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G&D TradeSwitch2-PS/2



Installation and Operation

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Safety instructions

Please read the following safety instructions carefully before you start operating the G&D product. The instructions well help in avoiding damages to the product and in preventing possible injuries.

Keep this manual handy for all persons who will be using this product.

Follow all warnings or operating instructions which are on the device or stated in this user manual.

▲ Beware of electric shocks

To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not open the device or remove the covers. If service is required, please contact our technicians.

△ Disconnect the main power plug or the power supply before installation

Before installation, ensure that the device has been disconnected from the power source. Disconnect the main power plug or the power supply of the device.

▲ Ensure constant access to the power plugs

During the installation of the devices, ensure that the power plugs remain accessible.

▲ Avoid tripping hazards

Avoid tripping hazards while laying cables.

▲ Only use a grounded voltage source

Operate this device by using a grounded voltage source.

▲ Use only the provided G&D power pack

Operate this device with the provided G&D power pack or with the power pack listed in the manual.

\triangle Operate the device only in designated areas.

The devices are designed for indoor use. Avoid exposure to extreme cold, heat or humidity.

The KVM switch »TradeSwitch2-PS/2«

The KVM switch *TradeSwitch2-PS/2* enables you to operate up to two computers through one workstation.

The video output is carried out independently from the KVM switch through the monitors of various computers. Both PS/2 keyboard and the PS/2 mouse connected to the KVM switch enable a central configuration of all computers.

The switching between computers takes place either via the pushbuttons on the front panel, configurable key combinations, or a serial device which is connected to the *Service* port.

The front panel of the device provides two USB interfaces to alternatively connect a USB keyboard and/or a USB mouse to the console.

NOTE: The KVM switch operates with full keyboard and mouse emulation on each channel and therefore guarantees error-free booting and secure operation at all time.

Package contents

- 1 × *TradeSwitch2-PS/2* KVM switch
- 2 × twin PS/2 cable (Twin-PS/2-M/M-2)
- 2 × audio connection cable (Audio-M/M-2)
- 2 × TradeSwitch LED (TS-LED-2)
- 1 × data cable (Update-Cable-2)
- 1 × IEC power cable
- 1 × Installation and Operating Guide

NOTE: The device is available as desktop and as rackmount variant (see *Order numbers* on page 30).

Rackmount variants should be installed to the rack with the front panel facing forwards.

Installation

Overview of the interfaces

The front panel of the KVM switch

The front panel of the KVM switch provides two USB interfaces to connect a USB keyboard and/or mouse.

NOTE: The PS/2 interfaces to connect both console keyboard and console mouse (on the back panel of the KVM switch) and the USB interfaces on the front panel of the device can be used *simultaneously*.

The front panel also provides a *Service* port. This port is used for operating the setup menu (see *Operating the setup menu* on page 13 ff.) and for carrying out firmware updates.



Figure 1: Front view of the KVM switch

The active channel can be selected by using one of the two buttons on the front panel. The front panel also provides several LEDs (see *Status displays* on page 6).

The back panel of the KVM switch

The back panel of the KVM switch provides interfaces to connect the console devices and the computers. The following page contains a detailed description of these interfaces.

Setting up the device

- 1. Ensure that the computers, which are to be connected to the KVM switch, are turned off. If the computers are provided with both keyboards and mouses, unplug the cables of the input devices from the PS/2 interfaces.
- 2. Place the KVM switch between the computers and the console. Please mind the maximum cable length of five metres between the KVM switch and the computers which are to be connected.
- 3. Before installing the KVM switch, decide which button on the front panel of the device should be assigned to which computer.

Connecting the console devices

ADVICE: Connect the cables of the console and the computers preferably block by block and from the bottom up. By doing so, you will avoid already connected cables blocking your view of the interfaces.



Figure 2: Interfaces to connect the console devices

Keyb.: Plug the connection cable of the PS/2 keyboard in this socket.

Mouse: Plug the connection cable of the PS/2 mouse in this socket.

