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Colortrac announces SmartLF Cx range of large format technical document scanners

Colortrac, the most experienced designers of the world's most innovative large format scanners and scanning software, has announced the latest addition to its extensive range of scanners - **SmartLF Cx40**. This CIS array 600 dpi optical colour and monochrome scanner builds on the highly successful SmartLF 4080 providing fast high-quality scanning for users. The range, which will be distributed in the UK by **Allied Images**, is designed for technical document applications including archiving, copying and digital distribution of maps, plans, AEC and CAD drawings and similar.

In September 2004 Colortrac launched SmartLF 4080 range of wide format scanners and rapidly established itself as the world-wide market leader for CIS (contact image sensor) scanners. Last year, SmartLF 4080 was the driving force, creating new markets for large format scanners with Colortrac achieving 60% unit sales growth year-on-year.

January 2006 sees the launch of the 4080's successor - **SmartLF Cx40**. This brand new wide format scanner looks very similar from the outside, retaining the 4080's compact and lightweight design, however, under the skin things are very different. New features for **SmartLF Cx40** include; 600 dpi optical resolution, 48-bit colour data capture and the advanced, 2+4 all-wheel-drive 'Active Paper Transport' (APT) system. Colortrac has adopted the dynamic normalisation application (DNA) used in its high-end CCD colour scanners that, combined with the 48-bit data sampling, improves the shadow and highlight details of images and provides far better tone recognition. With high scan speeds, and other detail product enhancements, **SmartLF Cx40** is pushing the top of the wide format scanner features league, but retains its affordable price tag.

New scanner floor stand accessory options for **SmartLF Cx40** include; a PC and flat-screen mounting kit to create an integrated 'scan/copy station' that improves scanner mobility and reduces the system footprint, a paper catch basket and a 'Universal Repro Stand' (URS). The URS is height adjustable allowing the scanner to be positioned above a large format inkjet printer in a multi-function copy / scan / print system.

SmartLF Cx40m monochrome model starts at just £4,495 and the top of the range colour express model is £5,625. **SmartLF Cx40** provides a choice of one monochrome and two colour models; all represent great performance and excellent value for money.

Colortrac Managing Director Graham Tinn says, "**SmartLF Cx40** is the first in a sequence of major new Colortrac large format scanner product launches planned for the first half of 2006. **SmartLF Cx40** is a worthy successor to the tremendously successful SmartLF 4080 scanners and is vital to our goal of expanding the market for wide format scanner applications."

Colortrac will begin shipments of **SmartLF Cx40** in January/February 2006. Initial availability will be limited to UK and Europe. Availability in other regions will be announced separately.

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About Colortrac

Colortrac Ltd. Is the manufacturer of Colortrac and ANAtech LF scanners and software. We are dedicated to the development of digital image capture and image processing solutions for both colour and monochrome applications which include graphic arts reproduction, architecture and construction, engineering (CAD), geographical information systems (GIS), electronic document management and facilities management. Winners of the Queens Award for Export Achievement in 1999, Colortrac is a British based company with facilities in Cambridge UK, Beijing P.R. China and in Golden CO, USA.



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|  <p>SmartLF Cx40</p> |  <p>SmartLF Cx40 Open</p> |  <p>SmartLF Cx40 with optional PC and Flat-screen mounting kit, and Catch Basket. PC and Flat-screen are not included</p> |
|  <p>SmartLF Cx40 with optional PC and Flat-screen mounting kit. PC and Flat-screen are not included</p> |  <p>SmartLF Cx40 on Universal Repro Stand with a Canon wide format inkjet printer</p> | |