

# iE Convert

DC//DC Galvanically isolated converter

## Data sheet



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# 1. iE Convert

## 1.1 About the iE Convert DC//DC galvanically isolated converter

The iE Convert DC//DC galvanically isolated converter is a bidirectional power converter with galvanic isolation.

Galvanically isolated converters are critical for ensuring galvanic isolation and maintaining voltage stability across a wide range of operating conditions. This includes transient events, fluctuating power sources, or changing load demands. The converter dynamically adjusts its duty cycle and switching behaviour to ensure that the output voltage remains within tight tolerances. The galvanically isolated converter also prevents stray currents and circulating currents.

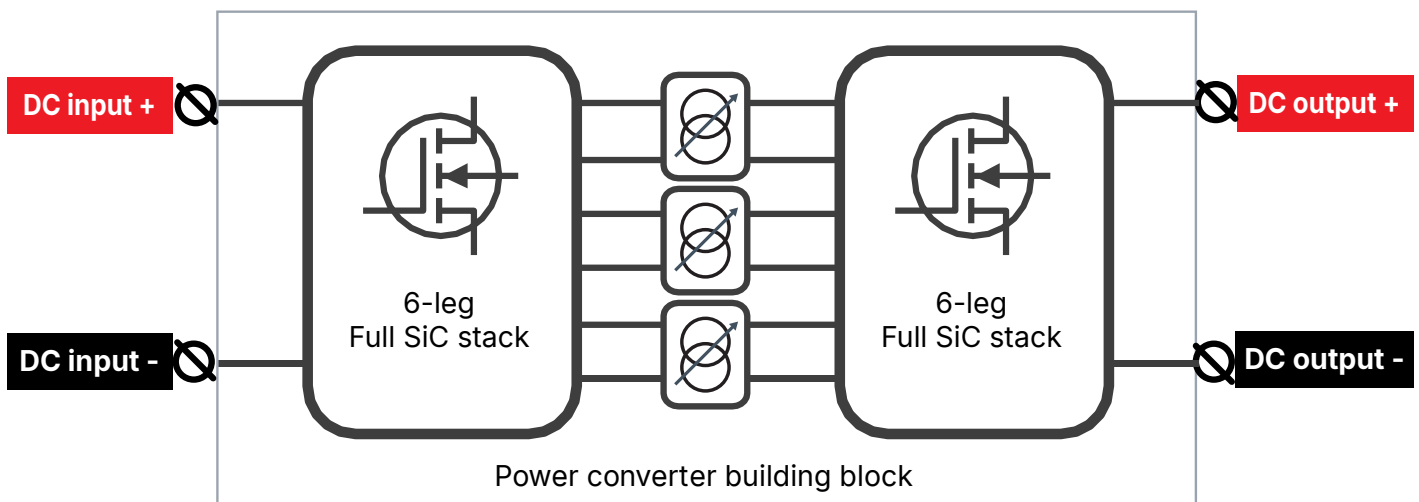
The iE Convert uses SiC module power switching technology. This results in a more compact design with a very high efficiency. The iE Convert is liquid cooled.

### iE Convert 60 kW galvanically isolated converter

This data sheet describes the iE Convert 60 kW galvanically isolated converter. Custom iE Convert DC//DC galvanically isolated converters are also available. These custom converters can be built for different voltages and power capacities. See [Customisable options](#) for details.

### Power converter electrical diagram

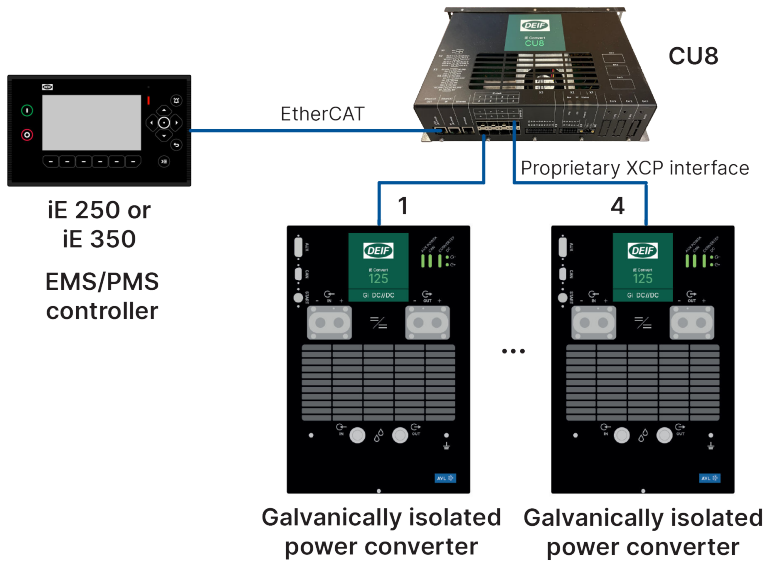
This electrical diagram shows the operation and parts of the galvanically isolated converter.




