

Crestron Shows Off at ISE

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ECI gets a tour of the Crestron stand at ISE 2013-- a massive Hall 2 number (a first for a company used to Hall 1) housing a live "Integrated by Design" building environment.



First seen at the show were the 3-Series building control systems, with built-in BACnet/IP support allowing the management of a independent systems through a single platform, creating what Crestron describes as "a truly smart building."

ISE 2013 hosted a Crestron preview-- the CLWI wireless dimming and control system. Designed for the European market, the CLWI series uses inifiNET EX wireless technology for cost-effective, Crestron-compatible 2-way dimming.

The company says the series is ideal for both new and retrofit installations, thanks to a shallow profile fitting in European single gang boxes and screw-clamp connectors for speedier installs.

Customisation comes through swappable, engravable buttons, while each CLWI ships with a variety of blank buttons in case customers demand changes in lighting schemes. A full range of additional accessories is also available, such as sockets and switches fitting with most interior designs.

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A sizable chunk of the Crestron stand is dedicated to the Fusion enterprise building management platform. Available as either Fusion RV (RoomView) or EM (Energy Management), both can be used either separately or in tandem to handle room scheduling and AV/video conferencing resources or real-time energy monitoring and management.

Analogue AV systems also get some attention with DigitalMedia-- a package allowing installers to easily connect, display, distribute and manage both analogue and digital AV signals on the network. It comes complete with a built-in managed ethernet switched uses just one IP address on the network.

SNMP data support allows one to monitor AV systems from IT dashboards, such as HP Network Management or IBM Tivoli.

In another European first show visitors got the chance to check the latest Core 3 UI-powered tablet-style TSW touchscreens. Available in either 5-, 7- or 10-inch models, the TSW series comes complete with PoE (Power over Ethernet), ultra-thin capacitive displays, H.264 streaming video and a sleek design.

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