

### **On the road again: EtherCAT Seminar Series 2013 in Belgium**

**On June 11 - 12, 2013 the EtherCAT Technology Group (ETG) will stop-over in Hasselt and Kortrijk for two of its free of charge EtherCAT seminars. Machine builders, OEM and system integrators are cordially invited to join those one-day seminars and learn more about EtherCAT technology as well as the benefits and challenges of Industrial Ethernet.**

After the great success of EtherCAT Roadshows in 2012 the EtherCAT Technology Group is on the road again in 2013 – and will stop-over in Belgium for two EtherCAT seminars in Hasselt and Kortrijk. Those seminars are educational events delivered by EtherCAT experts. Martin Rostan, Executive Director of the EtherCAT Technology Group, sums up the benefits of ETG's roadshow concept: "EtherCAT is in use worldwide – the number of ETG members is clear evidence for the global spread of the technology. With our EtherCAT seminars we strive to advance the global acceptance of EtherCAT even further."

The seminars focus on EtherCAT technology itself as well as its use – product presentations are deliberately avoided. Besides a detailed technology introduction, the agenda covers application presentations, which refer intensively to the practical use of EtherCAT as well as the relevant benefits of EtherCAT in comparison to traditional fieldbus systems. In addition, participants get detailed information about the product and application variety of EtherCAT at the sponsor's table-top exhibition which takes place parallel to the seminars.

The EtherCAT Seminar Series in Belgium will be supported and accompanied by different ETG members including: Beckhoff Automation, Hilscher, HOWEST Hogeschool West-Vlaanderen, LIMTEC, MULTIPROX, OMRON, SMC, XIOS Hogeschool Limburg.

Detailed information about locations, agenda and free online registration can be found here:  
[www.ethercat.org/2013/belgium](http://www.ethercat.org/2013/belgium).

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### 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 the EtherCAT technology. With over 2,300 members from 56 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 standard since 2007. The EtherCAT Technology Group promotes EtherCAT and is responsible for its continued development. EtherCAT is an open technology: anyone is allowed to implement or use it.

➔ For further information please see [www.ethercat.org](http://www.ethercat.org).

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