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GREETINGS AMAURY DE MENTHIÈRE

I am delighted to be sharing news about the would be delighted to jointly expand the deve- or lacquered last year, 12 million of which were Sulzer Group and GEKA in this new edition of lopment opportunities this will produce. Update as well. As former CEO of GEKA and with a great deal of joy.

the Swiss industrial group Sulzer – and within sets from our BBS consisting of a mini and a our new presence in Shanghai. For the first this, part of its fourth division "Applicator Sys- conical pack should be in operation by July time ever, we will be exhibiting at this year's tems". We thus added "A Sulzer Brand" to 2018. In the Chicago area, we have had our MakeUp in Shanghai. The local Sulzer the GEKA logo last year. Now that GEKA is first bottle tool built, and can now offer excepproduction facility will also enable us to access exclusively concentrating on the core markets tional delivery times for tools in US currency. existing resources and approach the market of cosmetics and accessories, the updated Furthermore, we are planning to modernize with a new employee. website has been aligned with the look of the our hot foil printing systems. We are also cur-Accessories catalog. The new Sulzer website rently working at full speed on the introduction Please also join me in welcoming Stephan also went live in December and the subject of of SAP for the third quarter of 2018. This will Schatz, who will introduce himself in more healthcare can now be found there. We have enable all GEKA locations to work with a stan- detail on the next page. also updated our career page. It has been dardized ERP system in future. Further milegiven a clear structure with filter and search stones are being reached with the transfer to I hope, you enjoy reading the new GEKA Update vacant positions. A great bonus since we are of R&D quality processes, taking into account 2018. on a course of growth and will be employing the stage gate methodology, by the fourth more than 250 new members of staff.

This upturn is apparent in all areas: Over the We have also invested in São Paulo. Only relast two years, GEKA has enjoyed significant cently, the third IBM machine with inline print-Yours, demand which, however, meant that pro- ing for conical and cylindrical bottles was in- Amaury de Menthière duction had reached full capacity. It was time stalled. The fourth injection molding machine to take a further big step forwards, to keep up is expected to arrive by the end of the first with the fast pace of the beauty sector, and quarter of 2018; in the third quarter, we are to further support your company in its growth. planning to install a fourth assembly machine

We are therefore delighted that GEKA, as already announced, will be expanding its pro- In Bamberg, too, we are proud to be able duction facility at its headquarters in Bechhofen, to look back on a successful 2017. We pro-Germany. The production floor will be extended duced significantly more than was forecast. by 12.000 m² – virtually double the current area. The areas of metallizing and lacquering are run-With more than 250 new jobs, we will then have ning almost without interruption and at full pace. more than 1.000 employees. We are current- More than 27 million parts were metallized ly working at full speed on the detailed plans for our new hall. We plan to break ground in summer 2018 – and the build is expected to be completed in early 2019. We are already looking forward to welcoming you for a visit to our new hall. This will also enable us to impress you with our power of digital innovation and our new objectives

We want to improve our agility, live up to the strong market dynamics, optimize our processes and shorten throughput times. We are therefore opting for state-of-the-art digital systems and intelligent automation processes, which will be combined with a highly-flexible system concept. For example, we are investing in a new quality laboratory with innovative measurement technologies, amongst other things, to meet your requirements of both functionality and aesthetics. By taking this step into the future, we will be in a position to continue supporting your company under optimal conditions and

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In Elgin, we are already expanding on two units Since 2016, GEKA has been incorporated into of our standard program – two further tooling A successful step in the Asian market is quarter of 2018.

for twisted wire and molded brushes.

inline. Here, we have also invested in new, flexible assembly machines and are now using now President of Applicator Systems, the dy- Furthermore, we are pleased that our world- standard tool maintenance across all factories namic, colorful beauty sector still provides me wide locations are also on a course of growth. in Germany - so that tools from Bechhofen can also be maintained in Bamberg.

functions, making it significantly easier to find ISO 9001:2015 in March and the introduction and also wish you a successful financial year



Amaury de Menthière Division President Sulzer Applicator Systems



STEPHAN SCHATZ -CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF **MANAGEMENT** AND **HEAD** BUSINESS UNIT BEAUTY

speed service rate possible.

I would like to introduce myself briefly so that you can get to ly. My open-mindedness, my constant desire to seek out new challenging. things, and the development of new ideas - as well as my belief in encouraging others to pursue their vision.

sitions of responsibility as a Member of the Board of Manage- we can turn GEKA into an even more successful company. ment and Authorized Officer. My field of work also included the my work here at GEKA.

