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**Press Release**

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**Essential knowledge for contractors**

Electrical contractors looking to boost their knowledge of building controls are urged to enrol on *BC1 – Fundamentals of HVAC and Building Technology,* the first of a suite of six courses offered bythe Building Controls Industry Association (BCIA).

This course is delivered by industry experts and is designed for managers, installers and electrical contractors. BC1 will equip individuals with an understanding of the requirements of buildings and building services installation, as well as an understanding of HVAC systems and their main components.

Malcolm Anson, President of the BCIA says: “BC1 is the ideal starting point for electrical contractors looking to gain a good understanding of HVAC and building controls technology. It provides a foundation which will be built on throughout the rest of the training programme”

With the ongoing challenges in the built environment and the ever increasing need to reduce energy, now is a good time for electrical contractors to invest in building controls training to stay one step ahead of the competition and keep up with the latest technologies.

On successful completion of BC1, participants will be awarded with a CPD certificate accredited by CIBSE, which is the first step towards gaining a Technical and Advanced Technical Certificate in Building Controls.

All BCIA training courses take place at training centres in Peterborough, Edenbridge and Rotherham. For further information on all courses, their content and to book your place visit the website.

[www.bcia.co.uk](http://www.bcia.co.uk)

**Note to editors**

The Building Controls Industry Association (BCIA) represents the UK building controls and BEMS sector. With around 75 members accounting for 70% of the UK controls market, the BCIA is an influential group that promotes better specification, application and use of controls. The BCIA also offers its own training courses and the Building Controls Professional Assessment (BCPA).

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