# WiMOD LR Starter Kit

Quick Start Guide



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### Introduction 1

The WiMOD LR Starter Kit is a plug & play solution to explore features and capabilities of the iM880B/iM881A WiMOD LR radio module. This document describes how to get the Starter-Kit SK-iM880B or SK-iM881A running.

#### Content of this Kit 1.1

### Hardware:

- 2x WiMOD Demo Boards
- 2x module specific adapter boards with soldered radio modules •
- 2x external antennas •
- 2x male A/B USB cables
- 4x AAA type batteries
- 1x bootloading cable
- Installation CD containing software and documentation •

# Software and Documentation:

To run the Starter Kit, a PC with Windows 7 (or newer) and at least one USB port are necessary.

Nr	File	Comment			
1	iM88x_StarterKit_QuickStartGuide.pdf	This document			
2	\Documentation\DemoBoard_UserGuide.pdf	User guide for the WiMOD Demo Board			
3	\Documentation\iM880B_AN017_FirmwareUpdate.pdf	Application Note Firmware Update			
4	\Documentation\iM880B_AN011_RangeTest.pdf	Application Note Range Test			
5	\Documentation\iM880B_Datasheet.pdf	iM880B datasheet			
6	\Documentation\iM881A_Datasheet.pdf	iM881A datasheet			
7	\Documentation\WiMOD_LR_Base_Feature_Spec.pdf	WiMOD LR Base firmware features			
8	\Documentation\WiMOD_LR_Base_HCI_Spec.pdf	Host Controller Interface specification			
9	\Documentation\WiMOD_LR_Studio_UserGuide.pdf	WiMOD LR Studio documentation			
10	\Drivers\CDM20814_Setup.exe	USB PC driver			
11	\WiMOD_LR_Base_Firmware\WiMOD_LR_Base_iM880B.hex	Binary firmware file for radio module			
12	\WiMOD_LR_Base_Firmware\WiMOD_LR_Base_iM881A.hex	Binary firmware file for radio module			
13	\WiMOD_LR_Base_Firmware\WiMOD_LR_Base_iU880B.hex	Binary firmware file for USB stick			
14	\WiMOD_LR_DevTool\	Folder with development tool for HCI command exchange with the radio module			
15	\WiMOD_LR_Example_Code\EFM\	Folder with example code for $\mu$ C EFM32			
16	\WiMOD_LR_Example_Code\PC\	Folder with QT example code for the PC			
17	\WiMOD_LR_Studio\	Folder with the WiMOD LR Studio			

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### 2 **Getting Started**

#### Software Setup 2.1

The WiMOD LR Studio can be used for configuration of the preprogrammed radio modules and provides an easy-to-use radio link evaluation.

# Setup of the PC

First copy the complete content of the enclosed installation CD to a local folder on your PC. Then install the hardware driver for the USB chip on your PC. Either take it from the local folder (<local folder>\Drivers\CDM20814 Setup.exe) or get it from the USB chip manufacturer's web site <sup>1</sup>

# WiMOD LR Studio

Copy the complete Folder "WiMOD LR Studio" (from the enclosed installation CD) to a local folder on your PC.

Start the WiMOD LR Studio by double clicking the executable "WiMOD LR Studio.exe".

Open the documentation in the Studio Menu (Help->User Guide) for a detailed description of the included application and its features.

Note: It might be necessary to install the Microsoft Visual C++ 2008 Redistributable Package (x86) in case the WiMOD LR Studio doesn't start. Click the download button on the Microsoft web page. Double click the vcredist x86.exe to install runtime components of Visual C++ libraries on a computer that does not have Visual C++ installed.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.ftdichip.com/Drivers/VCP.htm.

#### 2.2 Hardware Setup

# Setup of the Demo Boards



Figure 1: WiMOD LR module iM880B and Demo Board

- Plug the adapter boards with the soldered radio module on the Demo Boards.
- Mount the antennas on the boards.
- Make sure that the supply voltage jumpers JP1 are set on both boards
- Verify that the jumper configuration is equal to the default jumper setup:



Figure 2-2: Default jumper set-up

Connect the Demo Board with an USB cable to your PC and switch S1 into position "USB". If successful, the power LED (D6) and the USB LED (D5) are turned on. After the Demo Board is detected by your PC as a new hardware please follow the given instructions to install the new virtual COM port.

The orange LED (D4) indicates that the radio module is awake and ready to receive instructions from the WiMOD LR Studio.



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Figure 3-1: WiMOD LR Studio

- 1. Open the WiMOD LR Studio tool to configure the radio module
- 2. Connect both WiMOD Demo Boards with attached iM880B/iM881A radio modules via USB cables to your PC and switch them on
- 3. After the initial virtual COM Port installation is finished the WiMOD LR Studio automatically detects the devices. The two boards will be listed in the left toolbar. If not try to find them by clicking Discover Devices.
- 4. Be sure to choose a reasonable parameter combination to establish a Wireless communication: Radio Mode, Frequency, Channel Bandwidth, Spreading Factor, Error Coding (= > Read Settings)
- 5. For a visual feedback the LED control can be enabled on both devices
- 6. Open the Data Link Service (Radio Services => Data Link Service) at the local device to initiate sending example packets to the peer device



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