NOTE: You can also connect a USB keyboard and/or a USB mouse to the **USB K/M** interfaces on the front panel of the device.

The PS/2 interfaces (on the back panel of the KVM switch) as well as the USB interfaces on the front panel of the device can be used for connecting both console keyboard and console mouse.

Speaker: Connect the speakers to this interface for output of audio signals at the active computer.

Connecting the computers

NOTE: To connect the (maximum two) computers to the KVM switch, the interfaces as shown below are available for each computer.

The label (e.g. **CPU 1**) assigns the interface to a specific computer and to the correspondent button on the front panel.



Figure 3: Interfaces to connect the computers

Line In: If the audio signals of the computers are to be output over the speakers which are connected to the KVM switch, use one of the audio connection cables (*Audio-M/M*) to connect the computer's *Line Out* interface to this interface.

Keyb.: Use the purple plug of a *Twin-PS/2* cable to connect the purple PS/2 socket (keyboard) to this interface.

Mouse: Use the green plug of a *Twin-PS/2* cable to connect the green PS/2 socket (mouse) of the computer to this interface.

LED Out: Connect a TradeSwitch LED (*TS-LED-2*) to this interface and place the TradeSwitch LED set on e.g. the monitor.

Connecting the power supply



Figure 4: Interfaces to connect the computers

Power: Connect the power cable (*PowerCable-2 Standard*) to a power outlet and the *Power* socket of the KVM switch.

Start-up

Turn on the Power switch on the back panel of the KVM switch.

As soon as the device is supplied with power, the green *User* LED lights up. The KVM switch is now ready for use.

Status displays

The LEDs on the front panel of the device enable you to control the operational status at all times.

Section	LED	Status	Meaning
CPU 12	Active on		The KVM switch is currently active on this channel. All inputs are forwarded to this computer.
		off	The channel is currently inactive.
	Status	on	The computer is ready for operation.
		off	No computer is connected or the computer is turned off.
User	Active	on	The keyboard is properly and completely initialised.
		slow blinking	The LED blinks after the device is turned on and until the keyboard is initialised
		blinking	The setup mode of the KVM switch is active.
	Status	on	The KVM switch is supplied with the necessary voltage.
		off	The KVM switch is turned off or is not supplied with the necessary voltage.
			If necessary, check the proper connection of the power supply cable.

Switching between the computers

The user can either use the two buttons on the front panel of the device or key combinations to switch between different computers.

Keyboard and mouse inputs are forwarded to the active computer. The video signal of the active computer is displayed on the console monitor.

Switching via buttons

How to use the buttons at the device to switch to a certain channel:

• Press the button to switch to the desired channel.

Switching via key combinations

How to use key combinations to switch to a certain channel:

Press Hotkey + Select key on the console keyboard.

The default settings allow you to switch between channels by pressing Alt Gr and the select keys 1 to 2.

IMPORTANT: Switching between the channels takes place if the pressed key combination is released.

NOTE: If one of these key combinations interferes with a key combination of an installed application program, the key combination of the KVM switch can be adjusted (see page 16).

Switching via step keys

IMPORTANT: TStep keys are deactivated in the default settings. Information on how to enable this function are provided on page 21.

Alternative to using *select keys* to switch between channels connected to the KVM switch is to use the *step keys* to switch the channels in ascending or descending order.

IMPORTANT: The active *step keys* depend on the selected *select keys*. The following table lists the step keys depending on the active select keys.

Select keys	»Back« step key	»Forward« step key
12	9	0
NUM 12	NUM 9	NUM O
АВ	I	К
F1F2	F9	F10

How to use step keys to switch to a certain channel:

1. Press Hotkey+»Back« step key or Hotkey+»Forward« step key on the console keyboard.

Switching by mouse

IMPORTANT: Switching by mouse is deactivated in the defaults of the KVM switch. Information on activating the function is given on page 24.

How to access the active channel by mouse:

- Press and hold the mouse key 4 (usually: **Back**).
- Move the mouse to the left or the right to switch between the channels in ascending or descending order.

