



NCS and Mecel join forces to offer leading edge automotive systems expertise

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NCS and Mecel AB today announced a strategic co-operation agreement to jointly provide systems engineering services and embedded software solutions for the automotive industry. The partnership is a step to be leading “System Houses” for software, integration and expert services to utilise the results of AUTOSAR standardization of software architecture for vehicles.

AUTOSAR standardisation is expected to change the automotive industry in the same way the PC changed the computer industry. The technology will become operational the coming years when standardized modularization and interface specification will come into practice. Also business models will change, so globalization of markets will get even stronger and new niche markets can be shaped. The Mecel/NCS cooperation will strengthen the parties' ability to provide expertise, training and products in this evolving market.

Mecel, a subsidiary of Delphi, has a long history of pioneering implementation of electronics in vehicles. The systems engineering expertise is well-recognised. Mecel is also a respected supplier of high quality software to the automotive industry. In recent years, the requirements on automotive software to be robust and to have good exception-handling capabilities have been recognised. Mecel is a selected supplier of basic software modules to AUTOSAR for validation of the standard concept. Mecel is also active in standardisation in both ISO (communication, diagnostics) and Bluetooth SIG.

NCS is recognised in France and many European countries for its strong knowledge of communication networks in the automotive industry. NCS is one of the major suppliers in France for networking tools (CAN, LIN and diagnostic analysers and derived applications) and CAN embedded software. Based on its expertise, NCS intends to shortly become an AUTOSAR active member and offer Basic Software Modules to its customers.

“I am glad we found a partner in France, recognised for its expertise and ability to create productive solutions for its customers” said Kent Eric Lång, Managing Director of Mecel. “The combined technical expertise and complementary customer markets will strengthen us to offer solutions based on AUTOSAR standardisation”.

“I really see Mecel as a strategic partner, widely recognized by numerous OEMs for its achievements in the automotive industry and ability to develop creative and quality products”, said Bruno Abou, Managing Director of NCS. “The recognized expertise of Mecel, its portfolio and its size, will allow us to better address our customers ‘needs”.

About Mecel

Mecel AB a subsidiary of Delphi Corporation, with main operations in Gothenburg, Sweden, is a systems, software, and service development company with more than 20 years experience in developing solutions for the automotive industry. With expertise in on-board application platforms (QNX, Java, embedded systems), communication concepts (CAN, MOST, Bluetooth, GSM), and off-board service development, Mecel can, with its 110 employees, manage all kinds of systems and software development programs. Further information about Mecel products and services is available at www.mecel.se.



About NCS

NCS S.A.R.L., a French SME company with main operations in Montesson, close to Paris, France, is a systems, software, and service development company with 7 years experience in developing solutions for the automotive industry. With expertise in embedded communicating systems (CAN, LIN, ISO9141, DiagonCAN, CanOpen, TTCAN, OSEK,...), and associated service development, NCS, with its 8 employees, is able to provide hardware and software networking products (CAN analyser, CAN stack, ...), ECU network layer validation for numerous OEMs, and training programmes with a high degree of flexibility. Further information about NCS products and services is available at www.net-c-s.com.

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