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# Plockmatic announces exclusive new inline product with Konica Minolta

Langenhagen, Germany: The Plockmatic Group and Konica Minolta have extended their partnership to launch the powerful and versatile SD-435/450 booklet makers.

This latest announcement brings a cost-efficient solution for heavy production finishing to low-to-mid sized centralised reprographic departments (CRD's), and commercial print environments.

Plockmatic Group's inline platform introduces architecture that enables new features for the first time in the low-to-mid volume market segments, across Konica Minolta's AccurioPress mono and colour production machines. The inline versions of the SD-435/450 will be exclusively sold by Konica Minolta throughout 2022.

Johan Mikaelsson, Plockmatic VP Business Unit Inline & Group Technical support, said: "We are delighted to be extending our successful partnership with Konica Minolta with an exclusive agreement that benefits both companies. Customers recognise that the finishing of any document has never been more important. The SD-435/450 Series uses the latest patented Plockmatic technologies to deliver top quality output in a wide range of print applications. These can be customised for document finishers and will enable them to grow business in their territories."

The new system architecture enables customers to produce high quality booklets from A6 to A4 landscape and has all the key processes needed to produce corner and edge staple, folding, spine forming and full bleed trimming, all combined in one single, easy-to-use system.

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"The Plockmatic SD-435/450 Series sets new standards and will meet the exacting demands of customers, which can shift with application requirements and functionality depending on the specific production environment," said Ines Wennemann, Product Manager Production Printing Division, Konica Minolta Business Solutions Europe. "These finishing systems deliver real value to any CRD or commercial printing environment. Features such as long sheet capability, corner and edge stapling, square folding and bleed trim functionality are critical features for success, especially in the colour production marketplace. The capability to produce A4 landscape booklets is becoming an increasingly important expectation for customers as they continue to rethink possibilities."

Other options include:

- RCT 3.0 Rotate Crease Trimmer that enables professional looking, full bleed trimmed and creased booklets now on sheets up to 620mm long, which can also be fitted with active antistatic bars. Konica Minolta's TU-510 innovative four-edge trimmer and creaser can be used as an alternative to the RCT module.
- A finishing module FM-400 that includes a new design, face trimmer and square folding mechanism in a single unit. It is based on the successful trimmer and book fold modules from SD-500/350.
- High-capacity BST4000 book stacker for more production-oriented sites allowing long unattended runs. It can be configured straight after the SD-435/450 or at a 90-degree angle.

Since the first partnership agreement between the two companies was first unveiled in 2016, Konica Minolta has successfully launched the Plockmatic SD-500, Plockmatic PowerSquare<sup>™</sup> 160 and Powersquare<sup>™</sup> 224 booklet makers with the Plockmatic SD-435/450 Series, this means that all finishing-needs of CRD's and commercial printers are now being met, and Konica Minolta's finishing portfolio is completed.

### About Plockmatic Group

Plockmatic Group develops, manufactures and markets an extensive range of document finishing systems sold under the Plockmatic and Morgana brand names. These products work inline or offline together with the world's best digital printing systems.



Plockmatic and Morgana make products to mail, fold, crease, perforate and bind documents with extraordinary precision, turning stacks of printed paper into the beautifully finished documents for customers every day.

Full details of the Plockmatic product line-up can be found at: http://plockmaticgroup.com/

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