

ROCTOOL ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF INDUMOLD® AND RELEASES THE 3ITECH® RANGE

RocTool reveals, for the first time at Fakuma, the acquisition of Indumold®, the moulding technology by induction of plastic materials developed by Kunststoff Institut Lüdenscheid in Germany. Plastic specialists will be given the opportunity to test its technologies at Kunststoff Institut Lüdenscheid.

ROCTOOL ENLARGES ITS TECHNOLOGY PORTFOLIO

Indumold® and the Cage System®: RocTool will thus be able to propose to plastic specialists an expanded induction heating technology portfolio. Now, the induction heating circuits can either be integrated in the mould, for example with the Indumold® technology, or around the mould as it is the case with the Cage System® technology.

Currently RocTool owns 13 patents (9 previously), which allows it to provide a strategic offer adapted to each part in order to maximize the potential of both technologies.

Alexandre Guichard, CEO of RocTool states: ***"We have acquired 4 new patents, and we now can provide an enlarged offer through licensing agreements, with a higher protection for users. Our offer becomes global. The choice will be determined by materials and targeted applications: the most important thing is to offer the client an adapted answer to each type of production"***.

THE ROCTOOL OFFER ON THE GERMAN MARKET

Protected by several patents, Indumold® is completely dedicated to plastic injection. It has had great commercial success in Germany and internationally. The technology is now integrated in mass production in major companies in Germany. Kunststoff Institut Lüdenscheid gathers around 100 industrial partners with whom the Indumold® process benefits from an excellent visibility. ***"Our expertise in plastic processing and RocTool's in the inductive heating systems are complementary. Our R&D teams will work together and we anticipate their creativity and skills will soon generate synergies. RocTool will be able to propose its clients to test both technologies via our trials platforms in Germany, as it is the case in France at the Pôle Européen de Plasturgie"*** adds Stefan Schmidt, Managing Director of Kunststoff Institut Lüdenscheid. In the framework of this acquisition, the two engineers who had actively participated in the design and development of Indumold® will still continue to work on the process, in collaboration with RocTool R&D team.

ROCTOOL RELEASES THE 3ITECH® RANGE

"From 20°C to 400°C, with or without movement, open or closed mold... the combination of our technologies allows us to go forward", concludes Alexandre Guichard. **The Cage System® is presented for the first time today in Germany via a live demonstration at RocTool's booth.**

3iTech®, Integrated Internal Induction Technologies, the new RocTool range of induction heating technologies will be presented on October 27, 2009, at RocTool Headquarters in France.

**Meet RocTool and participate in the live demos of the Cage System®
Booth 3207 Hall B3 at Fakuma (13 - 17 October 2009)**

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More about RocTool

Since its creation in 2000, RocTool develops innovative processes for rapid material molding by induction. Twice winner of the JEC Composites Awards, the company has sold over a dozen licenses of its patented technology of heating by induction, the Cage System®, predominantly for Composite applications of medium to large series. **RocTool was listed on the Stock Exchange « Nyse Euronext Marché Libre de Paris » in 2008.** Its headquarters and R & D centre are situated at Savoie Technolac at Le Bourget du Lac and two sales offices are open in Atlanta (USA) and Tokyo (JAP)

More about Kunststoff Institut Lüdenscheid

For over 20 years the focus of the Kunststoff Institut Lüdenscheid is to increase the quality and economic efficiency- especially for injection moulded parts made of thermoplastic and thermoset materials.

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