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Dear readers,

here you will find something about interesting innovations and news about Large Format Printing.

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A huge success for the 20th birthday of Viscom Visual Communication, the most important visual communication fair organised by Reed Exhibitions Italia from 13th to 15th November at Fiera Milano Rho. The new scenarios of visual communication were the underlying theme at Viscom Visual Communication 2008 as an exhibition, 598 suppliers as the broadest showcase of all that is new in the world of visual communication, and above all for its meetings, workshops and demos that enlivened the 3 days' fair. The presence of 21,038 professional operators from 76 countries confirmed Viscom Visual Communication as a leading fair in terms of visitor numbers and standard. The rise in the number of visitors, 2.8% more Italians and 4.7% more foreigners, is a challenge for the future at a time of crisis. A positive climate could be breathed in the lanes along with the wish to face the future proactively, with new solutions and applications for the proximity market. In 2009, the fair will be held from 5th to 7th November, Halls 1 and 3, at Fiera Milano in Rho.

More information: www.visualcommunication.it

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2) HP: New HP Scitex TJ8350 Printer

HP unveiled the HP Scitex TJ8350 Printer, the latest addition to its broad portfolio of large format solutions, at viscom Italy. Based on the proven success of the HP Scitex TJ8300 Printer, the HP Scitex TJ8350 Printer delivers a powerful combination of high throughput, cost-effective production and high-quality output for a variety of wide-format indoor and outdoor applications. The new HP Scitex TJ8350 Printer opens new opportunities for almost any print shop – screen, digital and offset – delivering maximum return on investment and helping drive business growth. The HP Scitex TJ8350 Printer features up to a 50 percent increase in print speeds, with the ability to print up to 480 qm/hr, and up to 35 percent lower cost per print compared to the preceding HP Scitex TJ8300 Printer. Additionally, the double-sided printing upgrade provides even greater differentiation and versatility in service offerings with the added capability to produce accurate, high-quality, two-sided prints, maximising device utilisation while also optimising total cost of ownership. To complement the new printer, HP has also introduced HP Scitex TJ110 Specialty Solvent Inks. HP is offering field upgradability for existing HP Scitex TJ8300 Printer owners. The upgrade kit includes hardware, software, on-site installation and training.

More information: www.hp.com

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3) Inca Digital announces Inca Onset S20

Inca Digital Printers announces the Inca Onset S20, designed to deliver the high-volume production needs of specialist display print companies. The new printer builds on the technology of the Inca Onset digital UV flatbed printer, and offers unique new features. The Inca Onset S20 has been engineered to provide superb levels of performance, quality and flexibility. It features Inca configured printheads on a full print width colour bar with a 28 picolitre drop size. This, combined with Inca's own print module technology and motion systems, delivers precise ink drop placement, producing excellent print quality. The Onset S20 prints edge to edge over a 3.12 x 1.6m area on a moving bed on substrates as thick as 50mm. The vacuum table with accurate pin positioning allows users to print single and double sided on a variety of sheet sizes. To provide users with an extra level of performance, a semi-automated material handling system is available as an option. While the standard colour set of the Inca Onset S20 is Fujifilm Sericol's Uvijet four colour CMYK, Ultratone inks (lights, orange, and violet) and white versions are also available. This, as well as a choice of satin, semi-gloss and gloss finishes, delivers enormous versatility in the range of products that can be printed, e.g. display POS, exhibition graphics, backlit/frontlit displays, outdoor signage printing etc. The Wasatch or ColorGATE RIP provides easy file set-up and in-depth colour management control for a variety of applications. As with the faster Onset, an integrated scanner automatically checks and ensures accurate print density, and allows printhead nozzle mapping and alignment to assure that quality is not compromised. Sold by global distribution partner Fujifilm Sericol, the first commercial shipments of the Onset S20 will be in March 2009.

