

# CODESYS®

The Comprehensive Software Suite for Automation Technology

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# **CODESYS** go!

- Alternative programming tool based on web technology
  - Only the compilers are reused.
- Compatible with CODESYS Control V3
- Platform-independent engineering tool for CODESYS PLCs
  - Running on desktop, server, cloud, or on the PLC itself
  - Server is running on Windows or Linux
- Textual project storage
- First public presentation on the CODESYS Technology Day (10 May 2023)
- Not yet available for users

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#### CODESYS go! – next steps

- Architecture and deployment
  - Extension platform (Q4 2024)
    - component-based architecture, allowing customer extensions in the future
  - Controller deployment (Q4 2024)
    - install and run the server on Raspberry Pi as proof of concept
  - On-prem deployment (Q4 2024)
    - install and run the server on Linux systems
  - Desktop deployment
    - install and run the server on Windows
  - CAS integration
    - integration into the CODESYS Automation Server
  - Cloud deployment
    - go! is hosted on AWS.



#### **CODESYS go! – next steps**

- UI and editors
  - Editor/view host (done)
  - Navigator (Q4 2024)
  - Command infrastructure (Q4 2024)
  - Integrated terminal (Q2 2025)
  - ST editor
    - Enhanced offline functionality (Q2 2025)
    - Online mode with basic monitoring (Q4 2024)
    - Extended online mode and debugging (Q2 2025)
  - Ladder editor offline (Q2 2025)
- Fieldbus configuration:
  - EtherCAT (textually configured) (Q4 2024)
  - EtherCAT (graphically configured) (Q2 2025)
- Compiled library generation, compatible with V3 (done)



Engineering

#### Modularization, Installer, Deployment Server ...

- Sandbox Light (released with V3.5 SP20, March 2024)
  - CODESYS installations can use separate repositories and will have no cross impact.
- Sandbox installation (Q4 2024)
  - A CODESYS installation is contained in a folder and can be copied from one PC to another without executing a full setup.
  - The CODESYS Installer manages the sandboxes as it does with standard installations.

# IEC 61131-10 – essential support (Q1 2025)

- Import/export format according to IEC 61131-10
- First step will cover elements of CODESYS Essentials
- Needs to be implemented subsequently in the add-ons

# Scripting (Q2 2025)

Update scripting engine to IronPython 3

#### Compiler

- CI/CD workflow support for Static Analysis (Q2 2025)
  - Enable the integration of the Static Analysis and the Profiler into CI/CD workflows
- C Integration discontinuation (Q4 2024)
  - Use case of C Integration is supported by Runtime Extension SL Package
  - Discontinue the old C Integration add-on
- Library compatibility (V3.5 SP21, Q1 2025)
  - Allow to use the latest versions of CODESYS for editing libraries without breaking compatibility to previous versions.
  - Not all features in library will be supported, most notably libraries containing visualization elements.

#### **CODESYS Online Portal (https://www.helpme-codesys.com/)**

- Installation of CODESYS Examples directly from the Online Help Portal (Q4 2024)
- Machine translation based on terminology data base (Q1 2025)

#### **CODESYS Virtual Control SL**



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#### **CODESYS Virtual Control SL (4.12.0.0, 4.13.0.0)**

- Runtime running in a container
- Easy to install and use
- Scalable (many runtimes on one device)
- Connection to field via IT mechanisms (vLAN, vXLan, TSN, specialized switches)
- Delivered as Debian (osadl) based container image

# **CODESYS Virtual Control SL (4.14.0.0 – Q4 2024)**

Usability and security improvements

#### **RedHat integration (Q4 2024)**

Delivered as RedHat based container image (UBI)

# TargetVisu support for Janz emPC-A/iMX6 SL (Q1 2025)

#### SL Deploy Tool (4.14.0.0 – Q4 2024)

- Unified tool for all SL platforms
- Improved usability

#### **Realtime Ethernet on Linux using XDP (2025)**

Fast sending/receiving of Ethernet frames bypassing OS layers

# **CODESYS Control for Weidmüller SL (Q1 2025)**

User right support: root access is not longer essential (Q1 2025)

#### **CODESYS Control**

- Independent release cycle for Runtime Toolkits (2025)
  - Instead of releasing the runtimes along with CODESYS V3 Essentials, they can be released in an independent cycle.
- User management backend to Linux (based on PAM) (SP21, Q1 2025)
- Enhanced Realtime Ethernet Communication using XDP (SP21, Q1 2025)
- Redundancy improvements (SP21, Q1 2025)
- PLCHandler: support ARM64 platform on Windows (SP21, Q1 2025)
- Handling of certificates in the runtime (2026)
  - SCEP support (to enroll certificates)
  - Improve management of certificates

#### **OPC UA**

- OPC UA non-transparent redundancy (V3.5 SP21, Q1 2025)
- OPC UA compliant alarms (V3.5 SP21, Q1 2025)
  - Improve the current basic support of alarms and events
- OPC UA Server certification
  - Embedded device profile (V3.5 SP21, Q1 2025)

#### **OPC UA PubSub**

Secure communication (Q2 2025)

#### Symbol Sets Editor (Q2 2025)

Support of PLCHandler, in addition to OPC UA

# PROFINET

- Certification on virtual controls (Q4 2024)
- Topology editor (2025)
  - define and supervise graphically the topology of all PROFINET devices
- Dynamic reconfiguration (2025)
  - Allows a bumpless reconfiguration of a PROFINET device.