The TradeSwitch-LEDs shows the currently active channel.

NOTE: If the **Single** mode is activated, you can access the previous or the next channel in ascending or descending order.

The **Multiple** mode allows you to access several channels.

Switching via serial device

The channels can be switched via a serial device connected to the *Service* port of the KVM switch. The serial device can either be a special keypad or a computer which is terminal emulator operated.

IMPORTANT: Use the following connection settings and the switching commands of the KVM switch to successfully switch the channel with a serial end device.

Connection settings

Use the following connection settings for the serial end device to establish a serial connection to the KVM switch.

- Bits per second: 115.200 | *or*: 9.600 (see page 25)
- Data bits: 8
- Parity: none
- Stop bits: 1
- Flow control: none

Enabling the »Switch« mode

IMPORTANT: The *Service* port of the KVM switch can be used to operate the setup menu as well as to switch between the channels with a serial device.

Switching of channels via the serial device is possible only if the Switch mode is active!

If necessary, change the standard mode (see page 26) of the *Service* port to this mode if you want to switch channels via the serial device immediately after starting the KVM switch.

An alternative to switching to the **Switch** mode is to enter the »!« command during operation.

Switching commands

Command	Channel
1!	1
2!	2
</td <td>switch to previous channel</td>	switch to previous channel
>!	switch to next channel

The following commands are provided for switching the channel:

ADVICE: Use the »?!« command to show the currently accessing channel.

NOTE: The serial device carries out the command *directly* after it is sent.

A message (see below) informs the serial device concerning the success or failure of the switching of channels.

Messages

The KVM switch confirms the successful execution of a command and otherwise sends a meassage.

Message	Meaning
In[x] All	switching to channel [X] successful
E01	invalid channel number (out of range
E06	channel switching has failed
E10	invalid command
E13	invalid value (out of range)
RS232 mode enabled	switch mode (RS232) enabled

Configuration

The configuration of the KVM switch can optionally be changed in the setup mode or in the setup menu:

- Enable the *setup mode* using the console keyboard. You can change the configuration via special setup keys.
- The *setup menu* is operated with a terminal emulator and provides a user interface to configure the device.

NOTE: The PS/2 mouse (see page 29) can only be enabled or reset in the *setup mode*. The PS/2 keyboard type can only be selected in the *setup menu*.

Overview of the functions and default settings

The following table lists functions that can be configured as well as their default settings of the KVM switch.

Detailed description of the functions is given in the following pages:

Function	Default	Page
Using single or double hotkeys	single hotkeys	15
Changing the single hotkey	Alt Gr	16
Changing the double hotkey	Alt Gr+Ctrl	17
Changing the select keys	1 and 2	18
Disabling/Enabling the hotkey delay	7 seconds	19
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(De)activating the switching via mouse	disabled	24
Changing the bit rate of the Service port	115.200	25
Changing the standard mode of the Service port	switch	26
Changing the scan code set of a PS/2 keyboard	scan code set 2	27
Selecting the PS/2 keyboard type	default	28
Enabling or resetting a PS/2 mouse		29

Basic operation of the setup mode as well as the setup menu is explained in the following pages.

All functions that can be configured for the KVM switch are described in detail from page 15 ff.

Operating the setup mode

The setup mode can be enabled using the console keyboard. After enabling, the configuration of the KVM switch can be changed by using various step keys.

NOTE: Only one setup function can be performed after the calling of the setup mode. If you want to perform more functions, please restart the setup mode.

How to enable the setup mode:

Press the Hotkey+Backspace (Standard: Alt Gr+Backspace) key combination to enable the setup mode.

NOTE: The successful activation of the setup mode is displayed by the blinking **NUM**, \clubsuit and **Scroll** control LEDs on the keyboard. Additionally, the yellow *User* LED will blink at the KVM switch.

IMPORTANT: The key combination for enabling the setup mode needs to be pressed for *seven seconds*.

After the first call of the setup mode, the hotkey delay can be disabled by pressing the setup key 8 (see page 19).

