VX IT

The world’s fastest IT rack
Rittal takes its popular RiMatrix system platform to a new level with RiMatrix Next Generation (NG). After all, IT trends indicate that we will be facing enormous challenges in the years to come. Higher productivity, resource consolidation, planning reliability, cyber security and compliance – those are just a few important reasons for companies to invest in high-performance networks and powerful data centres. But what must a modern data centre offer to support a flexible response to constantly changing production and business demands? Our answer is RiMatrix NG – ultimate flexibility, security and efficiency in a perfectly co-ordinated system: From individual rack installations to edge, enterprise, colocation and even hyperscale data centres.
RiMatrix NG
Modularity is the key to your success

Digitisation and constantly changing market demands call for immediately available and flexibly scalable IT infrastructures. With RiMatrix NG, Rittal provides an open IT system platform which guarantees uninterrupted availability, high data quality, innovative cooling management, maximum energy efficiency and ultimate security.

RiMatrix NG enables data centres to be custom configured or alternatively, using standard components. Greater levels of standardisation naturally imply greater profitability. Our comprehensive packages range from powerful edge data centres to containerised data centres with “IT as a Service” from our network of partners.

Power with monitoring functions
Individually adaptable power supply for maximum reliability and efficiency, thanks to digital control of, for example, voltage, current, power factors, active and apparent power.

Racks to suit your requirements
As the world’s leading manufacturer of server and network racks, Rittal offers a comprehensive range of racks and accessories for every individual IT application.
Cooling: from racks to rooms
Scalable climate control concepts such as the Liquid Cooling Package (LCP) and the highly efficient direct chip cooling technology offer a more flexible response to changing market conditions and demands.

Rittal Edge Data Center: your complete solution for large data volumes
Whether for compact rack combinations, larger data centres in location-flexible containers or complete high-volume data centres, Rittal can supply all the necessary components from racks to power solutions to climate control systems.

Cloud solutions
Together with our partners, Rittal offers flexible infrastructure and cloud solutions in the form of “IT as a service” models.

- DCaaS
- ITaaS
- CaaS
VX IT

The solution for all network and server applications

Whether you need a network rack to house a distribution board, or server racks for an edge, colocation or hyperscale data centre, the new VX IT provides the ideal platform. All the demands of a modern IT infrastructure are met.

Dependable customer focus
The new VX IT is modular in concept with a customer-focused configurator which guides you quickly and easily to a solution that is tailored to your specific requirements. Our state-of-the-art production lines and optimised logistics ensure availability and on-time delivery.

Matching modules
The new VX IT is the basis for RiMatrix NG – the next generation, a development of the proven Rittal IT system, which has been extended to now include numerous innovative products and features.

Seamless compatibility
A data centre infrastructure outlives its individual servers. Compatibility with established RiMatrix systems is therefore crucial. The VX IT and RiMatrix NG are ideally suited for extending existing data centres and replacing individual components.

Future-proof
We know the trends and understand what factors concern you as an IT expert and your company so that we can supply a solution that is future-proofed. Constant and ongoing developments to both VX IT and RiMatrix NG ensure continuous innovations to meet future technology trends.
VX IT as an integral part of RiMatrix NG
VX IT in typical applications

Innovative platform
- RiMatrix NG has been expanded with numerous additional products and features, such as pre-defined data centre modules and built-in OCP technology.
- Continuous further development guarantees seamless adaptation to future technology trends.
- Energy-efficient components form the basis for implementing customer-specific sustainability concepts.

Easily customised
- RiMatrix NG adapts and underpins the IT lifecycle – from planning, via operation through to optimisation.
- RiMatrix NG is easily scalable in every spectrum, be it output range, installation size, availability or fail-safe operation.
- As an open system platform, RiMatrix NG permits the integration of certified products and solutions from third-party providers to complement the basic product portfolio.
- Variable financing options allow for demand-oriented and scalable investments.
**Consistent availability**
- Pre-defined system solutions such as edge and container data centres simplify planning and purchasing.
- RiMatrix NG is perfectly suited to IT components, higher-level management systems and applications; it enables the swift deployment of complete solutions (XaaS).

**Reliable solutions**
- RiMatrix NG boasts the same tried-and-tested Rittal quality that meets international standards and norms.
- Compatible with existing installed systems and guarantees flexible future proofing.
- Full documentation, training and comprehensive customer services as part of our customer care package.
Individual IT racks
With the VX IT configurator
Configure individual racks to your specific requirements

- Customised, application-specific rack variants are created quickly with our Web-based configurator.
- Configuration is based on a modular principle: Starting with the basic rack and on up to interior fittings as well as the required accessories to create a fully individualised solution.
- In this way, the VX IT configurator supports a wide range of configurable rack variants, extending far beyond the standard rack portfolio.

