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News on the Screen Printing World
ESTAMPARIA PINTO S.A. – Textile Services of Excellence
Digital CTS Pre Press in 16 Colors Textile Printing

In a new **Textile World** with increasingly demanding new rules by the financial system market but where these markets are more competitive, presenting *New Opportunities* for companies to envision correctly their future and if equipped in an assertively way.

The Textile Printer company **ESTAMPARIA PINTO SA**, was the first Portuguese company in the Industrial segment of the Textile "piece to piece" (T-Shirt), dedicated to garment and fashion segment, betting on Digital CTS prepress and 16 colors printing lines, this two orientations won by the Vision of their business leader Manuel Pinto, achieving with that the full response to the predictable *end of films*, improving the quality and speed of processes, with much fewer steps in the prepress, automating processes, improving productivity ratios, for quicker orders supply and following the most up-to-date and advanced technology of *Digital Direct Exposure* of Stencil Making, by betting on **CTS** (Computer-To-Screen) Technology from **Sign-Tronic AG**, Swiss company, in a fully automatic system featuring an actual resolution of 1270 dpi's.

Sign-Tronic AG world leader in CTS light exposing technology for imaging stencil making for industrial applications, specifically developed the model **STM-TEX** for Fashion Textile segment "piece by piece", allowing IN-LINE frames loading previously coated, exposing, developing, drying and unloading, fully automated and with an excellent productivity. For the success of *Portuguese Textile Exports* companies as the example of **ESTAMPARIA PINTO SA** wagered in **Services** (Industrial and Commercial) that of higher form anchor the success of the first ones.

Recently the Managing Director of **ATV** (Textile and Clothing Association of Portugal), Dr. Paulo Vaz, stated "**we are exporting more than before the crisis**" and making the x-ray of the Textile Sector, which exports more with half of companies and employment than before the burst of the "financial bubble". The sector gained competitiveness and is producing with more and more added value. The market share of Textile and Clothing exports is in 9%, meaning the triple of footwear segment, he added. By contributing with 6.4 billion to the GDP Textiles positioning them self as the second largest industrial Portuguese sector, just after the Metallurgy and Metalworking. Add even that after stopping the jobs bleeding since the beginning of the years 90 for its reversal of the trend this year by net job creation.

On **Added Value** of its **Industry** and its **Services** Portugal is dealing to show Europe the way for sharing success in support of **Exports** and **Employment!** With the elimination of photographic films, "*filmless*", and its advantages at the level of the **Return-On-Investment** in an innovative industrial flowchart, fully automatic, **STM-TEX** allows **ESTAMPARIA PINTO SA** responding to new market requirements, together with other investments of process improvement and guarantee of automatism as those relating to Stretching and Coating, with automatic process control features, equally important in the concept of technology CTS **STM-TEX** 1270 dpi's as well as *IN-LINE automatic washing*. By betting on new innovative technologies and automation of processes, this is another example of the dynamic business of the Textile sector, contributing to the overall success of the Textile segment, building Portugal for an European Leadership! Congratulations!

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