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Cluster Automotive BW

was benchmarked according to a benchmarking approach developed by VDI/VDE Innovation + Technik GmbH. By participating in this benchmarking the cluster organisation has expressed its interest in striving for cluster management excellence.

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