

BarcoView

Press Information

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Barco Expands Modular Display Products Family with 17" and 18" Display Modules

EUROSATORY, Villepinte, France, June 17, 2002 – Barco has expanded its MRFD (Modular Rugged Flat Display) family. The product range, designed for C4I applications that require viewing graphics, video and other RGB data on a single display, combines a processing unit with a Display Module (LCD panel). Display Modules are now available in 17", 18" and 21.3" screen sizes, with resolutions up to 1600 x1200. The MRFD range allows users to select their preferred LCD size, resolution and video processing functionality from BARCO's COTS offering.

Barco's expanded range of Display Modules all interface to the same processing unit, called Display Control Module. This modular electronics box, featuring up to six board slots, is configured to meet mission-specific requirements (e.g. multiple analog or digital input boards for video capturing, radar overlay or RGB input). The digital mixing functionality incorporated in the MRFD results in a total, low-cost solution for image overlay and mixing, with no need for separate video mixing cards to be installed at the host computer.

The Display Modules present camera images, radar data and graphics. They are completely enclosed and have front filters bonded to the LCD for improved optical performance, superior ruggedization and elimination of humidity concerns. In addition, they can also be equipped with Barco's unique patented LCD Flicker Compensation Solution.

Display Module and Display Control Module are connected via a single cable, the BARCO Intermodule Link. To provide a single LRU installation, the Display Control Module can also be attached to the Display Module.

About BarcoView:

BarcoView with operation facilities in Kortrijk (Belgium), Toulouse (France), Atlanta, Georgia and Portland, Oregon (USA) designs and manufactures high-resolution display systems, displays, graphics controllers and display subsystems for highly demanding niche markets such as C4I, avionics, vessel and air traffic control, vehicle electronics, publishing and medical imaging applications.

Alongside Barco Projection Systems and BarcoVision, BarcoView is one of the three strategic activities of the BARCO Group, which are all active in Image Processing. Barco Projection is in various markets of large

screen visualization, whereas BarcoVision develops systems for visual inspection and quality control. In 2001, the entire BARCO group delivered a turnover of 792 million EURO. BARCO has a network of subsidiaries, distributors and agents in 97 countries throughout the world. BARCO has been quoted on the Brussels Stock Exchange since 1986, and is now quoted on Brussels/Euronext. BARCO is a BEL 20 and a Next 150 company and is a member of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes.

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