



RFID Manufacturer Brooks Automation Is Now an RAN Friend

Mistelgau, July 7, 2011 – The German Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology (BMWi) has been funding a research project called "RAN - RFID-based Automotive Network" for some time now. The aim of the project is to make cross-company production and logistics networks in the automotive industry more efficient by using RFID technology. Brooks Automation (Germany) GmbH has now become an official RAN Friend since the beginning of this month. As a manufacturer of RFID readers with an extensive range of accessories Brooks supports the research project and involved companies on the issue of RFID.

In this context, Brooks supplies, among others, Robert Bosch GmbH with RFID solutions that are developed and researched within the scope of this research project. So far, innovative RFID kanban boards, RFID gates, and other RFID-based solutions have been integrated. A new UHF reader was developed with various functions that are precisely optimized for a kanban process.

In this particular field, though, Bosch is not a new customer of Brooks Automation. We have already been equipping Bosch plants with our RFID products, which can naturally be customized to suit the customer process on an application-specific basis, for several years now.

Especially kanban boards in the HF and UHF ranges are highly innovative products from Brooks Automation that are extremely popular among other end customers, but also among system integrators. For further information our staff member Mr. Markus Behr (+49 (0)9279-991-953) is available to answer your questions.

Overview of Brooks Automation (Germany) GmbH:

Brooks Automation Inc. (NASDAQ listed: BRKS) is a worldwide provider of automation solutions and robotic systems for the semiconductor industry. With its divisions in the United States of America, Asia and Europe this company employs some 2,000 people. The headquarters is located in Chelmsford, Massachusetts (USA).

Since 1994 the RFID division of the German subsidiary Brooks Automation (Germany) GmbH, has been developing and producing readers that communicate data without contact and line of sight with the transponder. The RFID line of products includes mobile and stationary readers in the frequency ranges LF (134.2 kHz), HF (13.56 MHz) and UHF (868 MHz / 915 MHz) including extensive accessories.

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