

to deliver more volume with shorter print runs to bring versatility to the market, while the adoption of digital printing continues to grow,' said Mattias Byström, Vice President and Group Executive Product Identification, Danaher Corporation.

'This acquisition demonstrates our ongoing commitment to providing integrated software and hardware solutions that accelerate the go-to-market process for consumer-packaged goods.' Byström explained that the combined solutions within its software platform enable Esko to better serve its customers in the packaging, label, and wide format markets.

Sagen de Jonge, CEO and co-founder of Tilia Labs, commented, 'We have long shared a common goal with Esko of empowering businesses to improve ways of working, eradicate waste and optimise operational processes to meet the challenges they face today and tomorrow. We are therefore thrilled that our technology for sheet and roll optimisation, automation, planning and estimation has been identified as a perfect fit with the market-leading Esko suite of solutions.'

Byström concluded, 'This acquisition also underlines our commitment to delivering the tools that serve to connect brands and converters upstream. For all our customers continuing their digital transformation journey, the integration of these next generation tools means businesses will be able to digitise, automate and connect more efficiently to drive significant workflow and operational advantages, as well as sustainability benefits.'

This acquisition will further improve the existing partnership between Tilia Labs and Enfocus. It enables the businesses to take steps further and beyond, creating an even more seamless integration between Enfocus and Tilia Labs products. There are currently no changes in business processes between Enfocus and Tilia Labs.

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## Zünd Cutter Enables New Capabilities At Business



Wokingham based Ultimat decided to look at new cutter options. The manufacturer and supplier of picture mounts and frames recently upgraded their old Zünd PN M-1600 digital cutter for the latest S3 L-1600. It was founded in 2001 by friends Dru Cook and Christopher Neighbour.

Alin Afloarei, Development Manager at Ultimat

said, 'We manufacture and supply to many sectors including cruise ships, hotels and retail. Our business USP is that we manufacture and assemble everything in-house. This in return gives us full control of our lead times and ability to meet customer expectations.'

Afloarei said, 'Since the announcement from Zünd UK that the support on PN Series equipment will be limited due to parts becoming obsolete, we decided to look at what the new generation of Zünd cutters can offer. The Zünd plays a pivotal part in our business, so we needed to reduce any uncertainty and ensure we had a fully working cutter at all times.' Cook and Afloarei visited the Zünd UK state-of-the art showroom in St. Albans for a product demonstration and took materials for test cuts with them. Afloarei explained, 'We have a lot of machinery at Ultimat and the customer service from Zünd is by far the greatest. So, it was a no brainer to keep loyal to the brand for our next purchase.' During the demonstration, Cook and Afloarei were blown away by the cutting speed and the advanced features of the latest Zünd cutters.

Afloarei said, 'We are very pleased with our new S3 M-1600 cutter and the new capabilities it has given us. Our old PN M-1600 cutter was a static system but for our new cutter we opted for the conveyerised system with full back and front extension and added the Over Cutter Camera (OCC). Now, thanks to the versatility of the new Zünd Cutter, not only can we produce picture mounts, but we also cut print jobs thanks to the OCC. In the past we used to spend hours or even days cutting print jobs by hand, now with the S3 M-1600 cutter, this can be done within minutes.

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## Kornit Digital Showcasing Fashion And Textile Solutions



Kornit Atlas MAX is a direct-to-garment system for high quality and consistent results. The robust industrial solution allows customers to create new efficiencies and reduce operating costs, combined with never-before-seen XDi technology emulating screen transfer, heat transfer vinyl, 3D, and threadless embroidery effects in one cost-effective, automated production system.

Kornit Atlas MAX Poly is the new standard for high-volume polyester decoration on-demand, with superior quality for polyester and poly-blended apparel – one of the fastest-growing textile verticals. It is set to transform the multi-billion-dollar recreational and professional sports apparel markets, currently suffering from limitations with mass customisation of polyester. The offering ensures quality and durability with the highest throughput all while setting benchmarks for

creativity and productivity. Removing the barriers of digital printing on coloured polyester, the market can capitalise on a range of colourful designs to inject new life into apparel.

Kornit Presto MAX is a capable and sustainable single-step digital solution for high-quality, direct-to-fabric decoration. It transforms concepts into brilliant custom fabrics for fashion, home décor and other textile applications, while delivering the highest quality and softest feel with brilliant whites and brighter neon colours. The system incorporates the revolutionary XDi technology 3D decorative applications to produce threadless embroidery, high-density, vinyl, screen transfer and other innovative effects.

KornitX workflow solutions seamlessly integrate across all Kornit MAX technology-based systems for end-to-end production efficiency, visibility and control. These solutions help brands, licensors and fulfillers shift towards on-demand fashion by supplying the connectivity tools to generate more revenue, adopt innovative business models and digitally transform supply chains.

Kornit is showcasing these solutions at Printing Expo Online 2022. 'The market is increasingly requesting new opportunities to take part in real-time experiences, virtually when and where they want it. Our presence at Printing Expo Online is in direct response to customer requests – offering an interactive learning event on-demand,' said Omer Kulka, Chief Marketing Officer at Kornit Digital.

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## Kongsberg Precision Cutting Systems' Customer Invests In Latest Digital Finishing Technology



**Lacasse Printing has installed a new Kongsberg X24 cutting table.**

Ontario's Lacasse Printing, a signage, display and point of purchase specialist, has completed the installation of a new Kongsberg X24 cutting table, complete with automated conveyor and roll-off unit, 3KW router and a selection of innovative tools including the Kongsberg CorruSpeed, for its state-of-the-art in-house finishing department.

'In the summer of 2021, we were struggling with labour shortages and the knock-on effect this had on the time it was taking to complete some jobs,' said Jeff Lappan, owner and President of Tecumseh-based Lacasse Printing. 'Our order book was still growing and increasingly customers were demanding shorter and shorter turnaround times. With this combination of increasing workload and