

**Goss International acquires Vits Print GmbH**

- *Complementary sheeting and specialized finishing components will allow Goss International to offer more comprehensive web offset solutions*

**December 15<sup>th</sup> 2011** – Goss International has acquired the assets of Vits Print GmbH, adding industry-leading sheeting and specialized finishing components that complement its portfolio of Goss web offset print production solutions.

Vits Print Rotocut sheeter models and Jet Web finishing products, including coaters, die cutters, prefolders and plow stations will now be manufactured at the Goss International *Contiweb* facility in Boxmeer, The Netherlands. The facility specializes in auxiliary components, including Goss splicers, pasters and heatset dryers, for web offset printing systems.

“Vits Print is the technology and market leader for high-speed sheeters as well as in-line and off-line finishing systems,” explains Goss International president and CEO Jochen Meissner. “This sensible expansion of our core product range demonstrates our long-term focus and our commitment to providing printers with more complete, integrated web offset solutions.”

Auxiliary components from Goss International and Vits Print can be integrated within Goss press systems as well as press systems manufactured by other suppliers for web offset, gravure and flexography applications, including packaging and direct mail. Vits Print products will be marketed and supported by VITS-America, Inc. in the United States and by Goss International’s worldwide network throughout the rest of the world.

VITS-America, Inc., Blauvelt, New York, is not part of the acquisition.

“Our team in Boxmeer has the proven capability to support web printers with the most advanced auxiliary components in the world, including *Goss Ecocool* and *Ecoset* dryers and *Contiweb* pasters,” according to Bert Schoonderbeek, managing director of the Goss International *Contiweb* operation. “We look forward to

incorporating the equally strong Vits Print high-speed sheeting and specialized finishing products.”

“We have cooperated extensively with Goss International on new product development and system installations for many years,” explains Werner Deuring, CEO of Vits Print. “Therefore, we are confident that the integration of our operations will bring added value to our customers.” Deuring notes that the Goss International facility in Boxmeer is located 120 kilometers from the Vits Print headquarters in Langenfeld, Germany and that the proximity will aid in the transition of manufacturing operations and expertise. Key personnel from Vits Print will continue to support customers from the sites in Langenfeld and Ravenstein, Germany.

Goss International supplies presses and finishing systems – including the most automated and productive web offset presses in the world – for magazine, newspaper, catalog, packaging, direct mail and other printing applications. The company is headquartered in Durham, New Hampshire (USA) and has major manufacturing centers in North America, Asia and Europe as well as a global sales and support network.

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