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Direct and digital: the OTT netDL Data Logger integrates hydrological measurement systems with process control engineering

Kempten/Allgäu, Germany, December 2016. OTT Hydromet has extended the OTT netDL IP Data Logger with special functions for industrial communication. These enable seamless integration of hydrological measurement systems in process control engineering. To do this, the Hydrological Logger transfers its data to the operation unit, which then takes it over and feeds it into the control system, thus creating a continuous measurement chain – direct, digital and prompt.

Integration is required in water management or industrial monitoring tasks, as in the management of weirs, valves or pumps – or wherever control systems are deployed. With the OTT netDL IP Data Logger, hydrological measurement stations can be incorporated as part of the whole system.

The Data Logger and Station Manager for hydro-meteorological measurement stations uses standard interfaces for the industry and manages the connection to all current control systems and PLC controllers. That is how it enables the direct data transfer to the Simatic S7 via TCP/IP (Ethernet), the connection to various fieldbusses (Profinet, Profibus and Modbus) and to OPC clients from SCADA systems.

One advantage of digital transfer, as opposed to analogue signal transfer, is that only a single connection is required for the transmission of numerous parameters. All the measurement...
values of a device – such as all the parameters that the OTT Pluvio2 precipitation gauge records – are taken over directly. Users also benefit from more precise data, as the continuous digital signal transmission from sensor to centre ensures clear, undistorted measurement values even with large measurement ranges.

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Picture 1:
Diagram of the connection of water level sensor technology to the control system, using the Lübeck municipal works as an example.

Picture 2:
The safe management of large quantities of data is no problem with the IP-enabled OTT netDL 500/1000 Data Loggers. They can be flexibly deployed as they have high memory capacity, diverse transmission options and standardised interfaces.

Picture 3:
The OTT netDL 1000 can be connected to an Ethernet LAN or a DSL router through an integrated Ethernet interface.

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