We shape the future!

CAN in Automation

International users' and manufacturers' group



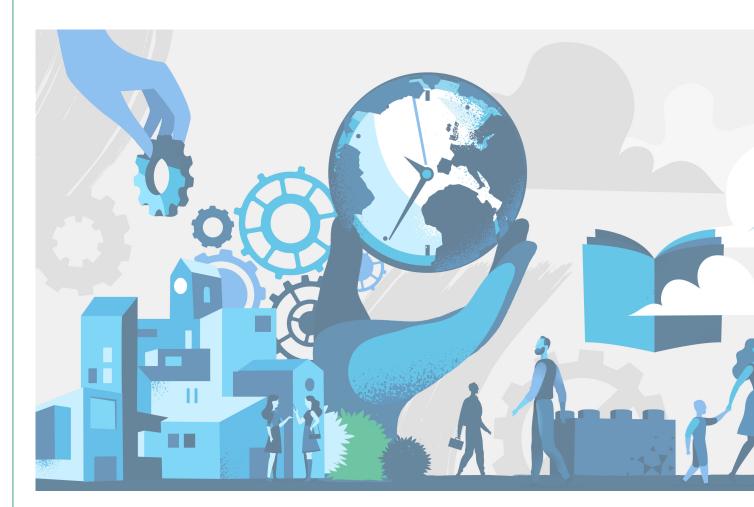
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CiA networks not only devices

The international users' and manufacturers' group for Controller Area Network (CAN) – CAN in Automation (CiA) – has been established in March 1992. The nonprofit association provides technical, product, and marketing information about CAN, internationally standardized in the ISO 11898 series. The nonprofit association promotes CAN's image and provides a path for future developments of the CAN technology. Therefore, CiA takes part in and supports the development of CAN-related standards and specifications. Additionally, an important part of the organization's effort is spent to develop and maintain the CANopen-related specifications.

CiA organizes joint marketing activities in all parts of the world. This includes joint stands at tradeshows, joint information events, workshops, and contributions to magazines and conferences. An important source of information is the CiA website.

An essential aim of the organization is the social networking of CAN-interested parties. In CiA's technical and marketing groups, engineers exchange experiences and knowledge to the benefit of all members. Additionally, CiA organizes different events, such as seminars, conferences, and information days, in which CAN newcomers can meet CAN experts. One of the most important advantages of being a member is the possibility to take part in CiA's social network, to get in touch with CAN experts, and to gain knowledge that helps to manage challenges in your CAN-related projects.



If others can't, we CAN!

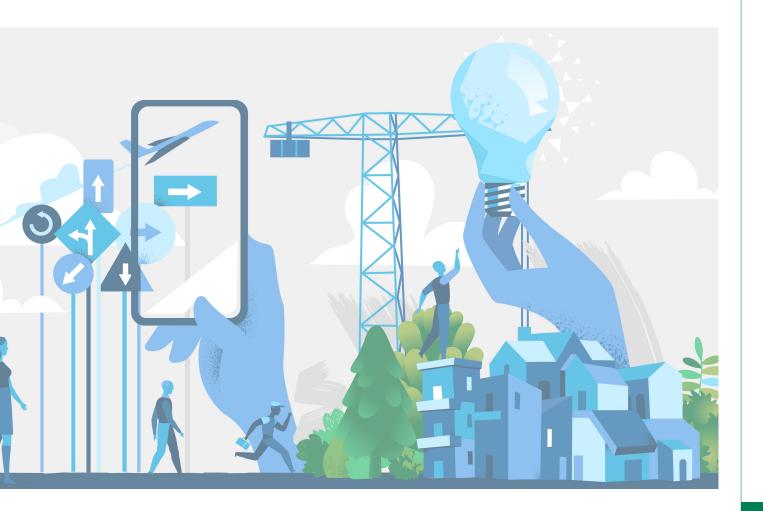
The internationally standardized CAN is suitable for all kinds of embedded real-time control systems. Due to its robustness and reliable data transfer, it is not only the dominating communication technology in road vehicles, but also in many other mission-critical applications from the domains transportation, manufacturing, con-

struction, and agriculture over healthcare and science to retail and finances, communication, and last but not least entertainment. Due to the introduction of CAN FD, and CAN XL these application domains will rely in future on this serial communication technique that is available for reasonable prices.

Standardized CAN-based application layer protocols

Internationally standardized CAN-based higher-layer protocols

- EN 50325-4: CANopen application layer, dedicated for embedded machine control
- IEC 62026-3: DeviceNet application layer, dedicated for factory automation
- SAE J1939 series: Surface vehicle recommended practice
- ARINC-825 series: General standardization of CAN bus protocol for airbourne use
- ◆ IEC 61162-3 (NEMA 2000): Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems -Part 3: Serial data instrument network
- ISO 11783 series (Isobus): J1939-based application profile, dedicated for agriculture and forestry machines
- ISO 11992 series: J1939-based application profile, dedicated for truck/trailer communication
- ISO 15765 series: Transport protocol and unified diagnostic services on CAN



Controller Area Network - The embedded network

In 1986, Bosch introduced the Classical CAN network. In 2012, Bosch presented CAN FD on the 13th international CAN Conference organized by CiA. Classical CAN and CAN FD are standardized in ISO 11898-1. ISO 11898-2 specifies the high-speed physical medium access sub-layer for transmission speeds up to 5 Mbit/s. The content of legacy ISO 11898-5 and ISO 11898-6 (low-power mode respectively selective wake-up functionality) were integrated into CiA 11898-2.

