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1-2024 (February) Publication date: 8.02.2024 Editorial deadline: 16.01.2024 Advertising Closing: 23.01.2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ drupa 2024 Countdown Part 1: Quo vadis package printing? <i>Turning point: New challenges and realignment</i> ■ Consistent print quality (inspection and control systems, measuring instruments, proofing, print release process) ■ Artificial Intelligence (AI) in prepress and printing forme production ■ Printing inks and varnishes for recyclable packaging ■ Ecology in the pressroom (cleaning systems, ink disposal, ink kitchen, ink dosing, storage systems) ■ Retrofit/Maintenance/Support/Service of package printing machines as well as flexographic and gravure printing machines ■ Fair Lopec: Possibilities of "Printed Electronics" to ensure recyclable packaging 	21st Inno Meeting – Alternative materials and methods, Osnabrueck/DE: 21.-22.02.2024  LOPEC, Munich/DE: 5.-7.03.2024
2-2024 (March) Publication date: 21.03.2024 Editorial deadline: 27.02.2024 Advertising Closing: 5.03.2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ drupa 2024 Countdown Part 2: Package printing – analogue, hybrid or digital? ■ Main topic: "Corrugated board, cardboard and paper" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Production of flexible packaging from fiber-bound substrates with defined barrier properties ● Printing requirements: Cardboard and corrugated packaging for e-commerce ● Printing of water-based printing inks/varnishes on absorbent substrates ■ Flexographic printing and gravure printing machines for the current requirements in package printing ■ Flexo and gravure forme production directly at the printing machine – Is that possible? How far are we? ■ Anilox rollers/sleeves: The right specification for different applications ■ Printing inks (colour systems, viscosity measurement, ink dosing, colour measurement, residual ink management) ■ Efficient interaction of the components in the printing unit/application system (printing forme, anilox roller/sleeve, doctor blade, chamber doctor blade, ink supply) ■ Special Extrusion & Converting (n° 1/2024) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Extrusion – Packaging films – Recycled materials ● Correct pre-treatment of packaging substrates (corona, primer) ● Coating and metallizing ● Sustainable lamination (adhesives, application systems, drying) ● Roll assembly: Slitting technologies and roll handling 	
3-2024 (May) Publication date: 21.05.2024 Editorial deadline: 23.04.2024 Advertising Closing: 30.04.2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ drupa 2024: Main issue – Opinions, analysis and trends ■ Package printing machines (offset, gravure, flexographic printing) and converting systems ■ New opportunities and business concepts in packaging production ■ Optimization potential in prepress and forme production (standardization, digitalization, algorithms) ■ Resource-saving production of flexographic and gravure printing formes as well as embossing rollers ■ Print quality: Electrostatics and surface cleaning in printing and converting ■ Special Digital Printing today (n° 1/2024) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● drupa 2024 - Innovations in digital package printing ● Digital printing: Specific challenges for prepress ● New business opportunities with digital printing ● Digital converting (i. a. laser cutting, priming, white and varnish application) 	Drupa, Dusseldorf/DE: 28.05.-7.06.2024 

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4-2024 (July) Publication date: 18.07.2024 Editorial deadline: 25.06.2024 Advertising Closing: 2.07.2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Review drupa 2024 ■ New printing machine concepts for different packaging solutions ■ Retrofit / Maintenance / Support / Service of package printing machines / used machines ■ Sleeve and adapter systems in flexo printing ■ Colour communication and colour management in package printing ■ Plate mounting in flexo printing (cliché tape, self-adhesive mounting sleeves, automatic mounting devices, integration into the printing workflow) ■ Design for recycling – What does this mean for package printing? 	
5-2024 (September) Publication date: 16.09.2024 Editorial deadline: 22.08.2024 Advertising Closing: 29.08.2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Fair issue Fachpack (Trends, new products, trade fair information) ■ Main topic: „Corrugated board, cardboard and paper“ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sustainable printing of corrugated cardboard and folding boxes - the challenges ● Inline and offline die cutting of corrugated cardboard and cardboard (equipment and tools) ● Digital, efficient and fully automated: Logistics in corrugated cardboard production ■ Automation in packaging production – How far have we come? ■ The right flexographic printing forme for flexible packaging, corrugated cardboard and container printing ■ More sustainability in the process of gravure forme production (chrome III, engraving, elastomer, photopolymer) ■ Applying and printing security elements against counterfeiting and product piracy ■ Special Extrusion & Converting (n° 2/2024) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Blow extrusion and extrusion coating ● Services, retrofit and maintenance of extrusion and coating systems ● Coating processes: Advantages and disadvantages, areas of application, coating systems ● Laser systems in packaging converting ● Recyclable composite structures of flexible packaging 	FachPack, Nuremberg/ DE: 24.-26.09.2024  ERA International Gravure Days: N. N.  DFTA Technical Conference, Cologne/DE: 6.11.24 
6-2024 (November) Publication date: 14.11.2024 Editorial deadline: 21.10.2024 Advertising Closing: 28.10.2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Prepress flexo and gravure printing (colour management, software, proofing, fixed colour palette, workflow) ■ How sustainable are inks and varnishes for package printing? New formulations ■ Finishing in package printing (effect colours, varnishing, embossing foil printing) ■ Drying / curing of inks and varnishes ■ Anilox and coating rollers: Defined transfer of large quantities of barrier varnish ■ Printing peripherals: Ink kitchen, washing machines, distillation units, storage and logistic systems ■ Special Digital Printing today (n° 2/2024) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Digital printing: absorbent and non-absorbent packaging substrates as well as rigid packaging (container printing) ● Measuring and specifying quality in digital printing ● Innovative business concepts with digital printing ● Integration of digital printing into existing production environments 	

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