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With PCC[®] Trüb AG launches color personalization for polycarbonate-based identity documents

With PCC[®] – Polycarbonate Color Trüb is launching color personalization for high quality, durable, polycarbonate identity documents in the ID1 format. Based on the D2T2 technology (dye diffusion thermal transfer) PCC[®] provides for the production of color personalized, durable identity documents with a service life of up to 10 years.

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Identity Cards

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The launch of PCC[®] – Polycarbonate Color, is Trüb's response to the increasing demand for secure and durable identity documents containing a color photo. PCC[®] enables color personalized identity documents to be produced in ID1 format and is the perfect solution for countries wishing to offer a high quality identity document containing color photos of the cardholder.

The body of the PCC[®] card is made of fused polycarbonate material. A thin, thermoplastic layer integrated into the surface of the card allows for superb quality D2T2 color personalization on a wide range of personalization machines offered by leading manufacturers. Applying selected holographic and transparent protective foils achieves a high level of protection for the color personalization against mechanical wear and tear and manipulation. PCC[®] also allows for high quality laser personalization. Thanks to the laser embossing in the inner layers of the card material the same level of document protection as in conventional laser embossed identity documents with black and white photos can be achieved with a precision gray scale laser image or separate ghost image.

PCC[®] is based on fused polycarbonate material. Trüb AG was one of the first manufacturers in the world to use this material and since 1995 has already gained a great deal of experience and in-depth expertise with it. Polycarbonate-based identity documents are extremely resistant to mechanical and thermal stress and guarantee a service life of 10 years.

The Trüb Group is a leader both in Switzerland and internationally in the manufacture and personalization of national identity documents such as identity cards, driving licenses and data pages for passports, as well as of bank, customer and access cards. The company was founded in 1859 and over recent years has developed into a leading global provider of high quality identity documents. The Trüb Group encompasses a number of companies in Europe. In 2008 it generated consolidated sales of CHF 135 million and employs around 450 personnel, 350 of these in Switzerland.

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