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TMAS members set to showcase the latest innovations in Swedish machinery at ITMA Asia + CITME 2018

The highly inspiring, exciting platform for the world to view the latest technological developments, ITMA Asia + CITME is happening in Shanghai, China. This time, Swedish machinery producers will be proudly represented by four TMAS members: IRO, Eltex, Eton systems and ES Automatex. TMAS, the Textile Machine Association of Sweden, has nine members, each at the forefront of their own specific segment, and with a long and successful history and a passion for textile manufacturing.

China has been and is an increasingly important market for the Swedish machinery producers. Not surprising, since the country is one of the most important production hubs in the world today. The dramatic technology drive shaping the Chinese textile industry is setting the agenda with automation and sustainability being the key drivers. As TMAS member companies are at the forefront of automatization and innovative production processes, they look forward to working closely with Chinese customers on this exciting journey towards next-generation solutions.

Swedish producers invest heavily in R&D especially because technological innovation is so inbuilt in the corporate culture of Swedish companies. At the show we will see inbuilt intelligence and utilization of data for customized production developed to meet real customer needs.

"We know and understand the Chinese market, and we realize the trends for the future that will shape the Chinese textile and garment industry. We work in close collaboration with our customers and understand the market drivers. This enables us to constantly drive innovative breakthroughs in order for our customers to stay competitive," said Mikael Äremann President, TMAS.

The demands on machine producers are much more than just supplying a machine or technology. As a supplier you must understand and be prepared to integrate interface with procurement, administration, production and stock handling systems in order to create a complete, intelligent system and efficient processes for the customer. This means that, as a machine builder, you have to work closely with your customers to find the best solutions for all the different products and processes within the textile and garment industry, which Swedish companies have proven themselves to be very good at. We have been able to give the Chinese customers ideas on efficiency, quality improvements, reduced waste and how products can be adopted to fit automation.

"Swedish machines always deliver groundbreaking technology that will allow the customers in China to be flexible and innovative in their solutions to their customers. Local production and assembly of machinery are other Swedish ways to improve the customer experience and increasing demand for customized solutions," said Therese Premler- Andersson, Secretary General, TMAS.

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IRO (H3 C01) will be displaying their wide range of yarn feeding equipment, that are optimized to meet the demands of advanced modern weaving machinery. The feeders incorporate innovative energy efficient permanent magnet motor design and incorporate developments such as easy "plug and play" for connecting intelligent accessories and an improved threading-up system.

Eltex (H3 C10) will have their new Eltex EyETM Yarn Tension Monitoring System on display. The system monitors the yarn tension on all positions in real-time and you are able to immediately detect any fault position. Eltex EyETM greatly helps increase the quality of warp beams. The result is fewer problems, not only when warping, but also in the next step when weaving or tufting. The system is suitable for applications such as warping, winding, etc.

Eton Systems (HS B14) will show their unique concept for material handling, developed to create efficiency, increase production and full traceability. The machines incorporate a real-time information system and the necessary tools to improve the manufacturing processes through powerful software programs. When visiting their stand at ITMA Asia + CITME you will also understand how the Eton systems are integrated on the mill floor.

ES Automatex (H5 D04) deliver high performance automated systems with high reliability, designed to meet specific customer requests. Are you looking for intelligent, automated sewing units for home textile, bags or garments then make sure you visit ES Automatex.

The Swedish companies are very excited to be participating in the ITMA Asia + CITME show. The show is an excellent platform to view the latest technological developments. Furthermore, the show offers an excellent marketplace for making valuable business contacts with new partners and customers as well as strengthening existing ones. TMAS has been a part of the show in the past and we have been very happy with the results. We are certainly looking forward to this year's show in Shanghai.

We are TMAS

TMAS, Textile Machinery Association of Sweden, initiates and coordinates joint activities such as networking meetings and other events designed to provide export opportunities for the member companies. The association represents and supports companies in major international exhibitions, distribute market information and serve as a platform for exchange of ideas and experiences. TMAS consists of nine members: Eltex of Sweden AB, IRO AB, ACG Nyström AB, Texo AB, Svegea of Sweden AB, Kinna Automatic AB, ES Automatex, Solution AB, Eton Systems AB and Baldwin Jimek AB. Work with us, and together we will lead the textile and garment industry into the future. Get to know us better at: <u>www.tmas.se</u>

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TMAS member companies who are participating at ITMA Asia + CITME 2018, include:

Eltex of Sweden AB

Eltex is a leading company in weft and yarn supervision. The core activity is to develop yarn break sensors and tension monitors together with OEM customers. Close cooperation between Eltex and the machine makers is essential for the business. This is the basis for the market leading position the company has today. Our knowledge of yarn break detection and tension monitoring, combined with the machine makers know-how ensures that the sensors have the highest performance and quality.

www.eltex.se

ES Automatex Solution AB

We specialize in automated machines for the home textile industry. We promote new machines from our partner Automatex Inc. in Canada for this industry segment. Today, we can offer solutions from full-scale production to small specialized production. We also trade with refurbished automatic sewing machines from AKAB of Sweden AB. This offers full flexibility regarding customer requests and requirements, tailored to their investment budget. <u>www.automatex.com</u>

Eton Systems AB

Eton Systems globally provides material handling systems consisting of individually addressable product carriers, automatically finding its way to the correct operation. The systems are designed to eliminate manual transportation and minimize handling, radically increasing the time for adding value to customer's products. Eton Systems is the innovator and world's leading supplier of the Unit Production System (UPS), a productivity and management system developed specifically for use in the apparel, home textile and light product industries.

IRO AB

IRO is the market leader in the development and production of yarn feeding equipment, manufacturing and supplying a comprehensive range of yarn feeders and accessories for the textile industry. IRO products are developed with the most advanced technologies and resources, which coupled with unrivalled expertise and experience ensures the production of high-quality products at a competitive price.

With a worldwide network of representatives, IRO sales and after-sales support ensures complete customer confidence in our products.

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