More information: www.incadigital.com

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4) **GRAPO: Worldwide launch of UV-printer SHARK at viscom in Milan**

After two years of research and development, GRAPO presents its new high-performance high-speed printer SHARK. The new large format printer offers double flexibility in terms of printable surfaces and drop dimension. The new machine was shown to the public first at viscom in Milan. The participation in the fair is part of the European and international expansion strategy of the Czech Republic based company that has already sold more than 30 units in co-operation with Unilink in Italy. The new hybrid printer does not only perform with maximum flexibility but meets highest expectations in speed and printing quality. Due to the interaction of its XAAR 760 printing heads, the new SHARK can print with high resolution of up to 960 x 960 dpi, high quality and high speed (225qm/h). The 760 head gives the SHARK the possibility to control drop sizes with precise dot placement, delivering true-one pass printing with eight-pass quality, vibrant colours and no banding. In addition to the traditional 4 colours, the new SHARK can be adapted to print with white ink, a fundamental factor for today's market. While its roll-to-roll technology enables rotary printing on a variety of flexible surfaces such as billboard paper, self-adhesive vinyl, PVC banner, flag etc., the machine can be automatically changed into a sheet-to-sheet printer that is able to print on rigid materials such as PVC sheets, cardboard, foam sheets etc. GRAPO currently develops, manufactures and distributes digital large-format printers, based on using UV-cured inks. The firm has sales and service centres in nearly all European countries, as well as in Africa, Australia, South America, and India. In addition, GRAPO specialises in printing large-format graphics, production of illuminated advertising, and production of POP and POS materials.

More information: www.grapo.com

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5) **GCC: Varnish now available for GCC StellarJET 183UVK**

GCC, a Global forefront manufacturer in the Visual-tech Industry, announces that varnish solution is now available for GCC StellarJET 183UVK as an optional item. In addition to standard CMYK, LcLm solution and White solution, GCC StellarJET 183UVK now offers another beneficial function, varnish solution to customers. StellarJET 183UVK's optional varnish enhances the visual and graphic qualities of the print. Users are able to apply varnish directly on graphics via printheads as either an all-over coating, or spot-highlighting, making printings more vivid and brighter.

More information: www.GCCworld.com

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6) **Drytac: Innovative new range of over-laminating films**

Drytac Europe Ltd, one of the world's most highly regarded manufacturers of products for graphics finishing and display, has just announced the launch of Interlam Pro: a new range of over-laminating films, suitable for both internal and external applications. These innovative new films incorporate a new generation of aqueous acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive, contains no VOCs and is therefore less harmful to the environment, whilst also providing excellent resistance to UV and outstanding durability in all weather conditions. These new films are available in sizes up to 1400mm wide (1550mm wide for matt and lustre) and come in a range of finishes including Gloss, Lustre, Matt and Emerytex.

More information: www.drytac.com

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7) **Sihl: Polyester films for pop-up and roll-up displays**

Sihl rounds off its range of display films with two outstanding products: both the SuperDry Roll-up Film 190 (satin 3471) and the SuperDry PoP-up Film 330 (satin 3472) are based on an opaque white, satinated PET film (polyester) with a light-tight grey reverse side.

Both completely non-transparent inkjet materials have Sihl's microporous SuperDry coating which is known for its excellent photographic quality. They are characterised by a combination of excellent photographic quality and practical suitability for daily use.

Because of their rigidity and stiffness, the robust films guarantee perfect flatness even under different climatic conditions and are therefore very easy to use. Their perfect printer compatibility, easy processing and satinated surface structure all speak for these materials. With its SuperDry Roll-up Film 190 and the SuperDry PoP-up Film 330, Sihl offers users a high-end material, which introduces previously unknown photographic qualities to these fields when combined with pigment inks. Equipped with a special antistatic backing, these films are ideal for premium-quality printed images, such as those required for photorealistic posters, displays for the POS sector, high-quality photo reproductions, pop-up displays and for short-term advertising and indoor signs.

More information: www.sihlgroup.com



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8) Cham: Relaunch of the TRANSJET brand

CHAM PAPER GROUP, based in Switzerland, is a leading manufacturer of dye-sublimation papers. Since September 2008, its Digital Imaging Division, known in the market as QUALIMAGE, has been actively promoting the relaunch of its TRANSJET brand. The TRANSJET brand stands for high dye yield, offering extraordinarily brilliant and consistent colours. Its reliability in precisely and consistently reproducing the same colours in every production is a key factor for long-term orders of brand owners – a property already appreciated in TRANSJET papers by transfer printing specialists the world over. Since beginning of autumn, the TRANSJET brand has taken on a new look. The logo was redesigned, more closely matching the innovative character of the products. Packaging of the plotter reels, distributed by wholesalers was optimised and is now conspicuously marked printed with the brand name. The TRANSJET line comprises "Classic", "Pro", "Sapphire" and the recently launched "Express" and "Sportsline".

