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## **InduSoft and Beckhoff Cooperation**

### **One Package for HMI/SCADA, Motion, and PLC Control**

Austin, Texas – February 22, 2004 – InduSoft LLC has developed a driver that allows customers to directly interface InduSoft Web Studio™ (IWS) SCADA/HMI software to Beckhoff's proven TwinCAT™ automation software. The marriage of InduSoft and TwinCAT means customers can use one controller for HMI/SCADA, Motion and PLC Control. This provides customers with a quantum leap in technological performance and cost savings. For example: "A North American machinery builder can now obtain a complete three axis servo machine control system consisting of: InduSoft HMI runtime software, Beckhoff's CX1000 automation controller, 6.5" TFT monitor, TwinCAT IEC61131-3 PLC and Motion Software, 100 I/O, SERCOS amplifiers and motors for under \$13,000" says Jeff Brown, Beckhoff Automation LLC Product Manager.

The native communication driver developed by InduSoft not only increases performance, but allows customers to define the tags only once in Beckhoff's TwinCAT software. InduSoft Web Studio will read these tags and store them in the IWS shared database. "The native communication driver not only increases the performance between these two packages" says Fabio Terezinho, Product Manager for InduSoft LLC, "but also simplifies the interface by sharing the same tags database. It reduces the development and maintenance time, resulting in a faster and more efficient solution for customers."

The two companies anticipate that their combined solution will address the needs of North American OEMs, systems integrators and end users in general machine building, packaging and converting, building automation, and process industries.

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InduSoft Web Studio is a powerful, integrated collection of automation tools that includes all the building blocks needed to develop human machine interfaces (HMIs), supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems, and embedded instrumentation and control applications. InduSoft Web Studio runs in native Windows NT, 2000, XP, and CE 3.0 environments and conforms to industry standards such as Microsoft .NET, OPC, DDE, ODBC, XML, SOAP, and ActiveX. Download a free demo version at [www.InduSoft.com](http://www.InduSoft.com).

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### **ABOUT BECKHOFF**

Beckhoff provides open automation systems based on PC-compatible control technology. The product spectrum includes the Industrial PC, Fieldbus Components, Drive Technology and automation software. Product ranges that can be used as separate components or integrated into a complete control system are available for all sectors. Components and system solutions from Beckhoff are used in a wide range of applications all around the world. Its TwinCAT Software System turns any compatible PC into a real-time controller with a multi-PLC system, NC axis control, programming environment and operating station. TwinCAT replaces conventional PLC and NC controllers as well as operating devices with open, compatible PC hardware.

### **ABOUT INDUSOFT**

Founded in 1997, InduSoft provides a powerful family of industrial software products for developing applications in process supervision, automation and control for Windows 2000, NT, XP and CE operating systems. Today, InduSoft is developing tools and technologies to empower people and companies to develop graphical interfaces, integrate Web browsers, and take advantage of Internet connectivity. More than 15,000 InduSoft HMI, SCADA, control, and data acquisition systems are operating worldwide.