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## ALL NEW DEGRAF SOLUTIONS AT LABELEXPO EUROPE

*The Italian company launches 2 brand new solutions for the manufacturing of flexographic and letterpress plates during LabelExpo Europe*

Milan, September 26<sup>th</sup> 2007. Degraf SpA, worldwide leader in the development and design of equipment for the production of flexographic plates, reconfirms its role as **technological driver** by being present at **LabelExpo 2007** in Bruxelles with a set of advanced and specific solutions for the flexo and label printing sector.

At its stand (**Hall 7, Booth N90**), Degraf will show the two solutions specifically developed for the production of flexographic plates (Concept 305EDLF and Concept 201HTD), together with **two brand new units**, which Degraf will officially present at LabelExpo: **Concept 860WP** for the production of water based letterpress and flexoUV plates, and **Concept 305DW**, designed for the production of middle-sized flexo digital plates.

The new **Concept 860WP** is a multifunction unit, designed for the label sector, which can manage all the production phases of water letterpress and flexo UV plates: exposure, washing, drying and post-exposure. This unit can process both **metal and PVC based plates**, of size up to 66 x 86 cm.

**Concept 305DW**, represents, together with the "larger" 505 DW, the state of the art of the **washing units for digital flexo plates**. This unit is equipped with a double washout area, which allows the separation of the "dirty" solvent (used to remove the layer of the digital plate), from the non-contaminated solvent. Concept 305DW is the **only unit available on the market** which can always offer an efficient and uncontaminated solvent in the washout section. Concept 305DW can process both digital and analog plates of size up to 92 x 120 cm (36 x 48").

**Concept 305 EDLF**, launched last year during the first Degraf International Open, represents the best technology applied to a **multi-process unit for exposure, drying and finishing of middle-sized plates**, of size up to 92x120 cm (36x48"). The automatic, quick and silent opening-system, allows a direct access from three sides and all the functions of the unit are controlled via PLC with a colored touch-screen.

Last but not least, the compact **201 HTD**, also displayed at the Degraf stand, **specifically designed for the label market: this all-in-one unit** handles the whole **production-cycle** of flexographic plates, of size up to 66 x 81cm. Concept **201 HTD** represents the **ideal solution** for small production environments, that are typical of the **"narrow-web"** market and of those who print labels. It is the **first "ALL-IN-ONE"** equipment integrating the **HTD dryer**, a revolutionary drying system patented by Degraf, which ensures **consistent time reductions** in the drying process of a plate, up to a fourth of the time that is usually required by conventional drying systems.

"Our attendance at LabelExpo", point out **Riccardo De Caria**, president of Degraf S.p.A., "once again confirms our concrete commitment in the development of technological solutions ideal for the label production and for all other sectors of flexographic printing. At LabelExpo, our customers and end users will have the possibility to discover our new solutions, which are only a sample if compared with what we are preparing for Drupa 2008".

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## ABOUT DEGRAF

Degraf is a Group of multinational companies headed by the parent company Degraf S.p.A., based in Lacchiarella, just outside Milan. The company has been operating in the graphic arts sector for over thirty years, especially in the design and production of state-of-the-art equipment for the production of flexographic printing plates. Degraf is today's reference point for the sector and the undisputed leader of the flexography market.

*When time is the issue, it's time for New Concepts, it's time for Degraf!*

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