

Press Release

## **Digital Manufacturing: Schaeffler wins Best of Industry Award 2024**

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- Innovative software platform autinityDAP sets industrial standards and wins the “Best in Manufacturing: Networked Systems” category
- Networking and consolidation of data from machines, controllers, and sensors in a single app for greater manufacturing efficiency
- Award underscores Schaeffler’s innovative strength in digitalization

Schaeffler Digital Solutions GmbH, a subsidiary of the Schaeffler Group based in Chemnitz, has received the Best of Industry Award 2024 in the “Best in Manufacturing: Networked Systems” category from the trade magazine MM MaschinenMarkt for its autinityDAP (Data Acquisition Platform) software. The software consolidates data from machines, controllers, and sensors in a single application to enhance the efficiency of machine parks by predicting scenarios such as unplanned downtimes. The prestigious award recognizes Schaeffler’s innovative strength and commitment to achieving a fully digital factory that operates efficiently, flexibly, autonomously, and sustainably.

“The digital networking of machines and systems across the entire value stream is a core element of Schaeffler AG’s digital agenda and essential for successful and consistent production digitalization,” says Roberto Henkel, Senior Vice President Operations Digitalization and IT at Schaeffler and Managing Director of Schaeffler Digital Solutions GmbH. “The innovative autinityDAP software is a prime example of how production data can be recorded to flexible effect and used to optimize manufacturing processes. With autinityDAP, Schaeffler is setting new standards in the industry. We are very proud of this prestigious award and the recognition we have received from industry experts.”

### **autinityDAP: Innovative technology delivering maximum flexibility**

autinityDAP enables efficient data recording and provision for various apps and services. The open interface allows third-party systems to access the collected data, enabling flexible onward processing and integration into existing production environments. Developed in-house, the software consolidates all machine and production data on a unified platform, eliminating the need for multiple networking devices. The open, container-based software architecture enables the integration of additional apps, ensures secure data transfer, and provides extensive compatibility with various machine controllers and existing systems.

Jens Hammer, Managing Director of Schaeffler Digital Solutions GmbH, states: "We are delighted by the positive response we have received from our customers regarding autinityDAP. This award validates our vision of advancing digitalization within the industry. In the coming months, we will focus on optimizing autinityDAP further and developing additional functions to enhance the platform's value for our customers."

Find out more about Schaeffler and autinityDAP: [autinityDAP | Schaeffler Digital Solutions Germany](#)

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Schaeffler Group – We pioneer motion: The Schaeffler Group has been driving forward groundbreaking inventions and developments in the field of motion technology for 80 years. With innovative technologies, products, and services for electric mobility, CO<sub>2</sub>-efficient drives, chassis solutions and renewable energies, the company is a reliable partner for making motion more efficient, intelligent, and sustainable – over the entire life cycle. Schaeffler describes its comprehensive range of products and services by means of eight product families: From bearing solutions and all types of linear guidance systems through to repair and monitoring services. Schaeffler is with around 110,000 employees and more than 250 locations in 55 countries, one of the world's largest family-owned companies and one of Germany's most innovative companies.

(From left) Ute Drescher (editor-in-chief "Konstruktionspraxis" and "elektrotechnik" magazine) handed the award "Best in Production: Networked Systems" to Thomas Smolka (Manager Product Management), Daniel Kobel (Product Owner autinityDAP) and Andreas Schröter (Team Coordinator Development) at the Best of Industry Award ceremony. Picture: MM Maschinenmarkt

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autinityDAP enhances efficiency and flexibility in manufacturing through the digital networking of machines. Picture: Schaeffler

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