



EDP Awards 2024

Benny Landa honored with “Lifetime Achievement Award”

During drupa 2024 in Düsseldorf, the European Digital Press (EDP) Association announced the 24 winners of its 17th EDP Awards

Düsseldorf, May 29, 2024—On the second day of drupa 2024 in Düsseldorf, the EDP Association presented its coveted and prestigious EDP Awards to 24 winners for the 17th time since its inception in the presence of numerous guests. The EDP Awards are Europe’s only industry technology competition and are open to all products announced and launched in the previous twelve months.

The EDP Lifetime Achievement Award was presented for the first time this year. It went to Benny Landa as a digital printing pioneer.

The jury recognized his life’s work, saying: “The EDP Lifetime Achievement Award presented to Benny Landa by the EDP Association is intended to honor the most significant figure in the modern printing industry. He is the visionary behind the groundbreaking Indigo printing technology. In addition, he has also ingeniously integrated nanotechnology into printing, redefining the industry’s landscape with nanopigment ink and precision engineering. Landa’s innovations push conventional boundaries and demonstrate the transformative potential of technology. Beyond his technical prowess, his contributions have ushered in a new era of printing—an era of efficiency, quality, and imagination. He has always accompanied his visions, the development of his ideas into finished products, with exemplary presentations and sometimes entertaining communication. His relentless, lifelong pursuit of excellence underscores his status as a pioneer who has left an indelible mark on an industry he has reshaped with unparalleled innovation and vision.”

A further 23 Awards for Innovation and Quality

In addition to Benny Landa, a further 15 companies received an EDP Award for 23 products. The winners were selected by a panel of experts (the EDP Technical Committee), which judged the entries on criteria such as innovation, quality, performance, and cost. There is no public or committee voting in the EDP Awards: it’s all about technical criteria, not popularity. The winners must meet strict criteria. This is the only way the EDP can ensure that manufacturers’ achievements in developing new technologies are recognized.

The EDP Awards logo therefore stands for innovation and quality at the same time, providing guidance and a neutral recommendation for users' purchasing decisions.

To reflect changing industry trends and development priorities such as the rise of robotics and hybrid printing technologies, the competition categories have been expanded. While the number of entries is similar to 2023, we saw a significant increase in their quality. We noticed that some manufacturers waited until the pre-drupa press event in March to enter their products—or did not enter their innovations expected for drupa. As a result, awards were not presented in all categories of the competition.

Looking ahead to the EDP Awards 2025, the EDP expects a large number of timely entries, both to enable the judges to make a thorough assessment and to provide a complete picture of the industry.

Winners of the EDP Awards 2024

This year, 23 technical awards were presented at the EDP Awards ceremony in the drupa Cube in Düsseldorf. Products from the following seven categories were honored:

- Software
- Print (Large and Wide Format Printing)
- Print (Commercial Printing)
- Packaging Solutions
- Finishing and Embellishment
- Automation & Quality Control
- Consumables (Inks, Toners and Substrates)

Winning Products

- **Software**
 - Best Layout, Design and Editing Software: **Durst** | Durst Smart Editor
 - Best Color Management: **ColorLogic** | ColorAnt, CoPrA, ZePrA
 - Best MIS/ERP Solution: **Dataline** | MultiPress AI Assistant
 - Best Automation Solution: **HP** | HP PrintOS Suite
 - Best Web-to-Print Solution: **HP** | HP Designer & E-Commerce
- **Print (Large and Wide Format Printing)**
 - Best Roll-to-Roll Printer < 170 cm: **Mimaki** | UJV100-160Plus
 - Best Roll-to-Roll Printer > 350 cm: **HP** | HP Latex 2700W
 - Best Flatbed/Hybrid Printer < 150 qm/h: **Agfa** | Anapurna Ciervo H3200
 - Best Textile Printer Direct to Transfer: **Mimaki** | TXF Series
 - Best Object Printer: **Mutoh** | XpertJet 1462UF
- **Print (Commercial Printing)**
 - Best Cutsheet Printer B2: **HP** | HP Indigo 18K Digital Press
 - Best Webfed Printer < 550 mm web width: **HP** | PageWide Advantage 2200

- **Packaging Solutions**
 - Best Label Printer > 50 m/min: **HP** | HP Indigo V12 Digital Press
 - Best Flexible Packaging Solution: **Fujifilm** | Jet Press FP 790
 - Best Folding Carton Solution: **Agfa** | Agfa Speedset Orca 1060
 - Best Corrugated Boards Solution: **Kento** | Kento Hybrid Press
 - Best Special Printing Solution: **Fujifilm** | Printbars 42K and 46UV

- **Finishing and Embellishment**
 - Best Wide Format Cutting Solution: **Kongsberg PCS** | Kongsberg Ultimate
 - Best Digital Embellishment Packaging: **MGI** | JetVarnish 3D Web 400
 - Best Digital Embellishment Wide Format: **Fotoba** | XLA 320

- **Automation & Quality Control**
 - Best Robotics for Commercial Production: **MoviGo** | Šharko5

- **Consumables (Inks, Toners, and Substrates)**
 - Best Rigid Material: **Sign Again** | Sign Again
 - Best Specialty: **Vivid** | Velo Taper

The products and results of this year’s EDP Awards 2024 have been published in detail in the 52-page “EDP Report 2024”, including brief assessments by the jury. The PDF can be downloaded from the EDP website on this link: <https://edpawards.com/winners-2024/>

Photos of the EDP Awards Ceremony will be available for download from the EDP website shortly. www.edpawards.com

About EDP

The primary purpose of the EDP Association is to recognize best-in-class innovation in digital printing, publishing, and packaging. Established in 2006, it is a not-for-profit association dedicated to promoting leading digital innovation through a major industry award. It reaches over half a million readers in more than 25 European countries through 19 trade magazines.