





Downloads of Toolbox App from RS Components exceeds 60,000

Available for iOS devices and Windows PCs, Toolbox App offers wide range of mobile utilities for engineers, hobbyists and students

Johannesburg, South Africa, 24 March, 2017 - RS Components (RS), the trading brand of Electrocomponents plc (LSE:ECM), the global distributor for engineers, announced that the company's Toolbox App has reached a cumulative total of more than 60,000 user downloads. Launched at the end of 2013, the app is available for iOS devices including iPhones and iPads, as well as for Windows-based PCs.

Available free-of-charge, the Toolbox App provides an easy access point to an extensive range of functions grouped as icons on the main screen, including popular electronic reference materials and a multitude of calculation and conversion tools in an easy-to-use format for electronics design engineers, hobbyists and students.

In addition to the reference tools and calculators, Toolbox offers the latest news on technology from the DesignSpark community, including 3D models of thousands of products. It provides access to the RS Product Data Library, with supporting documents on the latest products, plus access to the complete RS product range for research and ordering. A further tool suggests alternative high-quality lower-cost products based on the RS Pro range.

"The fact that the Toolbox App has reached this major milestone of 60,000 downloads shows the tools it offers are what our users need in their work or study," said Cameron Ward, Senior Vice President of Innovation at RS. "The app has been and always will be free of charge to support our community of engineers and students, and will be regularly updated in the future to offer more and more functionality."

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About RS Components

RS Components is the market leader in the high service level distribution of electrical, electronic, mechanical, tools and industrial products. Operating in 26 countries whilst serving a further 100 through third-party distributors, RS serves every sector of industry in the procurement of their products relating to maintenance, repair, operations, low volume production, research and development.

With over 500 000 products across 2500 leading brands, the company is committed to ensuring that their 1,5 million customers have fast access to a broad, as well as deep range, of products and technologies, all under one roof.

RS's customers, whether ordering single or multiple items, experience a quick, easy, secure, painless and cost effective process. The RS catalogue, available at za.rs-online.com, offers full colour pictures with extensive clear product specifications. Free access to thousands of datasheets ensures the correct product choice. Order placement is easily facilitated through za.rs-online.com, the call centre, e-mail, fax and trade counter. Locally held stock is delivered to customers within 24 hours, and products held internationally, within four to six working days.

It is proven that departments traditionally spend 80% of their time sourcing products that account for only 20% of their total procurement spend. RS is focussed on reducing the customers "total cost of product ownership" by reducing the need to make multiple calls to various companies to source products, reducing supplier related administration and allowing for the amalgamation as well as consolidation of supplier bases. Through this process, procurement efficiency is improved and time is freed up to concentrate on the more important business decisions. For more information, please visit the website at za.rs-online.com

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