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Liaison Request

Dear Ms. Haasz, dear Mr. Parsons, dear Mr. Zimmerman

PI (PROFIBUS and PROFINET International) represented by the German headquarter PROFIBUS Nutzerorganisation e.V. would like to establish an official liaison with IEEE 802.1 and IEEE 802.3 Working Groups.

PI is a wide spread automation community in the world represented by 25 different Regional PI Associations and is responsible PROFIBUS and PROFINET, the two leading industrial communications protocols covering all industries. The common interest of our global network of vendors, developers, system integrators, and end users lies in developing, promoting, supporting and using PROFIBUS and PROFINET. Regionally and globally over 1,400 member companies are working closely together around the world to the best automation possible. The organization's global influence and reach is unmatched in the world of automation. For more information, please visit the website at www.profibus.com .

PROFINET is based on the Ethernet standard IEEE 100BASE-TX and is going to adopt TSN in its architecture that will make PROFINET future proof for use in applications of factory industries. To serve the applications in process industries it is essential for PI to also take part concerning the activities of the 802.3cg Task Force with the goal to integrate the new Ethernet physical layer operating at 10 Mb/s over single-pair cable into PROFINET.

PI is looking forward to working together with IEEE within the described scope. In case of a positive decision, PI will be happy to nominate appropriate liaison officers.

Please, do not hesitate contacting me in case of questions.
Thank you very much for considering our application.

Best Regards
Dr. Peter Wenzel
Executive Director

Cc: Board of Directors