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Worldwide Industrial PC partnership secured through 2030

German car manufacturer to source global supply of Industrial PCs and Control Panels from Beckhoff

Beckhoff Automation, based in Verl, Germany, will supply the BMW Group with Industrial PC (IPC) technology for use in car manufacturing through 2030. According to the terms of the recently signed agreement, Beckhoff will supply the production facilities worldwide.

This means that Beckhoff IPC technology will become a global standard for the BMW Group. The Industrial PCs and multi-touch Control Panels will be used – both in new automotive manufacturing facilities and for retrofits – for machine connectivity, access control, data acquisition, visualization and other PC-based tasks. All product categories from the wide Industrial PC portfolio offered by Beckhoff will be used: IP65-rated CP32xx Panel PCs, C6030 ultra-compact IPCs, C5240 19-inch slide-in IPCs and CP29xx multi-touch built-in Control Panels.

Standard Beckhoff products will be used that have been adapted to some extent to ensure optimum retrofitting in existing plants and to include customer-specific key extensions. The comprehensive Beckhoff product portfolio offers the BMW Group the ability to use the latest Intel® Core™ I processor series in a wide range of IPC form factors. On account of the rapid innovation cycles and interoperability within the portfolio, upcoming processor generations will be simple to integrate in the future as well.

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The bundling of all product development steps at Beckhoff, from IPC motherboard and BIOS development to mechanical adaptations, enables optimal answers to customer-specific requirements. In combination with full control over the added-value chain based on in-house assembly and production in Verl, Beckhoff offers the ideal infrastructure for a long-term partnership. In addition, the globally available services provided by Beckhoff ensure optimum support of customers' manufacturing facilities distributed all over the world.

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Panel PCs, Control Panels and Industrial PCs from Beckhoff are used all over the world in car manufacturing.

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