The core platform for Yokogawa VigilantPlant® Solutions. Designed to empower all members in the production value chain to See Clearly, Know in Advance, and Act with Agility
In a quickly changing industry it's not only about technology, but more importantly, it’s about helping people get their jobs done right. As the originators of the first DCS, known as CENTUM, we’ve spent more than 30 years paying careful attention to what plant managers, engineers, and control room operators have been saying. We’re proud to recommend to you the new CENTUM VP, the next evolutionary step bringing better information visibility, performance foresight, and operational agility. At the end of the day, we want you to head home with the knowledge that you succeeded.
The CENTUM VP advantages

CENTUM VP ushers in an operating environment that keeps everyone fully aware, well informed, and ready to face the next challenge.

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CENTUM VP delivers the knowledge necessary to anticipate changes and to make fast, informed decisions. CENTUM VP enables quick synthesis of analytic insights from the historical, real-time, and future-predictive perspectives. Allowing people to make fast intelligent decisions every day, CENTUM VP helps your business avoid costly surprises.

CENTUM VP helps to implement decisions throughout the value chain without delay. CENTUM VP speeds up task coordination and navigation, enhancing the feasibility of production and adaptability of business. Constantly systemizing and automating operational best practices, CENTUM VP prevents delays and preempts bottlenecks.

Operations

- Safe and unified plant operations
- Universal interface for control, safety, and asset intelligence
- Embedded mechanisms to prevent information overload
- Non-stop improvement
- Continuous systemization of operational best practices and context specific operational advisories

Production Management

- Faster Plan, Do, Check, and Act cycle for agile adaptation
- MES and enterprise system integration using S95 and B2MML standards
- Secure and standard-based information integration
- Built-in control network security certified by experts

Maintenance

- Continuous evolution without compromising asset availability
- Evergreen evolution with online upgrades and modifications
- Most reliable platform with no single point of failure
- Long-term investment protection
- Step-by-step phased migration paths incorporated before any new release. We have over 30 years of backward compatibility.

Project

- Faster project execution with fewer integration risks
- Single-source integrated solutions for control system (DCS), safety instrumented system (SIS), embedded plant information management system (PIMS), intelligent RTU & SCADA, and turbine controller
CENTUM VP has a simple & common architecture consisting of human machine interfaces, field control stations, and a control LAN. These three basic components support facilities from the tiny to the very large and complex with up to 1,000,000 tags.
Intuitive human machine interface for plant operation

CENTUM VP has a new HMI (human machine interface) that makes information access quicker and more intuitive.

Based on the latest edition of the EEMUA* #191 guidelines, Yokogawa has developed a Consolidated Alarm Management System for the process operator in the HIS.

*Engineering Equipment & Materials Users’ Association

The HIS runs on Windows and offers customers the convenience of using commercial-off-the-shelf hardware. Although the reliability of a PC is relatively low, it does not affect the total reliability of the process operator function. Within CENTUM VP the HIS is not server-client dependent. Therefore multiple HISs can support each other and there is no single point of failure. The CENTUM VP supports multiple operator console configurations: desktop, open-bay console, hardened enclosed-bay console, and custom consoles.

CENTUM VP achieves the operational excellence that is the focus of Yokogawa’s Safety Excellence, Asset Excellence, and Production Excellence initiatives. It offers integrated viewing and data handling functions. For example, alarms from the ProSafe-RS Safety Instrumented System and Plant Resource Manager, Yokogawa’s Asset Management product, can be seen and handled seamlessly in the HIS. You can also see historical data from Plant Information Management System in a window at the HIS. All plant process data, device data, procedures, and documents are handled by CENTUM VP.

The amount of information available to process operators has been increasing and greater flexibility is demanded from the HMI. For many different configurations, one HIS supports to four monitors as well as wide flat panels (16:10 aspect ratio) of 24-inch and 30-inch sizes.

**EEMUA Guidelines for Alarm System Design**

**True Integration of Safety Excellence, Asset Excellence, and Production Excellence**

**No Single Point of Failure**

**Multiple-monitor Support**
Safety and reliability are the core fundamentals of all production activities

All field control stations (FCSs) in the CENTUM series, including software and hardware, have been developed by Yokogawa. We know every single bit of software and hardware to maintain a 99.99999% availability service record.

Through an online maintenance function, FCS applications can be modified without interrupting process control.

Yokogawa is committed to reducing costs for our customers by enabling the use of commercial off-the-shelf technology where appropriate. Third-party cables, switches and other network communication devices can be used with Yokogawa’s Ethernet based Vnet/IP. Plant reliability is in no way compromised as the communication response is guaranteed (deterministic as opposed to probabilistic) thanks to Yokogawa’s renowned reliability, dedicated protocol, and redundant configuration.

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Compact Design

Compact components reduce the overall “footprint” of the control system, allowing savings from smaller equipment rooms. For convenience, both the FCS and its I/O node units can be placed in remote classified locations (IEC Zone2/Class I Div. 2), providing installation savings.

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The CENTUM VP provides functional blocks for monitoring, control, manipulations, calculations, logic functions, and sequences. Not only continuous control but also advanced control, complicated sequence control, and batch control are all executed in a redundant, secure, and reliable controller environment. Plant systems can be flexibly designed, ranging from small- to large-scale, through the combination of these control blocks.

Subsystem Integration and Digital Fieldnetwork Support

To meet the growing need for communication with manufacturing equipment including variable speed drives, PLCs, and “smart” motor protection relays for operation and monitoring, as well as with analyzers, weighing machines, smart instruments, and other instruments used for product inspection, CENTUM VP supports a wide variety of communication interfaces and digital fieldnetworks such as FOUNDATION Fieldbus, PROFIBUS-DP, Modbus RTU, Modbus TCP/IP, and DeviceNet.

