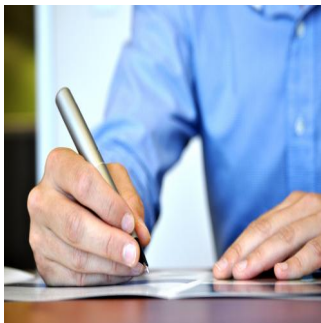

Canon Acquires Delft, Strengthens Imaging Operations



Canon Europe has announced its acquisition of Netherlands-based Medical solutions specialist Delft Diagnostic Imaging (Delft DI). Delft DI specialises in two business areas. The first area is innovative medical software solutions for sharing digital images and medical records. This business will become a future platform for the development of new Healthcare ICT solutions including Cross Enterprise Document Sharing for Imaging (XDSI) solutions.

The second area is digital X-ray imaging systems, systems integration and service of a wide variety of customised complete solutions for radiology departments. Delft DI has been an important distribution partner for Canon digital radiography systems for over ten years in The Netherlands and Belgium. Building on this partnership, where Delft DI already incorporates Canon digital radiography products in their services, this business will become a platform for developing future digital radiography services.

Ryoichi Bamba, President & CEO, Canon Europe said: "Canon has identified medical imaging as an important focus area for future growth, and we believe this investment and expansion of the medical business will bring new opportunities to build on our success in the digital radiography and eye care sectors to date. We are excited about the solutions and services we can bring to the market together with Delft DI for the benefit of our customers and ultimately patient care. We are looking forward to welcoming Delft DI into the Canon group."

Guido Geerts, Chief Executive Officer, Delft DI, added: "We have enjoyed a good relationship with Canon as a distribution partner and we are delighted to now be extending this relationship. We are proud to become part of the Canon Group and believe this will also bring benefits for our customers."

Following the completion of the acquisition, Delft DI will become a subsidiary of Canon Europa NV. Yoshiyuki Masuko, Senior Director, Medical Imaging Group, will join the board of Delft DI.

Delft Imaging Systems, currently a subsidiary of Delft DI, will become a separate company, will no longer be part of Delft DI group, and is not part of this acquisition.

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