

Beckhoff takes over High-Def Technology GmbH

## Strengthening of building and home automation

The Beckhoff group has expanded its know-how in the field of building and home automation with the takeover of High-Def Technology GmbH, a specialist in software solutions for building and media control. Beckhoff's range of products and solutions are thus extended by media software and user interfaces for buildings.

High-Def Technology GmbH was integrated into the Beckhoff Group with effect from 1 February 2010. Managing director of High-Def Technology GmbH is Thorsten Meiners, who founded the company in 2006.

Hans Beckhoff said: "With the takeover of High-Def we are strengthening our expertise in the fields of home automation and home entertainment. We will be developing our own PC-based product lines for this strongly growing market. The High-Def takeover is the first step into this exciting market."

The HomeOne system developed by High-Def enables simple control of the building services and media equipment in one system and can be used both in the private sector and in office buildings or hotels. The individually adaptable Multitouch user interface controls the multi-room playback of media (audio, video, photos, TV), infotainment and entertainment electronics as well as the building services. Different clients make operation possible via PC, touch panel, Internet or even via an iPhone. The HomeOne concept is based on the



High-Def presented a preview of HomeOne, a software for controlling building and media equipment in one system, at the Beckhoff booth at Light+Building 2010 in Germany.



Thorsten Meiners,  
managing director of  
High-Def Technology GmbH

software solution developed by High-Def as well as Beckhoff PCs and touch panels. As a universally PC- and Windows-based software solution, HomeOne fits optimally into Beckhoff's technology concept and rounds off the know-how in the field of building automation.