1.1.1 Power converter control

The power converter building blocks are controlled by a CU8 controller. One CU8 controller controls up to four iE Convert galvanically isolated power converters. For one CU8 controller, the power converters can be in two groups, which have different applications. The CU8 controller allows the power converters to run in parallel, which allows higher power capacity and/or redundancy.

For easy connectivity and configuration, you can connect the CU8 controller to a DEIF controller. For energy/power management (EMS/PMS) functions, and connections to external interfaces, you can use a DEIF iE 250 or iE 350 controller. If you want to use a PLC, you can use the DEIF iE 250, iE 350, or iE 650 PLC. Alternatively, you can use another EMS/PMS controller or PLC brand.



 **More information**  
See the **CU8 controller Data sheet**.

1.1.2 Flexible packages

DEIF supply

	Package A Components	Package C Complete IP2X sets
Tested power stacks, filters, capacitor boards, chokes, and so on	●	
With covers		●
Assembled and tested power converter building blocks		●
Reference designs	●	●

Customer responsibilities

	Package A Components	Package C Complete IP2X sets
Assemble the power converter building blocks	●	
I/O test the power converter building blocks	●	
Suitable containment	●	
Connection to a chiller	●	●
Energy management system*	●	●
Protection products*	●	●

**NOTE** \* The DEIF energy management system and protection products are recommended.

1.1.3 Software versions

The information in this document relates to software version:

Software	Details	Version
CU8*	CU8 controller	1.x.x

**NOTE** \* The CU8 writes application software to the power converters.

### 1.1.4 Easy configuration

Select the power converter building blocks that your application(s) require. You can then use the CU8 controller to select the power converter application(s) and the parameters.

For faster and easy integration, you can use a DEIF iE 250 or iE 350 controller for energy/power management (EMS/PMS). For PLC control, you can use the DEIF iE 250, iE 350 or iE 650 PLC.

## 1.2 Functions and features

	Functions
Bidirectional	Convert DC power from input to output, and from output to input The output voltage is controlled
Modularity	Connect up to four galvanically isolated power converters for higher capacity
Redundancy	Supports individual power converters, and clusters of power converters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Example: A CU8 controller with two groups of power converters</li> <li>Example: Redundant/parallel systems, each with a CU8 controller and two groups of power converters</li> </ul>
Features	Very dynamic FPGA-based control loop
	Electrically isolate the input from the output
	High capacity galvanic isolation
	Protect sensitive equipment
	Prevent stray currents and circulating currents
Applications	Transform power to the required voltage
	Fuel cell
	Electrolyser
	Galvanic isolation for shore power to ships
Local control	Battery energy storage system (BESS)
	Optional multi-line display with function keys (for example, using iE 250)
Other DEIF products	One-click integration

## 1.3 Application examples



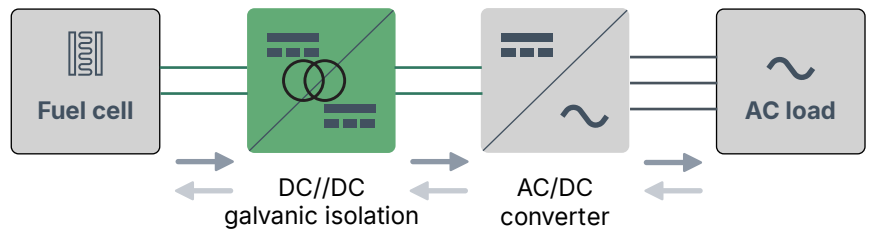
### More information

See the [iE Convert Land Application Guide](#) and the [iE Convert Marine Application Guide](#) for more application examples.



