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# ETG opens new EtherCAT Test Center in China

With an official ceremony to mark the occasion, the EtherCAT Technology Group recently opened an official EtherCAT Test Center (ETC) at the Laboratory of Numerical Control and Automation (LNC) at Beihang University in Beijing.

The opening ceremony was held in the new main building of Beihang University and was attended by the dean and the vice dean of the Beihang School of Mechanical Engineering & Automation, Prof. Gang Zhao and Prof. Zhenggan Zhou. Beryl Fan, ETG Representative in China, explains the special meaning of the LNC for EtherCAT: "We are particularly pleased that we established the EtherCAT Test Center at the LNC. Under the management of Prof. Ji Huan, who is a well-known researcher in the field of communication technologies and CNC controls, the LNC was already an acknowledged EtherCAT Competence Center in 2010."

Dr. Yanqiang Liu will be responsible for management and test operation at the ETC. Dr. Liu, who is highly experienced with EtherCAT, even spent 6 months in Germany to study the technology in detail. Together with Prof. Ji Huan he is also the author of the Chinese EtherCAT textbook.

Since joining the ETG in 2005 the LNC has made important contributions to support the promotion of EtherCAT technology. Beryl Fan: "Establishing the ETC at Beihang University is a strategic step that supports the continued work of the ETG in China. Now we can meet the requirements of local device manufacturers with official EtherCAT Conformance Tests in China."

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### **Press picture**



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From left: Ms. Chunxiang Xing, associate Prof. Dr. Jiqiang Xia, Dr. Yanqiang Liu, Vice Dean Prof. Zhenggan Zhou, Dean Prof. Gang Zhao, Prof. Ji Huan, Ms. Beryl Fan, Mr. Liqiang Liang, Mr. Geng Cheng and Mr. Huimin An during the official grand opening of the EtherCAT Test Center in China.

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