Unit Instruments

The multiple devices of a process facility which would previously have been handled individually can now be defined, operated, and monitored as a single unit, simplifying operation. Unit instruments can be applied to batch processes and continuous control processes that require complex management, expediting overall plant operation.
How does CENTUM VP employ “openness” in a control system?

The technological innovation achieves the world fastest, open, reliable and real-time communication. Customer centric mindset maintains the true interoperability.

Global Host Interoperability (support) Test (HIST) Network

In the arena of FoundationFieldbus, manufacturers are bringing new devices to market all the time, in addition to upgrading older instrumentation. Therefore, interoperability has always been a key issue with Yokogawa. To facilitate project management on a global basis, Yokogawa has formed a global HIST network. Test sites in Japan, the Netherlands, Houston (USA), and Singapore make sure the interoperability between Yokogawa systems and non-Yokogawa devices is acceptable. All test results are reported to Japan. This information is disclosed at http://www.yokogawa.com/fbs/Interoperability/fbs-hist-en.htm

1Gbit, World’s Fastest Open Control Network

The real openness of a control LAN does not just come from using TCP/IP technology. Yokogawa’s Vnet/IP provides open, reliable, and real-time broadband communications. Both CENTUM and non-CENTUM components can be connected to the network. The open communication band does not affect process control data communications nor does it impact the performance and security aspects of the control communications band. The Yokogawa system guarantees data updates every second in the HIS, even with a 1,000,000 tag project. Vnet/IP offers one millisecond time synchronization among all stations on Vnet/IP. A third-party organization has certified the security robustness of Vnet/IP and communications to the CENTUM VP FCS.

True Interoperability

Interoperability of Yokogawa CENTUM systems with the “outside world” begins with OPC. CENTUM VP utilizes an OPC server that meets the demands of information flow, advanced control, and alarm/event management. Our customers enjoy solid performance and wide flexibility of our OPC server for their integration projects. Yokogawa maintains interoperability with all intelligent instrumentation and deployed fieldbuses.
Operational Excellence Software Suite

The CENTUM VP simple and common architecture covers not only continuous and batch control but also manufacturing operations management. The Operational Excellence Software Suite operates on Windows PCs that are directly connected to the Vnet/IP network. Single-source seamless integration eliminates redundant engineering between control system engineering and Operational Excellence Software Suite engineering. For example, once you configure the function blocks in the FCS, the information of the function blocks is available in the plant information management engineering tool. This software suite integrates with third-party information systems through OPC interfaces.
CENTUM VP stands by its automation users over the entire plant lifecycle

CENTUM VP brings your cost down over the lifecycle of your plant. Maintenance is less frequent, upgrade is easy, expansion is smooth, and even revamp is speedy.

Precise Project Cost Estimation

In CENTUM VP, the FCS application load can be quickly calculated in the design stage and easily monitored when on-line. During engineering design, the precise number of FCSs required is known. As the project progresses, with engineering changes, cost changes are minimized due to the simple licensing structure incorporated into CENTUM VP. This covers both the addition of stations and tags. To provide the most economical system, CENTUM VP has only two tag license boundaries: the 8,000 tags for entry level and small system architectures, and the 100,000 tags for medium to large scale plant systems. When linking multiple plants together, then we have a one-time 1,000,000 tags.

Virtual Test Function

A virtual FCS and HIS environment is available where both the control and operator functions of the CENTUM database can be tested without FCS hardware. Application testing and engineering time are dramatically reduced, accelerating project progress and reducing engineering cost. For system expansion and modification, applications can be tested and verified without any impact on the actual plant operation. Where ProSafe-RS is also a part of the system, then virtual testing is also available together with CENTUM VP. Our virtual test function is also a key component in building an operator training system (OTS).

Upgrading

As part of lifecycle cost management, Yokogawa has paid particular attention to upgrading all CENTUM systems. It is simple, quick, and direct. All CENTUM VP stations that are PC-based can be upgraded with one mouse click. For the FCS, if you are not using any new functions, then upgrading is not needed. Where the latest functions are desired, it takes just one mouse click to execute an FCS upgrade.

Multiple Project Connection

Customers are demanding different sites to be linked together so that bi-directional operation can be made more efficient. Yokogawa provides a Multiple Project Connection package to connect several CENTUM VP sites together and link older CENTUM sites.

Migration

Migrating from CENTUM CS 3000 to CENTUM VP is accomplished without manual conversion. It is a standard function of our engineering configuration tool. Older CENTUM systems require Yokogawa conversion tools for the older database designs. Tools are also available for migrating from a few legacy/older third-party DCS systems to CENTUM VP.
Services: Lifecycle Management Program

A customized program that fits the unique needs of your plant and business

The Lifecycle Management Program is an integrated package of solution services that optimizes maintenance by tailoring it to the customer’s equipment lifecycle. This program meets diverse needs by creating a lifecycle plan for each customer’s system, and based on it, selects and combines the most suitable services from a variety of options.

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Vigilant engineers making history with CENTUM

CENTUM has grown with our customers over the past 30 years and is the clearest sign of our unwavering focus on maintaining continuity in solutions and services. Look to CENTUM for another 30 years of consistency and continuous improvement. With Yokogawa, commitment means building the future to last.

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CENTUM VP enables VigilantPlant Operational Excellence Model

Excellence in production, asset, and safety sustained over the life cycle of your plant.

- **Production Excellence** for operational agility and adaptability
- **Asset Excellence** for asset availability and utilization
- **Safety Excellence** for health, safety, and environmental (HSE) protection

The VigilantPlant Operational Excellence Model aims to sustain your profitable business growth by enabling excellence in three key aspects of plant operations over the life cycle of your plant.

A Yokogawa Commitment to Industry

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