#### EtherNet/IP (Q4 2024)

- Connection API for scanner and local adapter (Q4 2024)
- Performance improvements (Q4 2024)
- Network overview (Q2 2025)
  - A new network overview editor shows and allows to edit all connections to all adapters in one list (sorted by Adapter).
- Support asynchronous services
  - The interface to implement acyclic services currently requires an immediate answer. Change this interface to allow asynchronous answers, which allow the result not to be processed within the same cycle.

# CAN FD (SP21, Q1 2025)

- Support layer 2
- Only for communication between controller and programming system

# **Online change support in IO configuration (2025 and later)**

- Extended online change support for ...
  - local I/O drivers (SP22, 2026)
  - PROFINET (2026)

#### **IIoT Libraries (Q1 2025)**

- Azure IIoT Hub via Websocket proxies
- Weather Forecast library (WebClient-based)

#### **Application Composer update (Q1 2025)**

- Performance and licensing improvements
- Maintenance

#### SRCI (Q2 2025)

Robotics interface library following PI SRCI specification

# PLCopen FBs: MC\_CamIn extensions II (4.18.0.0 – Q4 2024)

- Additional segment types inclined and modified sine
- Full support of the new segment types in the visualization

#### SoftMotion basic: trigger and forecast (4.18.0.0 – Q4 2024)

Improved user interface for triggers

# **Robotics improvements (4.18.0.0 – Q4 2024)**

Add-on for Stäubli robot support

# **Robotics improvements (Q2 2025)**

Support for additional/auxiliary axes

#### **CNC improvements (Q2 2025)**

- G-code for robotics: allow to program a robot by G-code
- CNC editor: support already existing kernel features (e.g. sub programs, expressions, ...)

#### SIL3

- PROFISAFE 2.6 (Q4 2024)
- Virtual Safe Control SL (Q4 2024)
  - Based on "Coded Processing"
  - Certified SIL3 runtime based on software
  - Running on standard x86 hardware
  - FSoE Master support (Q3 2025)
  - ARM/ARM64 devices support (Q3 2025)



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# SIL2

- PLCopen FBs for SIL2 (Q2 2025)
  - All PLCopen Safety FBs available for SIL2 runtime (except Motion FBs SafeStop1, SafeStop2 and SafelyLimitedSpeed)
- Resolve strict version binding (2025)
  - The SIL2 package can be used independent from the CODESYS IDE version.

# Git (Q2 2025)

- File Based Storage as backend
- Usability improvements

#### File Based Storage (Q2 2025)

- New project format for CODESYS V3
- Support CODESYS go! project format Alternative project format that allows to generate and load the new go! project format (text-based)
- Will be part of Professional Developer Edition and require this license.

#### Simulation interface (Q1 2025)

- Enable virtual commissioning and automated HW/SW testing of CODESYS-controlled machines
- Integrate CODESYS applications in third-party simulation tools (Software-in-the-loop)
- Standard interface based on OPC UA PubSub and information model
- Alternate easily between simulation and real target without project changes

#### **On-premises support (Q4 2024)**

- Cloud-independent Automation Server on customer's own IT infrastructure
- Pre-release versions for pilot customers in Q3 2024

#### File management / backup / restore

- Exchange files between PLCs and clients via browser (released on June 25, 2024)
- Manage files and folders on PLCs (released on June 25, 2024)
- Central file management on the Automation Server (Q1 2025)
- Deployment of additional files (Q1 2025)
- Backup & restore of PLC files in the Automation Server (Q2 2025)

# **Multi-application deployment (Q1 2025)**

#### **New features and functionalities**

- Certificate management (Q4 2024)
- Encrypted communication edge <-> PLC (Q4 2024)
- CODESYS Virtual Control support (Q4 2024)
- Rename devices via Automation Server (Q1 2025)
- Multi-edit and tags for projects and applications (Q1 2025)

#### **Responsive design (4.7.0.0 – Q4 2024)**

- Repositioning of elements depending on the client size
- Changing the size of elements depending on the client size

#### Alarm management (4.7.0.0 – Q4 2024)

Support of online change

#### Client-specific localization (4.7.0.0 – Q4 2024)

Each client can define the language.

#### XY chart for date/time data types (4.7.0.0 – Q4 2024)

Use Date, Time, DateAndTime and TimeOfDay variables for an axis.

#### Scripting support (4.7.0.0 – Q4 2024)

Typical changes to a visualization can then be carried out using CODESYS Scripting.

#### Target Visu Overlay (V3.5 SP21, Q1 2025)

• Performance optimization when switching pages

#### QML Media Player for Target Visualization (V3.5 SP21, Q1 2025)

Ready-to-use solution for camera streams

#### WebSocket support for WebServer and WebVisu (2025)

Reduce network load by leveraging WebSocket technology



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