API Foilmakers signs agreement to acquire United Foils Europe and its subsidiaries, significantly strengthening distribution network.



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Aldus with its subsidiary API Foilmakers, has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire United Foils Europe BV along with its businesses United Transfer Technologies BV, Pack Vision BV, United Foils, Starfoil Technology Netherlands BV and Newfoil Machines.

On completion, the acquired businesses will be combined with API Foilmakers to form a new leading player in the transfer technologies industry with a strong legacy, deep foil expertise and broad application knowledge. The combined foil companies United Transfer Technologies BV, Pack Vision BV and United Foils will, in the near future be known as **API Transfer Technologies**.

The combination of a first-class distribution business with a European manufacturer of transfer products will provide unrivalled service to customers. With an extensive distribution network, the business will provide customers with an enviable product range, excellent service, and technical support. Further benefits will include security of supply, short lead times, rapid product development and customisation capabilities.

"We are thrilled to welcome United Foils to the Aldus family," said Kenny Gilmour, Managing Director of API Foilmakers. "The addition of an excellent product range and world leading conversion facilities will allow us to better serve our customers and accelerate growth"

Fons van Delft, Owner of United Foils Europe BV stated "We are excited to join forces with API Foilmakers and leverage their expertise to further expand our reach and offering while continuing to assure customers of our trusted product range which we will continue to develop and enhance with our valued, long-term suppliers. The combined company will build on our service ethos, placing customers at the heart of everything we do"

About Aldus

Headquartered in Sydney Australia, Aldus is a rapidly growing business supplying leading products and services to the global graphics, packaging, and manufacturing industries. The Aldus group is committed to bringing value to its customers globally through its businesses API Foilmakers, Paragon Inks, Tronics, Aldus Graphics, Aldus Engineering and Milford Astor.

About API Foilmakers

API Foilmakers is a pioneer in the field of transfer technologies with leading products in hot stamping foils, cold foils, digital, pigment and speciality foils. Making a lasting impression since 1783, the business develops and manufactures foils in the UK and provides product and service to customers globally through its extensive distribution network.

About United Foils Europe

United Foils Europe is recognised in the graphic arts industry as one of the leading suppliers of high quality transfer products for hot stamping, cold transfer printing, digital printing and narrow web printing. Through its businesses United Transfer Technologies, Pack Vision, United Foils, Starfoil Technology and Newfoil Machines, the company provides excellent service to customers from its world class facility in Waalwijk, Netherlands

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