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Agfa Graphics Launches Next Generation Ultra-Low Viscous UV inks for Single Pass Inkjet Head Technology

Mortsel, Belgium - May 6, 2010 - Agfa Graphics today announced the launch of the new :Agora® ink product family, designed and manufactured by Agfa Graphics. It consists of two new ink lines that are ideal for the next generation single pass "piezo" print heads offering photo-quality resolution at record-breaking speeds. These inks are compatible with major inkjet head suppliers such as the Kyocera KJ4A. The :Agora® D ink family is utilised for document printing including transactional, transpromotional and newspaper printing. The :Agora® G ink family is designed for general purpose printing: flexible packaging, labels, folding carton applications, shelf ready packaging, POS and specialty printing applications. These new inks are commercially available starting at IPEX 2010.

The :Agora® inks are the only inks on the market that feature low viscosity, high reactivity, low evaporation rates with improved dot placement for small drop sizes (<5 pico liter). As such, these new inks are ideal for reliable printing with next-generation high-speed UV print heads on a wide variety of substrates for a numerous range of UV inkjet applications.

"Our new :Agora® UV inks are designed to cure immediately, for excellent outdoor resistance and guaranteed high productivity and convertibility. They produce vibrant colours with a large colour gamut, feature excellent chemical and abrasion resistance and are low-odour. We target sales to inkjet head system integrators and their end users. Thanks to the outstanding image quality and the high speed, combined with the excellent jetting performance, the Agora® ink family will open exciting innovative opportunities for our target markets. With this combination, Agfa Graphics aims at narrowing the gap between conventional and digital printing technologies", said Stefaan De Meutter, head of Ink R&D, Agfa Graphics, Industrial Inkjet Single Pass.

Demo samples will be shown on the Agfa stand at IPEX in Birmingham, UK, 18-25 May 2010.

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About Agfa

The Agfa-Gevaert Group is one of the world's leading companies in imaging and information technology. Agfa develops, manufactures and markets analogue and digital systems for the printing industry (Agfa Graphics), for the healthcare sector (Agfa Healthcare), and for specific industrial applications (Agfa Materials). Agfa is headquartered in Mortsel, Belgium. The company is present in 40 countries and has agents in another 100 countries around the globe. The Agfa-Gevaert Group achieved a turnover of 2.755 million euros in 2009.

About Agfa Graphics

Agfa Graphics offers integrated prepress solutions to the printing industry. These solutions comprise consumables, hardware, software and services for production workflow, project and color management.

Agfa Graphics is a worldwide leader with its computer-to-film, computer-to-plate and digital proofing systems for commercial and packaging printing and the newspaper publishing markets.

Agfa Graphics is rapidly developing its position in the new segments of industrial inkjet with comprehensive solutions for various applications such as documents, posters, banners, signage, displays, labels and packaging materials. Its experience in both imaging and emulsion technology has provided the expertise required for developing a complete assortment of high-quality inks.

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