Control the Home Using the Force (Band)

Written by Marco Attard 30. 11. 2016

The Force Band is a wearable motion-based controller for the Sphero toy based on the BB-8 robot from the latest Star Wars movie-- but the addition of IFTTT support turns it into a motion controller for all kinds of connected devices.



Controlling the home using the power of the Force (Band) requires the latest version of the companion app. An applet maker allows the easy creation of If This Then That (IFTTT) recipes, combining gensture controls with a variety of enabled devices and services. Thus, one can control a WEMO switch through a "force pull" gesture, "force push" to change the colour of Philips Hue lights or "force stop" to play the Imperial March. As one does.

Users can also pair such gesture controls with social media, pulling to "post Jedi Wisdom to Twitter."

Of course, one can argue IFTTT is more powerful when paired with smartphones and tablets, as opposed to what amounts to a toy controller. But such functionality does sound like a lot of fun, especially for any Star WArs fans out there.

Go Connect Star Wars Force Band to IFTTT