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Control 4 announces the Smart Home Skill for Amazon Alexa is now available in EMEA-- giving homeowners the ability to control devices on the Control 4 system through voice commands.



Initially available in the UK, such control requires a subscription with the Control 4 remote access software, 4Sight. It is compatible with over 10000 connected devices, including lighting, audio, video, security and thermostats, and voice control covers both individual devices and multi-device scenes preset for daily conveniences, mood, ambiance or simple expediencies.

For example, one can set an "Alexa, turn on cooking" command and a programmed "cooking" scene will raise the lights in the kitchen, lower the shades, adjust the thermostat and turn on the TV to a preset food channel. A verbal "Alexa, turn off flat" command can shut down the entire home, turning off lights, lowering the thermostat to night mode and locking the doors.

The Control4 announcement follows the availability of the Alexa Voice Service for developers building voice-enabled products for the UK and Germany. According to Amazon developers simply need a "few lines of code" to upgrade a product with Alexa and access to localised languages and skills.

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