Overall, I can look back on a rather atypical career path. My I am very grateful for your valuable assistance. goal has always been to develop and to progress - and that is why I have always sought to expand my skill set: After I completed my master as part of a technical apprenticeship, I worked as a technician. The fact understanding machinery still helps me to this day. Later, I studied to become a business manager with a thesis on the subject of "dental" and then I expanded on this knowledge with a Master of Business Administration (MBA), Your, in which the core issues were business management and con- Stephan Schatz trolling. Today, I still focus on and have a particular passion for developing strategic issues, risk management and GMP professional. I was already able to prove myself as a Black Belt Six Sigma and was responsible for the success of the improvement projects I managed. My aim is always trying to consider the whole context and to avoid thinking in black-and-white terms.

It is a great honor, and fills me with pride, that I have been What I value in particular about my current position is that able to take over the role of Head Business Unit Beauty and I can engage with many different people and personalities who Chairman of the Board of Management at GEKA GmbH since inspire me time and time again, and whose knowledge can January 2018. The company stands for superior technology, help me continue to grow. In my role as Head Business Unit outstanding techniques and a high level of quality. But most of Beauty, I now report directly to Amaury de Menthière and I also all, GEKA is synonymous with its highly committed employees. work closely with Christian Hauger, whose area encompasses They are the ones who make things like our exceptional high- Sales, Marketing, Technology & Innovations. And I have a close relationship with Operations, Quality, Supply Chain and Beauty Business with its sub-areas.

know me better: I am 50 years old, married, and we have three It gives me great pleasure to take on the management of GEKA wonderful children. Much of what I do is shaped by my fami- - and I recognize that this important job is both valuable and

I am glad to be taking over such a well-positioned and successful business. And I am grateful to have such a committed Right before I joined GEKA, I was Vice President Corporate team on my side as we forge a path into the future together: Operational Excellence APS and Medical Device Responsibility Further developing the business, continuously improving opeat Sulzer Mixpac – and as Head of Medical and Dental Pro-rational excellence and opening up more on a global scale – so ducts, my responsibilities included quality assurance and good that we can win new markets with innovative products. Chanmanufacturing practice. Having joined Werfo in 1997 - a com- ges will be a companion for all of us: The new organizational pany that was acquired by Sulzer in 2007 - I always held po-structure provides a basis for us to take the next step so that

performance of due diligence. That meant, I was able to gain Dear customers, we want to inspire you with an unforgettable some valuable experiences founding branches abroad – such GEKA experience. We want to make the most of the opportuas the development of a Sulzer plant in China or the standardi- nities available and discover new prospects jointly with you. I zation of a plant in the USA. This expertise will also help me in am proud to be part of GEKA and I look forward to facing the upcoming challenges together with you and the whole team.



Stephan Schatz Chairman of the Board of Management and Head Business Unit Beauty

AN INTERVIEW WITH **GEKA EMPLOYEES**

what challenges they have hitherto : which after several decades was renamed prohave gone into retirement after 40 : tion manager for more than a decade, during : ache too.

1. HOW DID YOU COME TO WORK FOR **GEKA?**

ticeship as moldmaker and time in the armed forces, I was facing the question of whether I wanted to study or to take on a job. My prevacancies in my area and applied to GEKA.

G. REIF Since childhood I had come into conto produce the brushes in the traditional way. then explained that a former student had gotmachinery construction six months later.

retail saleswoman I wanted to make a change. home. One day, my neighbor came to me and : continued to work in quality control. said that GEKA was looking for people and this was the beginning for me. However, I did not : I. REIF It all began for me on January 7, 1973 : 4. WHAT WAS YOUR BEST MOMENT AT much longer time :-)

GEKA at all, but rather as a waitress in a café. However, my mother had other ideas and said that Georg Karl was the best employer in the : most recently in bottle production. region. Although I did not intend to spend my life sitting on an office chair, I still applied and 3. WHICH PRODUCT CAUSED YOU THE was hired as a trainee industrial clerk.

company from home.

WORK IN?

from 2000 onwards.

G. REIF From June 1977 until 1979 I worked : voluntary work on this and even management : special occasions, such as before Christmas. : bigger the brush the better for me. But this nain machinery construction, then switching to : pitched in to help out. As a result of the manu- : The proceeds were then donated to charitable : turally differs from person, and that's

years of service or even more. : which I continued to undertake the planning of production.

R. MEIERHÖFER I started work on September 3, 1973, manufacturing shaving brushes. W. FISCHER After finishing school, an appren- : Afterwards I moved onto producing nail polish and then brushes for mascara. I then went to : quality control and, among other things, was responsible for controlling incoming and outference was to start working, so I looked for : going goods. Before 1983, I moved to sample production, where I worked until my retirement.