Maximum flexibility and control reviews to ensure precise configuration

- To prevent configuration errors and mis-ordering, all configuration stages are immediately checked for correctness.
- At the configuration stage, our recommended accessories are displayed automatically for easy, fast selection.
- Other accessories may be selected at any time depending on your requirements and installed in predefined positions. Individual positioning of the components is also possible on the advice of your sales representative.
- Accessories can be delivered separately, enclosed with the order or supplied pre-fitted, depending on your preference.

Complete clarity and optimal delivery times

- The configurator provides complete clarity about anticipated delivery times.
- Every rack ordered via the configurator is supplied fully assembled, although delivery times will vary depending on the rack’s level of customisation.
Comprehensive modular system
To meet every requirement
Versatility for all applications

- Even the standard variants are available in up to 28 sizes (EU series) – 2 widths, 6 heights and 4 depths.
- Choose your individual 482.6 mm (19") installation to meet your specific requirements from a comprehensive range of racks, components and accessories plus two different load classes (see detailed rack specifications “dynamic” or “standard”) and your chosen 482.6 mm (19") interior installation variant. Load limits of up to 15,000 N or 18,000 N are available.

Tailored door concept

The choice of door depends on the spatial conditions and your individual requirements with regard to access, climate control and protection category.

- New 180° hinge ensures a maximum door opening angle even when bayed plus a large-scale handle system including security lock with profile half-cylinder.
- We have the right door to suit any climate control system, be it rack, suite or room cooling.
- New options include automatic door opening to provide emergency cooling or to ensure extinguishing of the racks when using a gas-based room extinguisher system.
- Glazed doors for optimal viewing or to ensure a closed climate control zone in conjunction with high-performance cooling applications, such as high-capacity heat exchangers.

Roof concept with the required protection category

The choice of roof solution will depend on your planned cable entry and prescribed protection category, for example:

- One-piece, solid, with a protection category of up to IP 55
- With brush strip on both sides across the entire rack depth
- Cable entry via brush strip horizontally at the rear, across the entire rack width
- Cable entry in the corner zones via brush strips

User-friendly side panel solutions

Your choice of side panel will depend on the required level of access and the prescribed security and protection category parameters, for example:

- For individual racks: Optionally one-piece, multi-piece, horizontally divided, plug-in or vertically divided, hinged
- To complete a suite of racks: Multi-piece, screw-fastened or partitions, one-piece, slide-in fixing for physical separation of individual enclosures within the rack suite
High load capacity
With maximum flexibility
**Flexible 482.6 mm (19’’) installation**

Choose from two 482.6 mm (19’’) installation systems, depending on your requirements:

- **Standard** – Load capacity up to a maximum of 15,000 N or 12,000 N to UL 2416
- **Dynamic** – Load capacity up to a maximum of 18,000 N or 15,000 N to UL 2416

Different installation concepts are available for the 482.6 mm (19’’) mounting angles, depending on the rack dimensions. While 600 mm wide racks are mounted directly onto the rack frame, in 800 mm wide racks the 482.6 mm (19’’) levels are mounted on depth stays or cross-members.

For 800 mm wide racks, alternative mounting dimensions of 21”, 23” and 24” are also supported, together with asymmetrical arrangement of the 482.6 mm (19’’) mounting level. The standard installation variant with cross-members is used with rack depths of up to 800 mm and is ideally suited for use as a network distributor by supporting fast, simple cable management across the entire rack width in any height unit.

- An asymmetrical arrangement of the 482.6 mm (19’’) level gains additional installation space on one side which may be used for optimised cable routing or to integrate a Liquid Cooling Unit (LCU).

**Easily extend your existing systems**

- The VX IT is also compatible with all existing IT infrastructure solutions using the TS IT and DK TS systems – in other words, the VX IT allows for additional configuration and baying.

- Thanks to the new baying variant with 3 mm baying gap, entire racks or liquid cooling packages can easily be removed from the rack suite and replaced with updated hardware.

**Simple conversion to VX IT**

- Our smart conversion aid, available on the Rittal website, allows you to easily convert your existing rack systems to the new VX IT system.
High security standards
With UL certification and CB test report
Certification to international safety standards

- Rittal is compliant with the latest international standards and our products are certified accordingly.

- For example, our products meet the stringent new testing requirements for mechanical load capacity as defined by international standard IEC/EN 62368-1 and American standard UL 2416.

- The quality of the VX IT, including all materials and components, is verified by UL certification.

UL certification and configuration

- The VX IT is available in two versions certified to UL 2416 (E254143): The VX IT “standard” variant is certified for 1200 kg static load, while the VX IT “dynamic” version is certified for 1500 kg static load.

- Whichever customised solution you create using the Rittal Configuration System (RiCS), the product safety of the VX IT has been tested and certified. Testing covers all potential climate control and power distribution components as well as other accessories.

- This means that for RiCS-based configurations, no further tests or registrations are needed to ensure the delivery of safe products worldwide.

CB test report and country-specific approval

- If required, country-specific certificates for local market access may be derived from the CB test report (DK-88106-M1-UL).