How to perform a setup function:

• After enabling the setup mode, press one of the setup keys described on the following pages.

How to end the setup mode without performing a function:

• Press **ESC** to end the setup mode.

Operating the setup menu

The setup menu provides a convenient alternative to view and edit the configuration of the KVM switch.

The switch can be operated through the setup menu which both easy operation and adjustment of several settings within a session.

The setup menu can be operated via any terminal emulator (e.g. *HyperTerminal* or *PuTTY*). Use the supplied service cable to connect the computer on which the terminal emulator is installed with the *Service* port of the device.

How to establish a connection within the terminal emulator:

- 1. Start any terminal emulator (HyperTerminal or PuTTY, for example).
- 2. Establish a new connection in the terminal emulator and enter the following settings:
 - Bits per second: 115.200 | *or*: 9.600 (see page 25)

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- Data bits: 8
- Parity: none
- Stop bits:
- Flow control: none
- 3. Use the provided data cable (*Update-Cable-2*) to connect the computer to the *Service* port at the front panel of the KVM switch.

How to call up the setup menu:

- 1. Connect the jack plug of the serial data cable to the *Service* port at the front panel of the device.
- 2. Use the terminal emulator to establish the connection to the KVM switch.

As soon as the connection is successfully established, the setup menu will be displayed in the terminal emulator (see figure on page 14).

NOTE: If the KVM switch is started while the connection is being established, the *G&D Firmware Update Utility* will be displayed briefly before the setup menu opens.

This special utility is solely used by the support team.

The setup menu lists all settings in tabular form:

Settings for TradeSwitch2	
▶Show System Info	
Hotkey:	Alt Gr
Double Hotkey:	NO
Select Key:	12
Hotkey Delay:	Yes
Set System Defaults	
Select Ch.1 after Power up:	NO
Select Channel via Front Button:	Yes
Select Channel via Hotkey:	Yes
Select Channel via Step Key:	9 0
Select Channel via Mouse:	NO
Service RS232 Bitrate:	115200
Service RS232 Startup Mode: Setu	up Menu
PS/2 Scancode Set:	2
PS/2 Keyboard Type: S1	tandard
USB Keymode:	
'Space': Toggle 'S'	: Save

The right column displays the active setting of the respective function.

Menu items with submenus containing more settings are indicated with three dots (\ldots) in the right column.

NOTE: The **USB-Keymode** settings of the different channels only applies for USB variants of the KVM switch and is therefore not described in this manual.

How to operate the setup menu:

1. Use the Arrow \uparrow or Arrow \downarrow keys to select the desired menu item.

The active row is marked with angular \blacktriangleright arrows \blacktriangleleft .

- 2. Depending on the type of menu item, the following action(s) can be carried out:
 - Menu items whose settings are displayed in the right column can be changed by pressing the Space key (repeatedly).
 - A menu item that has a sub-dialogue available can be opened by pressing Enter.

NOTE: The following pages provide detailed information on how to change a certain function.

Configuration settings

Using single or double hotkeys

If many application programs with key combinations are operated on one computer or if different G&D devices are used in one cascade, the number of available key combinations might be restricted.

In such a case, it is appropriate to apply double hotkeys.

How to enable single or double hotkeys:

1. Press Hotkey + Backspace (default: Alt Gr + Backspace) to enabled the setup Setup Mode mode If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for *seven seconds*. 2. Press one of the setup keys listed below to enable single or double hotkeys: **\$** → enables single hotkeys A → disables double hotkeys 1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch. Setup Menu

If the setup menu is not displayed, the *Switch* mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.

- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the **Double Hotkey** row.
- 3. Press the Space key (repeatedly) to enable the usage of single or double hotkeys:
 - **No** enables single hotkeys
 - **Yes** disables double hotkeys
- 4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.

Depending on your settings, the active hotkey is converted into a double hotkey (or vice versa):

Single Hotkey	Double Hotkey
Alt Gr	Alt Gr+Ctrl
Win	Win+Ctrl
Shift	Shift+Win
Ctrl	Ctrl + Shift
Alt	Alt + Shift

Changing the single hotkey

Press the hotkey and the Backspace key simultaneously to start the setup mode of the KVM switch. Pressing the hotkey and the select key simultaneously enables the switching of channels.