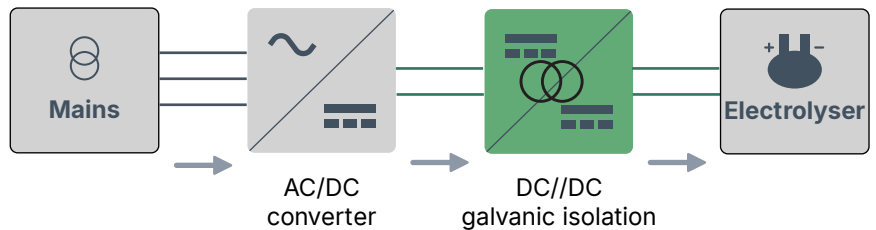
## Fuel cell integration

The DC//DC galvanically isolated converter separates and protects the fuel cell from the AC or DC busbar. It boosts the voltage from the fuel cell to the busbar voltage. It also prevents stray currents.



## Electrolyser integration

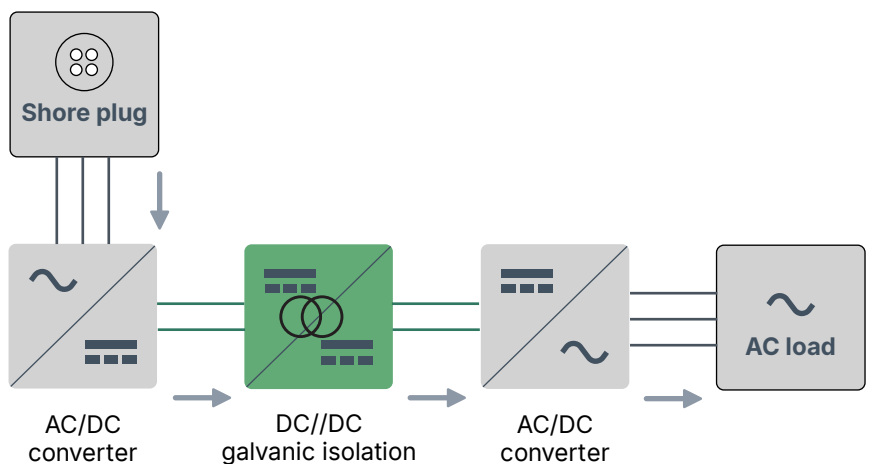
The DC//DC galvanically isolated converter separates and protects the electrolyser from the AC or DC busbar. It boosts the voltage from the electrolyser to the busbar voltage. It also prevents stray currents.



## Shore power connection

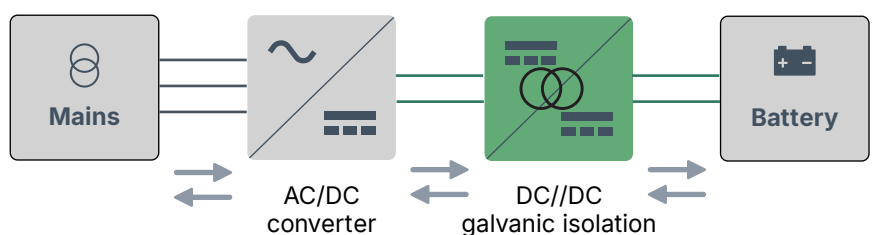
If galvanic isolation is required, a galvanically isolated DC//DC converter can be installed between the AC/DC converter and the DC/AC converter. If the shore connection power has a different voltage and frequency, the iE Convert GI transforms the shore connection power to the required voltage and frequency (so that a shore connection transformer is not required).

If there are any problems with the shore connection power quality, the DC//DC galvanically isolated converter protects the ship.



## Battery systems

If required, the DC//DC galvanically isolated converter separates and protects the battery from the AC or DC busbar. It boosts the voltage from the battery to the busbar voltage. It also prevents stray currents.



## 2. Technical specifications

### 2.1 Electrical specifications

	60 kW galvanically isolated converter (standard product) *
Efficiency	Peak efficiency (stack and filter): >98 %
Power	60 kW
Input (low voltage side)	
Nominal voltage	600 V
Operating voltage	500 to 900 V
Current	98 A
DC line-side capacitance (inside the converter)	20 µF
Output (high voltage side)	
Nominal voltage	1000 to 1100 V
Operating voltage	750 to 1200 V
Maximum voltage	1200 V (transient)
Current	60 A
Maximum DC link ripple voltage	< 2 %
Maximum DC link ripple current	< 2 %
DC link-side capacitance (inside the converter)	5 µF
Auxiliary supply	
Auxiliary supply	Voltage range: 18 to 31.2 V DC (-25 % to +30 %) Nominal voltage: 24 V DC Power: 72 W Connector: D-sub
Standby power consumption (zero power output)	~50 W

**NOTE** \* Custom iE Convert DC//DC galvanically isolated converters with different power stacks, and voltages are also available. See [Customisable options](#) for details.