More information: www.champaper.com

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9) IntelliCoat: Museo MAX now available in 60" rolls

Museo Fine Art, the preeminent brand of digital fine art media from IntelliCoat Technologies, a world leader in the manufacture of coated paper, film and specialty substrates for digital imaging applications, announced that its popular Museo MAX archival digital fine art paper will now be available in 60" rolls (60" x 50") on 3" cores. Museo MAX is designed for fine art and photographic printmaking. The 100% cotton paper is optimized for pigmented inks and is ideal for art reproductions, color as well as black and white printing, portraits, graphics, and sepia prints. Crafted to archival standards, Museo MAX is designed to enable users to achieve maximum density and color gamut while maintaining fine detail and an extended tonal range. "With the growing placement of 60" and 64" printers, our customers have been requesting larger sizes, and we are pleased to be able offer our popular Museo MAX product in 60" rolls to meet this demand," said David Williams, sales and marketing manager for Museo Fine Art.

More information: www.MuseoFineArt.com

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10) BARBIERI electronic launches new Spectro LFP Series 2

BARBIERI electronic launches a new edition of their well-known spectrophotometer Spectro LFP. This new special measuring device got several improvements which makes it even more user-friendly and versatile. The new Spectro LFP is faster, easier to use and runs under MAC too. At photokina 2004 the Spectro LFP has been shown for the first time and immediately it became a great success. And now, 4 years after his introduction BARBIERI electronic launch a new edition, the Spectro LFP Series 2. Same as his predecessor, the Spectro LFP Series 2 is able to measure any kind of media – also transparent ones. Some examples of media which Spectro LFP customers successfully measured are: fabrics, banner, backlit film, cardboards, paper, gypsum plates, ceramics, wood, glass, metal plates, vinyl, plastic plates and many more. Improvements of the Spectro LFP Series 2 are: approx. 30% faster than his predecessor, more user friendliness (the measuring aperture will now be switched between small and large one also by software), changed design (it comes in light gray / black with a big clipping of the BARBIERI logo) and measurement software Profile-Xpert Gateway and therefore also the Spectro LFP Series 2 runs under MAC too.

More information: www.barbierielectronic.com

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11) Neschen's new coating process guarantees enhanced ink application

A new type of coating process, developed by Neschen, now provides much better colour properties in digital printed media. As a result, a lot less ink is applied and inkjet printers required less ink for the same colour density. According to Neschen, measurements prove that less ink is required. If printing service providers use the same amount of ink as they did before, the colours will look even more brilliant: the colours appear to have more depth and intensity and therefore cover a much greater colour space. "The greater colour space saves the user up to 20 percent in ink," commented Dirk Peereboom, Senior Product Manager, Inkjet Europe at Neschen in Bückeberg, Germany, when explaining the savings achieved and the increase in quality thanks to the new inkjet coating. "Another advantage is also that because less ink is applied, it dries much more quickly." Worldwide, Neschen supplies printable, coated and enhanced sheet media, such as plastic and paper foils, but also textiles for printing service providers.

More information: www.neschen.com

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12) EskoArtwork installs first Kongsberg XL48 at Nefab Packaging Norway

EskoArtwork announces the successful installation of the largest Kongsberg cutting table ever delivered, a Kongsberg XL48, at Nefab Packaging Norway. For the past four years, the company, part of the Nefab Group, had been working with a Kongsberg XL24 table and ArtiosCAD structural design software to produce small to medium-size runs of foam and corrugated boxes. Nefab Packaging Norway decided to invest in the large-size Kongsberg XL48 to support corporate growth and satisfy demand for shorter time-to-market. In Norway, the key to packaging success is providing a wide range of high-quality products along with exceptional service and performance. The Kongsberg XL48 is a real production machine and enables Nefab to handle larger volumes with the existing in-house staff. With a work area of over 14 square meters, a larger piece of material can be processed on the Kongsberg XL48. This means more work can be fitted and cut simultaneously; reducing the number of times a substrate has to be loaded and unloaded on the table. Thus, Nefab can produce more foam and corrugated packaging in only one shift with strongly reduced operator interference. The Kongsberg XL48 is the largest Kongsberg cutting table available, with a work area of 2210 x 6550mm, handling a maximum sheet size of 2280 x 6960mm. As with all Kongsberg XL die-less cutting and creasing tables, the XL48 offers simple and time-optimized operation. For even greater efficiency, it can be delivered with automatic loading and unloading platforms.

