

New Center of Secure Digitalization and Automation in Finland Creates 300 New Jobs

Insta Group is growing into a globally significant Center of Excellence, with over a thousand employees. Through a merger with the digital solutions expert Intopalo, Insta is set to create a center of secure digitalization in Tampere, Finland, under the name Intopalo Digital. The new company is aiming to become the forerunner in secure digitalization globally.

– For a long time we have supplied critical security solutions for the demanding military industries as well as cyber security solutions for environments requiring top-level security. By joining forces with Intopalo we can now provide the same level of expertise for civilian industrial applications. Secure digitalization applies to everybody, and without this society and businesses are vulnerable. This is a very contemporary matter, says Insta Group CEO **Henry Nieminen**.

Insta Group is a Finnish, family-owned high-technology corporation focusing on digitalization, automation and management solutions. Insta has a strong presence in industrial automation, cyber security, defense technologies and emergency call center solutions. Intopalo in turn specializes in software platforms, data management and analytics, and secure industrial digitalization. By this deal Intopalo is merged into Insta Group.

The upcoming Intopalo Digital combines the unique knowhow of critical infrastructures and the industry, thereby becoming a significant European contender. The core expertise of Intopalo Digital is the digitalization of industrial automation and autonomous utility machinery, which perfectly fits the growth strategy of Insta Group.

– The customers are looking for agility, transparency and cost savings. In practise these are achieved with high security solutions, real-time situational awareness solutions as well as enhancing and automating processes with machine intelligence, Executive Vice President of Insta DefSec **Jari Mielonen** explains.

With the new business unit Insta Group grows into a corporation employing more than a thousand people and achieving a turnover of 130 million euros. Insta Group expects to add another 300 jobs in the next few years.

Finnish Know-How for The World Market

Intopalo Digital is focusing on the fast-growing global market. The first wave of expansion is set to take place in the “Industrial Silicon Valley” in Bavaria, Germany, where Intopalo already has a location.

Industrial enterprises are estimated to invest some USD 900 M in digitalization in the coming three years, and 80% of businesses see it as priority.

– With these strong capabilities in technology and a solid background in the industry, we now have the opportunity to become the leading player in secure digitalization globally. We provide turnkey solutions for the most demanding industrial customers. Everybody should have access to secure digital solutions, says Intopalo CEO **Juha Latvala**.

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