If an application program or another G&D device uses the same hotkey within the cascade, the hotkey can be changed.

NOTE: The single hotkey **Alt Gr** is preset at default.

How to change the current hotkey:

1. Press the Hotkey+Backspace (default: Alt Gr+Backspace) key combination to Setup Mode enable the setup mode.

If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for seven seconds.

- 2. Press one of the setup keys listed below to enable a certain hotkey:
 - Alt Gr enables *Alt Gr* hotkey
 - Win enables *Win* hotkey
 - Shift → enables *Shift* hotkey
 - **Ctrl** enables *Ctrl* hotkey
 - Alt • enables *Alt* hotkey

Setup Menu

1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch.

If the setup menu is not displayed, the *Switch* mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.

- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Hotkey row.
- 3. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to enable a certain hotkey:
 - Alt Gr → enables *Alt Gr* hotkey
 - Win → enables *Win* hotkey
 - Shift → enables *Shift* hotkey
 - Ctrl enables Ctrl hotkey
 - Alt • enables *Alt* hotkey
- 4. Press the S key to save your settings.

Setup Menu

Changing the double hotkey

If the use of double hotkeys is enabled (see page 15), press the double hotkey and the **Backspace** key simultaneously to start the setup mode of the KVM switch. Switching of channels takes place by pressing the double hotkey and a select key at the same time.

If an application program or another G&D device uses the same hotkey within the cascade, the hotkey can be changed.

How to change the current double hotkey:

- 1. Requirement: enabled double hotkeys (see page 15).
- Setup Mode 2. Press Double hotkey + Backspace (default: Alt Gr + Ctrl + Backspace) to enable the setup mode.
 - If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for *seven seconds*.
 - 3. Press one of the setup keys listed below to activate the desired double hotkey:
 - Alt Gr → enables *Alt Gr+Ctrl* double hotkey
 - Win \rightarrow enables *Win+Ctrl* double hotkey
 - **Shift** → enables *Shift+Win* double hotkey
 - enables *Ctrl+Shift* double hotkey Ctrl
 - enables *Alt+Shift* double hotkey Alt
 - 1. Requirement: active double hotkeys (see page 15).
 - 2. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch.

If the setup menu is not displayed, the Switch mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.

- 3. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Hotkey row.
- 4. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to enable the desired double hotkey:

Alt Gr+Ctrl → enables *Alt Gr+Ctrl* double hotkey Win+Ctrl → enables *Win+Ctrl* double hotkey **Shift+Win** → enables *Shift+Win* double hotkey **Ctrl+Shift** • enables *Ctrl+Shift* double hotkey • enables *Alt+Shift* double hotkey Alt + Shift

5. Press the S key to save your settings.

Changing the select keys

In the default settings, use the enabled select keys 1 and 2 to switch between the computers that are connected to the KVM switch.

For instance, you can switch to computer 2 by pressing Hotkey+2 (default: Alt Gr+2).

How to choose a different select key set:

- Press Hotkey+Backspace (default: Alt Gr+Backspace) to enable the setup mode.
 If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for *seven seconds*.
 Press one of the setup keys shown below to activate the desired set of select keys to switch the computers 1 to 2:

 enables select keys *I* and *2*enables select keys *NUM 1* and *NUM 2*enables select keys *A* and *B*enables select keys *F1* and *F2*
- Press the Space key (repeatedly) to enable the particular set of select keys to select key switch the computers 1 to 2:
 1...2 * enables select keys 1 und 2 NUM 1...2 * enables select keys NUM 1 und NUM 2 A...B * enables select keys A und B F1...F2 * enables select keys F1 und F2
 2. Press the Skey to save your settings.

Disabling/Enabling the hotkey delay

Press the Hotkey+Backspace (default: Alt Gr+Backspace) key combination for seven seconds in order to start the setup mode in the default settings.