More information: www.esko.com or www.nefab.no

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13) Gerber: Great Success at viscom Italy with the Solara ion

Gerber's versatile Solara ion with true flatbed and true roll-to-roll printer functionality had great success at the viscom show in Milan. The printer with the patent-pending Cold Fire Cure technology was shown by Euroscreen and Spandex. Gerber's Cold Fire Cure low energy curing technology cures the proprietary ultra-flexible GerberCAT cationic inks at room temperature. This greatly expands the range of materials that can be printed by the Solara ion. Heat sensitive plastic, vinyl, fabric, paper-based materials, and even glass and metals can be printed with unmatched adhesion and abrasion resistance. Cold Fire Cure offers a vast array of benefits and environmental health and safety. The combination of Cold Fire Cure and GerberCAT inks makes the Gerber Solara ion one of the most versatile printers in the world.



More information: www.gerberson.com

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14) Neolt: New solutions on show at viscom Italy 2008

An enthusiastic crowd gathered at the Neolt booth at viscom Italy to see the new products this manufacturer put on show. As expected, the new SuperJet Flatbed, Neolt's latest addition to its successful range of UV printers, attracted a great deal of interest. The printer will be available in a 16 print heads (CMYK) or 24 print heads (CMYKLCm) version, with a print area of 1600 x 1000 mm and a maximum media thickness of 70 mm. Also on show was the new SuperJet MR 3200 roll-to-roll UV printer, which boasts a print speed from 17 qm/h at 600 x 800 dpi to 46 qm/h at 300 x 300 dpi. This machine has a print width of 3200 mm, but is available in a 2500 mm version as well. Both roll-to-roll models can be delivered with 16 print heads CMYK or 24 heads CMYKLCm. For the solvent printing market, Neolt showed a complete printing and finishing solution consisting of the superfast NeoJet-K 3312 with 12 print heads CMYK, the impulse welding machine NeoWELD and two automatic eyeletting machines NeoEyelet and Floor NeoEyelet.

More information: www.neolt.it

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15) Gandinnovations wins multiple awards plus SGIA honors James Gandy

One of the most noteworthy moments of the SGIA came when industry expert James Gandy, president of Gandinnovations, was honored for his contributions to the advancements in grand-format digital imaging as recipient of the coveted 2008 Innovator Award. The DPI Innovator Award recognizes the creativity and ingenuity of specialty imagers who have advanced the digital imaging industry and community through innovation. Not only did the company earn the most SGIA's most prestigious honor, it also swept DPI Product of the Year and Partner of the Year award categories. In the Output Device category, Gandinnovations was bestowed honors in the categories of Grand Format (Solvent Ink) for its 3324 Solvent Roll-to-Roll; and in Textile for Gandinnovations Jeti Aquajet. Entrants were required to submit a test print, produced from the nominated device. The image, designed by SGIA, was intended to challenge the output device's capabilities. In addition to Product of the Year winners, Partner Awards were given to companies for RIP software and media products used to create the winning prints.

More information: www.gandinnovations.com

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16) Screen: Truepress Jet2500UV wins product of the year Award

Attendees of SGIA '08, the annual event for the specialty graphic imaging segment of the printing industry, were treated to award-winning print quality on the Truepress Jet2500UV. Screen's innovative wide-format UV inkjet printer was recognized as Product of the Year at SGIA by the Digital Printing & Imaging Association (DPI). In the Output Device category, the Truepress Jet2500UV received the Product of the Year award for "Rigid Substrate - UV Ink" output. The inkjet printing system impressed the DPI judges with the kind of outstanding print results that consistently impressed booth visitors at this year's SGIA show. DPI holds the annual Product of the Year contest in conjunction with SGIA. Entrants are required to print and submit test images created by DPI. The test forms contain a number of challenging images and patterns designed to put digital printing devices through their paces. A panel of printing experts based its award selections on the color appeal, tonality and detail displayed on the submissions.

