

Pyrotec's end-of-line integration makes production lines more efficient

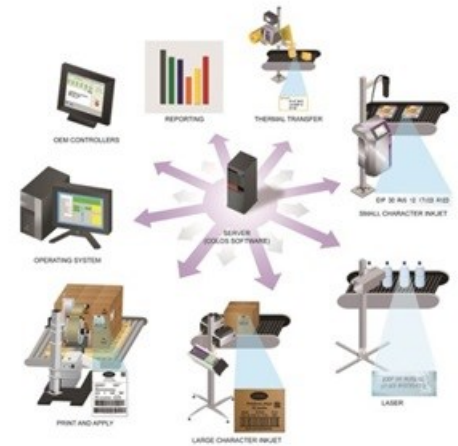
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In today's highly competitive 'time is money' working environment, the ability to reduce costs in the production line, having efficient machinery, eliminating human error and seamless integration of software, provides companies with the competitive advantage.

There are many ways to create an efficient production line, despite the fact that the line has automated machinery, it is not safe from error because of human involvement. For example, most manufactures rely on operators to manually insert important data into the system and it is at this point where things can go wrong. Other key production factors such as reducing packaging costs, optimising product coding activities and meeting the industries' regulatory requirement can be resolved by using centralised data management systems through integrating machinery networks.

Markem-Imaje has a range of coders exclusively distributed by Pyrotec PackMark in South Africa, their developed software systems are designed to reduce the capacity of human error, help save production time and it drastically reduces long term costs. Shaun Pillay, National Sales Manager for Pyrotec PackMark, explains "this software solution, **CoLOS®**, allows our customers to integrate various equipment networks in one central system to manage and operate all printers throughout the line."



CoLOS® software models offers:

- Production planners' real-time data on the production process, by linking the production plan through **CoLOS®** to individual bagging machine printers.
- Monitor the productivity and efficiency of each machine in the line.
- Secured selection of data to print, by reducing human intervention, tasks are automated.
- Helps to avoid the risk of operating errors and provides accurate performance reporting.

This seamless integration system offering from **CoLOS®** works for diverse industries and supports all production control systems.

The Automotive Industry - A global automotive manufacturer required an automated system for printing two-dimensional barcodes on radiator stacks to help with traceability in the construction process. Using the **CoLOS®** software the customer's database and production plans were linked. The system was accessibly using the operators ID card, therefore, the work order will be processed and scanned and the system will produce a picking slip - the system will process the information using **CoLOS®** and the correct template will be populated with the relevant information.

The Pharmaceutical industry - A South African supplier of branded and generic pharmaceuticals needed to manage their information through their track and trace policy, while the internal software used was efficient, the **CoLOS®** software added data transfer capabilities to update and populate existing labels and templates making the system flawless.

The FMCG industry - A well-known multinational consumer goods company faced numerous challenges with incorrect label printing for their products - resulting in the whole line grinding to a halt - this resulted in the company spending additional

money to investigate and rectifying the problem on the labels. Pyrotec's PackMark division offered **CoLOS®** software to be integrated into the production line. As a result, the software was able to communicate with various systems at the same time, sending the correct templates for printing and recording all transactions to track any trouble shooting.

"The **CoLOS®** software offers a range of solutions including packaging coding, designing of messages, management of complex labels and codes, the ability to operate multiple printers, traceability software and reporting."

For more information about the **CoLOS®** software Solutions and Pyrotec's PackMark range of solutions visit www.pyrotec.co.za

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