A. MORANA During my apprenticeship as an tact with mascara, because my neighbor used : industrial clerk, which I began on September : ache was caused by a mascara in an oval 1, 1972, I passed through nearly all the de-One of the teachers at the engineering college : partments. At the start of my training, I was : still very nervous. In time, however, I began to : the Click-Close system should not be visible. ten a job at the company GEKA. After finishing enjoy myself more and more and learned engineering college as a trained toolmaker, : a great deal. From the middle of 1975 on-I also applied there and was hired to work in : wards, in the third year of my apprenticeship, I moved to sales and had the company VICTO-RIA, which was previously based in Nurem-R. MEIERHÖFER After my apprenticeship as a berg, as my first customer. After more than 20 vears in sales at GEKA followed the move to I had been familiar with GEKA since childhood, : the sales department at VICTORIA, which had as we had previously made eyeliner brushes, already been acquired by GEKA at the time.

enjoy my first week at work at all and I said that : with the assembly of brushes in stems. Fol- : GEKA? wouldn't last a month. But it then became a lowing on from this, I was responsible for nail polish applicators and after a year I moved : onto quality control. Checks of incoming and A. MORANA I didn't actually want to work for i outgoing goods, consecutive checks etc. were conducted here. From 1979 to 1983, I worked : implemented and the underlying idea was well : leaving the office at the end of the day, only at home and was then employed in production,

BIGGEST HEADACHE?

market following on from this, I came to GEKA : me the biggest headache was our adjustable : 2. WHICH DEPARTMENT/S DID YOU : in collaboration with an external designer, but : brought together. this had to be revised multiple times.

W. FISCHER When I started on May 3, 1976, : G. REIF Following the purchase of the subsidi- : without a doubt working in the factory out- : courses and seminars too, each time picking up I first worked in machinery construction for six : ary in Bechhofen the production of compacts : let, in particular in December 2007 when the : different perspectives. months and then in mold construction. From : began. On account of their size, between our-1980–1986 I was head of mold construction : selves, we called them "credit card compacts". : We were then able to move from one small : A. MORANA I don't know exactly how many and in 1986 I moved to the product construction However, eye shadow, lipstick and blusher i office, which was too narrow, into another i I tested, but it was definitely a lot. That we tion department. I was head of this department : palettes were inserted into these small, thin, flat : building with many large spaces. Up until its : began filling the mascaras ourselves naturally containers. These compacts were then put into : closure three years ago, it was possible to go : contributed to this. My personal preference is larger boxes. We invested many weekends of : shopping there every Thursday evening and on : for twisted wire brushes and as a rule - the mold construction. Between 1981 and 1985, i facturing process, these thin compacts some- i organizations in the area.

We at GEKA put great value on : I was a production manager at VICTORIA*. : times became warped in such a way that they : A. MORANA There were so many great our employees, and for this reason During this time the relocation of the compa-i did not fit into the larger box. We solved this moments, and it is difficult to highlight one in we wanted to know what sorts of : ny VICTORIA from Nuremberg to Königshofen : problem by liberally stamping the front and : particular here. It was especially pleasant to experiences they have had in our : took place. In spring 1985, I moved back to : back of the container, which when applying the : witness, over my 35 years of service in sales, company, what they value, and GEKA, to the production control department, encessary heat, took care of the unevenness. how our customers grew along with us over

from five GEKA employees, who deputy production manager and then produc- "credit card compacts" were my biggest head-



A. MORANA Alongside the "credit card compacts" already mentioned, my biggest headbottle with a Click-Close system and a round cap. The customer at the time stipulated that Unfortunately, despite repeated sampling and subsequent improvements, we were unsuccessful with this product, and it never went to mass production.

I. REIF For me, it was a special delivery for a customer who had stipulated countless test provisions. Many brushes, stems and bottles, as well as numerous pull-out forces, etc., had mascaras, etc. for the company, working at From mid-2013 up until to my retirement I to be measured and I was busy dealing with 5. HOW MANY MASCARAS HAVE YOU this single delivery for days on end.

W. FISCHER There were many pleasant moments at GEKA, but it was always particularly satisfying when products were actually received. An additional highlight for me was tion to product construction, within which the introduction of 3D computer programs represented another high point.

I. REIF After my apprenticeship as a saleswo- : W. FISCHER In actual fact, there are many : G. REIF My fondest moment was in 2003, at : them on his own eyes daily, so I could always man at a butcher shop and a job in a super- ; products, but the one product which gave ; which time we moved into our new building at ; see how they worked. Waizendorf after more than a year's planning. through my mother; she had worked for the mascara unit "ladyTWIST". This was the first What was formerly split between two sites in R. MEIERHÖFER I can no longer say for sure mascara, which required a mechanism for how : Bechhofen and Waizendorf was concentrated : exactly how many I have tested. But as soon to adjust the wiper. A concept was worked out : in one and all departments were once again : as tests came around, I always volunteered

> R. MEIERHÖFER My best moment was of plastic. We learned a lot in make-up decision was taken to reorganize the shop.

time, with ever-bigger customers following encountered. Today, we will hear i duction planning. In the meantime, I became R. MEIERHÖFER I agree with Gerhard; the from them. The best thing that could have happened to us here, was that the business and sales management gave us a great deal of trust and enabled us to work in a very independent way. A consistent highlight came when, after six months of project work, the order was placed. There was always cheering at this point; we celebrated together and the achievement was given recognition. Despite no longer working at GEKA, the friendships established here continue. In the past, to strengthen team spirit, we did a lot of things together and held parties. The majority of this we organized ourselves, but the management was also often a part of it. As a result, the working atmosphere was great. I also have very fond memories of many visits to trade fairs.

