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TTP launches universal technology for driving inkjet printers

TTP software and electronics is now available for driving all types of industrial inkjet printers, reducing costs, complexity and time-to-market for new print systems

Melbourn Science Park, UK, December 2007. The Technology Partnership (TTP), Europe's leading independent technology and product development company has launched a new range of digital printer electronics and software known as "Meteor". The Meteor system drives most commercially-available digital printhead types in any configuration. Meteor therefore supports any type of printer from XY flatbed systems used for manufacturing printed electronics to massive arrays of printheads used for 'single-pass' high quality commercial graphics printing. Technology like Meteor has not been available up to now and the industrial inkjet market has been hampered by the lack of an affordable off-the-shelf printhead driver technology. TTP believes that the availability of its affordable independent driver solution, which is not tied to any particular printhead manufacturer, will facilitate a massive expansion of the market.

Meteor has already been adopted this year by customers on both sides of the Atlantic and is incorporated in a number of new printer models launched in 2007 and has been specified in others to be launched in 2008.

The Meteor system consists of a printhead-independent USB print controller card and head driver cards specific to each brand of inkjet printhead. To date the biggest selling head driver cards have been for Xaar / ToshibaTec greyscale printheads and Fujifilm Dimatix Spectra® printheads. Meteor technology is both powerful and modular and is thus ideal for the larger arrays of inkjet printheads now being developed for commercial graphics printing with printheads such as the Spectra Galaxy, the new ToshibaTec CE2 and the Xaar 1001.



Meteor components for driving Spectra and Toshiba Tec industrial printheads.

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Meteor logo.

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