The TRB3 Read-out Platform – from Calorimeter Read-out to Online Beam Monitoring

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The TRB3 (Trigger Readout Board - Version 3) family which is actively developed at GSI contains a versatile FPGA (Field Programmable Gate Array) platform. A TDC (Time to Digital Converter) is implemented in FPGA technology with 10 ps precision. Several front-end electronics, a complete set of data acquisition and control software is available. The platform is in use by several experiments all over the globe. In this talk the main concepts and the performance of the TRB-platform as well as several applications will be discussed. Main focus will be put on the read-out concept of the HADES electromagnetic calorimeter which is located at GSI. It will also address the possibility to use the TRB-platform for online beam monitoring purposes.

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