

# Linwave Technology

Defence & Avionics Overview Presentation March 2021

**Company Confidential** 

LINWAVE TECHNOLOGY



## Linwave Technology

Linwave is a specialist in Custom Microwave Modules for harsh environments.

Experienced in the supply of Transceivers, Amplifiers, Sources and Multi chip hybrids for Defence and Aero applications. Customers engaging Linwave for External Enterprise Engineering solutions benefit from our experience in module integration, wide RF product knowledge and use of multiple manufacturing techniques based on work in diverse markets.

Heritage dates back to the early years of Microwave in Lincoln-UK, thro companies like Marconi Electronic Devices(MEDL), AEI Semiconductors, EEV, Plessey. In 2003 the company was founded by an MBO from Celeritek – a Silicon Valley based leader in RF Semiconductors and systems.

Our business is powered by SAP, approved to AS9100 and utilises specialist design software such as MW Office, Solidworks and Altium.



## **Facilities & Capabilities**

- Custom built design & manufacturing facility completed 2012
- 11,000sq ft over 2 floors with 2,500 sq ft class 10,000 clean room facility
- Targeting clearance as a government approved site for military projects
- Internal Access control points installed, perimeter security, cctv
- Environmental initiatives in-built LED lighting, Rainwater harvesting.

#### Engineering

- Harsh environment specialists
- NPI Process
- Mech Design
- RF design
- PCB design and layout
- Digital embedded and control electronics

#### <u>Test</u>

- Frequency to 100GHz
- Spectrum, Vector, Power, Noise and Scalar Analysis Modulated test sources & AW capability
- Phase noise capability
- Temp cycle (LN2) & operational vibs
- Measurement automation routines
- Environmental testing including hot / cold plates,
- Burn-in ovens and operational vibration



#### <u>Assembly</u>

- Fine pitch Solder assembly
- Hybrid chip & wire assy capability
- Gold wedge, ball, ribbon bonders semi Auto and manual
- Epoxy & Eutectic die attach
- Dry Nitrogen backfill
- Bond pull tester
- Gap welder
- Hermetic sealing & Laser welded

## Facilities & Capabilities - Assembly

- In-house manual fine pitch SMT assembly
  - LPKF fast prototyping PCB machine
  - Manual assembly and solder reflow
- Hybrid chip & wire assembly capability
  - Gold wedge, ball, ribbon bonders
  - Eutectic die attach
  - Epoxy die attach
  - Dry Nitrogen backfill
  - Bond pull tester
  - Gap welder
  - Hermetic sealing & Laser welded



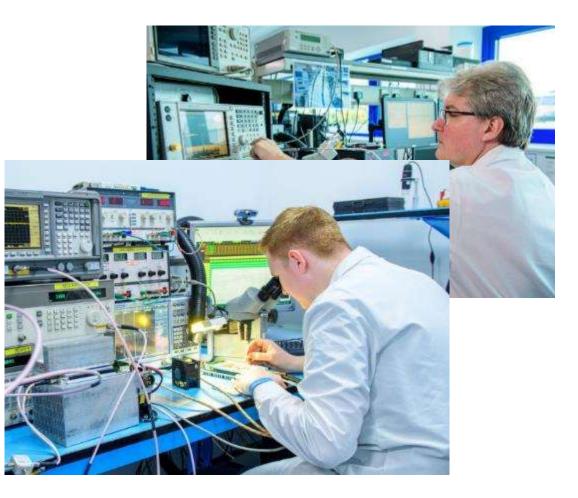
## Facilities & Capabilities – Clean Room

- Class 10000 clean room
- Temperature and humidity controlled
- Inert gas hermetic sealing furnace and projection welding
- Wafer probe capability
- Manual and Semi-Automated wire bonding



### Facilities & Capabilities - Test

- Spectrum, Vector, Power, Noise and Scalar Analysis to 50 GHz
- Modulated test sources & AW capability
- Phase noise capability
- Temp cycle (LN2) & operational vibration capability
- Measurement automation routines for repetitive tests
- Environmental testing including hot / cold plates, Burn-in ovens and operational vibration



