

PACTware live training: breaking down the the barriers of proprietary configuration tools

Duisburg, November 30, 2009: After last years success, the 2009 PACTware Roadshow again was present in german centers of process automation. It offered a unique opportunity to draw together customers of different industries to share ideas and best practices that will help improve their business performance. Participants were trained in the fundamentals of this new and advanced configuration tool for field devices and network components.



Picture: PACTware Multi-Vendor Demowall, demonstrating how commissioning, operation and maintenance can be facilitated

They learnt how PACTware and the related FDT/DTM technology provide access to device intelligence and how PACTware brings increased openness in field device configuration management. In three workshops being repeated twice in parallel, the attendees were trained how PACTware and the DTMs increased the customer's benefits during commissioning, operation and maintenance of a plant.

There was an impressive interest at the stopovers in Hamburg, Halle, Frankfurt and Marl with customers accross that region and several company representatives. The keen interest made this PACTware roadshow one of the most successful ever.

PACTware is an advanced configuration tool based on FDT technology, managing field devices and standardizing the data exchange communication interface between field devices and systems. Established as an open system, PACTware is vendor independent and allows any device to be accessed through any proto-col. PACTware as an FDT frame application is indeed a truly open system that allows integration of expert applications from different field device vendors.

The PACTware Consortium is an international non-profit association comprised of the world's leading companies in field and network instrumentation. The roadshow event was prepared by some key companies of the PACTware Consortium: Bopp & Reuther, CodeWrights, ICS, ifak system, Invensys, KROHNE, Pep-perl+Fuchs, Samson, Trebing & Himstedt, Turck und VEGA. As part of the roadshow event, the organizing companies presented their DTM

based instruments and Pactware on table tops.

In several workshops, a live-operation multi-vendor demo wall featured numerous application examples, showing first-hand how commissioning, operation and maintenance can be considerably facilitated and speeded up using only one single tool for all communication and field devices via HART, PROFIBUS and Foundation Fieldbus protocol. Several discussions made clear that PACTware is assessed as being on the right track breaking down the barriers of proprietary configuration tools and delivering the true value of devices.

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