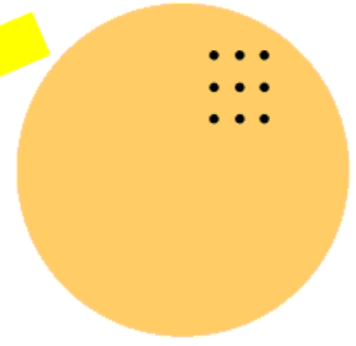


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### 1) Paperworld Imaging



Modern IT supplies are a fixed part of everyday life in both the private and commercial spheres. For years, computer, printer & co. have been working hand-in-hand with 'classic' office products at home. The trade will find the latest highlights of the printer and IT supplies segments at Paperworld Imaging, the section of Paperworld focusing on IT-based office supplies. **From 31 January to 4 February**, visitors will find a veritable 'who's who' of the international imaging sector in **Hall 1** of Frankfurt Fair and Exhibition Centre including numerous renowned original-equipment manufacturers, such as Hewlett Packard, Epson, Lexmark and Kodak, exclusively in Hall 1.2. A total of over 140 exhibitors will be presenting their latest products - from special paper and printable transparencies to toner and software for digital picture processing - on some 16,000 square metres of exhibition space in two exhibition halls. Also to be found here: valuable ideas for the trade on, for instance, effective marketing and positioning in the market. **The Imaging Expert Forum in Hall 1.2** invites trade visitors to discuss the competitive advantages and sales potential of the IT supplies market with renowned insiders from the sector. The topics to be covered in the lectures include: 'Chances for the Specialist Trade with Original Expendables from Printer Manufacturers' and 'More Profit in the Supplies Business'. The programme of lectures will be held daily between 10 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. and repeated beginning at 2 p.m. The Forum will be chaired by Rainer Albers, Managing Director of AMC Albers Management Consulting. Participation is free of charge.

**More information:** [www.paperworld.messefrankfurt.com](http://www.paperworld.messefrankfurt.com)

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## **2) Agfa at the Paperworld**

In **hall 1.2, booth D10, at the Paperworld**, Agfa presents computer and printer accessories. The company will show following media types. In the field of photo grade they will present highest quality instant dry Universal Nanoporous Photo base RC paper for brilliant, high contrast, photo-like images in 170 and 250 g/qm, and true Universal Photo base RC paper for all printers with dye based inks for high contrast photo-like images in 165 g/qm. In the field of film, Agfa will introduce the new universal Polyester inkjet film with better color saturation, a water-resistant inkjet coating for outdoor and indoor use in light boxes, and with macro-porous technology for instant drying. It is available in thickness of 120 µm and 210 µm. In addition, they show the true Universal photographic Polyester film with white back coating, the flexible, high quality vinyl with self-adhesive back for poster jobs with highest image quality for indoor and outdoor use, and macro-porous technology for instant drying. Agfa will also present the complete premium paper assortment. Special for the photo-market they present a high quality Universal Canvas, and special for the Eco solvent market a high quality 195 g/qm Eco solvent photo base paper.

**More information: [www.agfa.com](http://www.agfa.com)**

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## **3) Lyson's growing product range**

One of the main features on the Lyson **booth F 57 in hall 1.1 at this year's Paperworld** will be the new collection of Lyson Darkroom photographic papers. The Darkroom range bases on traditional fiber-based photo paper and offers maximum longevity and image quality, whilst eliminating bronzing effects. Designed to work in combination with Lyson dye-based color and monochrome inks, Darkroom also works well with other ink solutions. Lyson's extensive range of media features papers that are specially coated to provide the maximum color quality from Lyson inks, with the least compromise in image fade resistance. The coatings are designed to stop catalytic and dark fading that is prevalent in many ink/paper combinations or photographic processes. The Lyson Paper range includes: Standard Fine Art, Smooth Fine Art Portfolio, Soft Fine Art, Rough Fine Art, Professional Color Photo Gloss, Professional Monochrome Photo Gloss, and Satin, Photo Matt, and Lyson Fast Dry Photo Gloss. As part of the Graphics range of wide format inkjet inks, Lyson also manufactures the NovaJet StarterKit for Encad printers, offering customers a viable and cost efficient way to extend cartridge life and improve productivity.

