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The ifm group of companies

World market leader in sensor technology and pioneer in Industry 4.0

First a passion, then an idea transformed into success – when it comes to pioneering automation and digitalisation technology, the ifm group is the ideal partner. Since its foundation in 1969, ifm has developed, produced and sold sensors, controllers, software and systems for industrial automation and for SAP-based solutions for supply chain management and shop floor integration worldwide. As one of the pioneers of Industry 4.0, ifm develops and implements consistent solutions to digitalise the entire value chain “from sensor to ERP”. Today, the second-generation family-run ifm group has more than 9,100 employees and is one of the worldwide market leaders. The group combines the internationality and innovative strength of a growing group of companies with the flexibility and close customer contact of a medium-sized company.

The SUMMIT – A benchmark for the future

The SUMMIT provides a joint headquarters for the Siegen-based companies belonging to the ifm group: ifm solutions gmbh, ifm software gmbh, ifm services gmbh, ifm business solutions gmbh, ifm statmath gmbh as well as G.I.B Sales & Development GmbH. More than 430 specialists from all areas work together on visionary ideas and successful solutions in the fields of camera technology, IIoT and SAP-based supply chain management. With an eye to the future, The SUMMIT stands for the further development and supply of standardised 3D sensors and software solutions.

ifm – close to you!

The slogan is also a promise: ifm’s key to success has always been the people. An excellent sales and service team of more than 2,140 employees reaches customers in over 140 countries through independent sales companies or commercial agencies. The experts on site know the regional conditions and ensure individual and trusting support. More than 1,550 employees in research and development closely collaborate with customers, research institutions and universities to find solutions for the challenges of tomorrow. About 140 new patent applications in 2025 and almost 1,400 actively used patents are the result of this commitment.

Quality “Made in Germany”

ifm stands for high-value, high-quality products “Made in Germany”. With its corporate headquarters in Essen and development and production in the Lake Constance region, ifm is firmly rooted in Germany as an industrial base. Other production sites in large sales markets such as Asia or the USA allow fast reaction to regional market requirements.



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Wide range of innovative products

ifm's exceptionally large product range covers not only all relevant standard solutions, but also the special requirements of individual industries. In addition to position and process sensors, our product range includes sensors for motion control and safety technology. Furthermore, ifm offers products for industrial image processing and communication as well as identification systems and systems for mobile machines. ifm develops innovative Industry 4.0 solutions and the corresponding software and cloud products to improve digital utilisation of existing business processes and to provide new, complete control options for sustainable efficiency and cost optimisations.

On this basis, the ifm group achieved a turnover of 1.47 billion according to preliminary consolidated financial statement in accordance with the German Commercial Code (HGB) in 2025.

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