

## **Sole S.p.A. Press Release**

# **Sole S.p.A. is ready for production with RocTool technologies**

RocTool technology is now ready for production in Sole S.p.A.,. Sole S.p.A., one of the main R&D and production plant belonging to PRIMA GROUP is now ready to launch RocTool technologies for new customer's projects.

The innovative Italian Group have indeed acquired a RocTool Development License at the end of 2010 and recently acquired a production license of RocTool's technologies especially for the automotive market.

Sole is proud to announce that the process is ready to be used in order to produce automotive interior parts with the aim of extending this to automotive exterior parts as well and potentially to other plastic applications.

The other PRIMA GROUP plants will follow Sole in this adventure in the very near future.

During the last twelve months, Sole has adapted two different tools with RocTool's internal induction heating (3iTech®) in order to gain experience with this new technology and to implement the complete system at the production plant.

Both tasks have been a success: this technology dramatically increases the overall quality of the products and can be fully managed in Sole production plant.

Every moulded part produced from several trials showed good results after quite a few laboratory tests, thus increasing customer's interest in this technology.

Even though good results can be obtained by modifying existing tools, Sole strongly suggests that the best solution would be to integrate RocTool's technology at the beginning of the product development and mold design, in order to fully exploit the technology's molding possibilities.

By implementing this in the early stages, Sole S.p.A. will be able to achieve consistent results in the near future.

Now on, new part quality targets can be reached and this is Sole S.p.A. task for the imminent future.

Sole S.p.A., located in Northeast of Italy has a building area of 39.000 mq and aside from the production site, the painting lines and the well-equipped assembly area boasts a consistent R&D Department comprehensive of metrology and test laboratory.

As guarantee of professionalism the following certificates: ISO 14001:2004, ISO 9001:2008, OHSAS 18001:2007. ISO TS 16949:2009.

RocTool is only one of the many innovation implemented by Sole.

Sole S.p.A. indeed is at the cutting edges of Thermoplastic injection moulding technology. Years of experience plus continuous research of new Tech make the perfect recipe to be a first order supplier for Automotive and non-automotive market.

“Satisfy customer needs is our aim but it is not the only one, ensure our customers the best technical solution is the other one” is the watchword of Sole’s team.

Bi-injection, gas-injection, co-injection, multi-material-injection through Spin machine, insert-injection, Dolphin technology and metal substitution are just a little taste of what Sole can offer for injection tech.

Internal painting lines, chrome plating, coloured chrome and selective chrome, cubic, wood tech, carbon and glass fiber tech, aluminium tech are the plastic surface treatment that Sole can provide.

Sole is also focusing on lighting issues through optical fiber, light guide and LED solutions.

RocTool will display some samples made by Sole at **booth Number B2-2216**, during the FAKUMA 2011 show, in Germany (Oct 18, 2011 to Oct 22, 2011).