**More information: [www.lyson.com](http://www.lyson.com)**

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## **4) Sihl-News shown at Paperworld**

 Visitors can experience the newest highlights from the world of Sihl Media. The company has exciting new developments in wide formatting as well as in desktop printing. Sihl will present several outstanding new products for wide formatting such as TriSolv Premium/Standard Paper, PRISMA Backlit Easy Tack, and Maranello Photo Paper – another Sihl photo paper continuing the product line's tradition of excellence. Further, in the SOHO area they have a new generation of microporous photo paper for the rapidly growing private digital printer market called "Quick Dry Photo Glossy". Visitors can also expect a surprise that is guaranteed to bring a smile to their face. Nevertheless, Sihl doesn't say more and give it all away. In fact, people can look forward not only to the broad range of the innovative products at **Paperworld, booth E 11, Hall 1.2**, but also to the convention team.

**More information: [www.sihl.ch](http://www.sihl.ch)**

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## **5) EPSON runs best with EPSON**

A new shine and color underlines EPSON's presentation at the **Paperworld**. In keeping with the current campaign "EPSON runs best with EPSON", the ideal combination of EPSON printers with original ink and paper is being demonstrated in **hall 1.2, booth C 11**. In particular, the new UltraChrome High-Gloss inks, capable of previously unachieved shine (on suitable media) in comparison with other pigmented inks, are being highlighted. Furthermore, the new colors red and blue enable the new EPSON Stylus Photo R800 to reproduce an impressive color range commensurate with the most sophisticated professional requirements. With the EPSON Gloss Optimizer, it is possible to achieve a more uniform, shinier surface, even in image sections where little or no colored pigment is applied. This not only highlights EPSON's leading role in the photo-printing sector but also promotes the sale of original consumables that satisfy sophisticated requirements. In addition to a broad spectrum of colors, the longevity of colors contributes to the long-term enjoyment of both snapshots and fine arts. Part of the 120-square meter exhibition area will be dedicated to printouts from the EPSON Large Format Printer. Visitors can also convince themselves of EPSON's high quality requirements by printing out their own files.

**More information: [www.epson.de](http://www.epson.de)**

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## **6) IntelliCoat MAGIC wins award**

One of the world leaders in the manufacture of coated paper, film, and specialty substrates for digital imaging and electronic technologies, IntelliCoat Technologies, has been awarded first place in the fine art category at the 2003 André Schellenberg Awards Competition. IntelliCoat's winning entry was a reproduction of a Panorama depicting the Crucifixion that is based at Altötting/Germany. The prestigious André Schellenberg Awards annual competition is sponsored by the Digital Printing and Imaging Association (DPI). The winners were announced at the Specialty Graphics Imaging Association (SGIA) trade show, held in conjunction with the DPI Conference in Atlanta, USA. At the show, IntelliCoat also displayed Magic Fine Art reproductions of other Panoramas, including the Battle of Gettysburg, painted in Paris in the late 1800s and the Panorama Mesdag based in Den Haag, NL. To reproduce the Panoramas, IntelliCoat worked with Graphidec Benelux, who printed the images using a ColorSpan X12 onto IntelliCoat Magic DMCVM17UV, matte-texture inkjet stretch canvas material.

**More information:** [www.intelicoat.com](http://www.intelicoat.com)

**Paperworld: hall 4.1, booth G 15**

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## **7) Regulus shows new media**

The Power-Gloss series made by Regulus has been enhanced by several products, which open new perspectives for the users of inkjet large format printers. The analysis of materials used by screen printers today gave a surprising result: Some of the most common substrates are not yet available for inkjet printing. It has been a target for Regulus to develop a suitable product range. The new series comprises three types of display films based on rigid PVC with a thickness of 180µ: opaque-white, transparent, and translucent. The white film is very opaque and thus suitable for pop-up and roll-up display stands as well as for cost-effective and durable signage. The translucent version has been designed for backlit applications. It will easily replace expensive polyester films that are used in light boxes. Apart from the excellent printability with every common dye based and pigmented ink, the films offer a glossy surface, a brilliant, and photo-realistic imaging and they are dimensionally stable.

**More information:** [www.regulus.de](http://www.regulus.de)

**Paperworld: hall 1.2, booth G 30**

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## **8) ENCAD's next generation NOVAJET**



It will be the first wide-format printer jointly developed by ENCAD *and* Kodak: ENCAD NOVAJET 1000i. This next generation product will redefine the relationship between wide-format printer speed, image quality, and cost per print. The NOVAJET 1000i printer, the first one that combines the wide-format expertise of ENCAD with Kodak's extensive knowledge and research

in color imaging science, is designed to establish a new definition for productivity in wide-format inkjet printing. The printer combines print speeds significantly faster than other printers in this category do; leading edge print quality technology; low cost of operation. High throughput is achieved with an advanced print head that allows high-speed printing, and new dryer technology ensures quick dry time on a wide variety of media. ENCAD achieves exceptional image quality at high speeds with a unique print masking technique called Intelligent Mask Technology or IMT. It is a screen that is applied to image files by the printer to determine which dots are laid down during each swath or print pass when printing in a particular print mode.

