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IECEx service certification for Siemens Industrial Workshop in Malaysia

The [IECEx](#) Certified Service Facility Programme for Repair and Overhaul of Ex Equipment, launched in late 2007, continues to forge ahead very successfully, attracting more and more companies that want to take full advantage of the programme's benefits, among them safety, reliability and industry trust and confidence.

One of latest companies to be certified is Siemens Industrial Workshop Sdn Bhd in Malaysia, part of Siemens Industry Sector. The certificate was issued by [Sira Test & Certification Ltd](#) for the repair and overhaul of rotating machines and enclosures, according to [IEC 60079-19](#), *Explosive atmospheres - Part 19: Equipment repair, overhaul and reclamation*. Apart from Siemens Industrial Workshop, Sira has certified two other companies in the IECEx Service Facility Programme, namely Detectronic Ltd in the United Kingdom (see the [September 2008 e-tech](#)) and MARC Thailand Co Ltd (see the [March 2008 e-tech](#)).

Andreas Stoegner, Senior Vice President of [Siemens Industrial Solutions](#), said: "For a company like Siemens Industrial Workshop, where innovation is our core business, the IECEx certification was just what we needed to help strengthen our name as the leaders in the industry.

"As it is Siemens' requirement to comply with the latest internationally recognized programme and to high prerequisites set by our customers, it is only natural that we sought the IECEx certification as it is considered to be of top international standards. We needed a professional, fast, efficient and proactive programme.

"With the IECEx certification, Siemens Industrial Workshop is now the first Malaysian company in peninsular Malaysia to attain the certification, and this gives us the competitive advantage in the areas of oil and gas, petrochemicals and even the marine industry.

"Our decision to use Sira as our Certification Agency really paid off. They worked fast, professional and straight forward. The audit was tough, as it should be, but fair. We always knew what is expected from us and what standards we are compared to."



Repair and overhaul work at Siemens Industrial Workshop in Malaysia.

Siemens Malaysia

Since its creation in 1972, [Siemens Malaysia](#) has actively participated in the Southeast Asian country's dynamic economic and social growth. With close to 4,000 staff strength, Siemens Malaysia has grown to become the second-largest German company in Malaysia. Backed by its global network of innovation, Siemens Malaysia assures its customers of international expertise localized and tailor-made to suit their business needs. Today, it is one of the leading technology providers in the country with comprehensive products, services and solutions for various sectors in the Malaysian economy, such as oil and gas, power, water, process industries, ports, airports, rail, health care and hospitality.

Siemens Group of Companies in Malaysia includes Siemens Malaysia Sdn Bhd, Siemens Industrial Workshop Sdn Bhd, OSRAM (M) Sdn Bhd and OSRAM Opto Semiconductors (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd.

About Siemens Industry Sector

The Siemens Industry Sector, Erlangen, Germany, is the world's leading supplier of production, transportation and building technologies. With integrated hardware and software technologies, as well as comprehensive industry-specific solutions, Siemens increases the productivity and efficiency of its customers in the fields of industry and infrastructure. The Sector consists of six divisions: Building Technologies, Industry Automation, Industry Solutions, Mobility, Drive Technologies and Osram. With around 209 000 employees worldwide, Siemens Industry achieved in fiscal 2007 total sales of approximately EUR 40 billion (pro forma, unconsolidated).

The Siemens Industry Solutions Division, Erlangen, Germany, combined with Siemens VAI Metal Technologies, Linz, Austria, Siemens Water Technologies, Warrendale, Pennsylvania, USA, and Industry Technologies, Erlangen, Germany, is one of the world's leading suppliers of solutions and services for installations in the fields of industry and infrastructure. Industry Solutions uses its own products, systems and process technologies to support the planning and construction of installations as well as their commissioning and maintenance over the whole life cycle of each plant.

About IECEx

IECEx is the IEC System for Certification to Standards Relating to Equipment for Use in Explosive Atmospheres. Its objective is to facilitate international trade in equipment and services for use in explosive atmospheres, while maintaining the required level of safety. Ex areas can be known by different names such as "Hazardous Locations", "Hazardous Areas", or "Explosive Atmospheres", and relate to areas where flammable liquids, vapours, gases or combustible dusts are likely to occur in quantities sufficient to cause a fire or explosion.

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• IEC links

- [IECEx:](#)

System for certification to standards for equipment for explosive atmospheres

- [IEC 60079-19:](#)

Explosive atmospheres - Part 19: Equipment repair, overhaul and reclamation.

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- [Siemens Industrial Solutions](#)

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