

### **EtherCAT Technology Group canvases the globe with numerous high profile technology events**

**Tradeshows, seminars, member meetings, Plug Fests – last year, the EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) traveled to every inhabited continent in the world to further advance EtherCAT technology. This process will continue in 2017, as preparations are in full swing for another exciting year full of highly educational EtherCAT events.**

With the continually increased distribution of EtherCAT technology, and the introduction of EtherCAT P technology, worldwide demand is rapidly growing for events to support and inform both existing and potential EtherCAT users. The ETG consistently demonstrates how important educational initiatives in the field are within the organization: In 2016, the association conducted an impressive 48 EtherCAT seminars in 18 countries. Furthermore, the ETG was present with both joint and ETG-specific information booths at 15 international trade shows, supported several major EtherCAT developers during six EtherCAT Plug Fests, and educated its members through several regional ETG Member Meetings.

Since the world's largest fieldbus organization continues to grow unabated – at this moment with almost 4,200 members – the ETG will continue its ambitious schedule of events into 2017. Besides numerous international trade shows, Plug Fests and meetings all over the world, the group also plans to conduct a large number of EtherCAT seminar series, also known as EtherCAT roadshows.

Scheduled event dates and locations, participation opportunities, along with other detailed information about each event can be found in the events section on [www.ethercat.org](http://www.ethercat.org).

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Last year the ETG visited all continents around the world (as shown: 2016 Winter European EtherCAT Plug Fest in Liechtenstein). The industrial Ethernet organization plans numerous upcoming events throughout 2017.

## 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 4,100 members from 65 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, ease of use and 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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