> I. REIF The time I enjoyed the most was spent in quality control in Bechhofen. There was a dairy warehouse next door, so we were always supplied with cocoa and yogurt. All the earlier employee trips and parties were also very pleasant. In particular, I remember a trip to Tettau where we went with 2-3 buses to visit suppliers. The day was brought to a great end in a pub, where music accompanied eating, dancing, and celebrating.

TESTED THROUGHOUT YOUR TIME AT GEKA?

W. FISCHER It probably wasn't that many, but I have taken part in a few make-up courses and tested both mascara and nail polish in the office from time to time. There were occasions when I forgot to remove the make-up before realizing this unfortunately when I got home changing departments from mold construc- : and looked in the mirror, after having done my : shopping at the supermarket.

> G. REIF I never tested any of the mascaras myself. But I did have an employee who tested

> for them, in the process learning that I prefer brushes made from fibers to those made

why there are so many different models.

A. MORANA Most of all I miss my colleagues. We do however get together in the evenings from time to time and go out to eat together. Beyond this, I will miss this or the other customer, because in some cases we have been in contact with one another over many : R. MEIERHÖFER Innovations are a very imlong years.

I. REIF I also miss my colleagues. Especially in ity in how we organized the breaks ourselves. : effectively provides apprenticeships for many : shopping when it is quieter. Thus, colleagues became friends quickly.

W. FISCHER A lot of leeway was given here, in addition to the ability to evolve, develop and : has many competent employees and is : that could not be done previously. take on responsibility. For me, it was an optimal workplace - in all the 40 years at GEKA, I have never regretted working here, and my : well. I was able to observe growth with accesprivate life has not suffered as a result. Thanks : sories in particular and I see further significant to a collective effort and despite some difficult times we have enjoyed steady growth.

I. REIF As a matter of fact, I am no someone who uses a lot of make-up. But I was always pleased when mascaras were attached to our pay slips as gifts, and would then test these.

From left to right: INGRID REIF, GEF

6. WHAT WILL YOU MISS ABOUT GEKA?

W. FISCHER I was always very happy engineering things, and didn't give this up even during my leadership role. So for the time being, I will continue to work two half days a week. Beyond this, I will miss my colleagues, of course.

G. REIF I will miss the colleagues and friendships that have developed over more than 40 years. And also eating together in the breaks, to talk about here. Aside from this, problems : construction work is always going on. were solved together over several decades. Not least, I will miss my role, completing order planning on time to ensure punctual delivery.

R. MEIERHÖFER Above all, I will miss my colleagues and the daily challenges, which miss preparing for trade fairs, throughout which despite initial difficulties everything was always completed on time. Such things simply i definitely requires additional innovations. stick in my memory.

7. HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE COMPANY AND ITS WAY OF WORKING? FIVE WORDS WOULD DO NICELY.

REIF I have really valued the individual responsibility leeway. and active, independent work over the decades

HER ROSEMARIE MEIERHÖFER

R. MEIERHÖFER Off the top of my head. would say supportive, challenging, social, and future-oriented.

A. MORANA For me, GEKA is customer-, market- and target-oriented, innovative, successful, cooperative and professional.

I. REIF The first thing to come to mind is the team spirit here - the company stands by its employees and critical points are discussed together. In addition, we enjoyed steady because there were always interesting things : growth and since I joined the company, some

8. HOW DO YOU SEE THE FUTURE OF GEKA?

W. FISCHER The planned construction work relating to the expansion clearly shows our sometimes came up as early as half past six in : growth. However, many innovations are only the morning. In addition I will even somehow : initiated through concrete customer projects and independent development has currently fallen by the wayside somewhat. A rosy future

> G. REIF Innovations were and are a locomotive for GEKA, so there is much still to be done in this area to ensure a positive future. Furthermore, efforts must be made to retain young people within the company after their training.

> portant point for me as well. GEKA has lots of opportunities, and there are many potential professions in the region.

recognized by customers as a market leader, the next few years should also continue very potential here.

positively. This can be seen in the fact that lots of new people are being hired and machines are being bought.

9. WHAT PLANS DO YOU HAVE FOR YOUR **RETIREMENT?**

W. FISCHER Lots of work :-) I have resolved to do everything now that wasn't done over the last few years - there are a few things to be done around the house and in the garden. Aside from this, I would like to hold a tennis racket in my hand again and do more sports. I also have plans to travel and may even learn a musical instrument. Certainly I won't be bored :-)

G. REIF I am very in touch with nature, often on the go outside, and now I am in the forest almost every day - to chop wood or to go walking. Depending on the season, the impressions and images are simply always different. In addition, there is a lot of house and agricultural work that needs doing and has been left undone for decades. I won't be short of work to do :-) I get up every morning at six o'clock – which is still an hour later than I used to. I can now also take more time for my four grandchildren (the fifth is on the way).

