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EtherCAT Technology Group reconfirms its Board of Directors

During the Membership Assembly of the EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) at this year's SPS IPC Drives trade show in Nuremberg, Germany, the three directors of the organization were reconfirmed in their office. Therefore, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Peter Heidrich, Erich Hutflesz, and Martin Rostan have all been re-elected for an additional two year term.

Since 2005, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Peter Heidrich, Erich Hutflesz, and Martin Rostan have comprised the ETG's Board of Directors, as elected by the ETG member companies on a biennial basis. The SPS IPC Drives trade show in Nuremberg, Germany, has been the traditional venue for these elections, conducted as part of the annual Membership Assembly of the ETG.

Main tasks of the ETG Board of Directors are the acceptance of new member companies into the organization, the establishment of working groups and committees, and the clarification of guidelines and rules, for instance, to serve the purpose of protocol conformance and interoperability of EtherCAT devices. Additionally, the Board of Directors organizes the annual Membership Assembly, records the decisions made there, and keeps track of EtherCAT technology developments.

Erich Hutflesz is Electrical Construction Leader of Hydraulic Presses at Schuler AG, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Peter Heidrich represents the Department of Mechatronics and Drive Technology in the field of Machine Building at the University of Pforzheim, and Martin Rostan is Executive Director of the ETG and Head of Technology Marketing at Beckhoff Automation.

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Prof. Dr.-Ing. Peter Heidrich, Martin Rostan, and Erich Hutflesz (from left) have been reconfirmed in their office as the ETG Board of Directors during ETG's 2014 Membership Assembly at the SPS IPC Drives trade show in Nuremberg, Germany.

About EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG):

The EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) is an association in which key user companies from various industries and leading automation suppliers join forces to support, promote and advance the EtherCAT technology. With over 3000 members from 58 countries the EtherCAT Technology Group has become the largest fieldbus organization in the world. Founded in November 2003, it is also the fastest growing association of its kind.

About EtherCAT®:

EtherCAT is the fastest Industrial Ethernet technology and stands for high-performance, low-cost, easy to use with a flexible topology. It was introduced in 2003 and became an international standard and a SEMI standard in 2007. The EtherCAT Technology Group promotes EtherCAT and is responsible for its continued development. EtherCAT is also an open technology: anyone is allowed to implement or use it.

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