### 2.2 Alarms and protections

Protections
Hardware over-current trip
Hardware over-voltage trip
Inverter temperature protection
Inverter temperature trip
Short circuit protection
External temperature measurement
Software over-current trip
Software over-voltage trip

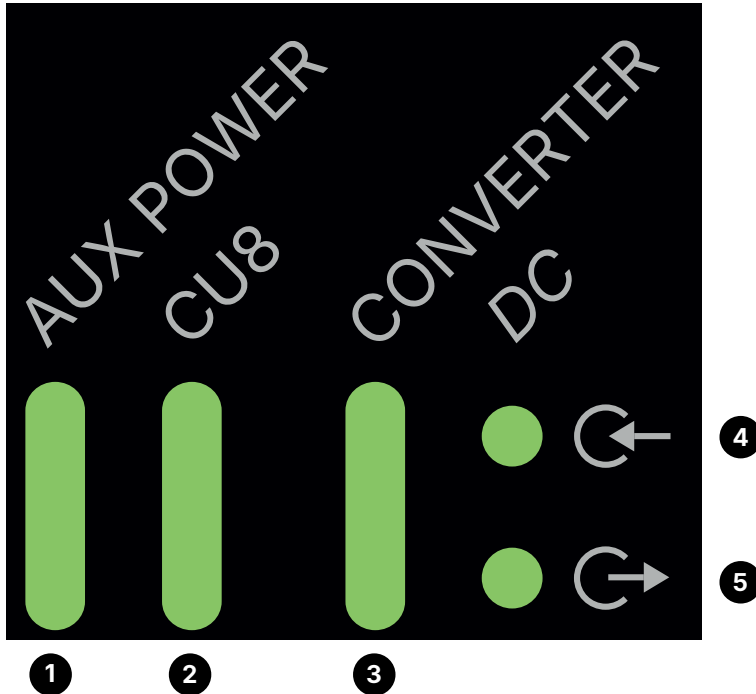
## Protections

Coolant leak

Voltage and load change response

## 2.3 HMI and display

### Power converter LEDs



No.	Name	Function
1	Auxiliary power	Green: Power OK OFF: No power
2	CU8	Red: Error in communication between converter and CU8 OFF: No error in communication
3	Converter	Green: Converter OK OFF: Converter not running
4	DC line	Green: DC line OK OFF: No DC line voltage input
5	DC link	Green: DC link OK OFF: No DC link voltage output

### CU8 controller LEDs





Name	Function
Controller front	
Status LED	Green: Status OK
Safety chain LED	Green: Safety chain in okay, and RCM okay. Orange: Safety chain in okay, and RCM not okay. Orange: Safety chain in not okay, and RCM not okay.
EtherCAT status	Green: Okay Green and orange flashing: Transmission error Red: Not okay OFF: Initialising
EtherCAT	Red: Transmission error
Communication connections	
EtherCAT connection (RJ45)	Green: Connection OK
Ethernet connection (RJ45)	Green: Connection OK Yellow: Activity
SFP+ connection (Enhanced small form-factor pluggable)	Green Red

Using an iE 7 display

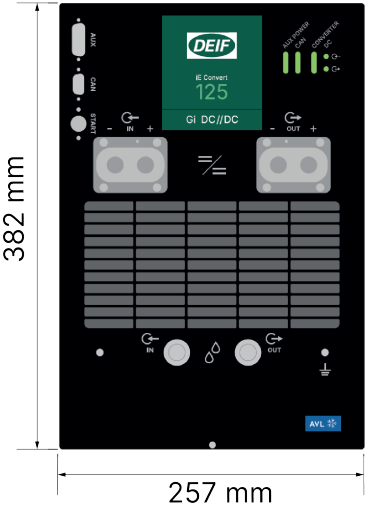
If you connect iE 250 or iE 350 to the CU8, you can use the iE 7 (the display for iE 250 or iE 350) to view the operation of the power converter(s). This configuration fulfils cybersecurity requirements.

CU8 controller display

You can connect a display to the CU8. This configuration does not fulfil cybersecurity requirements.