### Markets



### **Products & Technologies - Summary**



### Case Study – Data link Converters Ka & ku

### **Application: Airborne Data link Ka band**

- L band to Ku @ 25W linear o/p
- L band to Ka @ 8W linear
- Fan-less Operation
- Custom enclosure for exposure to high altitude 55,000ft
- Integrated Power Amp and Converter for SWaP improvements
- IESS 308 compliant



### Defence Case Study – Radar TX/RX

### **Application: Airborne RADAR**

#### **Product Features :**

- Transceiver containing 2 channel down converters
- Analogue to digital conversion capability
- Internally generated high accuracy system clock levels
- Built in test circuitry for fault detection and isolation
- Selectable TX filtering
- Programmable gain
- Digital interface
- Wide operational temp range -40 / +85C



## Case Study – High Freq Ref Oscillator

### Application: High freq Ref for Radar and 5G Test

#### **Product Features:**

- High freq fundamental for fast clocks and high freq refs
- Fc options up to 10GHz
- Phase noise -151dBc (5GHz @ 1MHz offset)
- Ageing 5x10<sub>-9</sub> dBc/Hz
- Ref 10MHz
- O/P power 20dBm





### Case Study – Naval Digital Rx

### **Application: EW Receiver for Passive surveillance**

#### **Product Features:**

- High target tracking capacity
- Passive Receiver
- Utilises key feature sets for direct conversion to baseband
  - Track and hold,
  - Fibre conversion,
  - Use of ADC's
- Broad operational band of 2.0-18GHz
- Flexible system allows configuration with multiple subbands
   BUPP



## Capability Case Study – Doppler Radar

### **Application: FMCW Radar head**

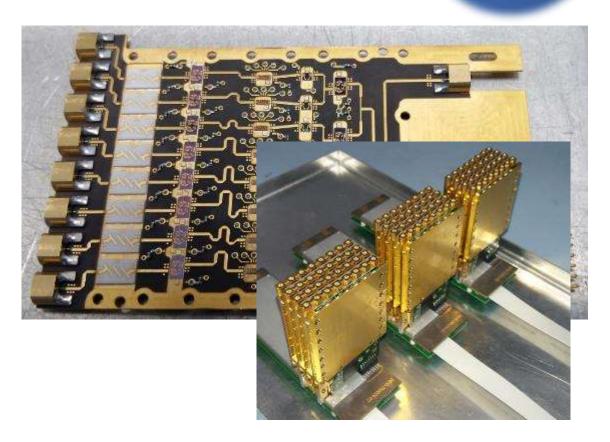
- 77GHz FMCW Radar Head
- Applications include border surveillance, perimeter monitoring and foreign object detection on runways and railway level crossings (24GHz variant – safety critical environment)
- Lightweight & low power consumption
- High available bandwidth
  RUPP
  tronik



### Case Study – Ka Band Converter

Application: Airborne Data link TX RX Ka band Array

- Steerable phased array Ka band system
- Combined Tx and Rx active elements
- Small physical size
- Designed to minimise effects of phase noise
- Design re-use and standardisation for Tx and Rx channels



## Case Study – Power amplifier

### Application: Solid State GaN Amp X band

- 200W Pulsed o/p power 8.5-9.5GHz
- Capable of high duty cycle 80%
- High performance GaN
- 69dB Gain
- -70dBc non harmonic spurious
- Applications ATC, Radar
- Conduction cooled to external heatsink