**More information:** [www.encad.com](http://www.encad.com)

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## **9) Sericol launches Inka Printer**

Sericol will have an Eagle flatbed printer on its booth H 170 at the "Photo Marketing Association"-Fair (PMA), Las Vegas, as well as a new inkjet flatbed printer from Inca that will represent a major breakthrough in terms of quality and speed. Both Sericol and Inca are keeping details of the new Inca printer close to their chest for now, before the European launch later in January. However, the new printer will be aimed at the small format point-of-sale market, and provide photographic quality output combined with high speeds. Sericol is the worldwide distributor for the new Inca printer, as it is for the existing Eagle and Columbia models, and will be supplying the four-color UV inks for the machine. Sericol will also be showing the new printer on its drupa stand in May in Germany. The level of accuracy is such that the Inca machines can print directly on to a lens to create lenticular work. The Eagle H can print on to stock up to 2.44 x 1.6 meters, in resolutions from 800 – 1,200 dpi. The ability to print to bleed removes the need for subsequent trimming. The print carriage consists of a modular 16-head print assembly, containing four printheads per color, attached to a lift and traverse gantry situated above the moving vacuum table.

**More information:** [www.incadigital.com](http://www.incadigital.com)

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### **10) Module for Onyx Workflow 6.0**

Onyx Graphics has launched the Onyx RipeXtend module for Onyx workflow 6.0 software products. It extends the capabilities and reach of professional print providers to streamline the approval process by enabling automated soft proofing. The RipeXtend module functions as a printer driver in Onyx RIP-Queue, the company's core technology that includes a common Raster Image Processor (RIP) engine, print queue and color management system. You can use it with Onyx workflow 6.0 products including the market-leading Onyx ProductionHouse, Onyx PosterShop, and Onyx Proof software packages. With the Onyx RipeXtend module and the Onyx In-House Proofing Workflow option, professional print providers can set up automatic job submission and soft proofing systems with their clients. They can use the module to transmit any job over the Internet, and generate scaled images for electronic sign and display systems. The RipeXtend module is available as a standard printer driver to ProductionHouse 6.0, PosterShop 6.0, and Proof 6.0 software products. Customers owning a license for any of these three products may obtain this module from their local dealer. It is available as an option for all other Onyx workflow 6.0 products.

**More information: [www.onyxgfx.com](http://www.onyxgfx.com)**

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### **11) GCC introduced Dr. Q**

The SignArt Nautilus NL-600, developed by GCC, is a large-format printer that effectively produces high quality signs and banners via the new print-and-cut system and auto separation device. The new software "Dr. Q" is brand new tailor-made software, a virtual LCM with parameter utilities for the GCC SignArt Nautilus Thermal Printer. The Nautilus NL-600 utilizes four print heads simultaneously, and the full potentials of thermal technology to provide you with the highest productivity, performance, and a finished product that resists UV rays, abrasion, and moisture for up to five years. Unlike any solvent-based or oil-based printers, the Nautilus uses thermal transfer wax/resin ribbons, and never produces dangerous odors or fumes, providing users with a very clean and safe working environment. Furthermore, the latest complementary software, the Dr. Q includes a virtual remote control capability for better printer and parameter management.

**More information: [www.gccworld.com](http://www.gccworld.com)**

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### **12) Beijing: Next Expo in April**

A good seven months after celebrating its successful premiere, the next Imaging Expo will take place in April 2004 once again in Beijing. The fair – held from 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> April – is organized by Koelnmesse in conjunction with the China Culture & Office Equipment Professional Association (CCOEA) and runs parallel to China P&E in Beijing's China International Exhibition Center. The aim of the cooperative venture is to establish the Imaging Expo as China's leading trade fair for the photography and imaging sector. The Imaging Expo was able to position itself in the Chinese market. The fair has made a giant step forward and has positioned itself well as far as achieving its goals is concerned. There was a positive response of both exhibitors and visitors. The most important aspect of this success is that Koelnmesse significantly could raise the quality of its visitors. The implementation of an electronic visitor registration system has meant that the China P&E/Imaging Expo has now definitely become a genuine B-to-B trade fair. That means that the focus is on business and the flow of information, rather than simply the flow of visitors past the booths. Of the approximately 60,000 visitors from 28 countries registered at the China P&E/Imaging Expo 2003, more than 35,000 were "genuine" trade visitors who were using the fair as a trade platform. The organizers aim to considerably increase the international range of the exhibitors at the upcoming fair.

