

# igus celebrates National Robotics Week with demonstrations at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Rhode Island Robot Block Party

A manufacturer of robotic components, igus will display a number of unique solutions and interact with STEM students at the free event, April 11<sup>th</sup> at Brown University.

**April 1, 2015 – East Providence, Rhode Island –** igus, the motion plastics expert and founder of the yes (Young Engineers Support) Program, will be wrapping up National Robotics Week with an educational celebration at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Robot Block Party, April 11<sup>th</sup> at Brown University's Pizzitola Sports Center, from 12-4 PM.

At the party, igus will have a number of exciting robot giveaways for students, as well as demonstrations of its innovative products for robotic systems, which are used by thousands of machine designers around the world.

The free event is open to the public, and is hosted by the Rhode Island School of the Future and the Humanity Centered Robotics Initiative at Brown University. The day includes more than 50 hands-on exhibits, demonstrations and displays from companies, schools, universities and non-profit organizations from around the area, including Brown University and MIT. To register for the event, or to learn more about the activities and event sponsors, please visit www.risf.net/robot-block-party.

Rhode Island Students of the Future is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that engages young people in science, technology, engineering, math and manufacturing through youth robotics. We provide infrastructure for hands-on, inquiry based STEM outreach programs including FIRST® LEGO® League, professional development workshops for teachers, and the Robot Block Party. Learn more at <a href="https://www.risf.net">www.risf.net</a>.

The Humanity Centered Robotics Initiative is a group of Brown University faculty, students, and affiliates dedicated to robotics as a means to tackle the problems the world faces today. Beyond pursuing the goal of technological advancement, HCRI wants to ensure that these advancements are applicable and beneficial economically and socially. HCRI is working across many disciplines to document the societal needs and applications of human-robot interaction research as well as the ethical, legal, and economic questions that will arise with its



development. HCRI's research ultimately aims to help create and understand robots that coexist harmoniously with humans. Discover more about the organization at <a href="https://www.hcri.brown.edu">www.hcri.brown.edu</a>.

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#### Captions:

#### Picture 0515-01, igus Inc.

igus will be presenting a range of their unique robotic solutions at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Robot Block Party.

### Picture 0515-02, igus Inc.

The Rhode Island Robot Block Party will take place April 11<sup>th</sup> at Brown University's Pizzitola Sports Center.

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