You can disable the hotkey delay if you want to start the setup mode immediately after pressing the key combination.

How to enable/disable the hotkey delay:

- 1. Press Hotkey+Backspace (default: Alt Gr+Backspace) to enable the setup Setup Mode mode.
 - If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for seven seconds.
 - 2. Press one of the setup keys listed below to enable/disable the hotkey delay:
 - 7 → enables hotkey delay
 - 8 → disables hotkey delay
- 1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch. Setup Menu

If the setup menu is not displayed, the Switch mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to switch to the setup menu.

- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Hotkey Delay row.
- 3. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to enable/disable the hotkey delay:
 - **Yes** enables hotkey delay
 - **No** disables hotkey delay
- 4. Press the S key to save your settings.

Resetting the defaults

This function resets the default settings of the KVM switch.

IMPORTANT: Performing this function reactivates the default settings of the KVM switch as shown on page 11.

How to reset the default settings:

Setup Mode

- 1. Press Hotkey+Backspace (default: Alt Gr+Backspace) to enable the setup mode.
 - If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for *seven seconds*.
- 2. Press the setup key listed below to reset the default settings:
 - D resets default settings
- Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch. If the setup menu is not displayed, the *Switch* mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.
 Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Set System Defaults row.
 Press Enter to reset the default settings.
 - 4. Confirm the pop up security query with Enter. Pressing the Q key cancels the function.

Setup Menu

Auto-accessing the first channel

Usually, after turning on the device, the recently active channel is accessed. The setting can be changed so that the computer connected to the first channel is automatically accessed when the device is turned on.

How to disable/enable the automatic access of the first channel after booting:

NOTE: Use the setup menu to enable/disable the option to automatically access the first channel after booting the device.

1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch.

If the setup menu is not displayed, the *Switch* mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.

2. Use the Arrow \uparrow or Arrow \downarrow keys to select the Select Ch.1 after Power up row.

- 3. Press the Space key (repeatedly) to select between the following options:
 - **No** accesses the last active channel after booting
 - **Yes** accesses channel 1 after booting
- 4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.

(De)activating the switching via front buttons

In the defaults, you can use the buttons on the front panel to switch between the computers.

If desired, you can deactivate the front buttons in the setup menu.

How to enable/disable the switching via front buttons:

HINWEIS: Use the setup menu to (de)activate the switching via front buttons.

- 1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch and connect the serial data cable to the *Service* socket.
- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Select Channel via Front Button row.

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- 3. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to choose one of the following options:
 - **Yes** disables the switching via front button
 - **No** enables the switching via front button
- 4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.

(De)activating the switching via hotkeys

In the defaults, you can use hotkeys to switch between the computers.

If desired, you can deactivate this kind of switching in the setup menu.

How to enable/disable the switching via hotkeys:

NOTE: Use the setup menu to (de)activate the switching via hotkeys.

- 1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch and connect the serial data cable to the *Service* socket.
- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Select Channel via Hotkey row.
- 3. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to choose one of the following options:
 - Yes disables the switching via hotkeys
 - **No** enables the switching via hotkeys
- 4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.

Setup Menu

(De)activating the switching via step keys

Instead of using hotkeys to switch to one of the channels connected to the KVM switch, you can also use *step keys* to switch the channels in ascending or descending order.

NOTE: The use of step keys is disabled in the default settings.

After enabling the step keys, you can use the following key combinations to switch channels in ascending or descending order:

- descending: »back« step key (default: Hotkey+9)
- ascending: »forward« step key (default: Hotkey+0)

IMPORTANT: The active step keys are dependent on the selected select keys (see page 18). The following table lists the step keys depending on the active select keys.

Select keys	»Back« step key	»Forward« step key
12	9	0
NUM 12	NUM 9	NUM O
АВ	I	К
F1F2	F9	F10

How to disable/enable the use of step keys:

NOTE: Use the setup menu to enable or disable the usage of step keys.

