

EtherCAT Technology Group welcomes Norwalt Automation Group as member 8000

At the end of 2024, the EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) reached another milestone in its membership development and now counts 8000 members with the addition of U.S.-based Norwalt Automation Group.

Norwalt joins the ETG as another leading machine builder that wants to provide the numerous advantages of EtherCAT technology to its customers today and in the future. Just like the ETG itself, Kyle Seitel, Technical Operations Manager at Norwalt, is also pleased about joining: “Without EtherCAT, our new machine would not be nearly as successful: the performance and synchronization precision of EtherCAT enable the outstanding accuracy and high throughput of this system with its many axes. In this way, EtherCAT helps us meet the high expectations of our customers and continues to do so in the future.”

The EtherCAT Technology Group continues to expand its position as the largest fieldbus user organization in the world. Hitting this 8000-member milestone, in combination with the approximately 80 million EtherCAT nodes in the field, once again confirms the success and market penetration of the technology.

The continuous membership growth of the EtherCAT Technology Group continues unabated more than 20 years after its foundation, with over 400 new members joining every year for the past 10 years. And although EtherCAT originated in Germany, the structure of the ETG is absolutely global: case in point, the number of Asian member companies has recently overtaken those from Europe. This means that 43% of members come from Asia, 42% from Europe, 14% from America and 1% from the rest of the world. According to the organization's guidelines, only legal entities such as companies or universities can become members of the ETG, not individuals.

ETGo12025

February, 3rd 2025 | Page 2 of 2

Press picture:



Link: www.ethercat.org/images/press/etg_012025_small.jpg

Picture caption: Norwalt Automation Group is ETG member 8000 (from left: Kyle Seitel, Technical Operations Manager & Marketing Coordinator, Keith Harman, Executive Director of Business Development, und Trevor Seitel, Digital Print Manager).

Copyright: EtherCAT Technology Group

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 EtherCAT technology. With over 8,000 members from 75 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 IEC standard and a SEMI standard since 2007. EtherCAT is an open technology: anyone can implement or use it.

➔ For further information please see: www.ethercat.org

Press contact:

EtherCAT Technology Group

Christiane Hammel
Ostendstraße 196
90482 Nuremberg
Germany

Tel.: +49 (911) 5 40 56 226

Fax: +49 (911) 5 40 56 29

press@ethercat.org

www.ethercat.org/presse