

On the 10th anniversary of the BACnet standard

BACnet live in Berlin

Independent forum for efficient building management

Efficient building management is increasingly the result of intelligent building automation. BACnet offers the market a supplier-neutral, license-free standard that spans across assembly sections and offers a lot of potential. BACnet became a worldwide standard in 2003. It is therefore worthwhile getting to grips with BACnet. It offers simple Plug and Play solutions, problem-free expansion and connections to the latest office, Internet and IT applications. From 8-9 September 2005, representatives from the construction, installation and real estate sectors as well as suppliers of building automation and control technology will meet in Berlin – the BACnet city – for the first independent *BACnet Users Forum* since the ISO standardization.

On the initiative of the independent BACnet Interest Europe (BIG-EU) they will take a look at cost effectiveness, applications and future possibilities for the standard. The forum, "*BACnet on the move – success factors in modern building automation*", is the first of its kind since 2001. The BIG-EU also wants to use it to identify new wishes and requirements of users. In cooperation with the international standard committee it can influence further developments of the standard.

This year the BACnet world is looking back on the standard's 10 years of success. For the BIG-EU the 10 year landmark is another reason for emphasizing BACnet as the key to integrated building automation. As Nils Meinert, president of the BIG-EU, explains: "Through the integration of different systems, BACnet contributes to cost savings. This makes users eager to experience more of the advantages of open systems. In Berlin we want to give everyone the chance to find out more."

The two day conference and excursion program in Berlin also allows participants to attend on just one of the days. The first day introduces the uses, potential and cost-effectiveness of the open standard. The focus is added-value through integration and

standardization and the basic principles for deciding for the right standard. The second day is dedicated to practical deployment. “*BACnet Best Practice*” covers planning, successful BACnet solutions, web services, lighting control, video equipment and other developments. The BACnet forum closes with “BACnet live in Berlin” – an excursion to see BACnet projects that have already been implemented in the capital city.

For further information and to register without obligation, visit: info@big-eu.org.

Calendar entry

BACnet Forum 2005

BACnet on the move – factors for success in modern building automation

8-9 September 2005

Berlin

- Efficient building management with BACnet
- Added-value for real estate through the BACnet standard
- BACnet Best Practice
- BACnet live in Berlin

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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/.

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