

# Newsflash – April 16, 2009

**3-Heights™ Product Family Version 1.80 Released**

**New OCR Add-On for various 3-Heights™ products**

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**Pre-announcement: PDF/A Webinar End of May**

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PDF Tools AG yesterday released version 1.80 of its 3-Heights™ product family. The new version contains numerous improvements, for example in all products that support the PDF/A ISO standard and in the 3-Heights™ PDF Printer (Pro). The new 3-Heights™ OCR Enterprise Add-On provides various 3-Heights™ products with a top-quality character recognition engine (see next section).

### PDF/A conformity

PDF Tools AG has the most comprehensive range of PDF/A related products on the market. As a member of the ISO Committee for PDF/A and a founder member of the PDF/A Competence Center, PDF Tools AG has made a significant contribution to the Isartor Testsuite (see also [www.pdfa.org](http://www.pdfa.org)). This suite allows PDF/A validators to be verified.

**The 3-Heights™ PDF Validator is one of the first products to have passed all the tests with absolutely no problems.** In extended tests conducted by PDFLib GmbH (Bavaria Report), the 3-Heights™ PDF Validator also proved to be the fastest tool by far. It even manages to do this and achieve high quality validation. **When it comes to mass validation, therefore, the 3-Heights™ PDF Validator is the tool of choice.** Detailed information on the tests can be found on the [web pages of PDFLib](#).

A great number of smaller improvements have also been made to the other PDF/A compliant products, to provide our customers with optimum levels of security when handling PDF/A. Further information can be found in the [Release Notes](#).

### 3-Heights™ PDF Printer (Pro)

The grouping of several files into a single printer job is now done directly using the grouping function of the spooler of the Windows operating system. **This ensures that a printer job cannot be interrupted by other jobs.** Another innovation means that printer jobs can now also be prioritized. In this way, 3-Heights™ Printer (Pro) is adding significant value to output management.

*The [Release Notes](#) contain detailed information on this and many other enhancements.*

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### **3-Heights™ OCR Enterprise Add-On**

Recognition of text from scanned documents in your mailroom or when migrating archives is of inestimable value, when accessing information at speed is of the essence (e.g. in the case of customer inquiries, legal cases and audits).

The new 3-Heights™ OCR Enterprise Add-On can be deployed in conjunction with the 3-Heights™ PDF to PDF/A Converter, the 3-Heights™ Image to PDF Converter and the 3-Heights™ Document Converter Service. It delivers a **text recognition function that is based on the high-quality ABBYY FineReader engine**.

Since the OCR add-on has no page limits, **even the largest volumes of documents can be made searchable in full-text**. The texts can also be embedded into metadata or used externally (e.g. in other databases). In comparison with other file formats, PDF and PDF/A offer the great advantage that such texts can be embedded in the Unicode format directly into the document, and that these formats are based on an ISO standard (PDF 1.7 and PDF/A). In contrast, the embedding of text in TIFF files is only possible using proprietary solutions or a separate file.

*For further information, see the [Product page](#).*

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### **Berlin is the host to the 3<sup>rd</sup> international PDF/A Conference** (18 - 19 June 2009, Kosmos, Karl Marx Allee, Berlin)

PDF/A experts from around the world will descend on Berlin to present comprehensive information from all angles, to PDF/A beginners and professional users alike. Part of the conference programme will also be dedicated to reports on experiences in various sectors. On the eve of the conference (17 June 2009) there will be workshops on various special topics. Dr. Hans Bärfuss, CEO of PDF Tools AG, will present a paper at the conference, entitled **"PDF/A for Digital-Born Documents - Archiving MS Office documents, e-mails and websites"**.

As a valued PDF Tools AG customer you can benefit from a special price of €870 (instead of €980) if you register before 24 April 2009. Simply note the text "Special price for PDF Tools" in the "Keyword" field.

*[Click here for the PDF/A Competence Center conference website.](#)*

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### **Webinar "Archiving digital documents and e-mail in PDF/A"** (26 & 27 May 2009)

PDF Tools AG is working with the PDF/A Competence Center to stage a webinar on the topic above. The following dates have been arranged:

- German: Tuesday 26 May 2009, 11.00 (CET - Central European Time)
- English (Europe): Wednesday 27 May 2009, 10.00 CET
- English (North & South America): Wednesday 27 May 2009, 11.00 PDT (Pacific Daylight Time), 14.00 EDT (Eastern Daylight Time), 20.00 CET

Further information will follow in the next newsletter. **Send us an [e-mail](#), so that we can send you a personal invitation via GoToWebinar!**

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