Multinational Training Session Initiates New PMAS Press simulator installation



Sinapse Print Simulators Training attendees (from left to right) Alice, Jason Ong, Koh Yeo Chye, Larry Lee (Trainer), Richard Wong Sin Choi, Cheah Yok Chon, P. Chandra Kumar, Andrew Liu, Ma Bin, Mrs. Liu, Kelvin, Stephanie Fang

On 26 Oct 2016, the PMAS training centre introduced its new press training simulators from Sinapse.

This event was the result of a three-year preparation led by Mr. Jason Ong Managing Director of PMAS, who worked closely with Sinapse and IGT (Sinapse's Singapore partner) to find the best configuration and organization for this innovative training centre. Interest in the project has been so great that observers from IGT Taiwan's distributor, Wiyi Instruments Co Ltd had asked to be present.

The PMAS centre is now the 1st nation-wide centre (in the world!) to install such a training environment for the country's print industry. This will enable all industrials to work together on establishing common sets of problems every operator should be able to recognize and solve.

Others present with Mr Ong included industry representatives from companies such as Asiawide Print Holdings and KHL Printing, specialists such from the Institute of Technical Education, and visitors from Taiwan.

In the future, trainees can also use the cloud based version of the simulators to continue their training even when they are not physically present at the PMAS center – these sessions will also be available for review within the cloud-based learning management.

The PMAS training centre includes six multi-screen simulation workstations, including the new 'TouchConsole" version which functions as a virtual operator desk (same controls, same configuration as a press console). The picture below shows some of the attendees behind the more standard multi-screen workstations with the TouchConsole behind them.

The three-day training session was overseen by Mr. Larry Lee, a Sinapse Certified Trainer from Shanghai Pan Color. Mr. Lee, who has extensive training experience with the Sinapse simulators and had also served as a technical advisor to the Chinese WorldSkills team in PrintMedia.





The training session introduced all present to SHOTS TM (SHeetfed Offset Training Simulator), the Intertech TM Award winning training technology from Sinapse Print Simulators for press operators and print personnel.

The three-day session showed those present how to use the press simulators to recognize, analyse and solve print problems and - since the production cost is always shown – how to produce good print at the lowest cost. They also learned how to create training programs with the simulator. Participants were also exposed to how companies how integrate their own print jobs and videos of "how to" carry out an operation on a particular press, so that general simulation training can be integrated into on-the-job working practice. The simulator includes a cloud-based learning management system which lets the trainers at PMAS structure review and evaluate courses, print problems, trainee and group results, and this can be done from any internet-connected device.

