

It is often said that the whole can be more than the sum of its parts. This is true in almost all aspects of industrial activity. The objective of minimizing waste, variability and unplanned downtime must be met not only by optimizing individual aspects and components but also by considering how different resources and components interact. This edition of *ABB Review*, Focus on productivity, looks at both specific technologies and their broader interaction, all of them serving the goal of greater productivity.



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