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Modular Valve Manifolds with . . . Ethernet!

Festo, a worldwide leader in automation components and systems, offers a comprehensive range of Ethernet-enabled highly modular IP65 valve manifolds via its CPX I/O system. Protocols include Ethernet/IP, Modbus TCP, standard IT protocols, and further industrial protocols in preparation. Easy-to-use and efficient, CPX features a plug & work® design that eliminates the installation costs associated with hardwiring I/O to pneumatic valves.

CPX I/O - www.festo.com/us/cpx

- Ethernet-based and other industrial protocols (DeviceNet™, Profibus, etc.)
- IT protocols for supporting e-mail, file transfer, integrated web server, and communications for OPC, DDE, and others.
- Embedded controller enables decentralized or stand-alone control

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- Complete diagnostics via LED, network, or handheld, provide fast error detection for easy service
- Optional CPX-MMI handheld device provides clear descriptive diagnostic and commissioning messages
- Reduces labor costs by up to 70% with easy installation, exchange, service, or expansion of I/O modules, manifold bases and valves

Modular plug-in valve manifolds with CPX

Flexible electrical connections including multi-pin or Fieldbus, full diagnostics, mixed valve sizes and multiple pressure zones on a single manifold.

VTSA Valve Manifold - www.festo.com/us/vtsa

- Designed to ISO standard 15407-2
- Flow rate per valve up to 1000 l/min
- Up to 32 solenoids with a full range of pneumatic accessories

MPA Valve Manifold - www.festo.com/us/mpa

- Flow rate per valve up to 700 l/min
- Up to 128 solenoids

Festo is a leading global manufacturer of pneumatic and electromechanical systems, components and controls for industrial automation, with 56 national headquarters serving more than 180 countries. For more than 80 years, Festo has continuously elevated the state of manufacturing with innovations and optimized motion control solutions that deliver higher performance, more profitable automated manufacturing and processing equipment. Our dedication to the advancement of automation extends beyond technology to the education of current and future automation and robotics designers with simulation tools, teaching programs, and on-site services.

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