

EtherCAT Technology Group distributes 4000th EtherCAT Vendor ID

With the assignment of the 4000th EtherCAT Vendor ID, the EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) once again underlines the outstanding diversity of EtherCAT manufacturers. The Vendor ID is mandatory for manufacturers of EtherCAT devices and enables those devices to be uniquely identified and assigned worldwide.

Accordingly, each EtherCAT device must bear its manufacturer's unique Vendor ID. The ETG alone assigns EtherCAT Vendor ID numbers and provides precise guidelines for their use. This ensures uniform and reliable interoperability of EtherCAT products in accordance with the EtherCAT specifications, and it is verified by testing with the official EtherCAT Conformance Test Tool.

Oliver Fels, who is responsible for Vendor ID at ETG, explains: "Every manufacturer of an EtherCAT device must be a member of the ETG and have a valid Vendor ID. This must be implemented in every EtherCAT device before it is launched on the market. Users of EtherCAT devices such as machine builders, OEMs or system integrators do not need a Vendor ID."

The allocation of an EtherCAT Vendor ID is free of charge, as is ETG membership. This underlines the openness of the technology. ETG members can apply for the Vendor ID online via the EtherCAT Technology Group website.

Press picture:



Link: www.ethercat.org/images/press/etg_052024.jpg

Picture description: Oliver Fels is responsible for Vendor ID at ETG

Copyright: EtherCAT Technology Group

About EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG):

The EtherCAT Technology Group is an organization in which key user companies from various industries and leading automation suppliers join forces to support, promote and advance the EtherCAT technology. With over 7,500 members from 74 countries the EtherCAT Technology Group has become the largest fieldbus organization in the world. Founded in November 2003, it is also the fastest growing fieldbus organization.

About EtherCAT[®]:

EtherCAT is the Industrial Ethernet technology which stands for high-performance, low-cost, easy to use with a flexible topology. It was introduced in 2003 and has been an international IEC standard and a SEMI standard since 2007. EtherCAT is an open technology: anyone can implement or use it.

➔ For further information please see: www.ethercat.org

Press contact:

EtherCAT Technology Group

Christiane Hammel
Ostendstraße 196
90482 Nuremberg
Germany

Tel.: +49 (911) 5 40 56 226

Fax: +49 (911) 5 40 56 29

press@ethercat.org

www.ethercat.org/presse