

ABB i-bus® KNX i-bus® Tool Product Information



i-bus[®] Tool A professional Service Tool for System Integrators

ABB presents a fully new and innovative software concept with the i-bus® Tool. It supports system integrators during commissioning and service. The i-bus® Tool accesses an ABB i-bus® KNX device via a standard KNX interface (RS232, USB, IP) with the assistance of the physical address. The integrator can trigger the desired functions, read values, simulate states and make settings for the connected device. Internal information and states of the device hardware and software applications, which were not available to the integrators or only available after considerable effort, are now available in a transparent manner and can be specifically retrieved and partly influenced. The information from status bytes can, for example, be represented as plain text. An important principle is that no divergences to the ETS project can result through the i-bus[®] Tool.



* The i-bus® Tool can be used on a common PC with the ETS or on a separate PC.

i-bus[®] Tool Diagnostics and Commissioning Support for the Professional

ABB provides a unique user interface within the i-bus[®] Tool, a so-called plug-in, for every supported device. The devicespecific information is displayed via this plug-in, and the required settings can be made.

The i-bus[®] Tool is being expanded continuously with new functions and supported devices. The expansions are automatically made available by an online update and can be installed if required.

Note: The list of all devices and application versions currently supported can be found at -> Connect -> Supported devices.

The i-bus[®] Tool is optional, i.e. the ABB i-bus[®] KNX devices can still be commissioned using just the ETS.

The i-bus[®] Tool is free-of-charge and can be downloaded at *http://www.abb.com/knx*.

If a KNX interface is already parameterized, this can be selected directly via the item *Connect*. Restarting ETS and i-bus[®] Tool can prove to be helpful with connection problems.

Please observe the following instructions:

- Before using the i-bus[®] Tool, the operator should ensure that he has detailed knowledge of the system concerned as well as the workings and programming of the connected ABB i-bus[®] KNX devices.
- If changes are made to a system in operation, it should be made carefully, as it will have a direct effect on the system.
- It is recommended refresh continuously the device data on the KNX. Continuous refreshing results in an increased KNX bus load. This can lead to impairment of the operating speeds in the KNX network. As an alternative, conversion to manual refreshing is possible.
- The tool "recognizes" in most cases whether device functions are enabled. If a function is not enabled in the ETS, the corresponding window in the i-bus® Tool is greyed out. However, this may not be recognized with some functions. If a determined function cannot be carried out via the tool, the user must check whether this function is enabled in the ETS or whether it is blocked somewhere else.







- The i-bus[®] Tool can be run without administrator rights and does not require installation. Exception: If the tool is started from a network drive, the user must have full administrator rights for the network drive (read and write access).
- The tool connects to the KNX device via the Falcon driver. If the interface is already in use by another tool (e.g. by the ETS), a connection cannot be established. The existing connection must be ended or a second connection must be used.

i-bus[®] Tool Menu and Operation of the Start Page



A connection can be established to an ABB i-bus® KNX device via *Connect*. For this purpose, the physical address of the device must be known or the programming button must be pressed. In this sub-menu, a list of all devices and application versions currently supported can be found.

Connection				
	Physical address	~	Scan	
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		Supported devices	-Back	
		JRA/S		
		IRA/S x.230.1.1		
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		■ JRA/S x.230.5.1		
		 DLR/S DLR/S 8.16.1M 		
		E LR/S		
		 SE/S SE/S 3.16.1 		



The general settings can be undertaken (language, display refresh, number of telegrams) under *Settings*. The path for the update server should not be modified, as otherwise updating can no longer be executed automatically.

Presentation language	Brytish V	
Refresh display	Adomitik 👻	
Telegrams per second (Refresh rate)		
Automatic disconnect from KNX aftermin	30	
Update source location	http://www.knw.gebaeudesysteme.de/sto.g/i-bus-tool/	
Desktop Icon	i bustool	
	ETS convection manager Restare default settings	



The *demo mode* can be used to demonstrate the function of the individual plug-ins without a connected device.

There is no online connection to the KNX system.





All the loaded plug-ins can be shown using the button *Update check* or *Update available*. Updates can be loaded here if they are available.



System requirements:

.NET Framework 4.0, Falcon from 1.8, Windows from XP (32, 64 bit)

i-bus[®] Tool General Functions (valid for all plug-ins)



Navigation bar:



– Back

The previous window is shown again.

This will take you to the start page.



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– Home

- Configuration mode The Display mode is initially active if a connection to a device is established. If commands are to be sent to the device, the device must be changed to configuration mode via the Select configuration mode button. The on-line connection to the required device is activated and deactivated using this menu item.



– Refresh

If "manual" has been set as the refresh mode in the settings, the current state of the device can be read here. A menu with the following menu items can be opened in the upper left corner of the window:

– Settings

Just like the button to the home (start) page, several system settings can be undertaken here.

- ETS connection manager

Bus access is set via the ETS connection manager.

– Screenshot

The current window can be "photographed" using this menu item. The generated image file can be used, for example, with support queries.

End
 The application is closed.

Help menu:



– Display

An context help can appear and disappears on the right edge of the monitor with this menu item.

Device data:



The data of the connected device is displayed in addition to the general settings: Device type, application name, physical address.

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The image size can be adapted with the slider in the lower status toolbar.

i-bus[®] Tool Display and evaluate Device Information

With the aid of the plug-in for the ABB i-bus[®] KNX Blind/Roller Shutter Actuator JRA/S, the following functions, for example, are possible:

- Display and set automatic control
- Display of status values
- Recalling and storing of scenes
- Moving blinds and determination of travel times
- Simulation of alarms and forced operation
- Diagnostic functions



i-bus® Tool – Plug-In for Blind/Roller Shutter Actuator JRA/S



i-bus[®] Tool Display and evaluate Device Information

With the aid of the plug-in for the ABB i-bus[®] KNX Light Controller LR/S, the following functions, for example, are possible:

- Activation/deactivation of light control
- Display of brightness values
- Setting dimming values
- Calibration of constant light control
- Display and setting of parameters for lighting control



i-bus® Tool – Plug-In for Light Controller LR/S

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Back Home	Help Select Refresh Configuration mode Connection	LR/S 4.16.1 Phys Control Dim 4f 1-10V/0.0 Devi Device data	sical address LR/S ice type A050	Demo n	node	
Outputs	Additional function	Switching				
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All	Brightness	Calculation of light control				
	Actual value	1. Enable calibration	Enable calibration			
		2. Artificial light calibration	Start calibration			
		3. Daylight calibration	Start calibration			
		Light controller parameter		_		Ē
	Write	Setpoint	0	0	Write	
		Calculated setpoint	0			
		Actual Value	0	0		
	Relative Dimming 100 % Up Start dimming	Daylight compensation factor	0		Write	
	Sensors					
	Sensor 1 0 Sensor 2	0 54	ensor 3	0	Sensor 4	0

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