2.4 Dimensions and weight

iE Convert 60 kW galvanically isolated converter



Dimensions and weight	
Power converter (W x H x D)	Without connectors: 257 mm x 382 mm x 547 mm With connectors: 269 mm x 397 mm x 672 mm
Cabinet	19" rack mount, 600 mm depth
Weight	~55 kg

## 2.5 Mechanical specifications

Mechanical	
DC link	DC power connector
DC line	DC power connector
Input to control auxiliary power supply	Terminal block
Safety chain	2 inputs, 2 outputs
Breaker control	1 digital output
Design life	10 years
Mean time between failures (MTBF)	40000 hours

## 2.6 Environmental specifications

Operating conditions	
Ambient temperature	-20 to 60 °C, with derating over 50 °C
Altitude	0 to 2000 m, with derating from 1500 m
Humidity	95 % relative humidity, non-condensing

Storage conditions	
Ambient temperature	-20 to 70 °C
Altitude	Maximum 3000 m
Humidity	95 % relative humidity, non-condensing

Coolant	
Type	Antifrogen N-water mix: 25:75
Flow rate	< 10 litres/minute for each power converter
Maximum inlet temperature	40 °C, with derating above 35 °C (1 % per °C)
Minimum inlet temperature	20 °C
Pressure	Maximum: 3 bar Pressure drop: < 1.5 bar
Connectors	Quick connectors

Ratings	
Protection degree	IP2X
Pollution degree	II
Over-voltage category	III
Noise	<63 dB

## 2.7 Communication specifications

### CU8 to iE 250/iE 350/iE 650 (or another controller)

Connections	Protocols
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ethernet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EtherCAT</li> </ul>

Connections	Protocols
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CAN bus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CANopen</li> <li>Modbus RTU</li> <li>Modbus TCP</li> </ul>

### Power converter building blocks to CU8

Connection	Protocol
Fiber optic	Proprietary XCP interface

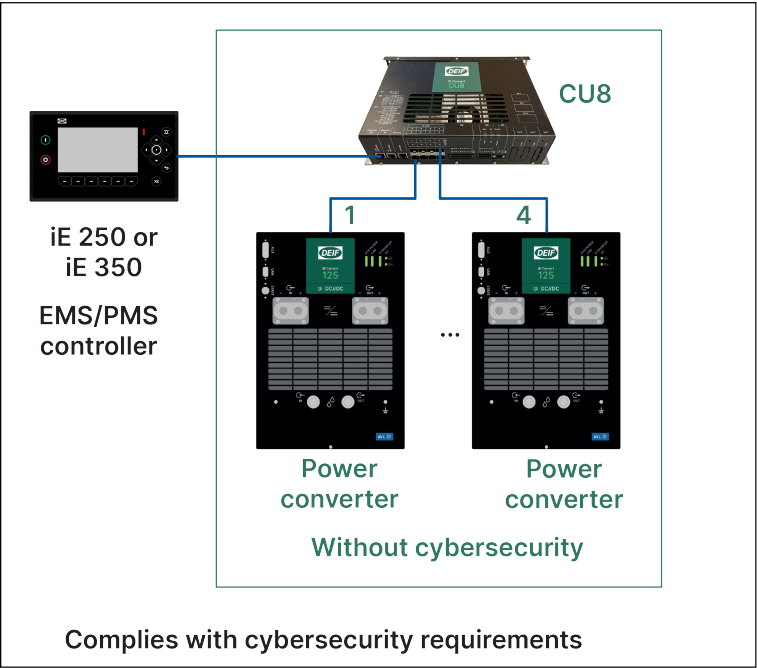
## 2.8 Approvals

Standards
UL 1741 Standard for Inverters, Converters, Controllers and Interconnection System Equipment for Use With Distributed Energy Resources
Marine: DNV, ABS, LR, BV, CCS, KR, RINA and NK1
Land: CE to 61800-5-1

**NOTE** Refer to [www.deif.com](http://www.deif.com) for the most recent approvals.

## 2.9 Cybersecurity

The power converters and the CU8 controller do not include cybersecurity features. However, if these are used with an iE 250, iE 350 or iE 650 to interface to the CU8, the whole system complies with cybersecurity requirements.

