



AVL and Comau sign a strategic partnership to deliver advanced solutions for the electric vehicles market

The two companies will cooperate to develop simulation, design, assembly and testing of powertrain systems and components

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Emerging needs from the electrification market require experienced, full-turnkey, affordable suppliers able to provide powerful assembly and test solutions for electric and hybrid vehicle manufacturing. To answer these challenges, **AVL List GmbH**, global leader of engineering, simulation and testing technology for powertrain systems, and **Comau SpA**, a leading company in industrial automation products and systems, have joined forces to offer innovative, modular and flexible solutions. As of January 1, 2018, AVL and Comau have an open cooperation in simulation, design, assembly and testing of powertrain components for electric as well as traditional vehicles.

The agreement will ensure customers have access to robust, standard solutions on a global scale, backed by a local presence, resulting in higher quality and a shorter time to market. The initial focus of the partnership will be on assembly systems and end-of-line testing for automotive batteries.

“Our Partnership brings together two market leaders in their respective fields. With shared objectives and complementary competencies we are able to offer our Customers the best of both worlds providing the market with a unique interface for the whole assembly process from design to execution,” explains Andrew Lloyd, Automation Systems COO, Comau.

“The combination of know-how between Comau with its enhanced Industry 4.0 solutions and AVL, with design experience in the integration of powertrain components and related testing methodologies, will bring battery assembly and end-of-line testing to a new level,” states Urs Gerspach, Executive Vice President, AVL List GmbH.



About AVL:

AVL is the world's largest independent company for the development, simulation and testing technology of powertrains (hybrid, combustion engines, transmission, electric drive, batteries, and software) for passenger cars, trucks and large engines. AVL has more than 9,500 employees all over the world. In 2017, sales revenues reached EUR 1.55 billion.

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About Comau:

Comau is a worldwide leader in delivering advanced industrial automation products and systems. Combining innovative engineering solutions with enabling technologies, Comau helps companies leverage the full potential of digital manufacturing. Headquartered in Turin, Italy, Comau has over 45 years of factory-proven experience and an international network of 36 locations, 15 manufacturing plants and 5 innovation centers that span 17 countries and employ more than 9,000 people.

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