

## **Yokogawa Europe B.V. and SICK MAIHAK GmbH sign co-operation agreement on process instrumentation**

Yokogawa Europe B.V. and SICK MAIHAK GmbH have signed a mutual distribution agreement covering products in the field of process analytical instrumentation. AtACHEMA 2009, both companies announced that, as the product portfolios of both companies are to a large extent complementary, this co-operation would strengthen their respective positions in the international process industry marketplace.

Mr. Antoon van Osch, Manager for Global & European Alliances at Yokogawa Europe, stated that the integration of SICK's analysers will further improve the ability of Yokogawa to provide turnkey automation solutions for key process industries from a single supplier. In addition, Dr. Michael Markus, head of SICK's analyser business unit, pointed out that the collaboration with Yokogawa will add specific product, application and system knowhow to SICK's product offering, which will complete and underline their market position as a full portfolio and solution provider in process analytics.

Founded in 1915, Yokogawa Electric Corporation has over 90 years' experience in the measurement, control, and information businesses, and provides leading-edge products and services to industry. As a leader in the industrial automation and control business, the group offers a comprehensive range of solutions including field instruments. These are differential pressure/pressure transmitters, flowmeters, and analysers as well as a variety of software tools and integrated production control systems. This line-up supports them throughout the plant lifecycle - from installation to maintenance - to assist the development of industries as varied as petroleum, petrochemicals, iron and steel, pulp and paper, pharmaceuticals, food, and electric power. Yokogawa Europe B.V., located in Amersfoort, the Netherlands, is the European headquarters of the Japanese company, Yokogawa Electric Corporation.

SICK is one of the world's leading producers of sensors and sensor solutions for industrial applications. SICK is a technology and market leader in factory and logistics automation as well as process automation. Within the business segment of process automation, SICK provides components, all-in-one systems and customer-specific solutions for gas analysis, dust measurement, flow-rate



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measurement, water and liquid analysis, and others. The product range and solution competence covers process applications in industries like power generation, waste incineration, cement production, chemicals and petrochemicals, natural gas, iron and steel, and pulp & paper. SICK MAIHAK, based in Waldkirch i.Br., Germany, is a legal entity of the German SICK AG.

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