More information: www.screeneurope.com

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17) Fujifilm Sericol: euromedia 10-year anniversary at viscom frankfurt

The "green conscience" at the fair was represented in particular by the MAXjet eco (suitable for the office environment) in addition to the environmentally friendly UV printing produced on the Acuity and Spyder. Media on show included the first euromedia textiles awarded the Ökotex seal: Solvent Artist Canvas, Fabric Harmony, Dream Tex, FabriFlair and ArtBanner. Many visitors confirmed that end users were increasingly active in asking for environmentally friendly media, and were also pleased that they were now able to work with the "official seal of approval". A further highlight was the white printing shown on the new Acuity HD 2545 W. Viscom frankfurt was also a good occasion to introduce the brand new homepage "live". At two online stations at once the professionals were invited to get an idea of the fresh design and groundbreaking functionality at www.euromedia.eu.com. Special praise was given to the clear structure, fast navigation and large choice of how to establish contact and communication.

More information: www.euromedia.eu.com

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18) ColorGATE PRODUCTIONSERVER5 HP Z3200-certified

A 3 star rating was given 10 times over for PRODUCTIONSERVER5 in the bundle with PHOTOGATE5 and PROOFGATE5. The maximum 3 star rating was awarded by HP in test categories ranging from overall printing performance to PhotoArt and right on up to proofing. That was the impressive score for ColorGATE in the latest HP large-format printer compatibility test. The reward for this outstanding performance: ColorGATE was immediately authorized to bear the coveted "Certified for HP Designjet Z3200" label. HP now regularly tests RIP solutions offered by cooperating system vendors to ensure compatibility with their HP large-format printers. HP has extended its certification approach with a brand new program developed specially for the HP Designjet Z3200 photo printer. The new HP device supports more than 50 HP media, including the new Baryte satin art paper that was developed for HP Viverra pigment inks, making it one of the leading professional photo printer solutions for creative and printing service providers. Its spectrum ranges from B/W and color art printing to photo enlargements and right on up to high-end proofs. "The ColorGATE PRODUCTIONSERVER5 takes full advantage of the HP Designjet Z3200's built-in spectrophotometer for recalibration, profiling and quality control purposes to provide color management, productivity and ease of use for our HP Designjet customers," said Santiago Morera, vice president and general manager, Large Format Printing Business, HP.

More information: www.colorgate.com

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19) Caldera wins SGIA product of the year award for Software

Caldera has just received the DPI Best Product of the Year Award for its RIP product line and new FLOW+ Business Automation and Control workflow solution for the Wide Format Printing Market, at the SGIA 08 in Atlanta. This award identifies the pre-eminent products in the digital graphics field, those that clearly provide new definition of the industry technology and recognizes outstanding products that have impacted 2008 and will impact 2009. From quote to invoice, while managing the production process (printing and finishing), inventory analysis and planning, automation of the RIP, outsourcing, delivery notes, financial statistics and accounting synchronization, FLOW+ is a complete Wide Format Business Workflow solution. The product, an intelligent combination of an MIS (Management Information System), an ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) and a CRM (Customer Relation Management), is the first Workflow software which will interact directly with the RIP spooler.

More information: www.caldera.eu

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20) HumanEyes: New Producer3D receives "Worth-a-Look" recognition

Lenticular 3D software developer HumanEyes Technologies announces that its HumanEyes Producer3D lenticular workflow solution was selected as one of Graph Expo 2008's most compelling niche products by a panel of 16 leading industry consultants and trade magazine editors. "We are proud to have been selected for this prestigious recognition chosen from among the thousands of products at Graph Expo. It's gratifying to see industry accolades coming in concert with increased interest in the marketplace. It's not easy re-creating a category, but it looks like we are succeeding, and the whole marketplace stands to benefit," says Shhar Bin-Nun, HumanEyes's VP Sales, Worldwide. HumanEyes Producer3D, showcased by numerous partners at Graph Expo 2008 including HP, Fuji, Océ, and Gandinnovations; offers a new and extensive range of revolutionary tools and features. HumanEyes Producer3D, introduced at drupa, is increasing in popularity among printers and media planners who can leverage the application's novelty and higher return on investment.

More information; www.humaneyes.com

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21) Sachsen Fahnen: New costumers at viscom frankfurt

Sachsen Fahnen is very satisfied with the results of the recently ended viscom in Frankfurt. The company focused on presenting its latest product innovations like display systems and solutions for presentation at exhibitions. The trade visitors have shown a big interest in the company's modern product line Q-Frame® Tex. This name stands for aluminium frame systems which can be flexible used indoors. With its many possible applications and its easy handling it enthused the visitors. The visitors furthermore were able to gain the latest information about textile advertising. Besides seeing many of our exciting customers we also faced a high interest of new prospects and hold many interesting conversations. Approx. 25% of the trade visitors came from abroad. Sachsen Fahnen is very optimistic that the gained contacts will proof to become new customers with whom they are able to implement new ideas and realize many interesting projects. The viscom 2009 can surely be found in the company's next year trade fair planning.

