

Press Release

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The London High Court of Justice dismisses Induyco's action to set aside the award rendered by the international arbitral tribunal on October 21, 2009

Paris, July 23, 2010. In a decision dated July 1, 2010, the London High Court of Justice dismissed Induyco's action to set aside the arbitral award rendered on October 21, 2009 and awarded Lectra its costs and fees of defending the action.

In its award (cf. press release dated October 28, 2009) the arbitral tribunal constituted pursuant to the Rules of the International Chamber of Commerce awarded Lectra € 25.6 million in damages and interest as of June 30, 2010 (secured up to €15.1 million by bank guarantees given to Lectra by Induyco in accordance with the stock purchase agreement).

Induyco opposed to the payment of the award and commenced proceedings in Spain to challenge Lectra's demand under the bank guarantees, and in England to challenge the validity of the award. (cf. press release dated November 27, 2009).

The High Court's decision of July 1, 2010 puts an end to the action brought in England to set aside the award and strengthens Lectra's position that the suit brought in Spain—for which hearings are now expected in the second half of 2010—to suspend the execution of the bank guarantees is entirely groundless.

Lectra is reinforced in its commitment to enforce its rights and recovery of the amounts due to it under the award.

At this stage, the company has not recorded the amounts awarded by the arbitral tribunal in its accounts.

With nearly 1,400 employees worldwide, Lectra is the world leader in software, CAD/CAM equipment and related services specially created for large-scale users of textiles, leather and industrial fabrics. Lectra serves a broad array of major global markets including the fashion (apparel, accessories, and footwear), automotive (car seats and interiors, airbags), and furniture industries, as well as a wide variety of other sectors, such as the aeronautical and marine industries, wind energy, etc.

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