- 1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch. Now plug the serial data cable into the service socket.
- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Select Channel via Step Key row.
- 3. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to choose between the following options:

Off • step keys disabled [Step-Keys] • step keys enabled

4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.

(De)activating the switching via mouse

If the console mouse is a Microsoft »IntelliMouse Explorer« or a compatible 5-key mouse of another manufacturer, the mouse can be used to switch between channels.

The switching by mouse is disabled in the defaults. Use the setup menu for (de)activating the function and choosing between the following options:

- Single: Use the mouse to switch to the previous or the next channel.
- Multiple: Access the previous or the next channel or several channels by mouse.
- No: Switching by mouse is disabled.

How to (de)activate the switching by mouse:

NOTE: Use the setup menu to (de)activate the switching by mouse.

- 1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch. Now plug the serial data cable into the service socket.
- Setup Menu 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Select Channel via Mouse entry.
 - 3. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to choose between the following options:
 - ▶ No
 - Single
 - Multiple
 - 4. Press the S key to save your settings.

Changing the bit rate of the Service port

The *Service* port of the KVM switch can be used both for operating the setup menu and for switching the channels with a serial device.

The *Service* port transfers a certain amount of data per time unit. The bitrate is given in *bit/s*.

IMPORTANT: Transmitter and receiver of the data must use the same bitrate to ensure successful communication between the terminal emulator or a serial device and the KVM switch.

If the bitrate cannot be adjusted to the standard bitrate of the KVM switch (115.200 bit/s) in the terminal emulator or the serial device, the bitrate of the *Service* port can be modified.

How to select the bit rate of the Service port of the KVM switch:

 Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch. If the setup menu is not displayed, the *Switch* mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.
 Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Service RS232 Bitrate row.
 Press the Space key (repeatedly) to select between the following bitrates:

115200 • serial data transmission with 115.200 bit/s **9600** • serial data transmission with 9.600 bit/s

4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.

Changing the standard mode of the Service port

The *Service* port of the KVM switch can be used both for operating the setup menu and for switching the channels with a serial device.

IMPORTANT: Depending on the purpose of use, the KVM extender distinguishes between the modes listed below.

The **Setup Menu** mode is enabled in the default settings of the KVM switch. In this mode, the *Setup Menu* is immediately displayed in the terminal emulator after a session is established with the KVM switch.

If you primarily use the *Service* port for switching the active channel via a serial device, it is recommendable to enable the **Switch** mode.

ADVICE: The activated mode when starting the KVM extender can be changed anytime during operation:

- By entering the »#!« command, the KVM switch changes to the Setup menu mode.
- By entering the »!« command, the KVM switch changes to the **Switch** mode

How to choose the mode to be enabled when booting the KVM extender:

1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch.

If the setup menu is not displayed, the *Switch* mode of the service port is enabled. Enter *»#*!*«* to change to the setup menu.

- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the Service RS232 Startup Mode row.
- 3. Press the **Space** key (repeatedly) to choose between the following options:

Setup Menu + enabled *Setup Menu* mode when starting KVM extender switch + enabled *Switch* mode when starting KVM extender

4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.

Setup Menu

Changing the scan code set of a PS/2 keyboard

If a key is pressed on the PS/2 keyboard, the keyboard processor sends a data packet that is called scan code. The two common scan code sets (sets 2 and 3) contain different scan codes.

The KVM switch interprets all inputs of the PS/2 keyboard with scan code set 2.

If the pipe ("|") cannot be entered or if the arrow keys of the keyboard do not work as expected, it is recommended to switch to scan code set 3.

How to change the setting of the scan code set:

- 1. Press Hotkey+Backspace (default: Alt Gr+Backspace) to enable the setup Setup Mode mode.
 - If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for *seven seconds*.
 - 2. Press one of the setup keys listed below to activate a particular scan code set:
 - $2 \rightarrow$ enables scan code set 2 for PS/2 keyboard inputs
 - 3 enables scan code set 3 for PS/2 keyboard inputs
 - 3. Restart the KVM switch. After the restart, the keyboard is initialised and the selected scan code set does apply.
- 1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch. Setup Menu

If the setup menu is not displayed, the Switch mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.

