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to a Society Distinguished Lecturer on

Distributed Intelligence Systems:
A New Paradigm for Systems Integration

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technologies and their application to manufacturing automation, robotic systems,
digital services, and energy systems management.

Abstract: This lecture provides an overview of the technologies of distributed intelligence systems that have
been developed by the presenter and his company, students, and colleagues, in cooperation with the Holonic
Manufacturing Systems Consortium, and members of the Technical Committee on Distributed Intelligent
Systems of the IEEE Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society. A hardware and software architecture will be
described for a wireless distributed intelligence system infrastructure being developed at Intelligent Robotics
Corporation in cooperation with the Intelligent/Distributed Enterprise Automation Laboratory of Simon Fraser
University. Some recent applications of distributed intelligence systems will be described, including distributed
trading of digital services, personnel and goods tracking, wireless automated meter reading, and resource
management in distributed energy systems.

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