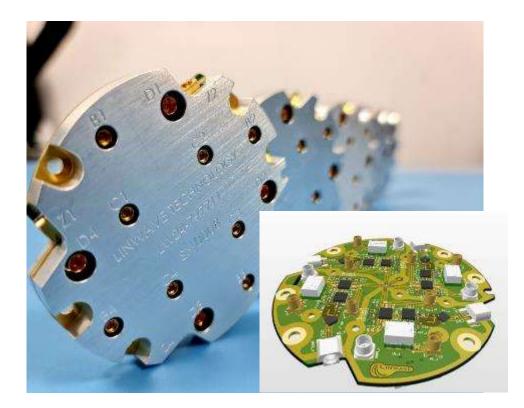


### Case Study – Land EW

### **Application:** Signal control for Direction Finding

#### **Product Features:**

- Antenna 4 channel control and switching
- Broadband module with channel bands at 1MHz 9GHz.
- Integrated Noise source for self calibration
- Bespoke interface and mechanical considerations for antenna integration
- Channel isolation 50dB
- Integrated channel filtering and gain compensation



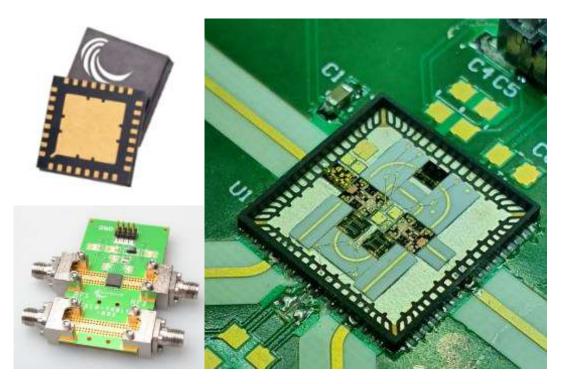


## Case Study – QFN Limiter, LNA/switched Filter

# Application: Integrated Protected LNA for Radar, EW

### **Product Features:**

- Multi chip packaging for integrated solutions
- 2-18GHz Limiter + LNA
- High isolation 2 stage limiter
- 5W CW power handling
- Nominal gain 16dB with 3dB NF
- Multi function variants available
  - Feature sets Filters, switches, LNA
- Optimised selection or banding of die parts for specific applications



5

## Comms Case Study – Receiver

### **Application: SIGINT RECEIVER**

- Satcom and Sat-phone receiver
- Thurya, Iridium & Inmarsat compatible
- Accepts up and downlink signals
- Integrated PC for DSP control and high res graphics interface
- Integrated Geo-location
- Compatible LNA designs available





## Defence Case Study – Radar Beacon

#### **Application: Marine Beacon**

#### **Product Features:**

- S & X band Radar Receiver
- Responds to multiple simultaneous

#### Signals

- Onboard Digital card integration
- Integrated Dual antenna, de-interlever FPGA, LNA and PA modules



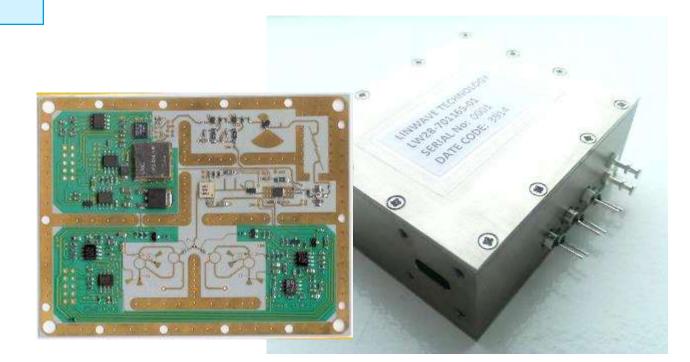


## Security Case Study – FMCW Radar

### **Application: Security sensors**

#### **Product Features:**

- Doppler radar for intrusion detection
- Debris monitoring
- 300MHz FMCW Sweep
- Low phase noise source
- Two switched TX/RX channels
- Inbuilt BITE functions
- Low cost SMT design
- Automotive environmental



## Case Study – Military Comms

- 30-512 MHz 50W Booster Amp
- Combined multiband integrated transmit amplifier and high quality receive LNA with fast DAMA compatible Tx/Rx switching and automatic bypass upon power failure
- Designed to work seamlessly with any tactical half duplex radio or radio repeater
- Its small size and low power consumption makes it particularly suitable for manpack, ground mobile and marine applications, including ultra small vehicle fits where power is at a premium
- ITAR Free

