

## Create and use OPC-UA variables

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### Introduction

This document describes the steps to create variables in COMBIVIS studio 6 and communicate via OPC UA to COMBIVIS studio HMI or UaExpert.

### **OPC UA server**

## **Device Settings for OPC UA on Windows devices**

If licensed the OPC UA Server will start automatically.

#### Hint:

It's mandatory to choose a network location for a communication with OPC UA. Our suggestion is to select the "work network".

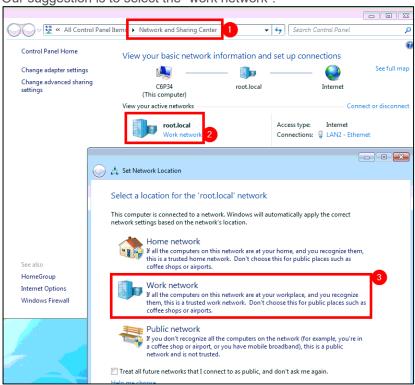


Figure 1 [Set Network Location]



## **Device Settings for OPC UA on Linux devices**

If licensed the OPC UA Server will start automatically.

### **Diagnostic and Configuration**

On E22 Linux devices the service shell allows additional options:

Login as user "service" Choose "Package menu"

Please, select operation from list below:

- 1) Show/change ip address
- 2) Change hostname
- 6) Package menu
- 7) Show version information
- 8) Change password
- s) Shutdown
- r) Reboot
- -----
- q) Exit

Choose "keb-opc-ua-server"

Please, select a package:

1) keb-opc-ua-server

q) Back to main menu

### Choose one of the options:

Please, select operation from list below:

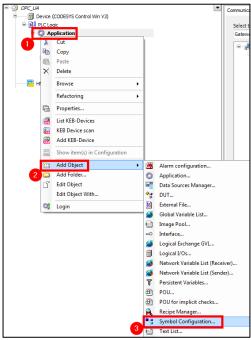
- 1) Disable
- 2) Stop
- 3) Show logs
- \_\_\_\_\_
- I) Show license listt) Show license texts
- -----
- q) Back to main menu



## Variable Configuration in COMBIVIS studio 6

Hint: An OPC UA server license is necessary on the target device

Add in COMBIVIS studio 6 the symbol configuration and enable the checkbox "Support OPC UA Features"



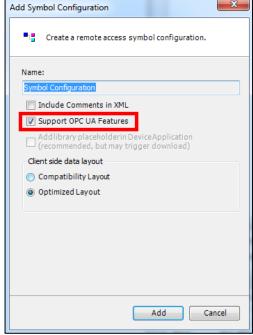


Figure 2 [Add Symbol configuration]

Figure 3 [Settings Symbol configuration]

Choose in the symbol configuration the variables which you want to use via OPC-UA. Download and start the COMBIVIS studio 6 application on your PLC.

Add the created variables in the KEB visualization COMBIVIS studio HMI or in UaExpert. (Follow the next chapters)



### **OPC UA client**

You can use the different programs to receive the variables from the OPC UA Server. Following are the steps to use COMBIVIS studio HMI and UaExpert.

### **COMBIVIS studio HMI**

Add a new OPC UA Tag with a right click to your project. If you click "Add Endpoint" a new window is open.

Enter there following code:

opc.tcp://"IP-Address of the PLC":"Port"

E.g.: opc.tcp://172.17.131.3:4840

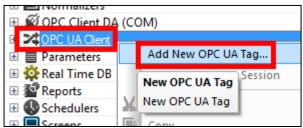


Figure 4 [Add OPC UA Tag]

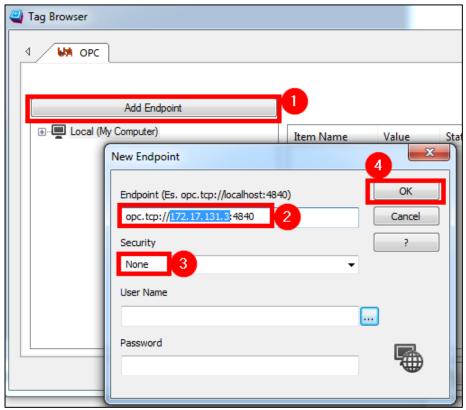


Figure 5 [Add Endpoint]



You can open the new added session and choose the variables which you want to use in your COMBIVIS studio HMI visualization.

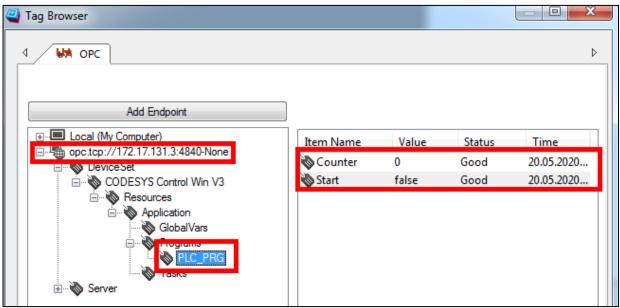


Figure 6 [Add Variable]

The OPC UA variables are implemented in COMBIVIS studio HMI and you can use it in the program like internal variables.



### **UaExpert**

Add a new Server like the following picture. Enter there the IP Address of the PLC like following example:

opc.tcp://"IP-Address of the PLC"

E.g.: opc.tcp://172.17.131.3

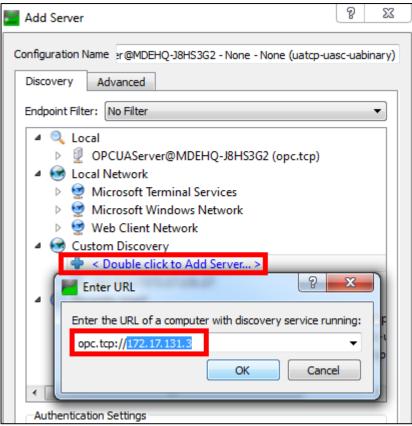


Figure 7 [Add Variable UaExpert]

After connecting with the server you have access to the variables. You can link the variables via drag and drop in the Data Access View.

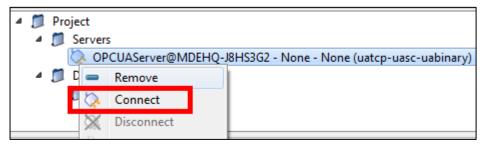


Figure 8 [Connect OPC UA Server]



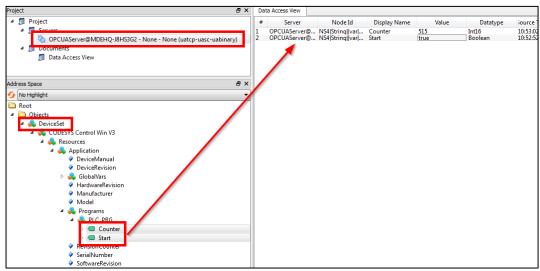


Figure 9 [Display Variable]

#### Hint:

If you have not a connection via UaExpert to the PLC check the properties of the server connection.



Figure 10 [Properties OPC UA Server] 1

Replace the name with the IP address and confirm it.

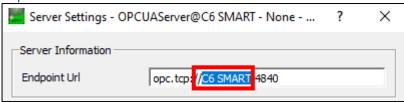


Figure 11 [Old properties]

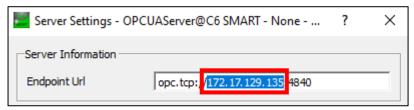


Figure 12 [New properties]



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