More information: www.sachsenfahnen.com

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22) x-film: Successful participation at viscom Italia 2008

x-film would like to thank all customers and visitors for their interest shown in all new products at the recent trade show viscom Italia in Milan. Special interest was shown in the relaunched range of glass decoration films (D-GF) and their excellent printability with solvent and eco-solvent inkjet printers. This glass decoration film range comprises now 12 attractive designs, offering unlimited design opportunities for interior and exterior design of shops, pharmacies, surgeries, offices, administrations, airports, shopping malls, bars, restaurants, studios and many more. Another highlight was x-film's CONVEX 3D doming kit for resin-domed stickers and decals. The easy to use, simple doming kit for smaller and individual series of different shaped designs has been attracting unwaning interest of visitors as it responds to a wide range of customer requests for smaller, individualised production lots. Especially in combination with chrome and gold polyester print media, holographic PP films in different patterns and other speciality items from the premium JETREX eco-solvent media collection.

More information: www.x-film.com

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23) 3P Value Satin FR was named Product of the Year 2008

3P InkJet Textiles Corp received the DPI Product of the Year Partner Awards at SGIA trade show in Atlanta/Georgia, USA the fourth time running in 2008. The jury team of digital imaging professionals awarded the print with Gandinnovations' Jeti 3324 AquaJet RTR at Value Satin FR (IQ-IJ 677) in the textile product category. It's the second time a product of the Value line won this coveted international prize. The test image, designed by SGIA, is intended to find strengths and weaknesses in printing practice. Different motifs and color gradients indicate clearly whether skin tones appear natural, colors brilliant, and details clear. In the contest, Value Satin FR prevailed over competition, in 2008 with Gandinnovations and in 2007 with TexPress. The 100 % recyclable Value Satin FR is free of harmful substances and results from a clean production process. The entire production process has been certified according to the environmental management system EN ISO 14001 and the quality management standard EN ISO 9001. Moreover the production is validated in regard to the EU-wide regulation about ecological audits. The flame retardant polyester with slight shimmer is qualified for any display system, best used with either direct or transfer sublimation inks, but can also be printed with UV-curable inks.

More information: www.3p-inktextiles.com

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24) Marabu Italia official launched

Just one week after Marabu Italia's formation, viscom has been the right occasion to officially present Marabu Italia to the screen printing market. With a booth of approx. 100 sqm in typical Marabu style, Marabu Italia's staff welcomed more than 120 customers. Product Highlight: Digital Printing Ink for Wide Format, Marajet DI-CP was especially developed for the Seiko ColorPainter and really wins with brilliant colors and an excellent color gamut. Claudio Moffa and all the staff are very proud of the result of this exhibition and will continue to work hard to promote the Marabu products in the Italian market.

More information: www.marabu-inks.com

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25) Teckwin looks back to a successful year 2008

Latest with introduction of TeckStorm UV-printer at FESPA Digital in Geneva and later at drupa in Duesseldorf Teckwin as become a major and well recognized player in the wide format printing market. Print quality, safety features, flexibility and economic offered with this printer not only convinced journalists and consultants all over the world but also found hundreds of satisfied customers. The long experience with white ink, the complete safety features regarding ink misting, ozone and UV-light are well accepted. In meantime TeckStorm XL has been presented and is now going to be shipped to customers. Introduction of new scratch resistant ink for glass and steel at Glasstec show in Duesseldorf and viscom in Frankfurt has shown another milestone and the advantage Teckstorm offers. Furthermore the introduction of Minotek, the very precise 65 x 91 cm UV printer and the extension of the TeckStorm head assembling with 4 white heads (or 2 white and 2 varnish) have shown the very special position and fast development in Teckwin. For next year Teckwin already announced some more innovative developments like automatic feeding system for their TeckStorm, new solutions for contour routing and even for glass printing. To strengthen the position in the German market but also beyond, Teckwin has chosen the newly built TEPEDE Graphics GmbH as distributor for Germany. TEPEDE Graphics GmbH will focus on graphic printing solutions consisting of Teckwin printers and media and will offer also service for all graphic systems.

