.1.1). This reset procedure is also recommended after each reboot of the PC.

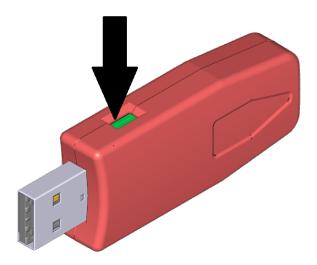


Figure 2: Reset button on the Thetis-I USB Radio Stick

2.2.1 Usage of CBUS pins

To switch the CBUS pins static HIGH or LOW and thus to use the provided pins functions of the Thetis-I radio module, the D2XX driver of FTDI has to be used. This driver is part of the

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previous mentioned VCP driver installation in case of Windows OS. In case of Linux, a manual installation is required.

Please follow FTDI's "Installation Guides" for proper D2XX install:

https://www.ftdichip.com/Drivers/D2XX.htm

Example codes and tutorials for "how to use the D2XX driver within your own software tool" can be found in the software example section of:

https://www.ftdichip.com/Support/SoftwareExamples/CodeExamples.htm

2.2.1.1 Resetting the Thetis-I USB Radio Stick using the CBUS pin

The /RESET pin of the Thetis-I can be used to reset the integrated radio module. As the /RE-SET pin is connected to the CBUS0 pin of the integrated FTDI chip, the radio module can be reset by pulling the CBUS0 pin low for at least 100 ms and releasing it to high level again. By default, the CBUS0 pin of the FT231X is configured as FT_CBUS_GPI0 (bit bang), such that the FTDI D2XX driver function SetBitMode can be used.

```
/* prep: create and connect an FTDI device intance */

/* set CBUS0 to output level LOW */
SetBitMode(0x10, FTDI.FT_BIT_MODES.FT_BIT_MODE_CBUS_BITBANG);

/* hold CBUS0 for at least 100ms on LOW level */
wait_ms(100);

/* clear FTDI receive and send buffers */
Purge(FTDI.FT_PURGE.FT_PURGE_RX | FTDI.FT_PURGE.FT_PURGE_TX);

/* set CBUS0 to output level HIGH */
SetBitMode(0x00, FTDI.FT_BIT_MODES.FT_BIT_MODE_RESET);

/* a delay according to the reset timing parameter will occur (see manual) */

/* disconnect and close the FTDI device instance */
```

Code 1: Pin reset via CBUS0 using the D2XX driver



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3.1 Important notice EU

The use of RF frequencies is limited by national regulations. The Thetis-I USB Radio Stick has been designed to comply with the RED directive 2014/53/EU of the European Union (EU). The Thetis-I USB Radio Stick can be operated without notification and free of charge in the area of the European Union. However, according to the RED directive, restrictions (e.g. in terms of duty cycle or maximum allowed RF power) may apply.

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The use of RF frequencies is limited by national regulations. The Thetis-I USB Radio Stick has been designed to comply with the FCC Part 15.

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EN 300 328 V2.2.2 (2019-07)

EN 301 489-1 V2.2.3

EN 301 489-17 V3.2.4 (2020-09)

EN 62479: 2010

EN 62368-1:2014 + AC:2015

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Place and date of issue



3.4 FCC - Federal Communications Commission

The device has been FCC Part 15 B tested.

Contains FCC ID: R7T1101102

The enclosed device complies with Part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (i.) this device may not cause harmful interference and
- (ii.) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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This device contains ISED: 5136A-1101102

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4 References

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