R. MEIERHÖFER Due to my illness, I have given up making plans far ahead of time. But I would like to have lots of time for my family, my grandchildren, my garden and my hobbies. Now and then I would guite like to travel and simply enjoy life. If there's a need, I would also be happy to come around from time to time to prepare exhibition samples.

A. MORANA As a result of my illness in 2015, I also no longer make long term plans. I simply live each week at a time, instead of planning three to five years in advance. If I stay fit however, I would like to spend four to five months each year from April onwards in Sicily with my husband. I still have to convince him to come on a cruise. There are various cities I : would like to see, such as Hamburg, Dresden, Barcelona, etc. However, my illness places certain constraints on me at the moment. markets that remain undeveloped. In addition, : Other than that, it's great to spontaneously the early years, we had a great deal of flexibil- I see GEKA as an organization that very go out for breakfast now and again and to go

> I. REIF I am happy that I can finally tend to my A. MORANA I see a rosy future for GEKA, garden. In addition to this, I like to paint, go because with Sulzer, there is a strong on lots of walks, read often and embroider. It partner backing the company that will continue : is just great that there is no alarm to go off in providing investment and developing : the morning and no more time pressure. Now, innovations. Due to the fact that GEKA also : there is the possibility to calmly do everything

. REIF There are many processes that : At this point, we would like to thank our we in production do not know much employees for the interview! As we continue about, but I think that things will continue : to grow moving into the future, we are looking forward to taking on new, equally dedicated individuals

> *VICTORIA is the previous name of the current accessories division, which was previously independent.

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WELCOME AT GEKA! NEW EMPLOYEES* AND APPRENTICES

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service, long-standing colleagues and new faces: At GEKA, we are always glad to hear about qualified individuals. We are therefore always in search of dedicated apprentices and new employees, so that we can continue to be successful and grow in future.

Former employees with over 40 years of Whether in the factory or in administration, at our two German sites in Waizendorf near Bechhofen and Bamberg, we currently employ around 50 apprentices. In our search for new talent, an apprentice day took place for the first time on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at GEKA GmbH at the headquarters in Waizendorf. From 10 am to 4 pm, interested pupils and their parents got the opportunity to find out more about our apprenticeships.

> The aim was to introduce the prospective school leavers to the company, its training and further education opportunities. In addition to industrial business managers, technical product designers and IT specialists, training is also provided for tool, industrial and process mechanics as well as electronics technicians. A dual study program will also be offered from this year in the technical area.

> Our first apprentice day started with the official opening by Roland Blank, one of the managing directors of GEKA GmbH, and the welcoming of the local mayor as well as representatives of the Chamber of Industry and Commerce and surrounding schools. Afterwards, our current apprentices and their training instructors presented their individual careers and offered insights into their day-to-day work. The individual stages of mascara production were also explained during hourly company tours. As an exclusive surprise, at the end each visitor was handed out the mascara they had assembled themselves. The event was accompanied by a competition with great prizes, as well as catering and refreshments.

> With around 200 interested visitors, the day was a great success - so it will be repeated this year on July 14, 2018.

We look forward to seeing you!

In addition to the opportunities for apprentices, we also have a wide range of vacancies in manufacturing and administration, both part-time and full-time: The construction of our new hall will create attractive jobs for around 250 more employees.

We are also attending a number of **career fairs** in the region this year: 21.02.2018 MINT Davs Realschule W

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01.03.2018	Practical day for students at GEKA in Waizendorf
24.04.2018	Apprenticeship fair, Ansbach
15.05.2018	vitaminb recruitment fair, Künzelsau University
07.06.2018	University contact fair, Ansbach University
14.07.2018	Apprenticeship Day 2018
14.07.2018	Apprenticeship Day 2018

*For reasons of legibility, only the male form is used in the following.



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HOW TRENDS BECOME PRODUCTS



Quite a lot has happened since the last edition of the GEKA Update magazine: Among other things, we exhibited at Luxepack in Monaco 2017 - under the theme of midnightSEDUCTION, one of the mega trends for Fall/Winter 2018/2019.

Glamorously decadent and fantastically theatrical: midnightSEDUCTION is perfect for any woman who wants to feel like a femme fatale. The exhibition stand thus radiated a hint of an elegant nightclub atmosphere - just like our collection with mascara, eyeliner, lip gloss, and a topcoat for lashes and brows. The new 1K burlesqueBEAUTY brush conjures up provocatively curved and voluminous lashes, while the precisionLINER with its brand-new metal cap and flocked lacework pattern creates dramatically lined eyes. Golden accents for eyebrows and lashes are set by the 2-in-1 fiber brush, sweetSIN. The lip gloss spatula sensualLIPS tempts with its shimmering, dark lilac finish. The seductive set is rounded off with a silicone sponge, a soft nylon brush, and a sparkling clutch.

