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XENNIA REACHES OEM SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH TECNO ITALIA

Xennia, the world's leading industrial inkjet solutions provider, today announces an agreement with Tecno Italia to provide digital inkjet printing solutions for the European ceramics industry. This new OEM agreement is important to Xennia as it will lead to expanded sales of modules and inks into an existing market ready for a digital solution.

Tecno Italia, the leading supplier of printing systems to the ceramics industry, will deploy Xennia's digital inkjet module technology in the ceramics market, which currently uses traditional screen printing. Xennia will supply inkjet modules and inks to Tecno Italia for integration into a new system, based on their existing ceramic tile printing, glazing and finishing systems.

"Robust XenJet inkjet modules based on Xennia's proven inkjet technology help our OEM partners configure reliable inkjet printing solutions for key industrial applications such as ceramics, glass, and laminate printing. This results in reduced costs, diminished development risk and shorter time to market," says Alan Hudd, Xennia's Managing Director. "XenJet inkjet modules form a comprehensive suite comprising print engines, fluid controllers, maintenance units and application and printing software. This is backed up by the integration support which we provide to customers such as Tecno Italia to ensure a successful solution implementation."

Valdo Elmetti, Tecno Italia's President comments: "XenJet inkjet module technology is the ideal technology for our first digital offering. The advantages of digital inkjet printing solutions for Tecno Italia are cost effective short runs, lowered production costs and faster response to customer demands. Inkjet printing also allow bevelled edge and textured tiles to be printed, with randomised images produced easily at unrivalled quality." The XenJet inkjet modules will be integrated into existing Tecno Italia tile printing chassis, allowing any combination of traditional and inkjet printing units and allowing a flexible compact ceramic tile printing solution. Xennia's XenInx Zircon ceramic ink will provide vibrant colours, good firing temperature tolerance and reliable jetting.

Today's agreement with Tecno Italia marks another successful deployment of Xennia's proven inkjet module technology to industry worldwide, enabling reduced production costs, increased productivity and improved responsiveness to customer demands.

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Xennia Technology Ltd is a major driving force in the world of inkjet printing, with over 14 years in the industrial inkjet industry. As the world's leading industrial inkjet solutions provider, Xennia has been instrumental in revolutionising outdated manufacturing processes by creating reliable inkjet products and processes for markets like textiles, ceramics, packaging, product decoration, bio/healthcare and printed electronics. Xennia solutions comprise research and development capabilities, printers and printing modules, software and printing fluids. Xennia's headquarters, R&D and manufacturing operations are located in Letchworth, UK, with regional sales offices in the USA and China.

For more information about Xennia, please visit www.xennia.com.

Xennia is part of **TenCate**, the specialist materials company, headquartered in the Netherlands, which combines textile technology with related chemical processes and material technology in the development and production of functional materials with distinctive characteristics. TenCate is a global company with revenue of circa €1 billion, listed on the NYSE Euronext (AMX).

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Tecno Italia is a leading manufacturer specialised in the production of rotary and vertical printing machinery, based in Formigine, Italy. Tecno Italia has a wide product portfolio that includes printing, glazing and finishing systems for wet and dry applications.

For more information about Tecno Italia, please visit www.tecnoitalia.it.