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Critical Link Named to Inc. Magazine's 5000 Fastest-Growing Companies 2018

- The embedded systems solutions and system on module (SOM) company achieved a 76% three-year growth rate to earn a spot on Inc.'s list.

SYRACUSE, N. Y. - Sept. 12, 2018 - [Critical Link, LLC](http://www.criticallink.com), experts in embedded systems, system on modules (SOMs), and imaging systems for electronic applications, has been selected as one of Inc. Magazine's 5000 fastest-growing, privately-held companies in America for 2018. With 2017 revenues of \$11.7 million and the company's extraordinary 76% growth rate over the past 3 years, Critical Link has earned the No. 4366 spot on this prestigious list of North American entrepreneurs.

John Fayos, Critical Link's president, notes, "I'm incredibly proud of the strides we've made in the increasingly competitive SOM market. Our reputation as a provider of high-quality, long-lifespan embedded electronics has driven growth with industrial, commercial, and medical customers around the world."

Critical Link is one of four embedded electronics companies on the 2018 Inc. 5000 list, and the *only* embedded electronics company that provides off-the-shelf board level solutions. The company specializes in system on chip (SoC), image sensor integration, field-programmable gate array (FPGA) designs, vision protocols, and signal processing.

Critical Link's remarkable growth is due, in part, to pioneering innovative embedded systems technology and products, such as the recently introduced **MitySOM-A10S-DSC** processor board for the next generation of embedded imaging applications.

Highly-configurable with dual-side connectors (DSC) for stack-through construction, the advanced system on module is built around the Intel®/Altera Arria® 10 SoC processor with dual core ARM. The company's new A10S-DSC board is ideal for applications in industrial instrumentation, test and measurement, medical imaging, robotics, process automation and control and more. To learn more about Critical Link's MitySOM-A10S-DSC, please visit: <https://www.criticallink.com/product/mitysom-a10s-dual-side-connectors/>.

For more information about the company's custom imaging design, product development, and full lifecycle engineering support services, please go to: <https://www.criticallink.com/services/>.

ABOUT THE COMPANY:

Critical Link, LLC (Syracuse, NY www.criticallink.com), founded in 1997, develops embedded systems solutions, system on modules (SOMs) and imaging systems for a wide variety of electronic applications. As experts in image sensor technology, system on chip (SoC) and field-programmable gate array (FPGA) design, signal processing, and vision protocols, we support all product development tasks, from concept to final production.

Our flexibility allows us to deliver full lifecycle support and services at any step along the product development path. From hardware, firmware, and software development, to prototyping and manufacture/assembly, Critical Link is committed to helping our OEM customers reach their project goals quickly and cost-effectively.

Privately held, Critical Link is a Platinum member of the Intel FPGA Design Services Network and Intel IoT Solutions Alliance, and a certified member of the Arrow Consulting Engineering Services (ACES) network.

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