**More information: [www.imaging-expo.com](http://www.imaging-expo.com)**

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### **13) Scitex Vision offers new papers**

Scitex Vision has developed and launched two new types of wet-strength papers for its VisionMedia Paper range, aimed at the billboard and outdoor applications market. The two new grades comprise a Blue-back paper and a White-back paper (developed specially for the US market), which have been optimized to provide brilliant, lasting colors for outdoor applications such as billboards, and particularly effective when used in conjunction with Scitex Vision printers and VisionInk. The papers have been designed to allow trouble free run ability and printability. Their high opacity and exceptionally glossy coating ensures maximum impact and eye-catching visuals with vivid colors. The new grades are highly durable, as they have been produced specifically for external usage. Their advanced formation allows unrivalled ink coverage, while high wet strength ensures that they are water and crack resistant, so that images stay fast and sharp for longer. The new VisionMedia Papers are compatible with all popular workflows; they became optimized for use with all Scitex Vision drum and roll-to-roll printers. For Europe, the Blue-back paper is available in 120g/m<sup>2</sup> in 1.6 x 600 m rolls.

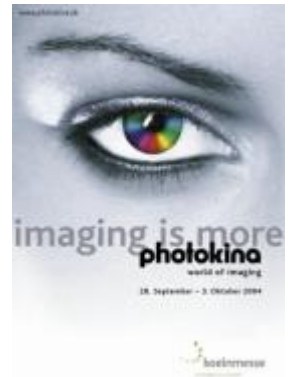
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#### **14) photokina 2004 held in September**

Imaging is more – this new slogan for photokina 2004 reflects the supremacy of images in today's information-based society, everywhere from the media and the business sector to private applications. Some 1,600 suppliers from 50 countries exhibiting at the World of Imaging, and there are many new suppliers from IT and telecommunications industries. Approximately 60 percent of the exhibitors will come from abroad, with increases from Southeast Asia and the EU candidate countries in particular. The comprehensive spectrum of imaging applications and technologies for consumers and professionals will be presented on 200,000 m<sup>2</sup> of hall space, from recording to output and from storage to communication. In a result of the increasing convergence of various technologies, the segments of professional applications will be combined in one center. photokina 2004 – held in Cologne from 28<sup>th</sup> September to 3<sup>rd</sup> October – will therefore consist of two main areas: Consumer Imaging in Halls 1 to 8 and 11, and professional Imaging in Halls 10 and 14. Professional photographic and imaging technology including digital publishing, large-format printing, and laboratory technology will be concentrated in Hall 14. Special events for consumers are planned to particularly attract younger visitor target groups. The Mobile Imaging World, for example, will be accompanied by public-orientated events that will offer broad-ranging edutainment.

**More information:** [www.photokina.de](http://www.photokina.de)



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#### **15) TEPEDE: effective inexpensive display systems**

Named X-Screen, T-Screen, Roll-Up Box and Troika Screen the Dutch Tepede B.V. introduced extreme economical display-systems. They are very robust, very light weight and can be installed even by not experienced people very fast. The displays are intended to be used with textile media or with e.g. the very special Display Film WGF, with a grey light blocker at the back side. These systems are very useful variable elements for product presentation or within a booth offering more dynamics and special effects. Due to the extreme low costs these systems can even be for one-way use.

**More information:** [info@tepede.com](mailto:info@tepede.com)

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#### **16) ASLAN presents new bus vinyl**

With the beginning of the year 2004 the German specialist for self-adhesive films, ASLAN, Schwarz GmbH & Co. KG, has introduced a new printing film for solvent inks, the ASLAN DF 100. This brand new film is highly opaque with a thickness of 100 µm and recommended for covering coloured surfaces like advertisings on buses. The DF 100 has a white and highly glossy surface with a special coating which enables an excellent printing quality and brilliant colours. A special adhesive system makes the film removable and thus ideal for a short- and medium-term covering of advertisings. The DF 100 is offered in a width of 1,37m for bigger areas and a more efficient use of the printing format.

