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## **iTAC signs Frame Agreement with the Electronics Division of Johnson Controls Automotive Experience**

**The iTAC.MES.Suite® is being deployed to support Johnson Controls Automotive Experience Electronics Division in the production of their Electronic Products assisting them in meeting the high demands for Product quality and safety.**

**Dernbach, September 01 2009 – iTAC Software AG, a leading provider of Standardized Manufacturing Execution Systems (MES) for discrete production has secured another Tier 1 Customer in the Automotive industry - the Electronics Division of Johnson Controls. As one of the leading developers and manufacturers of electronics solutions for Driver Information systems, Infotainment, Connectivity and Telematics, Body Electronics and the integrated Garage door opener HomeLink® for the Automotive industry, Johnson Controls utilizes the new Software for Quality Assurance as well as ensuring conformity in its Production.**

Following an intensive evaluation process assessing multiple MES providers in the international marketplace, Johnson Controls selected iTAC Software AG from Germany, signing a frame agreement. The Roll-out is already well underway across multiple sites and continents.

The implementation of the iTAC.MES.Suite covers the Surface Mount Technology (SMT) as well as the Testing and Assembly lines. Fundamental to the deployment is the integration / interlocking of almost all production steps, as well as integration to the existing ERP solution, QAD's MFG/Pro®. Through the bidirectional communication with production and test equipment, complete Transparency from the production of Printed Circuit Boards (PCB's) and Assemblies, down to the Material-lots all the way through Final Assembly is guaranteed. Moreover the iTAC.MES.Suite delivers control and reporting functionality in real-time which supports Quality Management and Continuous Improvement as well as allowing for end to end Traceability.

In the decision-making process, iTAC stood out with its significant market share amongst Automotive Electronics Suppliers and the overall functionality of the Soft-



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ware. Of particular importance was the capability for Process Interlocking, which facilitates the recognition of Production Non Conformance as it occurs - immediately prohibiting the further processing of faulty semi finished products. In this way the iTAC.MES.Suite ensures Johnson Controls' **0-PPM Strategy**, which in turn ensures that all products shipped are manufactured and tested in conformance with specifications.

#### **About Johnson Controls**

Johnson Controls is the global leader that brings ingenuity to the places where people live, work and travel. By integrating technologies, products and services, we create smart environments that redefine the relationships between people and their surroundings. Our team of 140,000 employees creates a more comfortable, safe and sustainable world through our products and services for more than 200 million vehicles, 12 million homes and one million commercial buildings. Our commitment to sustainability drives our environmental stewardship, good corporate citizenship in our workplaces and communities, and the products and services we provide to customers. For additional information please visit <http://www.johnsoncontrols.com/>.

#### **About iTAC**

iTAC Software AG is a leading provider of intelligent production software in the field of Manufacturing Execution Systems (MES). As system and solution provider, iTAC Software develops, integrates and maintains its modular and platform-independent iTAC.MES.Suite for industrial companies all over the world. The iTAC.MES.Suite is built using leading edge technology and its high level of standardization means it can be deployed in many different industry sectors. The functionality of the MES solution enables substantial improvement in process and product quality – supporting the objective of delivering zero-fault production. Its focus is on Traceability, Production - Quality Management and Material-Logistics. iTAC is headquartered in Germany, Dernbach, with branch offices located in France, the U.S.A., and the People's Republic of China. For additional information please visit: [www.itacsoftware.com](http://www.itacsoftware.com)

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