



Eclipse Automation Expands into Europe to Support the Growing Automation Market

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Eclipse Automation of Cambridge, Ontario, today announced the acquisition of Transmoduls Ltd., located in Veszprém, Hungary. Transmoduls is at the forefront of manufacturing turnkey, feature-rich automation solutions for the automotive, electronics, food and medical markets. With facilities in Canada and the United States, Eclipse delivers proven custom automation solutions combining design, engineering, manufacturing, integration and aftercare for advanced production, lean manufacturing and modern distribution.

"The Transmoduls acquisition provides an exciting opportunity for Eclipse," explains Steve Mai, President and CEO, Eclipse Automation. "We are particularly pleased to have found a strong business partner to give our company the means to support its growth strategy. This expansion will enable Eclipse to broaden internal capacity and accelerate entry into new and adjacent global markets. We welcome all 161 highly-skilled Transmoduls employees to the Eclipse organization."

Since 2016, Eclipse and Transmoduls have worked in partnership with the Smart Automation Group and have an established customer-centric relationship and long-term familiarity with one another.

"There are complementing factors in bringing the two companies closer together," states Márton András Maár, Founder and President, Transmoduls Ltd., "and additional capabilities and resources will extend the Transmoduls offering to enhance our complete solutions approach."

"Our common international customers will have an immediate advantage as the merge will boost our service in Europe and abroad," says Lajos Sari, Co-Founder and Vice-President, Transmoduls Ltd., "it will also support the increasing demand in electronics technology for the auto market."

"We look forward to opportunities ahead as we meet new customers and are well-positioned to grow in foreign markets," mentions Gilles Blouin, Director of Business Development, Eclipse Automation. "As a global player this is a natural extension of our international work with a trusted partner. We will continue to build our framework with favorable proximity to our customers and to also support large-scale intercontinental programs."

As Eclipse expands into central Europe, it will continue to build on its success formula of know-how, flexibility and an unlimited menu of proven responsive automation technology. Transmoduls Ltd. will continue to operate under its own name and branding will remain with Eclipse Automation.

About Eclipse Automation: <http://www.eclipseautomation.com/>

Eclipse Automation, the largest privately owned custom automation supplier in Canada, designs, engineers, manufactures, integrates and services innovative automation solutions and equipment worldwide. With headquarters in Cambridge, Ontario and 14 facilities worldwide, Eclipse brings cross-industry know-how, advanced capabilities and proven engineered applications to strengthen production, manufacturing and

distribution strategies. With approximately 650 employees, Eclipse serves markets in the Life Sciences, Transportation, Energy, Consumer, Electronics and Industrial sectors.

For its fifth consecutive year, Eclipse was recognized as one of Canada's Best-Managed Companies for overall business excellence by Deloitte's Best Managed Companies program. Eclipse was also a five-year recipient of the Growth 500 Award that celebrates Canada's most dynamic and successful businesses. Eclipse Automation is a founding partner of the *Smart Automation Group*, offering global opportunities and support for its customers.

About Transmoduls Ltd.: <https://www.transmoduls.hu/en>

Established in 1991, Transmoduls Ltd. located in Veszprém, Hungary, is a systems integrator and automation equipment manufacturer. Transmoduls provides advanced engineered design, manufacturing and service with emphasis on process, innovation and technology. Their research center and state-of-the-art machining facility supports technology in evolving markets. Global business accounts for more than one third of revenue with exports to China, France, Poland, Romania, Spain, Mexico and the United States.

About the Smart Automation Group: <http://www.smartautomationgroup.com/>

The Smart Automation Group is a collaborative partnership comprised of five companies located in North America, Europe, Southeast Asia and China. The partners are innovative leading-edge automation companies that share collective best practices, intellectual property, experience and know-how. The Group eliminates challenges and offers unique solutions to companies that need to equip their plants with automation in different countries, without having to manage multiple suppliers and non-standard systems. *Smart Automation Group partners: Eclipse Automation – Canada & United States; INSYS Industriesysteme AG – Switzerland; Transmoduls Ltd. (an Eclipse company) – Hungary; ITE Automation – China; NIXMA Technology - Thailand, Malaysia, India.*

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