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# THALASSA USB RADIO STICK REFERENCE MANUAL

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## **MUST READ**

### **Check for firmware updates**

Before using the product make sure you use the most recent firmware version, data sheet and user manual. This is especially important for Wireless Connectivity products that were not purchased directly from Würth Elektronik eiSos. A firmware update on these respective products may be required.

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

## Revision history

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## Abbreviations and abstract

Abbreviation	Name	Description
FSE	Field Sales Engineer	Support and sales contact person responsible for limited sales area
HIGH	High signal level	
LOW	Low signal level	
RF	Radio frequency	Describes everything relating to the wireless transmission.
UART		Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter allows communicating with the module of a specific interface.
VDD	Supply voltage	

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# 1 Introduction

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

## 1.1 Ordering information

WE order code	Former order code	Description
2606046021001	AMB2561	USB radio stick 2.4 GHz with integrated antenna

Table 1: Ordering information

## 2 Functional description

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

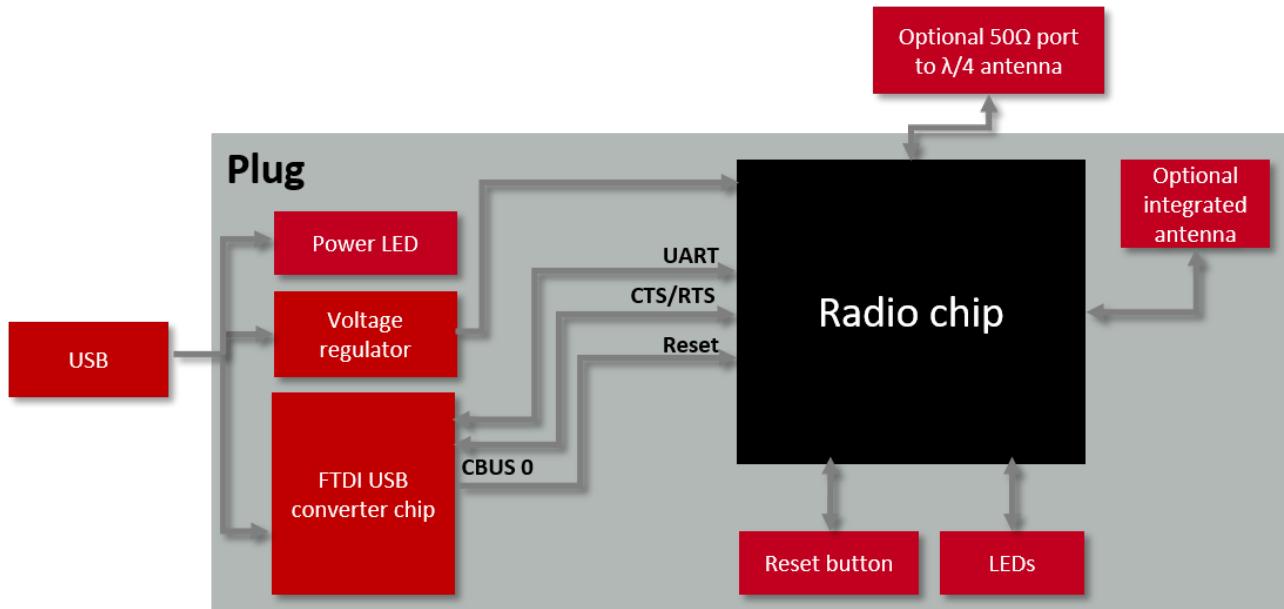


Figure 1: Block diagram of the Thalassa USB radio stick

### 2.1 Taking into operation

To use the Thalassa USB radio stick, the VCP driver of FTDI has to be installed by following the installation guides of FTDI:

<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. This COM port can be opened in any serial emulator program to communicate with the radio module. The radio chip responds to commands in a specific format. Please refer to the user manual of the Thalassa radio module for the complete description of the command set.

#### 2.1.1 Usage of CBUS pins

To switch the CBUS pins high or low and thus to use the provided pins functions of the radio chip, the D2XX driver of FTDI has to be used. This driver is part of the previous mentioned

VCP driver installation.

Examples codes 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>

### 3 Regulatory compliance information

#### 3.1 Important notice EU

The use of RF frequencies is limited by national regulations. The Thalassa USB radio stick has been designed to comply with the R&TTE directive 1999/5/EC and the RED directive 2014/53/EU of the European Union (EU).

The Thalassa USB radio stick can be operated without notification and free of charge in the area of the European Union. However, according to the R&TTE / RED directive, restrictions (e.g. in terms of duty cycle or maximum allowed RF power) may apply.

#### 3.2 Important notice FCC

The use of RF frequencies is limited by national regulations. The Thalassa USB radio stick has been designed to comply with the FCC Part 15.

The Thalassa USB radio stick can be operated without notification and free of charge in the area of the United States of America. However, according to the FCC Part 15, restrictions (e.g. in terms of maximum allowed RF power and antenna) may apply.

### 3.3 EU Declaration of conformity



#### EU DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

**Radio equipment:** 2606046021001

**The manufacturer:** Würth Elektronik eiSos GmbH & Co. KG  
Max-Eyth-Straße 1  
74638 Waldenburg

This declaration of conformity is issued under the sole responsibility of the manufacturer.

**Object of the declaration:** 2606046021001 & 2606046221001

The object of the declaration described above is in conformity with the relevant Union harmonisation legislation: Directive 2014/53/EU and 2011/65/EU.

Following harmonised norms or technical specifications have been applied:

EN 300 440 V2.1.1 (2017-03)  
EN 301 489-1 V2.2.3 (2019-11)  
EN 301 489-3 V2.1.1 (2019-03)  
EN 62479 : 2010  
EN 62368-1: 2014/AC: 2015/A11: 2017

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Trier, 11th of February 2021

Place and date of issue

### 3.4 FCC - Federal Communications Commission

The device has been FCC Part 15 B tested.

Contains FCC ID: R7TAMB2561

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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By ordering a wireless connectivity product, you accept this license terms in all terms.

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