

## **Weidmüller strengthens its presence in North America**

Acquisition of the W Interconnections group companies in the USA, Canada and Mexico from Rockwell Automation, Inc. effective on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017

**Richmond, Virginia (USA) / Toronto (Canada) / Puebla (Mexico) / Detmold (Germany), 2 October 2017.** The Weidmüller Group, an international market leader in Industrial Connectivity and Automation headquartered in Detmold, Germany, announces the acquisition of the W Interconnections group companies in the USA, Canada and Mexico from Rockwell Automation, Inc. effective 1 October 2017. The W Interconnections group sells products for Industrial Connectivity and Automation.

The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) region is one of the most important markets for Industry Automation. With this acquisition, Weidmüller strengthens its global presence and customer proximity as an international market leader in Industrial Connectivity and Automation. The acquisition supports Weidmüller's growth strategy in Industrial Connectivity, Communication and Digitalization and reflects the long-term commitment of Weidmüller to the NAFTA market.

Weidmüller will continue to operate the business from the current sites in Richmond (USA), Toronto (CAN) and Puebla (Mex) and welcomes the colleagues who contribute with their best in class product, technology and application competence.

Weidmüller thanks Rockwell Automation for the successful relationship over the last fourteen years and is looking forward to continue a strong partnership.

Both parties have agreed not to disclose the purchase price or contractual details.

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Capture: The Executive Board of the Weidmüller Group (f.l.t.r.): Elke Eckstein (Chief Operating Officer), Jörg Timmermann (Spokesman of the Executive Board and Chief Financial Officer) and José Carlos Álvarez Tobar (Chief Marketing and Sales Officer)

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