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Kontron is a Microsoft Windows Embedded Gold Partner

Speeding up the development of validated embedded computer platforms and reducing time-to-market for customer solutions

Eching/Nuremberg, Germany, March 01, 2011 —Kontron, a global leader of embedded computing technology, today announces it has been named a Microsoft Windows Embedded Gold Partner, given many years of excellence in developing and manufacturing embedded computing platforms based on Microsoft Windows Embedded operating systems. The Windows Embedded Partner Program aims to provide companies with increased business opportunities, market awareness and technology advice. In addition, Gold Partners such as Kontron are allowed early access to future software solutions and trends.

“Kontron works extensively with Microsoft’s Windows Embedded platforms, while in community technology preview, ensuring that customers receive pre-validated, mature solutions and BSP packages for their embedded computer applications,” said Norbert Hauser, Vice President of Marketing at Kontron. “Becoming a Windows Embedded Gold Partner, allows us to continually provide our and our customers’ developers with access to the latest in embedded solutions, in order to incorporate software in their applications quickly, reliably and with minimal design-in work, reducing overall time-to-market.”

In addition, the Kontron Global Software Center offers qualified software services to assist customers with integration and migration issues. For example, creating suitable driver implementations for all Windows operating systems, also for third party components, enables Kontron to offer developers application-ready solutions, in turn giving developers the ability to fully concentrate on their core competencies.

“Microsoft is proud to honor Kontron with the Windows Embedded Gold Partner award for their continued advancements and support of the growing embedded industry,” said Julia Huber, Marketing Manager Central and Eastern Europe, Windows Embedded Business Group. “Through increased business opportunities, market awareness and technology resources, Kontron will continue to create differentiated devices that provide compelling and immersive user experiences.”

For more details about the services that Kontron provides for Microsoft Windows Embedded, go to <http://www.kontron.com/about-kontron/global-software-design-center/>

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More information about the Microsoft Windows Embedded Partner Program is available at

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowseembedded/en-us/partners/program/default.msp>

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About Kontron

Kontron is a global leader in embedded computing technology. With more than 30% of its employees in Research and Development, Kontron creates many of the standards that drive the world's embedded computing platforms. Kontron's product longevity, local engineering and support, and value-added services, helps create a sustainable and viable embedded solution for OEMs and system integrators. Kontron works closely with its customers on their embedded application-ready platforms and custom solutions, enabling them to focus on their core competencies. The result is an accelerated time-to-market, reduced total-cost-of-ownership and an improved overall application with leading-edge, highly-reliable embedded technology.

Kontron is listed on the German TecDAX stock exchange under the symbol "KBC". For more information, please visit:

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