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Home automation expert brings innovative USB-Connector onto the market

# PEAKnx presents USB-Connector for quick and easy bus communication

PEAKnx, a Germany-based manufacturer of home and facility automation solutions (<u>www.peaknx.com</u>), introduces its PEAKnx USB-Connector. Simplified for systems integrators, the new USB-Connector speeds up the link between your computer and KNX networks. In interplay with adapter, PEAKnx IP router, PEAKnx bus monitor and ETS configurator, the USB-Connector makes it possible to flexibly address, program and analyse a smart home's KNX network. In an industry first, systems integrators obtain a full software and hardware package. The new connector is usable from ETS5 and up and is compatible with PC operating systems Windows 7, 8, 8.1 and 10.

# No more need for a KNX USB interface in the control cabinet

"The PEAKnx USB-Connector makes everyday working life easier for systems integrators, and is a cost-effective alternative to conventional KNX USB interfaces," says Axel Dohmann, President & CEO of PEAKnx. Previously, in order to gain access to the KNX network when building a smart home – or for subsequent maintenance, too – integrators needed to install an expensive KNX USB interface in the control cabinet. The USB-Connector means that there is no longer any need for this interface, as integrators can use the connector flexibly at constantly changing locations – thus offering their end customers a more cost-effective and faster way of doing things.

# Full bus communication in a small number of easy steps

To enjoy the advantages of the PEAKnx USB-Connector, users just need to complete a handful of installation steps: Attach the USB-Connector to their computer and install the software supplied by PEAKnx. This software consists of PEAKnx IP router, PEAKnx bus monitor and ETS configurator. The router enables access to the KNX network via IP-capable devices. The ETS configurator makes it possible to address and program the KNX network via ETS, using the USB-Connector. The PEAKnx bus monitor provides users with a transparent overview of the KNX network, along with extensive analysis options. Systems integrators then just need to





connect an appropriate adapter, suitable for mounting in the control cabinet, to the KNX network. If they wish to gain access to the KNX network in the future, they simply link their USB-Connector with the adapter – and get the full data in an instant.

### Transparent overview due to combination with the PEAKnx bus monitor

The combination of USB-Connector and software-based bus monitor provides users with an even better overview of the KNX network, along with improved analysis options. The recording range of the PEAKnx bus monitor can be defined as desired. Both the import and saving of ETS group addresses can be accomplished simultaneously from multiple projects. In addition, the bus monitor offers comprehensive filter options according to various properties, such as source, time and objective, plus the parallel use of multiple filters as well as the saving and retrieval of filter rules. Systems integrators are also able to export the analysed values to MS Excel and send the files by e-mail.

# About PEAKnx

PEAKnx is an innovative company based in Darmstadt, Germany, which manufactures home and building automation solutions (<u>www.peaknx.com</u>). As the latest addition to the PEAK Holding, PEAKnx offers innovative hardware and software components for contemporary building control. These include customised front end panels which supply homeowners with all smart home information at a central point. PEAKnx attaches great importance to a superior fusion between design and function in all its solutions.

The experts in home automation also provide related complementary services – from construction project planning and consultation through to installation and implementation by certified partners. PEAKnx aims to make everyday living safer and more comfortable for its customers while helping them to save costs. In doing so, the company is able to draw on the PEAK Holding's more than 20 years' experience. PEAKnx is also a premium sponsor for SV Darmstadt 98 and works together with the football club to provide support to social projects in the Darmstadt area.

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