

Pioneer of open building automation with BACnet

## **Bill Swan becomes an honorary member of the BIG-EU**

**He is one of the leading figures in the standardization of the BACnet protocol. The American, Bill Swan, is head of the committee responsible for the international ISO standard for BACnet communication in building automation. In addition he is an active intermediary. Constantly in contact with the BACnet boards in the USA and Europe, he always insists upon the development of the standard. For his personal engagement and work, the BACnet Interest Group Europe (BIG-EU) has now made him an honorary member.**

Nils Meinert, president of the BIG-EU, recognized his unerring efforts: “You have been and still are an indispensable pioneer for the worldwide acceptance of open building automation with BACnet”. Bill Swan was in Europe to visit the 2<sup>nd</sup> European Plugfest and the May meeting of the BIG-EU. He is the second honorary member of the European BACnet association. Before him only Mike Newman, the spiritual father of the BACnet protocol, had been recognized in this way.



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**About the BIG-EU:**

The BACnet Interest Group Europe e. V. (BIG-EU) promotes the application of the worldwide BACnet communication protocol ISO 16484-5 in European building automation and safety engineering. It was founded in 1998 by 18 companies dealing with building automation. Today it has 50 members from Belgium, Germany, England, Finland, France, Italy, Canada, the Netherlands, Austria, Switzerland and the USA. The BIG-EU represents European interests in the worldwide development of the BACnet standard. Therefore, the BIG-EU interacts with the American BACnet Manufacturer Association (BMA) and the ASHRAE Standing Standard Project Committee SSPC 135, which is assigned by the ISO the care of the BACnet standard. The BIG-EU increases BACnet knowledge in Europe with common marketing and qualification offers. For further information see [www.big-eu.org/](http://www.big-eu.org/).

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