Look forward to our next exhibition highlights today:

Two new mega trends are on the horizon urbanHEAT at Cosmopack in Bologna - and nomadicTREASURE at MakeUp in Paris. More on these and two further trends for spring/summer 2019 can be found on the following pages - be inspired!

Exhibition Calendar 2018

15.-18.03. 11.-12.04. 06.-07.06. 21.-22.06. 12.-13.09. 01.-03.10. Cosmopack Bologna MakeUp in Shanghai **CosmeticBusiness Munich** MakeUp in Paris MakeUp in New York Luxepack Monaco

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



INDIAN SUMMER

In keeping with that fall feeling, our idea of the month for September/October 2017 was based on the theme of "Indian Summer". The mascara impresses with its silkscreen print in an Aztec pattern, with color-coordinated accessories: a cellphone case with feather embossing and a boho headband with a braided pattern and wooden pearls.

If you'd like to know more about what's going on at GEKA - and to be inspired by even more innovations - just send us an e-mail to info@geka-world.com. We'll add you to our mailing list!

IDEA OF THE MONTH

Every two months, we like to inspire you beyond the exhibition sphere with innovations from the colorful world of cosmetics and accessories.



ARCTIC AURORA

In November/December, the trend of "Arctic Aurora" was the utmost in cool, with silver shimmering mascara and an eyebrow topcoat with holographic hot-foil printing. It was refreshingly eye-catching and packed in a holographic iridescent pouch.





The focus in January/February was "Cosmic Dust". For this, the mascara had a radiant galaxy look with a marble masterbatch design. The starry references continued with a silicone make-up sponge with glitter particles and a flocked side; the eyelash curlers glitter in dark lilac.

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Spring & Summer Trends 2019

Metallically shimmering eyes, ultra-glossy wet-look lips, fluorescent effects, and sensuous textures! Discover the hottest make-up trends for spring and summer 2019 now, a full















Through new technologies, thoughts and emotions are transformed into new sensory experiences. Virtual and real worlds merge to form a meditative state or relaxed freshness and shape a pure aesthetic - resulting from pastel tones in yellow, pink, and turquoise, contrasted with cold gray and black. Multifaceted refinements give beauty an ethereal quality.

LOOKS

Minimal, but perfect. Pale porcelain skin is brought to life with soft rose tones and contoured with lively pink. Diffuse powder pigments in matte, dark lilac, or glossy fresh yellow and blue tones make for shining eyes and precisely defined brows endow them with a stimulating elegance. Lashes are defined subtly and lengthened with soft black mascara – and a pale pink, shimmering color gives the lips a dazzling finish.

PACKAGING & DECORATION

Intelligent textures create sensuous patterns with sparkling effects. Plexiglas and crystal combine for ultra-thin, light-reactive designs; soft silicone and powdered platinum - as well as frozen plastics and breathable membranes - emphasize the subtle sensation of minimalistic forms. Surreal color graduations and 3D effects create depth for scripts: for radiant results.







nomadic Treasure

Supernatural beauty is the heart of this trend, which combines modern technologies with the purity of nature. Inspired by the past and by highend textures, endless creations are unleashed from luxuriant wildness and metallic natural tones with golden gloss colors. Distorted perspectives and hybrid elements overturn the laws of nature and create a new, futuristic aesthetic.

LOOKS

Bright, ultra-matte, or dark metallic eye shadows highlight the lids; with black, extended lashes and eyebrows brushed upwards or untidily arranged with an amphibious shine. Transparent gel textures, light matte orange, or rosé tones give lips a fresh glossy finish and the look of hyper-real perfection.

PACKAGING & DECORATION

Glowing algae, metallic meteor dust, or holographic oils form flowing patterns that constantly rearrange themselves. Shells, feathers, and moss inspire for organic textures with a microscopic feeling and use lacquer to create lively surface effects. Magnetic forces result in a figurative design that emphasizes the exciting mix of effects.



year in advance. If you'd like to create dazzling looks with specific products, we are happy to offer advice - either as an exclusive development or a full service







Exotic beauties move effortlessly to the beat of the metropolis and lose themselves in its heady nightlife. Glittering eyes and dew-fresh skin reflect the energy-charged heat of pulsating city life: a luscious look with tropical and floral tones of pink, blue-green, and orange, as well as succulent textures that reflect the impulsive passion like liquid light.

LOOKS

Luminous powder highlights radiant skin and glowing cheeks. Eyes are accentuated up to arched brows with shimmery liquid eyelid shades with metallic texture. Black mascara with a lacquer finish invokes an attention-grabbing look with luscious, high-gloss lips with a syrupy wet look that sparkles sensuously in fluorescent pink.