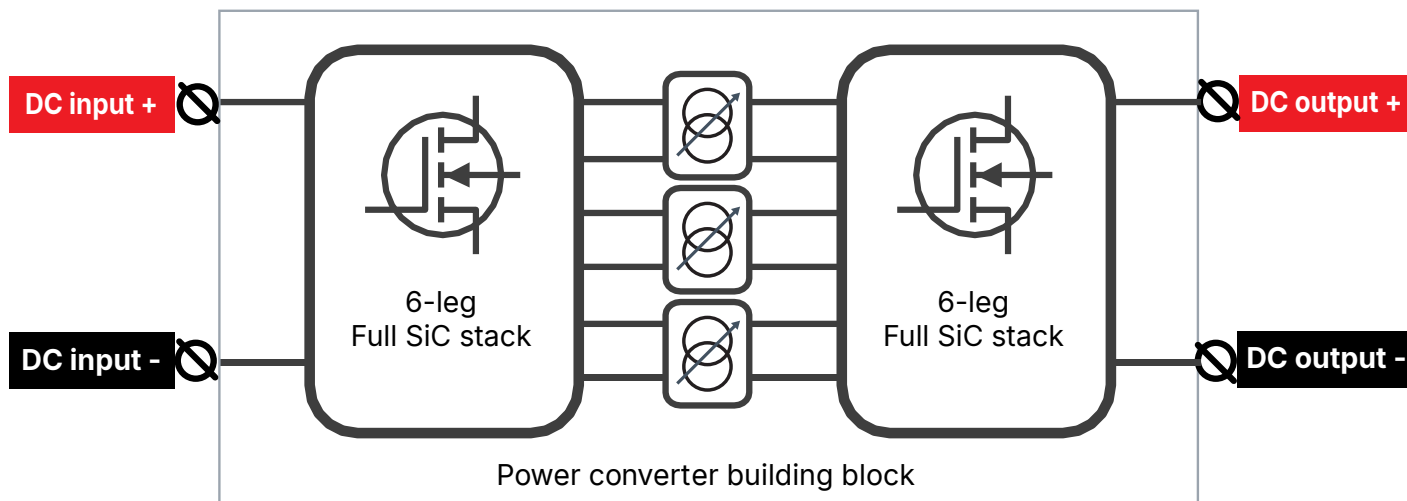


## 3. Customisation

### 3.1 Customisable options

For the iE Convert galvanically isolated power converters, the customer can select the two smart stacks to combined in a dual active bridge (DAB). The customer can choose the input and output smart stacks (listed below) for the required voltages. DEIF needs 6 to 12 months to optimise and build custom solutions.

#### Electrical diagram \*



**NOTE** \* During commissioning, it is possible to swap the input and output (after consultation with DEIF).

#### Smart stacks

Capacity *	DC voltage range
125 kW	200 to 900 V DC
125 kW	800 to 1500 V DC
500 kW	200 to 900 V DC
500 kW	800 to 1400 V DC

**NOTE** \* The smart stacks must have the same capacity.

#### Options

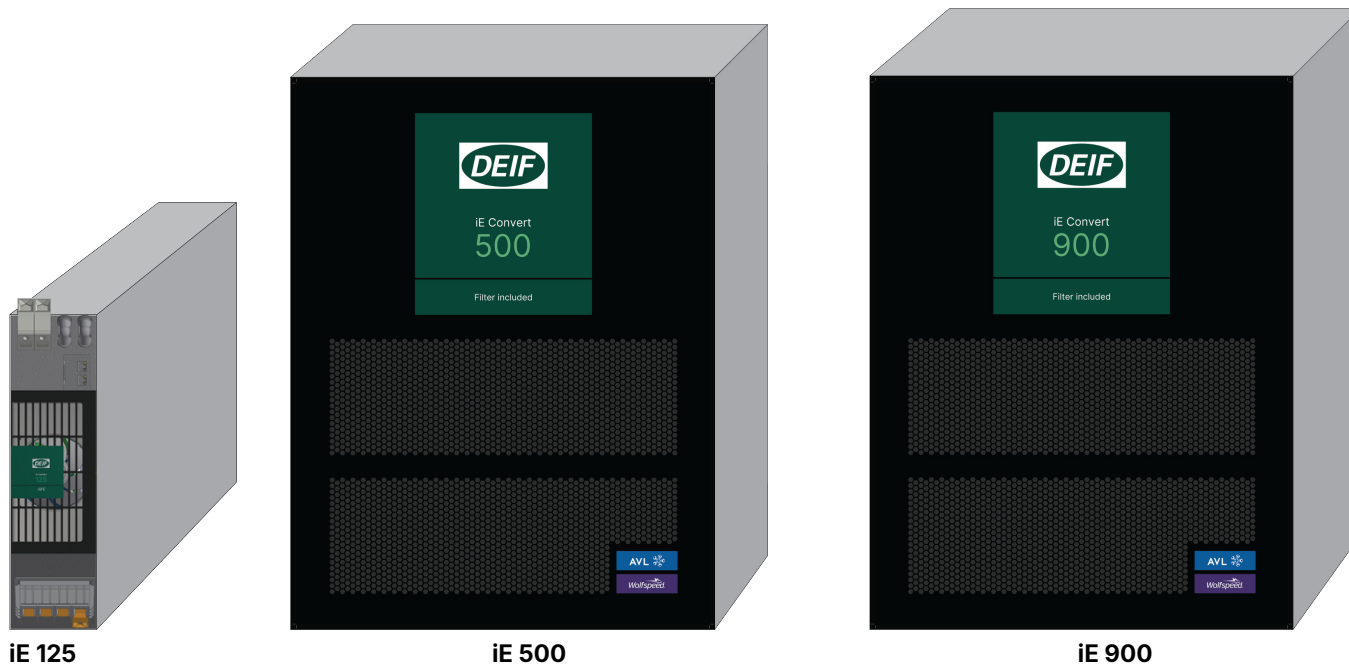
Option	Details
DC cable length	The standard DC cables are 5 m. As an option, the DC cables can be up to 20 m.
Load dump	Starting at 4 A. Load dump can be included or supplied separately.
Pre-charge circuit	Customisable for system requirements.

