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## **Lectra Demonstrates Innovation and Leadership in Industrial Fabrics Industry**

World Leading Provider of 2D and 3D Design and Automated Cutting Solutions, **Lectra, Showcases Newest Technologies at IFAI Expo 2006**

**Atlanta, GA, October 20, 2006** – Lectra, the world leader in software, CAD/CAM equipment and related services dedicated to large-scale users of textiles, leather and industrial fabrics, announced today its participation in the annual Industrial Fabrics Association International (IFAI) Expo 2006 (Lectra Booth No. 147). The event, the largest specialty fabrics event in the Americas, will be held at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, Georgia, October 31 to November 2. It will convene industry professionals to explore the latest developments in high-performance materials and the new technologies that will drive the next generation of textile-based products.

As a leading provider of 2D and 3D design and automated cutting solutions, Lectra demonstrates that its leading edge solutions impact a variety of IFAI product groups, ranging from composites and coated textiles to wovens and knitted fabrics. Lectra's technologies also extend into several of IFAI's industry segments, including automotive, marine, composites, and furniture. Lectra's widespread industry presence signifies the company's integral role as a technology leader.

At its booth, Lectra will showcase its **ProSpinTechTexST**, a single-ply cutter specially adapted to the production of samples and prototypes, using a variety of industrial fabrics. The modular system features new cutting technology and it is compatible with a wide range of Lectra software solutions. Customizable to perform in any work environment, this high precision cutter has the power to maximize flexibility and accuracy, accelerate time to market, reduce sampling costs and enhance quality control.

Lectra will also display its complete range of 2D and 3D design applications including the **DesignConceptTechTex** design and prototyping solution for developing 2D templates from 3D designs, which enables companies to reduce costs and development time while enhancing control of product quality; the **Formaris** pattern design solution for the automotive, marine and aerospace industries, which permits companies to avoid repetitive tasks while ensuring product quality and optimal communication between collaborators and significantly reduce time to market; the **DiaminoTechTex** interactive and automated marker making solution with state-of-the-art fabric optimization technology as well as functions to enable marker creation and nesting at high productivity levels.

*"Lectra is committed to providing high technology solutions and innovations to the industrial fabrics industry. Our latest innovation, the ProSpinTechTexST is a perfect example of this commitment,"* commented Greg Sumners, Senior Vice President of Sales – Lectra North America. *"IFAI Expo is a prime opportunity for Lectra to demonstrate the vastness of its multi-sector expertise and to reinforce the added-value our solutions bring to industrial textile professionals in all markets."*

### **About Lectra**

With 1,500 worldwide employees and \$260 million in 2005 revenues, Lectra is the world leader in software, CAD/CAM equipment and related services dedicated to large-scale users of textiles, leather and industrial fabrics. Lectra address a broad array of major global markets, including fashion (apparel, accessories, footwear), automotive, aeronautical and furniture. Lectra is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange.

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