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Itema Group at ITMA 2023: the new EVO range and a complete offering for the weaving industry

Colzate (Italy) – Itema Group, the Italian global leading provider of advanced weaving solutions, participates at ITMA 2023 in Hall 6 - B105 with tangible and significant innovations for the weaving industry.

With a total of 12 Itema EVO weaving machines on show (7 in the Itema booth and 5 in the partners' booth – Staübli, Van De Wiele, MEI, and Julibao), Itema confirms its attitude in exhibiting weaving machines running innovative, complex, and challenging fabrics to demonstrate its **superior textile mastery**. At ITMA 2023, Itema brings on stage sophisticated, diversified styles, designed in cooperation with leading textile companies – all Itema customers - such as ISKO, Mantero Seta, Drago Lanificio in Biella, Tessitura Marinoni, Frau Pérez Textiles, and Finsa Textil.

ITMA 2023 comes back in Milan, and Itema takes advantage of this prestigious stage to **introduce its new EVO Weaving Range for the first time**.

The new EVO weaving range features significant innovations designed to raise the bar in terms of textile mastery, eco-efficiency, performance, and easy weaving.

Ugo Ghilardi, Itema Group CEO comments: "The new Itema EVO Weaving Range answers to concrete weavers' needs. Our vision is to offer to our worldwide customers tangible innovations that, based on the most advanced engineering principles, can improve their productivity, competitiveness on the market, and user experience."

In fact, the new Itema EVO Weaving Range includes:

• advanced solutions for the weft transfer to enhance versatility and machine performance

• the new **iSAVER**[®] range which, following its undisputed market success in denim weaving, is now available in up to 6 colors and for many more fabrics, thus significantly increasing the applications of sustainable weaving



• innovative digital software to enhance user experience and optimize textile production, such as **iKNOW**[™] - the innovative tool that contains all the Itema textile experts' know-how collected on the field over the years - and **MyWeave**[™] the new, advanced mill monitoring system

• optimization of key machine components to further improve machine performance, ensure the best possible machine accessibility, and reach unbeatable reliability while preserving the renowned compactness of the Itema weaving machines, which provides weavers with valuable additional space in the weaving floor to install more looms

New digital solutions, such as the brand-new **Itema Customer Portal HelloItema**, further enriches the visitors' experience.

Moreover, besides the unmissable weaving innovations on stage, the Itema Group booth hosts all the Group companies and solutions.

In fact, the Itema Group companies **Lamiflex**[®] and **Schoch**[®] with their advanced accessories for weaving machinery have dedicated corners in the Itema Group booth, and Itema and previous brands' **OEM spare parts** are exhibited, including upgrade kits to optimize machine performance and retrofit latest Itema innovations on existing looms. **Itemalab**[®], the Itema advanced innovation hub, has a special environment inside the booth to boost the innovation mission of Itema.

In addition, the booth hosts the range of nylon and polyester yarns from **RadiciGroup**, a leading group in the production of textile solutions for numerous markets such as apparel, furnishings, and automotive. In particular, RadiciGroup presents products with a reduced environmental impact, both from recycling and made with raw materials of bio origin.

Itema Group will welcome visitors with a product line-up designed to confirm and demonstrate its dedication to innovation and the Made in Italy excellence in the weaving sector.

Make sure to visit the Itema Group booth at ITMA 2023, in Hall 6 – B105.

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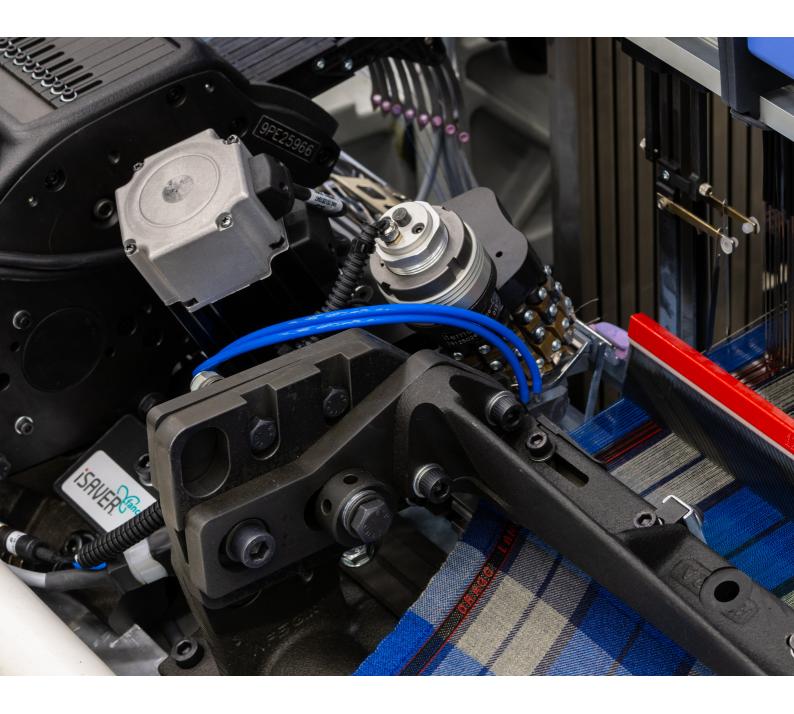
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Itema is a leading global provider of advanced weaving solutions, including weaving machines, spare parts, and integrated services. Sixty percent of Itema is held by Gianni Radici's family heirs (the siblings Angelo, Maurizio, Paolo, Maria Grazia, and Bruna) and 40% by the Arizzi and Torri families. Itema Group's business areas include also industrial and innovation. In fact, in recent years the Group diversified into complementary, high-growth markets through stakes in innovation-driven companies, such as Lamiflex®, Schoch®, and Itemalab®, the Itema advanced innovation hub created in 2014 that in 2021 evolved into a fully-fledged company dedicated to developing breakthrough textile and industrial solutions. With more than 1.000 employees worldwide, and world-class production sites in Italy, Switzerland, China, and India (the latter for Schoch products, ndr), Itema features a global presence with commercial and after-sales services in Italy, Switzerland, China, India, Japan, USA, Hong Kong, Dubai, and Türkiye.