## 4. Compatible products

### 4.1 iE Convert power converters

iE Convert power converters are available for a range of specifications and applications.

#### Modules



#### Applications



**AC/DC  
AFE**



**DC//DC  
Galvanically isolated**



**AC/DC  
Drive**



**DC/DC  
Buck/boost**

#### Voltage ratings

Maximum 850 V DC		Maximum 1500 V DC	
350 to 850 V DC	208 to 520 V AC	850 to 1500 V DC	400 to 690 V AC

### 4.2 Compatible equipment

#### Controllers with power management and cybersecurity

- iE 250 [www.deif.com/products/ie-250](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-250)
- iE 350 [www.deif.com/products/ie-350](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-350)
- iE 250 Marine [www.deif.com/products/ie-250-marine](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-250-marine)
- iE 350 Marine [www.deif.com/products/ie-350-marine](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-350-marine)

#### Controllers with power management

- iE 150 [www.deif.com/products/ie-150](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-150)
- iE 150 Marine [www.deif.com/products/ie-150-marine](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-150-marine)
- AGC 150 [www.deif.com/products/agc-150-generator](http://www.deif.com/products/agc-150-generator)

- AGC-4 Mk II [www.deif.com/products/agc-4-mk-ii](http://www.deif.com/products/agc-4-mk-ii)

### **PLCs with cybersecurity**

- iE 250 PLC [www.deif.com/products/ie-250-plc/](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-250-plc/)
- iE 350 PLC [www.deif.com/products/ie-350-plc/](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-350-plc/)
- iE 650 PLC [www.deif.com/products/ie-650-plc/](http://www.deif.com/products/ie-650-plc/)

### **Isolation monitoring**

- DC networks, ADL-111Q96 [www.deif.com/products/adl-111q96](http://www.deif.com/products/adl-111q96)
- AC networks, AAL-2 [www.deif.com/products/aal-2](http://www.deif.com/products/aal-2)

### **DC voltage measurement**

iE Measure

### **Protection relays**

Medium voltage relays, MVR-200 series [www.deif.com/products/mvr-200-series/](http://www.deif.com/products/mvr-200-series/)

### **Other equipment**

DEIF has a wide variety of other equipment that is compatible. Here are some examples:

- **Synchrosopes**
  - **CSQ-3** ([www.deif.com/products/csq-3](http://www.deif.com/products/csq-3))
- **Battery chargers/power supplies**
  - **DBC-1** ([www.deif.com/products/dbc-1](http://www.deif.com/products/dbc-1))
- **Current transformers**
  - **ASK** ([www.deif.com/products/ask-asr](http://www.deif.com/products/ask-asr))
  - **KBU** ([www.deif.com/products/kbu](http://www.deif.com/products/kbu))
- **Transducers**
  - **MTR-4** ([www.deif.com/products/mtr-4](http://www.deif.com/products/mtr-4))



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### 5.1 Disclaimer and copyright

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