

Festo once again named Bosch's Preferred Supplier

Esslingen-based automation specialist now also a preferred partner for new projects

Two global players, one shared success story: in 2026, Festo remains Bosch's Preferred Supplier for automation products in the 'Pneumatic Components' category. This also makes Festo the first point of contact for new machinery and plant projects. Bosch has been relying on Festo since 2015 – now for the eleventh year running.

As part of this expanded collaboration, Festo has the opportunity to further strengthen its position within the Bosch Group in a targeted manner. The partnership aims to establish Festo in the long term as the preferred supplier of both standardised and complex pneumatic components – particularly in projects for new machinery and plant. This not only strengthens Festo's position as a key supplier but also strategically positions it as the preferred partner for future projects and further developments.

Success with Seamless Automation

Each year, Bosch awards the 'Preferred Supplier' status to its most important suppliers in recognition of outstanding achievements in innovation, quality and reliability. Festo stands out in particular with its 'Seamless Automation' approach, which combines the integration of electrical and pneumatic automation technology with digitalisation and artificial intelligence. To ensure consistently high performance, Festo supports the Bosch Group worldwide with bespoke solutions and a global sales and service network.

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Andreas Hettich, Senior Vice President of Global Service Purchasing at Bosch (right), presents the Preferred Supplier certificate to Thomas Böck, CEO of Festo.

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Participants at the certificate presentation

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About Festo

Festo is a global player and an independent family-owned company with headquarters in Esslingen am Neckar, Germany. Festo has set standards in industrial automation technology and technical education ever since its establishment, thereby making a contribution to sustainable development of the environment, the economy and society. The company supplies pneumatic and electrical automation technology to 300,000 customers of factory and process automation in over 35 industries. Digitalization, AI and the LifeTech sector with medical technology and laboratory automation are becoming increasingly important. The products and services are available in 176 countries. With about 20,600 employees in over 250 branch offices in around 60 countries worldwide, Festo achieved a turnover of around €3.33 billion in 2025. More than 8% of this turnover is invested in research and development. In this learning company, 1.5 % of turnover is invested in basic and further training. Festo Didactic SE is a leading provider of technical education and training and offers its customers worldwide comprehensive digital and physical learning solutions in the industrial environment.