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**Colortrac SmartLF Gx 42 large format scanner Wins Reader's Choice Top Product of 2009 Award**  
Allied Images, UK and Ireland distributor for Colortrac's large format scanners, is pleased to announce that readers of Wide-Format Imaging magazine have voted the Colortrac SmartLF Gx 42 professional colour graphics scanner series the "Best Large Format Scanner" available in the Wide-Format Scanner 2009 category. This is the fourth Wide-Format Imaging Reader's Choice Top Products Awards and the first which Colortrac has won. This award endorses the growing reputation of Colortrac's industry-leading, high definition, high fidelity colour graphics large format scanning technology.

Colortrac cannot have won a better endorsement for the SmartLF Gx series. Wide-Format Imaging is read by wide-format professionals in sign shops, digital print shops, screen printing, reprographics firms, service bureaus, quick printers, colour photo labs and exhibition building industries. They voted the SmartLF Gx 42 wide format scanner for making the biggest contribution to their business' bottom-line. By awarding it their Reader's Choice Top Product Wide Format Scanner Award 2009, these experienced scanning professionals have confirmed that SmartLF Gx 42 is the outstanding large format professional colour scanner available in today's marketplace.

The Colortrac SmartLF Gx offers affordable high definition power and performance based on CCD technology optimized for high quality colour imaging. The wide colour gamut and high dynamic range based on industry-leading 1200 x 600dpi high optical resolution delivers the large format scanning industry's best colour capture across a 42" imaging width. The ability to capture both superb colour with full shadow detail suits artwork, photographs and sketches. Its power to resolve fine details suits technical drawings and maps. This dual capability provides a full solution for the different requirements of scanning colour graphics and technical documents. With two solutions in one wide format scanner, it is unsurprising that the SmartLF

Gx 42 is now the first choice of Wide Format Imaging's professional readers when asked to recommend the best, most cost-effective large format scanner that has benefited their business.

Ironically, Colortrac has won this award as it prepares to launch a new and impressively specified SmartLF Gx+ series of true 1200 x 1200dpi optical resolution, CCD (charge coupled device) wide format scanners. The all new Gx+ range builds on the success of the SmartLF Gx 42 with long-life, instant-on LED illumination, power-saving ENERGY STAR compliance and Gigabit Ethernet network connectivity for fast data transfer times. Available in three imaging widths – 28", 42" and 56" – the SmartLF Gx+ range is, in Colortrac's opinion, their best ever scanner, achieving higher productivity and higher quality, at the same affordable price point as the current SmartLF Gx scanners.

Peter de Winter Brown, Colortrac's Sales and Marketing Director, said "We are delighted that the readers of Wide-Format Imaging voted the SmartLF Gx 42 wide format scanner the best product 2009 in the large format scanner category. This feedback confirms we are on the right track and providing our customers with excellent products and value for money. We are confident that the new SmartLF Gx+ range offers unrivalled flexibility and high speed in production of sharp, clean scans of technical documents, as well as outstanding colour fidelity for copying and printing on a wide variety of large format printers. It is an excellent system for any business that wants both top-end colour scanning along with high speed monochrome options. There is no doubt that the SmartLF Gx 42 has by far the most attractive price in today's market and we expect the new SmartLF Gx+ scanners to have a major impact."

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#### About Allied Images Limited

Allied Images Limited has been established since 1989 and are Scanning Technology Specialists offering a comprehensive range of products and services to an extensive market place including Local and Central Government, Reprographics, Copy Shops, Manufacturing, GIS, CAD, and AEC. Allied Images is committed to stay in the forefront of this continually expanding industry enabling it to satisfy users demands with the latest technology and training. [www.allied-images.com](http://www.allied-images.com)

#### About Colortrac

Founded in 1989 Colortrac Ltd is a dedicated manufacturer of large format scanners and scanning software based in St Ives, Cambridgeshire, UK, a region of British excellence in science and technology. As an acknowledged wide format innovator and industry leader, Colortrac can claim a number of notable "firsts", most importantly the development of the first large format colour scanner. Not bound by doctrine or technology, Colortrac was the first wide format scanner manufacturer to recognise the individual merits of CIS and CCD sensor technology. Colortrac use both technologies to provide practical solutions that meet the divergent needs of the Graphic Arts, AEC, CAD, GIS, EDM and FM technical documents scanning markets to best effect. The Colortrac range of SmartLF large format scanners, now in their fifth generation, excels in meeting the specific requirements of these markets while offering unrivalled price and performance benefits. Colortrac Ltd also has offices in Beijing & Suzhou in P.R. China and in Golden CO, USA.