



## **BACnet successful in the Netherlands**

### **Forum for efficient building automation on 6th December in Amsterdam**

**Dortmund/Amsterdam, 17.10.2006. - representatives of the building, installation and real estate industries as well as the manufacturers of building automation and control engineering are to meet for the first independent BACnet user forum of the Netherlands on the 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2006 in Amsterdam. Owners, operators and planners will report on the increasing use of the BACnet standard. From the increasing number of Netherlands BACnet projects they present particularly economic examples and give tips regarding planning and bidding. BACnet is the only communication protocol for the automation and management level, which was taken up as ISO 16484-5 to the world standard for building automation. The BACnet Interest Group Europe (BIG-EU) and Regel Partners B.V. are promoting BACnet in the Netherlands. Information and registration: BIG-EU, [info@big.eu.org](mailto:info@big.eu.org), Tel. +49 231 56777269.**

The forum with the title "BACnet in efficient building automation in the Netherlands" shows application practice today, and in addition, the future development of the standard. It introduces to utilisation, potential and economy of BACnet and provides the basis for decisions for the correct standard.

BACnet systems are programmed for the future. They function producer-independently, they integrate into existing network structures and can be integrated into the building management system from more than just the heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems. The standard systematically promotes the integration of all devices and benefits from the synergy effects of utilisation: Costs and energy conservation, security and flexibility. Thus standardisation and integration create an increase in value, which is convincing ever more investors.

The BACnet potential in the Netherlands is increasing. Already today three Netherlands enterprises are members of BIG-EU. Further members are with subsidiary companies or local sales offices. Altogether the number of members of the BIG-EU in the last two years has risen from 40 to 65.



**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 65 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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