- 2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the PS/2 Scancode Set row.
- 3. Press the Space key (repeatedly) to activate a particular scan code set:
 - $2 \rightarrow$ enables scan code set 2 for PS/2 keyboard inputs
 - $3 \rightarrow$ enables scan code set 3 for PS/2 keyboard inputs
- 4. Press the **S** key to save your settings.
- 5. Restart the KVM switch. After the restart, the keyboard is initialised and the selected scan code set does apply.

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Selecting the PS/2 keyboard type

In addition to standard PS/2 keyboards, the KVM switch also supports *PixelPower Clarity (blue)* and *SKIDATA1* keyboards.

Select the keyboard type if you want to use such a keyboard at the console.

NOTE: The PS/2 keyboard type can only be selected in the setup menu.

How to select the PS/2 keyboard type:

nu	1. Use the terminal emulator to establish a connection to the KVM switch		
tup Me	If the setup menu is not displayed, the <i>Switch</i> mode of the service port is enabled. Enter »#!« to change to the setup menu.	;	
Se	2. Use the Arrow↑ or Arrow↓ keys to select the row PS/2 Keyboard Type .		
	3. Press the Space key (repeatedly) to select the keyboard type:		
	PixelPower Blue • PixelPower (blue) keyboard SKIDATA1 • SKIDATA1 keyboard Standard • standard PS/2 keyboard		
	4. Press the \$ key to save your settings.		

Setup Mode

Enabling or resetting a PS/2 mouse

Compared to USB mouses, PS/2 mouses do not support hot plug technology. You can therefore insert the PS/2 plug during operation, but it may be possible that the computer does not detect the input device.

To enable or reset the PS/2 mouse, the KVM switch can be used to send a special command to the computer.

Since the commands differ depending on the mouse type and the installed operating system, four different setup keys are provided.

NOTE: A PS/2 mouse can only be reset or enabled in the setup mode.

How to enable or reset a PS/2 mouse:

1. Press Hotkey+Backspace (default: Alt Gr+Backspace) to enable the setup mode.

If the hotkey delay is active, press the key combination for seven seconds.

- 2. Press one of the following setup keys to enable or reset the PS/2 mouse:
 - M enables the PS/2 mouse of a Linux PC
 - Ⅰ → enables the PS/2 wheel mouse of a Linux PC
 - E enables the PS/2 wheel mouse with additional keys of a Linux PC
 - **R** resets the PS/2 mouse interface of a Windows PC

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A210 0081 TradeSwitch4-USB-RM

Technical data

TRADESWITCH2-PS/2		
Workstation	Connections per device:	1
	Connection:	directly at the device
Interfaces	Keyboard/mouse:	2 × PS/2 socket
for workstation	USB keyboard/mouse:	2 × USB-A socket
	Audio:	1 × 3,5-mm phone jack (Speaker)
Computer	Connections per device:	2
	Connection:	with supplied cables at the device
Interfaces	Keyboard:	1 × PS/2 socket
per computer	Mouse	1 × PS/2 socket
	Audio:	1 × 3,5-mm phone jack (Line In)
	TradeSwitch LED:	1 × D-Sub9 socket
Audio	Туре:	analog
	Band width:	22 kHz
Update	Mode:	local service socket
	Interface:	2,5-mm phone jack
Power supply	Туре:	internal power pack
	Connection:	IEC plug (IEC-320 C14)
	Power input:	70mA@240VAC;110mA@100VAC
Power input	Standby:	2,4W@240VAC;1,9W@100VAC
	Operation:	6,6W@240VAC;6,0W@100VAC
Casing	Material:	anodised aluminium
	Dimensions (w × h × d):	210 × 44 × 210 mm (Desktop) 19" × 1U × 210 mm (Rackmount)
	Weight:	approx. 1,1 kg
Operation	Temperature:	+5 to +40 °C
environment	Humidity:	< 80%, non-condensing
Conformity		CE, RoHs

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