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# EtherCAT Technology Group reaches 100 members in Korea

Just over one year after EtherCAT became a national standard in Korea, the EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) is happy to announce that the 100<sup>th</sup> member from Korea recently joined in the organization.

With completing the standardization process of EtherCAT in Korea last year, the groundwork for the further development of the technology in this country has already been prepared. Key Yoo, manager of the Korean ETG office and driving force behind the standardization of EtherCAT in Korea, noticed the shift toward current developments long ago: "With EtherCAT being national standard it's much easier for Korean manufacturers and users to implement EtherCAT technology."

And time has shown that he was right as the ETG welcomes its 100<sup>th</sup> Korean member. Martin Rostan, Executive Director of the EtherCAT Technology Group, is pleased with this result and summarizes the meaning of the Korean market for EtherCAT as follows: "Korea is home to economically very important companies. For example, the world's four largest shipyards are located here – and all of them are ETG members!"

In addition, the three largest companies in Korea themselves are members of the EtherCAT Technology Group. Those three enterprises alone stand for almost one third of the Korean GDP – clear evidence that EtherCAT has reached a commanding level of acceptance in the Korean market.

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### **Press picture**



Picture caption:

Key Yoo, manager of the Korean ETG office, supports, promotes and advances EtherCAT technology in Korea.

#### **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 2,300 members from 56 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 standard since 2007. The EtherCAT Technology Group promotes EtherCAT and is responsible for its continued development. EtherCAT is an open technology: anyone is allowed to implement or use it.

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