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RMIT and Belden Australia deliver training solutions

RMIT University and Belden Australia, through its brand Hirschmann Automation and Control (Hirschmann), are partnering to offer training and certification in Industrial Ethernet skills.

Senior educator in RMIT's School of Engineering (TAFE), Bruce Kendall, said Industrial Ethernet was a rapidly evolving technology for networking and communication.

"It's vital to a range of industries, including oil and gas, metals and mining, water, food, road, rail and air transportation, power, manufacturing, and building automation," Mr Kendall said.

"RMIT will offer training on the Hirschmann platform, allowing students to obtain certification as a Hirschmann Industrial Systems Engineer (HiSE) or Hirschmann Industrial Network Engineer (HiNE)."

Adam Callender, marketing director Belden Asia Pacific, said Industrial Ethernet extends beyond the physical attributes of data communication equipment.

"A successful implementation requires knowledge surrounding total lifecycle from the physical and logical design, component selection, engineering and configuration, installation and testing, operations and maintenance, disaster recovery and expansions/upgrades," Mr Callender said.

"We chose to partner with RMIT because of its ability to deliver excellent education and training with a practical focus."

The addition of the Hirschmann training modules reinforces RMIT's role in providing industrial and IT training on behalf of a range of other telecommunications, IT and software providers.

RMIT will deliver the Hirschmann-certified training courses for the Australia and New Zealand markets.

The training will be on-site anywhere in Australia and New Zealand, as well as on-campus at RMIT.

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With 2010 revenues of \$US1.65 billion, Belden has manufacturing capabilities in North America, Europe and Asia, and a market presence in nearly every region of the world. Belden was founded in 1902 and today is a leader with some of the strongest brands in the signal transmission industry. It is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (BDC). For more information visit www.beldensolutions.com.


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RMIT is a leader in technology, design, global business, communication, global communities, health solutions and urban sustainable futures. The University is ranked in the top 100 universities in the world for engineering and technology in the 2010 QS World University Rankings.

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