

## NewsFlash – November 30, 2007

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### PDF Tools AG wins Innovation Award at DMS Expo 2007, Cologne

Koelnmesse, host of the DMS Expo - Europe's largest document solutions fair - honours outstanding achievement in the field of Document and Enterprise Content Management Technology with their annual "Innovation Award". PDF Tools AG emerged as winner in the 2007 competition, selected by public vote from users and expo visitors, with our **"3-Heights™ PDF to PDF/A Converter"**. This unique software converts PDF files into PDF/A, the new ISO standard for long-term archiving. The tool also allows you to digitally sign the PDF/A documents, giving companies optimal security against manipulation when preserving documents for decades. [Read the press release on our web page.](#)



Dr. Hans Bärffuss, CEO of PDF Tools and Franca Born, Head of IT and Digital Entertainment of Koelnmesse at the Awards Ceremony

*More information about the award winning 3-Heights™ PDF to PDF/A Converter, including a free trial version, can be found on the [product web page](#).*

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### New: 3-Heights™ Java Document Viewer (Version 1.7 Pre-Release)

The 3-Heights™ Java Document Viewer is a powerful and flexible component that enables applications, such as DMS or ECM systems, to view, print, and rasterize various document formats such as PDF, TIFF, JPEG, BMP, JB2, JP2, JPX, PNG, GIF, and ASCII text. Additional formats, including XPS, will be added in a later version. The viewer also supports multi-page TIFF, Chinese, Japanese, and Korean (CJK) fonts, patterns, shading, transparency, and many more PDF features.

The tool gives the application programmer utmost freedom in designing the user interface. With the component, an extensive GUI implementation for the Java Swing framework is delivered. This can quickly and easily be adapted to the needs of the application to be developed. Accelerator libraries (DLLs, shared objects) for various platforms such as Windows, Linux, Sun Solaris, AIX, HP-UX, etc. provide a viewing performance normally associated only with native implementations.

*More information about the new 3-Heights™ Java Document Viewer, including a free trial version, can be found on the [product web page](#).*

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## **3-Heights™ Version 1.60 Official Release**

PDF Tool AG has officially released Version 1.60 of the 3-Heights™ PDF Tools. This release reflects the cumulation of one year of improvements and new features being added to our world-leading suite of PDF programming tools.

**New Products:** The award winning 3-Heights™ PDF to PDF/A converter is presented in its first final version. The tool converts standard PDF documents to PDF/A compliant files, and offers outstanding performance and unique features during the conversion process. After an analysis of the input PDF documents, files are converted to the highest possible level of conformance. Required information is embedded or reformatted, forbidden content is removed, and repairs are carried out. Finally, **a digital signature can be applied to the PDF/A compliant document**, helping ensure that archived files are not manipulated or compromised in the future. *Please have a look at the [product web page](#) for further information.*

**New Features:** Some of the important features added with this release are:

- **3-Heights™ Image to PDF Converter:** This tool can now produce PDF/A-1a conforming files, which means that an alternate text can be allocated to an image, helping fulfill the Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) according to WC3. The upgraded image import function of the converter now produces smaller JPEG image data streams and accepts a wider range of TIFF formats from legacy creators. Also, a wider support of embedded ICC profiles is provided by the color management system of the converter.
- **The 3-Heights™ PDF Printer Products** have been enhanced with numerous new features, including converting embedded fonts to outlines, a more sophisticated handling of TrueType fonts, a faster process for loading printer driver DLL's, and much more.
- **3-Heights™ PDF Security Tool:** The creation of digital document signatures is now supported. It is currently available on Windows platforms; the implementation for UNIX platforms is planned for the next release.

*A complete description of all improvements, enhancements and new products in Version 1.60 can be found in the [Release Notes](#) on our website.*

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## **Version 1.7 Pre-Release - 3-Heights™ Document Converter Service**

**New Innovation:** The first new 3-Heights 1.7 pre-release version will introduce the **3-Heights™ Document Converter Service**. The Converter Service has an automated core that controls MS-Office applications to convert any supported document format to PDF or PDF/A. The Converter Service also handles several image file formats. In addition, it can **extract documents from ZIP files or E-Mail attachments to assemble them into a single PDF document that is ready to be archived – a great feature that will help solve your challenges in E-Mail archiving**. The service can be accessed in various ways, including from the command line, by scripting, with hot folders, or through application program interfaces for COM, C/C++ and Microsoft.NET.

*Please request a pre-release evaluation version by e-mail ([pdfsupport@pdf-tools.com](mailto:pdfsupport@pdf-tools.com)).*

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## [NEW: PDF tasks solved quickly and easily with our Online Applications \(Beta\)](#)

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Based on the latest version of our world leading tools, the PDF Tools Online Applications offer selected functionality from our extensive product portfolio. You can process files quickly and efficiently, or just use the Applications in evaluation mode to learn more about our products through online testing, instead of downloading complete evaluation versions.

The following tools are presented on [www.pdf-online.com](http://www.pdf-online.com):

- 3-Heights™ PDF Analysis & Repair Tool
- 3-Heights™ PDF to Image Converter
- 3-Heights™ Image to PDF Converter
- 3-Heights™ PDF Optimization Tool
- 3-Heights™ PDF Extract Tool
- 3-Heights™ PDF Security Tool
- PDF Batch Stamp Tool
- PDF Prep Tool Suite
- PDF Command Line Suite
- PDF Form Filling Tool

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We are also very grateful for any feedback about our Online Applications, as we want to implement new functions according to your needs.

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