PACKAGING & DECORATION

Glossy lacquer, shimmering plastics: Fluorescent shapes and colors merge with abstract structures to form bold patterns that have a brilliant glow. Droplets that almost seem liquid evaporate into glowing pores and are reflected by shimmering surfaces. Tropical flowers combined with warm ombré tones create sensitive, eye-catching designs.





retro Shades

Searching for freedom and the American dream, this trend emerges from the nostalgic 1970s look and casual vintage style. Uncomplicated kitsch with minimalistic glamor celebrates individual beauty as well as a liberating extravagance. Retro tones in sepia, purple, mauve, and faded denim blue synchronize to form a yearning nostalgia with modern nonchalance.

LOOKS

The complexion is straightforwardly flawless with a warm peach tone and golden luminosity on the cheekbones. The eyes become a feminine statement and radiate in lilac and hibiscus with cool undertones from a matte cream texture under boyish eyebrows. Lashes are coated black and accentuated with brown eyeliner. The lips shine with a subtle lilac-metallic cream finish or a dark pink look.

PACKAGING & DECORATION

Must-have products are presented in a vintage-inspired, modern design. The packaging: comfortable and multifunctional. The textures: casual metal with reflective gloss, quilted plastics with sparkling satin or imperfect surfaces, stylish and unpretentious. White, bold-printed shadow typographic effects enhance the nostalgic aesthetic.

AVON MARK

BIG & MULTIPLIED VOLUME MASCARA. MEGA EFFECTS MASCARA. LIQUID LIP LACQUER SHINE & MATTE

wishes come true all at once fanned out lash volume, luscious lips and a breathtaking look.

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The Mega Effects Mascara with cool revolutionary packaging in black and whi to tip. The handle: especially ergonomic with adjustable angle. And best of all: easy without smudging.

The Big & Multiplied Volume Mascara An absolute must have for ultimate lip is a real all-rounder for noticeably more fullness that lasts for hours is the Liquid inition and a fantastic curl, all Lip Lacquer in Shine & Matte. The liquid in one. The multi-benefit brush is a refined lip lacquer shapes the lips in countless combination of three GEKA technologies: seductive shades - whether in the EOS fibers for generous formula applica- trendy vinyl look or stylish matt. The flocked, tion, SEPA technology with wedge-shaped tapered applicator ensures precise fibers for perfectly separated lashes, definition with just one stroke, while the HYPNO cut with large brush grooves for slotted wiper in the bottle provides perfect even more bulk uptake. In classy black dosage. The high-end look is achieved packaging with white hot-foil printing on with white hot-foil printing on a thick-walled the bottle and shimmery silver printing on bottle and black cap, matching each color in a glossy or matt finish.

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AVON Color Trend

Hello! Longest Lashes Mascara, Hello! Colour Ultimate Lashes Volume Mascara, Liquid Eyeliner

The two mascaras and eyeliner by AVON Color Trend are bright, stylish and right on trend. Hello, great look! Hello, perfect eyes!

> Look, here I am! The colorful design also liner feature an alluring plain white as the base color with pink or orange silk screen printed diagonal stripes.

The Longest Lashes Mascara features impressively simple application for a long-lasting lengthening effect - with dramatically long, precisely defined and separated lashes. Its impressive trick: Every single tiny hair is picked up by the brush directly at the roots and evenly covered with mascara.

The Ultimate Lashes Volume Mascara boasts 12 times more lash volume - thanks to the extra-large 1K brush, super-soft bristles and volumizing formula without clumping.

The Liquid Eyeliner shines with a wow-effect for dramatically defined eyes. Thanks to a carefully dispensed formula and its fine fibers, a perfect line can be applied. Extremely fine, extremely quick and without smudging.







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As an expert in beautiful hair, SYOSS has now launched a mascara that impresses immediately: It covers gray roots of already-colored hair superfast and precisely.

The professional performance is already apparent in the exquisite design of the hair mascara: a deep black masterbatch for the bottle and cap with a twotone hot foil print: A pink ring stylishly accentuates the sleek form, with the brand logo boldly presented in white. Hidden inside: The rather inconspicuous 1K brush may seem small, but it produces great results. Its short, delicate bristles glide effortlessly through strands of hair, recoloring the roots in no time and dependably covering up shades of gray. Quick and easy to apply, without smearing or clumping. Leave the hair to dry after use and style as normal. The result: a perfect, natural look for all women who want to look fabulous all the time. In short: a must when on the go, for every handbag.

