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Spacewell launches new digital solutions for a safe return to the workplace

Antwerp, May 14, 2020 – Spacewell, a leading global provider of building management software that is part of the listed Nemetschek Group, announces user-friendly software and technology tools to help organizations address challenges as workers return to the office.

Now that many countries are easing coronavirus restrictions, workplace managers, employees, and facility service providers face new challenges. Social distancing and hygiene measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 will likely need to remain in place until a vaccine becomes available. This has implications for how we work and how workplaces are managed and serviced.

Spacewell focuses on helping workplace managers with new and updated digital tools to manage the transition phase, monitor and ensure compliance and mitigate short-term disruption. At the same time, these people-centric tools will also help firms in the longer term to drive performance improvements and improve workplace well-being post COVID-19.

Spacewell's COVID-19-tailored solutions rely on IWMS software coupled with the IoT to help companies leverage utilization data and dynamically adapt facility processes. They are based on proven, existing solutions and newly added features that are available immediately. Key areas and capabilities include:

Workplace density

Companies have a need to rethink space allocation to meet social distancing requirements ("6 feet office") and to clearly communicate adjusted seating plans to workplace users. Spacewell software makes it easy to mark workstations as unavailable on digital floor plans, made available to workers through a range of user-friendly touchpoints. Motion and image sensors can track, anonymously and in real-time, when people break social distancing rules and an alert will be emitted. And workplace managers can track and monitor workplace utilization with real-time data, time lapses and user-friendly dashboards. They can also receive alerts and leverage occupancy data for compliance reporting.

Reservations

Mobile software makes it easy for people to book spaces and resources remotely based on daily availability – using their own smartphone. Privacy-aware contact tracing can be enabled using reservations systems data to keep track of potential exposure.

Real-time employee guidance

Smart software helps people navigate the post-COVID-19 workplace. It shows walking routes and available desks on digital floor plans (kiosk, smartphone) and visualizes crowdedness across multiple floors so that people can avoid busy places.

Indoor climate monitoring

To minimize the risk of airborne contamination, it is recommended to increase fresh air intake and monitor ambient conditions and air quality parameters. Organizations can reassure employees by communicating key information and showing that they are monitoring wellness.

Cleaning and sanitation

More intensive and adapted cleaning will be necessary to mitigate COVID-19 spreading on surfaces. A field-tested mobile app (in a hospital setting among other places) gives cleaning crews clear instructions and safety precautions visualized on floor plans. Clients can update the configuration at any time through a self-service portal.

Scalable solutions, fast activation

A number of these solutions can be put in place without the need for sensors. However, by adding simple motion sensors to the platform, clients can monitor occupancy on a continuous basis. Air quality sensors can be added seamlessly to track ambient conditions, and image sensors can provide a real-time view of crowdedness. All these solutions fully respect people's privacy at work, are scalable and suitable for both small and large organizations. They can be quickly implemented, generally in a matter of days. You can read more here.

Use cases explained in a webinar, hosted together with IFMA

Spacewell is hosting a webinar with IFMA on June 5 to share learnings and insights on how digital solutions help companies quickly respond to the coronavirus crisis. Register to learn firsthand how companies worldwide are implementing these solutions.

About the Nemetschek Group

The Nemetschek Group is a pioneer for the digital transformation in the AEC industry. With its software solutions, it covers the complete life cycle of building and infrastructure projects and guides its customers into the future of digitalization. As one of the world's leading corporate groups in this field, the Nemetschek Group increases quality in the construction process and

improves the digital workflow of all those involved in the construction process. This revolves around the use of open standards (Open BIM). The innovative solutions of the 16 brands in the four customer-oriented divisions are used by approximately six million users worldwide. Founded by Prof. Georg Nemetschek in 1963, the Nemetschek Group today employs more than 3,000 experts.

Publicly listed since 1999 and quoted on the MDAX and TecDAX, the company achieved revenue in the amount of EUR 556.9 million and an EBITDA of EUR 165.7 million in 2019.

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