More information about Itema can be found on the website www.itemagroup.com

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ITEMA GROUP Hall 6 – B105						
R9500 ^{ev}		R9500 ^{denim}				
Style: Wool		Style: Knit-effect denim				
Courtesy of: Drago Lanificio in Biella		Courtesy of: ISKO				
Width: 2200	Width: 2200mm		Width: 2200mm			
Warp	Combed wool Ne 60/2	Warp	Indigo cotton Ne 10			
Weft	Combed wool Ne 60/2	Weft	Corespun cotton/PES + Elastane Ne 14 PES-PA + Elastane 180 Den			
Shedding	Staübli dobby 3020	Shedding	Staübli dobby 3060			
Highlights	iSAVERfancy (6 colors) FPA EVO Weft Transfer EVOConsole ACTIVEBRK Itema Electronic Weft Brakes New Motorized Pneumatic Tuckers Staubli Jacquardette N4L Front cover with integrated pushbuttons	iSAVEReco SK EVO UltraLight Weft Transfer EVOConsole iCARE New Weft Selector with integrated cleaning blower Front cover with integrated pushbuttons				
R9500 ^{ev}		R9500 ^{terry}				
Style: Tapestry Width: 1900mm		Style: Terry towels Width: 2600mm				
Warp	PES Dtex 78	Warp	Ground: OE Cotton Ne 30/2 Pile: Carded Cotton Ne 24/2			
Weft	PES from 75 to 300 Den	Weft	Carded cotton Ne 16			
Shedding	Staübli Jacquard LXXL 20480 hooks	Shedding	Bonas Jacquard SI6 6144 hooks			
Highlights	FPA EVO Weft Transfer MiCUT Motorized Weft Cutter EVOConsole Front cover with integrated pushbuttons	Highlights	New Pile Formation Unit Pile Consumption Monitoring EVOConsole Itema SK EVO Weft Transfer Front cover with integrated pushbuttons			

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A9500 ^{ev}		R950℃ [€]				
Style: Bottom weight Width: 1900mm		Style: Nautical sails reinforcement Courtesy of: Tessitura Marinoni Width: 2200mm				
Warp	Combed cotton Ne 16/1	Warp	PES Dtex 167			
Weft	PES / Cotton ring Ne 16	Weft	PE Dtex 440			
Shedding	Staübli Cam Motion 1792	Shedding	Staübli dobby 3020			
Highlights Heacul	Itema SKYFRAME Heald Frames EVO Pneumatic Platform EVO Main Nozzles BiPower Stretch Nozzle Double Tandem Nozzle iRTC iFAR EVOConsole Cordless weaving Front cover with integrated pushbuttons	Highlights	iSAVERtech FPA EVO Weft Transfer EVOConsole ELD Leno Device Front cover with integrated pushbuttons			
	y Filter Fabric					
	: Finsa Textil					
Warp	PA monofilament Den 450					
Weft	PA monofilament Den 1300					
Shedding	Staübli dobby 3020					
Highlights	Reinforced machine structure for super heavy fabrics weaving Enhanced beating force Extra wide shed opening					

STAÜBLI Hall 6 – A201		VAN DE WIELE Hall 10 – B201		
R9500 ⁶		R9500 ^{ev}		
Style: High fashion apparel		Style: Decoration		
Courtesy of: Mantero Seta		Courtesy of: Frau Pérez Textiles		
Width: 1900mm		Width: 3600mm		
Warp	PES Dtex 55	Warp	PES 300 Den	
Weft	Lurex Tex 8 Fancy yarns from 80 to 416 Tex	Weft	PES from 75 Den up to 300 Den	
Shedding	Staübli Jacquard LXXL Pro 15360 hooks	Shedding	Bonas Jacquard Si25 (VDW SmartDrive)	
Highlights	FPA Weft Transfer		FPA Weft Transfer	
	MiCUT Motorized Weft Cutter	Highlights	MiCUT Motorized Weft Cutter	
	EVOConsole		EVOConsole	
	Front cover with integrated pushbuttons		Front cover with integrated pushbuttons	

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MEI Hall 6 – A307		JULIBAO Hall 6 – B315		
R9500 ^{€™}			R9500 [€] ‴	R900C
Style: Label Width: 1700mm		Style: Width:	Label 1900mm	Upper shoes fabric 1900mm
Warp	PES 50 Den 600 twist	Warp	PES 75 Dtex	TPU 0.26 + UTPEE 0.12
Weft	PES from 30 up to 50 Den	Weft	PES 50 Dtex	PES 300 Dtex
Shedding	Bonas SI9	Shedding	Staübli Jacquard SX Pro	Bonas JIL