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BEAUTYGARDE LASHGARDE PRIMING SEALANT, LASHGARDE MASCARA, LASHGARDE LIQUID EYELINER

The elegant Beautygarde trio attracts everyone's with its white inner and transparent outer bottle - black on the inside and transparent with attention with its striking flower design: bottle including a black and white print. The a black-white-gold print on the outside for an 2 or 3 colors, with black and white silk screen or golden transparent gel miraculously creates grip on extra thick-walled effect. hot-foil printing. The applicators take the eyes of ladies the tiny hairs so that the maximum amount

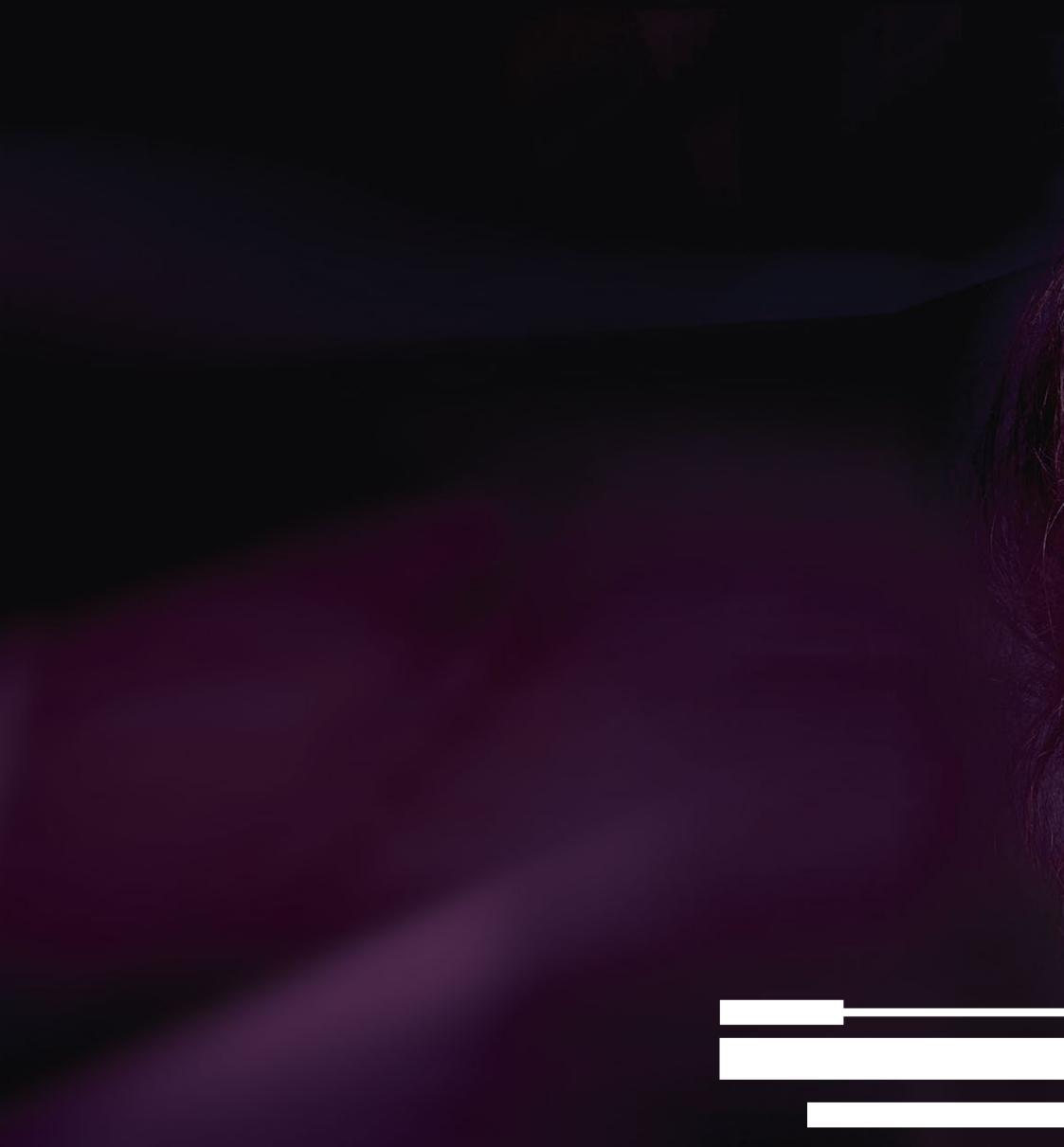
everywhere to a whole new level: of mascara can cling on. The brush features With its triple effect, Lashgarde Liquid Eyeliner full bloom.

> Intense volume and fantastic lengthening -Lashgarde Mascara spreads out the lashes in all their glory and gives a perfectly shaped curl. With just one stroke of the large fiber brush,

Full flower power ahead! Lashgarde Priming Sealant Mascara beguils stylishly packaged in a special inner-outer-

with refined twists for a radiant look. GEKA's impressive sandwich technology: With makes the eyes flourish with such intensity: its firm core, the lashes are precisely lifted and Its ease of use, convenient application and a separated, while the extremely soft bristles unique, softly flocked tip enable variable stroke reach even the finest hairs and bring them into thicknesses and defined eyeliner. With absolute precision, even when it's not a special occasion - pure seduction!





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