- The VX IT meets all applicable requirements to EN/IEC 62368 and UL 2416 and is therefore compliant with IT security standards, including any national variations between the EU, USA and Canada.
Security and ease of use
Customised at all levels
Roof
- A broad spectrum of individual roof solutions
- Ideal solutions for secure, simple cable entry, even with high cable volumes
- Closed variant for a high protection category of IP 55

Walls
- Split side panels for problem-free one-man assembly
- Vertically divided, hinged side panels for easy access without dismantling the side panel
- Side panels latched from the inside for improved access protection

Doors
- Vented or solid, to suit the individual climate control requirement
- Mechanical and electronic lock systems for optimum security
- Door control systems to automatically open the doors in the event of a cooling failure or for room-based extinguisher systems

Base
- Individual base modules for optimum, secure cable entry from below
- Base/plinth systems with integral cable management solutions

Room integration
- Perfectly adapted modules for achieving cold or hot aisle solutions
Interior installation
With limitless versatility
Power
- Wide range of socket strips and power distribution systems
- Power distribution unit in the zero-U space
- Professional monitoring and link to DCIM software (such as RiZone)
- Measurement of voltage, current, power factor, active and apparent power

Cooling
- Individual climate control concepts for rack, suite and room cooling up to 55 kW per rack
- Minimised operating costs thanks to energy-efficient systems

Monitoring
- CMC III for preventive intervention to help minimise the risk of downtime
- Mechanical and electronic lock systems for optimum security

Security
- Fire alarm and extinguisher systems for early fire detection and automatic extinguishing if the cooling system fails or a room-based extinguishing system is triggered

Interior installation
- Practical cable routing vertically and horizontally in the rack – even with high port density
- Component shelves, for static or extendable installation
- Air baffle systems for optimal air flow in the rack, tailored to the individual climate control solution
Examples of VX IT applications

The IT rack as distributor rack

Scenario:
IT managers and engineers are often confronted with the challenging task of equipping office buildings etc. with suitable IT distributor racks. Cable management with tidy cable routing and fasteners, the ability to accommodate different network components such as patch panels or switches, the improved distribution of mechanical loads and structured cable routing are all particularly crucial.

The solution:
The VX IT provides the greatest possible flexibility with width options available to accommodate the nature and quantity of cabling as well as offering depth-variable rails or combination rails to support cable routing using cable ties or cable supports using cable clamps. The glazed door provides ease of handling and allows for more convenient monitoring and control of, for example, free ports or active components. Vertically divided side panels provide optimum access to the front and rear from the sides, as well as to the components and cabling. Snap fasteners with an integrated internal latch on the side panels ensure the best access security and protection.

IT enclosures in an industrial environment

Scenario:
Industrial environments such as warehouses and production halls are often typified by harsh conditions. Key requirements of an IT rack, therefore, are numerous from protecting sensitive components from the ingress of dust or water to ensuring protection from electromagnetic radiation to safeguarding from physical damage by, for example, transport vehicles such as fork-lift trucks.

The solution:
The VX IT enclosure with solid base assembly, one-piece solid roof plate, solid glazed door at the front and sheet steel door at the rear, with a protection category of IP 55, provides optimum protection from environmental and ambient conditions. Additionally, one-piece, screw-fastened side panels protect against unauthorised access. The additional internal latch on the side panel is a further security enhancement. A closed-loop LCU provides climate control while also ensuring the required level of protection to IP 55.
Scenario:
A key issue with data centres is how to dissipate waste heat in a confined space, and how to protect against overheating. In confined spaces, temperature control of the room is rarely possible, so measures should be taken to ensure adequate cooling of the rack. Energy efficiency is also a key consideration.

The solution:
To this end, the VX IT offers the option of rack climate control with a solid sheet steel and glazed door, optionally available with an automatic door opening system. If the cooling system should fail, or in the event of a fire, the new “door-within-a-door” concept allows for the automatic opening of two integral door inserts. For room and suite climate control, vented doors front and rear can provide the ideal cooling strategy. As such, and if the room height permits, the VX IT with height units of up to 52 U allows for a high concentration of component installation and hence extremely efficient use of the room and space.

When using the new 180° baying hinge, the 180° door opening angle including comfort handle allows for greater space optimisation as well as greater installation freedom, particularly with bayed racks. This results in superior access and reduced aisle widths while complying with relevant safety standards for escape routes.

Scenario:
In certain scenarios, the installation site of the IT rack prevents technical staff from being able to open the side panels or rear of the enclosure. For example, this may apply to IT racks in production halls that are positioned against the wall directly adjacent to machinery and power distribution systems. Other examples include network racks and distribution racks for telecommunications systems.

The solution:
By replacing the rear door with a swing frame complete with rear panel, the VX IT solves this problem. The swing frame provides optimum access to the rack interior, to the rear of the 482.6 mm (19") equipment and to the installed components from the front. The swing frame is supplied in different versions with an opening angle of either 130° or 180°. This significantly eases maintenance and repair work, and modifications can be more effortlessly carried out.
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