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Thomas Waggerhauser appointed Chairman of the ETG Marketing Committee

Thomas Waggerhauser, Managing Director of acontis technologies, has been elected Chairman of the EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) Marketing Committee (MC). He succeeds Christoph Widmann, who chaired the committee from 2014. Members elected Waggerhauser unanimously on October 21, 2026, in Nuremberg, Germany.

At the second ETG Marketing Committee meeting of 2026, Martin Rostan, Executive Director of the EtherCAT Technology Group, thanked Widmann on behalf of the committee for his long-standing commitment to the Marketing Committee and his continued support of ETG activities.

The ETG Marketing Committee serves as a forum for discussing and aligning the organisation's global marketing activities. Its agenda includes national and international trade fair participation, roadshows, and current technology topics and their relevance to the global market. The committee meets twice a year.

Waggerhauser was appointed Managing Director of acontis technologies at the beginning of 2026. Explaining his decision to accept the role, he said: "EtherCAT's international adoption depends not only on strong technology, but also on effective exchange among the companies contributing to its development and application. As Chairman of the ETG Marketing Committee, I look forward to supporting this exchange and helping to communicate the relevance of EtherCAT to automation professionals worldwide."

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Picture caption: At the most recent ETG Marketing Committee meeting, Martin Rostan, Executive Director of the ETG, thanked Christoph Widmann for his long-standing service as Chairman of the Marketing Committee. (From left: Oliver Fels, Christoph Widmann, Martin Rostan)

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Picture caption: Thomas Waggershauer, Managing Director of acontis technologies GmbH, is the new Chairman of the ETG Marketing Committee.

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About the EtherCAT Technology Group:

The EtherCAT Technology Group is an international association of users and manufacturers in which users from various industries collaborate with leading automation providers to support, promote, and further develop EtherCAT technology. It was founded in November 2003 and has over 8,900 member companies from 80 countries.

About EtherCAT®:

EtherCAT is the Industrial Ethernet technology characterized by outstanding performance, low cost, flexible topology, and ease of use. EtherCAT was first introduced in 2003 and has been an international IEC and SEMI standard since 2007. EtherCAT is an open technology: everyone is invited to implement and use EtherCAT.

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