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## Spiegel Institut is given TISAX Certification: ENX Association confirms compliance for information security according to VDA ISA requirements

Mannheim, September 6, 2018 – After working with TISAX to create a joint testing and exchange mechanism for information security in the automotive industry just last year, the Spiegel Institut sites in Mannheim, Ingolstadt, and Munich were assessed according to the demanding certification requirements, receiving high marks: Spiegel Institut has received TISAX certification for the handling and processing of information/prototypes with very high security requirements.

Trusted Information Security Assessment Exchange (TISAX) works to acknowledge the evaluation results for information security across companies in the automotive industry. The successful certification according to the requirements of VDA ISA (Information Security Assessment) confirms that Spiegel Institut complies with the high standards of information security. The audit was conducted under the auspices of the ENX Association, a union of European automobile manufacturers, suppliers, and other associations. "Our successful certification shows that we meet our customers' requirements for the highest level of information security. Protecting sensitive data that are entrusted to us by our customers every day is our highest priority," comments Götz Spiegel, Managing Partner of Spiegel Institut.

## Joint testing mechanism

In addition to the current VDA ISA requirements published in January 2017, another new component is the regular testing performed according to industry's internationally recognized standards and carried out by accredited test service providers. "With TISAX, we have created a trusted testing and exchange mechanism that our customers can rely on," Spiegel continued. Until now, companies conducted testing according to VDA ISA on their own. With TISAX, these

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frequent individual checks will no longer be necessary in the future. In addition, it also simplifies the secure exchange of data.

TISAX has been well received since its launch in early 2017. Spiegel Institut is one of about 100 companies that have already successfully been certified. The next audit for the extension of the certificate will be carried out in 2021. This enables Spiegel Institut to ensure compliance with the high demands of its customers regarding information security in the future.

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