

## CT strengthens its presence in Germany with the acquisition of AST, a Software and Systems Engineering company

- The CT Engineering Group acquires AST Engineering, a German company specialized in integrated systems and software engineering in various areas, including the aerospace, rail, automotive and public sectors.
- This acquisition increases the engineering and R&D&I competences of CT in Germany, improving its position in the market for its main clients.

Madrid, March 3, 2020 – The CT Engineering Group continues its growth in Germany through the acquisition of AST. With this operation, CT incorporates a team of engineers and PhDs specialized in the development of complex software systems. AST applies the latest agile methodologies used in software engineering, such as SCRUM to efficiently and reliably create safety critical software systems.

CT reinforces its presence in Germany where it already has various offices and a large team of engineers providing engineering services and R&D to Airbus Defence and Space, Airbus Helicopters and other companies, consolidating its position as one of the main European providers of high-tech engineering.

Jesús Prieto, President and CEO of CT, has highlighted the strategic importance of this acquisition. "We are the largest Spanish-based business group dedicated to product engineering services. Here at CT, we have developed a business model based on sustainable growth and internationalization, which allows us to provide our clients engineering from design to manufacturing to after-sales support. We are very proud to welcome our new colleagues to CT, and excited by the experience, capacities and clients that this team provides us."

On behalf of AST Engineering, Dr. Tobias Lehmann has said that "integrating personnel, values and knowledge to CT will allow the new teams created to advance with great enthusiasm and commitment the group's mission of offering innovative technological solutions that help our clients be more effective and competitive".



## **About CT**

CT provides engineering services in the aeronautical, naval, automotive, rail, energy, industrial plants, architecture and construction sectors. CT covers the entire life cycle of the products, from product design engineering, manufacturing engineering to post-sales support engineering. CT has more than 1,700 employees and a network of offices in Spain, France, Germany, Portugal, the United Kingdom, India and Brazil. CT is a supplier of engineering services in design, manufacturing, assembly and maintenance phases for the civil and military sector. CT is the only Spanish supplier of product engineering (E2S) and manufacturing (ME3S) for Airbus in the world and a preferred supplier of engineering for Navantia. Other relevant works stand out, such as the participation of the CT Architecture division in the La Sagrada Familia project or the Automotive Engineering division in the Medina-Mecca AVE.

## **About AST**

AST supports planning, design and development of complex software systems. AST ensures sustainable and customer-specific solutions through the complete life-cycle of products. AST focuses on the sector of safety-critical applications. With comprehensive experience in aerospace software applications, AST transfers this knowledge to other domains, specifically tailored to the demand and standards. Amongst others, this is automotive (ISO26262), rail (EN 50128), and industry applications (IEC61508). With modern tools, agile methods and efficient processes, AST manages to build solutions ready for certification in most demanding domains.

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