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Matica System is proud to announce the introduction of the P101i Passport Printer, the new and advanced solution for a professional and qualitative e-passport issuing.

The P101i offers an advanced printing technology that better fits decentralized passport issuance and is based on Matica expertise and reliability in many successful projects around the world.

“We have been working intensively to improve our offering in this very demanding business segment, where a specialized heavy duty product is required to be as close as possible to an every day’s printer, to ease the adoption at very different locations such as Police stations, Embassy and Consulates, registry offices with little training required. We have kept some of the basic design concepts, like the cartridge based HP printing engine that ensures high printout quality, the integrated RFID and imaging options and the robust and compact metal casing; and at the same time we focused also on adding security features – single pass UV printing by six-color cartridges and automatic queue reset when print is interrupted - robustness and ease of use as required by a professional system dedicated to government applications” says Ferdinando Filippone, Business Development Director of Matica.

“Based on our market feedback, after 3 years, a fully integrated device with in-line lamination was not at the top of the wish list of customers any more. Thus, we went for a simpler and more robust transport, lowering the ownership costs significantly: less maintenance – swapping is now even easier, thanks to reduced weight - and ‘cleaningless’ transport.

Moreover, the new software allows seamless replacement of other printers and consumables are compatible with our former ones. In some way, also the price is benefiting from the new engineering and updates, confirming the maturity of the product”.

The P101i will be available since July 1st, 2010 and Matica will keep providing full support, spares and consumables to all of the existing installations.

About Matica

Since 2000, Matica has grown rapidly to become an international supplier of card personalization and card mailing systems in approximately 70 countries. The Group offers one of the most complete ranges of card personalization systems, used for a wide range of plastic card personalization including: credit and debit cards, smart cards, identification cards, security cards, SIM cards for mobile telephones, pre-paid telephone cards, membership cards, loyalty cards, electronic payment cards, patient cards, insurance cards and gift cards. The Group also produces a range of metal plate embossing systems for the personalisation of items such as vehicle identification number plates, military dog tags and industrial products.