**More information:** [www.ASLAN-Schwarz.com](http://www.ASLAN-Schwarz.com)

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#### **17) Expanding Base-Line**

Base-Line has expanded its line of pre-ruled orange vinyl masking sheets to include material for popular 29- and 30-inch presses. The sheets are of particular interest to sheet-fed printers who seek an archival strength-stripping base with the same familiar grid found on Base-Line pre-ruled paper masking sheets. Printers, who frequently reuse flats, as well as those who repeatedly handle and file flats, benefit greatly from the durability of the product line. Orange vinyl can be cut with ease, and can be used repeatedly in pin register systems with minimal register pinhole deformation. Step and repeat applications become more precise and consistent due to the strength of the vinyl base. Base-Line industry standard ¼-inch grid and unique reference marks enable accurate film positioning and reduce makeovers caused by stripping errors. In discussing the expanded product line, the company says that the handling properties, stability, durability, ease of cutting, and tape release characteristics of Base-Line orange vinyl masking sheets make them popular with printers using both small- and larger-format presses.

**More information:** [www.base-line.com](http://www.base-line.com)

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### **18) SCP opens new web shop**

SCP Software Company, headquartered in Germany, has announced the opening of its new web shop for quick and safe online purchasing of software functionality upgrades, software extensions, and printer drivers. SCP is a leading provider of professional software for scanning, archiving, copying and printing large-format color and monochrome documents and files. Web shop ordering is facilitated by a special program, guiding the customer through the procedure and showing him only those options, which are available for his particular software version. Credit card payment ensures key code delivery within seconds. SCP meets security demands by implementing Secure Sockets Layer 3 and triple-DES encryption, providing the best possible data protection currently available. Additionally, SCP runs another web site for online purchase of EasyTWAIN, their TWAIN driver for VIDAR and Contex scanners. New software licenses and software version upgrades remain being sold by SCP's worldwide distribution partners only. Among SCP's products are solutions Colorado, EasyScan, DaylightRIP, and EasyTWAIN. In addition to this, SCP is the distributor of VIDAR, ProCaptura, and ImageAccess large-format scanners in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and Benelux.

**More information: [www.scp.de](http://www.scp.de)**

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### **19) Tepede and proofing**

Tepede Graphics B.V. with the headquarter in Rijswijk, NL, is the major European manufacturer of large format inkjet media. The company has targeted the proofing/prepress inkjet market as one of their main activities in 2004. Due to the growing success with proofing products, the range will steadily expand. The portfolio includes papers for double-sided imposition proof, such as Duocoat & Bright Paper. For color proofing, there are high quality matt-coated papers, such as High Color Contrast, and the high performance satin photo paper SM Photo Paper Satin, with the glossy version SM Photo Paper Gloss. Tests on leading prepress solutions gave superb results. The media are distributed in rolls from 24" up to 60", and in sheets of A4 to A2.

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### **20) Aetek named new representative**

Aetek UV Systems has named Miltec Corporation as its North American representative for Aetek UV products. In making the announcement, the company commented that Miltec is widely known for its responsiveness to customers' ultraviolet needs. They have a great team of skilled professionals to represent Aetek. The addition of Aetek UV systems products to the Miltec lineup ensures that Miltec's large customer base will have even greater access to high performance ultraviolet curing solutions. Both companies look forward to a productive relationship. Aetek UV Systems is a leader in ultraviolet curing technologies since 1960 with headquarter in Romeoville/Illinois. The products find broad application in label, folding carton, flexible packaging, and digital inkjet printing and coating. Headquartered in Stevensville/Maryland, Miltec Corporation is an international supplier of ultraviolet and infrared products. With more than 20 years experience in the ultraviolet curing industry, Miltec offers superior technical sales support for a wide variety of ultraviolet curing applications.

**More information: [www.aetekuv.com](http://www.aetekuv.com)**

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### **21) Fascination postponed to 2005**

The Asian Consumer Goods Exhibition – "Fascination", which was due to take place from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> February 2004 at the Offenbach Exhibition Grounds, has been postponed until Spring 2005. "The decision to cancel the event in 2004 is a great disappointment to us," commented Thomas Schütz, Managing Director of Messe Frankfurt Ausstellungen. Despite the high level of interest shown in "Fascination" by Asian suppliers from many countries, the number of suppliers actually present in Offenbach 2004 and their product range would probably not have met the expectations of European wholesale and retail dealers. As trade relations between Asia und Europe are steadily becoming closer and the volume of Asian products imported into Europe is increasing, Messe Frankfurt firmly believes that the Fascination concept can succeed. For this reason, the event has been postponed to Spring 2005; when both exhibitors and visitors will have the opportunity to further extend trade relations at this specific marketplace for Asian consumer goods.

**More information: [www.fascination-asia.com](http://www.fascination-asia.com)**

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