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**iATN Membership Exceeds 80,000**

Members Now Share Over 1.9 Million Years of Experience

***BREA, Calif****.* — The International Automotive Technicians Network (iATN®), [www.iatn.net](http://www.iatn.net/), now has more than 80,000 active members, the largest number ever in the network’s 19-year history. Members are located in 160 countries and collectively share 1.9 million years of experience on iATN.

“Although we’ve crossed the 80,000 member threshold, iATN members are the minority of the industry: they are the professionals who understand what it takes to survive in our increasingly challenging profession. Members here find that by networking with fellow professionals, they are continuously expanding their knowledge on systems, tools and best practices that often elevate their careers to the next level. iATN provides a platform that allows members to communicate with each other interactively by sharing case studies, solving vehicle problems and sharing tips that cover the gamut of challenges facing the automotive service industry,” said Scott Brown, president of iATN.

Technician Thomas Perkins said, “iATN has shaped my career by giving me the connection to my peers and allowing me to review case studies. The people connection and the Waveform Library both have been invaluable.”

The primary membership benefits of iATN include TechHelp, where thousands of automotive technicians from all over the world exchange information and ideas 24 hours a day. Members also have access to more than 20 different technical, shop management and auto industry web forums and the extensive iATN Knowledge Base.

The Knowledge Base includes the FIX Database with more than 200,000 real-world vehicle fixes, Forum Archives with millions of iATN web forum discussions, and the Waveform Library with 35,000 waveforms, scan data images, component photos, and other vehicle specific images, documents and videos that have been uploaded to the network.

“In a very large part, I owe my career to iATN because without them I probably would have been stuck in some job without any training or networking. I highly recommend it,” said technician John Bridgwater.

Automotive educator and technician Michael Joachim said, “It [iATN] is my window into the world. It's my way of finding out what's going on in shops and service bays all throughout the U.S. and the world.”

iATN was founded in 1995 and is the largest online community of automotive technicians, repair shop owners and other allied service professionals in the world. For additional member testimonials, visit [www.iatn.net](http://www.iatn.net).

The iATN Mission of Excellence: To promote the continued growth, success and image of the professional automotive technician by providing a forum for the exchange of knowledge and the promotion of education, professionalism and integrity. For additional information about iATN or to join, visit [www.iatn.net](http://www.iatn.net/).

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