More information: www.tepede-graphics.com or www.teckwin.com or info@tepede-graphics.com

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26) Multi-Plot: Successful presentation at viscom frankfurt

Multi-Plot received much positive response at the viscom in Frankfurt. The introduction of two new "d.gen" textile printing machines was very successful. The digital direct textile printing machines "d.gen Heracle" and "d.gen-S" are equipped with dual carriage print technology and both machines were perfect eye catcher at the Multi-Plot fair booth. The machines printed colorful and brilliant motifs directly on different kinds of textiles. Besides, Multi-Plot presented Roland newest printer at their 120 sqm large fair booth. The new printer "Roland VersaArt RS 640" prints with EcoSolMax ink on wallpaper and foil, which is suitable for various uses. The printing width is max. 161,1 cm and reaches a speed of approx. 13 sqm/h. Multi-Plot offers conversion to a sublimation system. viscom visitors were able to see the "Roland SolJet XJ-740" printer, which demonstrated the sublimation transfer. Jetcol transfer paper from Coldenhove was printed on and after that a HeatJet 75evo rotary heat press made the transfer on different materials.

More information: www.multiplot.de

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27) Josero announces new staff, website und machines

Inkjet Consumable Specialist Josero is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Jon Spencer as Technical Support manager. Jon brings over 10 years experience in the field and a valuable knowledge of inkjet technology. Jon is based at Josero's Cambridge office and is responsible for the technical support for both inks and machines. In early October Josero updated their website and new product information is now available to download in pdf format. As users will see from the website, Josero is now officially launching a full range of wide format printers. Although they have been selling machines for a number of years, this is the first time that machines will be sold with the Josero brand, having previously only been sold to customers who preferred to market their own brand. A small range of machines have been carefully selected from a number of OEM partners, enabling Josero to offer a solution to most wide format needs. With the inks, service and technical support available from Cambridge, customers and partners will have the advantage of International sourcing with European support. The range of printers offers choices from high-resolution wide format solvent through to high-speed grand format solvent printing, including an entry level UV flatbed machine.

More information: www.josero.com

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28) Regulus presents relaunched Website

Anyone unclear about the many uses of coated film and paper will find lots of surprising answers on Regulus GmbH's Web pages, which have been completely redesigned. Navigation follows the principle of visually showcasing the most exciting uses for Regulus products to present visitors with new and creative ideas for day-to-day work. Those also interested in the history and technology of a South German family-owned business steeped in tradition will obtain comprehensive insight into a range of topics, from the innovative power of recent years to the technology used in today's production equipment. In addition, customer-specific development of specialized products is illustrated. But the website also has things in store for habitués of Regulus' product range: The service section has been expanded significantly so that accessing data sheets and technical product information has become much easier, taking significantly less time.

More information: www.regulus.de

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29) Madico appoints Fiore in Italy

Madico Graphic Films, a leading supplier of specialist, pressure-sensitive coated film products for graphic applications, has appointed Fiore SpA as an Italian distributor for its expanding range of UV and eco-solvent inkjet printable wide-format graphic films. Fiore SpA, based in Turin, is a leading supplier of wide-format materials for visual communication applications and will have particular focus on supplying Madico's products in the North of Italy. The agreement with Fiore will see the company sell Madico's line of digital inkjet printable window films, which offer opportunities for architectural design, POS and other wide-format glazing enhancement applications, as well as the new Mother Green range of environmentally-friendly, non-PVC films for indoor/outdoor signage projects.

More information: www.madico.co.uk

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30) GMG: Steven Accou is new technical sales support manager

GMG, supplier of high-end color management and proofing solutions, announces that Steven Accou is taking up the duties of technical support manager for the regions Benelux, Scandinavia, Eastern Europe, Africa, Middle East and India by December 1st. Steven Accou holds a Gratical Science master degree and worked for various companies within the graphics arts industry. Since 1998 he was employed by the GMG dealer for Belgium Online Grafics where he was responsible for installations, training and consultancy of color management hard- and software as well as for presales support like demos, exhibitions or workshops. "Having spent his whole career in the graphic arts industry, Steven Accou is thoroughly familiar with every aspect of the industry. Due to his deep color management know-how, the experience with GMG solutions and the knowledge of the needs of dealers and end users, he will have a very short ramp up phase. His impact on GMG's revenue will be seen quickly", says Jo Maessen, area sales manager of GMG.

More information: www.gmgcolor.com

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