CiA members develop CAN XL, the 3rd CAN generation, which is specified in the CiA 610 series. The CAN success is going to continue. Many semiconductor vendors offer CAN controllers and CAN transceivers compliant with the abovementioned documents. Some higher-layer protocols are standardized (see insert above). Some of them make use of CAN FD, for example, CANopen FD as specified in CiA 1301.

CiA Interest Groups (IG) shape the future for em



CiA IG CANopen

Maintains the classic CANopen application layer and add-on functions.

CiA IG CANopen FD

Develops the CANopen FD application layer and add-on functions.

CiA IG J1939

Observes and comments J1939-based standards and specifications.

CiA IG profiles

Develops device and application profiles for classic CANopen, CANopen FD, and J1939.

CiA IG lower layers

Develops CAN FD and CAN XL specifications and recommendations for device and system designers.



Develops specifications and recommendations on redundancy for CAN-based network systems.

CiA IC safety/security

Develops specifications and recommendations for functional safety and cybersecurity.

Simplify your life!

CiA provides professional services for users and manufacturers. CiA assists you interpreting CAN-related standards and specifications. CiA publications and email services provide information about applications,

products, and trends in CAN markets. If there are any technical questions, CiA answers them or finds the answer in the CiA community. CiA is the social network for CAN fellows.



In-house seminars and consulting

In-house seminars are offered for companies with specific training requirements. The agenda of an in-house seminar is tailored to the customer's needs. CiA trainers can educate device designers, system integrators, sales forces, marketing departments, and technical management. CiA also provides general consultancy services. This includes evaluation of proprietary CAN-based higher-layer protocols and company-specific CANopen profiles. CiA consultancy services are device-, and manufacturer-independent!

CiA publications

The CAN Newsletter, published since 1992, is the leading worldwide publication for CAN design engineers and users. The magazine appears as online magazine or printable pdf-version. It provides readers with detailed technical articles and reports about new CAN products. The monthly CAN Info Mail (CIM) email service provides an overview on latest trends in CAN-technology as well as on upcoming CiA activities. The CiA Product Guides for CANopen, J1939, and CAN assist users in finding devices, software, tools, and development services. All CiA publications are available free of charge.

Training and education

CiA provides seminars at reasonable prices. The list of scheduled seminars is available on CiA's website. CiA seminars are product- and vendor-independent. They are mainly addressing newcomers in CAN technologies including HLPs.

Additionally, CiA organizes free-of-charge webinars and CiA technology days, providing basic instructions about new CAN-related developments.

Marketing opportunities

CiA offers its members the opportunity to take part in several marketing activities to increase the awareness of their brand. The members can promote their products and services on stands at tradeshows, in publications, and in videos provided by CiA. Furthermore, it is possible to sponsor CiA events, for example, the international CAN Conference (iCC). Additionally, members may participate in tabletop exhibitions organized by CiA.

Join the community!

There are benefits to become a CiA member (see list in the insert below). The most important reason is to be part of the community, in order to get in touch with other CAN product and service providers. In particular, small and medium sized companies need to be networked to partners to be successful in a world, which becomes increasingly smaller. In order not to miss the CAN business, you need to be informed well and in time.



We CAN open markets!

CAN is the mainstream network technology for embedded control systems. All carmakers use CAN networks to interconnect many electronic control units (ECUs). CAN was, is, and will be the dominating serial network for in-vehicle networking. First road vehicles are already employing CAN FD-connectable ECUs. In the next decade car-makers will substitute Classical CAN by CAN FD, and CAN XL. CiA and its members have introduced CAN technology also to many non-automotive application fields. In most of these applications, CAN

networks are used to interconnect generic I/O modules, electrical and hydraulic drives to programmable host controllers. Many of such control systems make use of the internationally standardized CANopen application layer and the well-proven CiA device and application profiles. In particular, in medium- and low-volume applications the end-users require standardized higher-layer protocols and profiles. System designers benefit by selecting off-the-shelf products for reasonable prices.

Benefits of CiA membership

- Initiating and influencing CiA specifications
- Getting credits on CiA training and education events
- Having access to CiA specifications in any status
- · Getting credits on some CiA publications
- Getting CANopen vendor-IDs free of charge
- Receiving exclusively the monthly CiA Member News
- Taking part in a company- and product-neutral information platform
- Participating in plugfests and workshops
- Getting the classic CANopen conformance test tool
- Participating in joint marketing activities
- Developing partnerships with other CiA members
- Getting credits on CiA testing services
- Supporting international standardization of CAN technology
- Development of CAN markets by region, by application, or by higher-layer protocols

CAN in Automation (CiA) membership contract

This contract applies for the current calendar year. The annual fee depends on the company size as given below. Parties applying for membership after July 1st, pay 50 percent of the membership fee for that year.

If you do not cancel the membership by December 31th of the current calendar year in written form, the contract is renewed automatically for the next calendar year. This means that the membership fee is due for the following calendar year.

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