

Press Release

STid contracts the manufacture and distribution of IronTag® out to HID Global

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STid is a French RFID manufacturer that develops innovative, high added-value solutions. Today it announced a partnership with HID Global, a supplier of identification solutions, for the manufacture and marketing of IronTag®.

STid developed the IronTag® range as part of the RFID Aero project led by Eurocopter. This range of passive RFID tags provides contactless identification of metal parts in harsh operating environments. IronTag® complies with international RFID standards (EC Class 1 Gen 2) and aeronautical standards (ATA Spec.2000 section 9.5 and SAE AS5678) and also offers exceptional identification ranges in the most extreme conditions: it is resistant to thermal shock and temperature variations, pressure over 10 bar, liquids (detergents, alcohol, oils, petrol etc.) and flames.

The IronTag® range thus meets identification requirements across all industries, and even the most demanding sectors, e.g. aeronautical, gas and oil, etc.

STid chose HID as a strategic partner for the international manufacture and distribution of the IronTag® range. HID is now a key player in the manufacture and distribution of industrial tags and will manufacture large volumes of the tag.

STid and HID have also signed a distribution partnership agreement for the American market leader to market the tag internationally. "This new partnership agreement is part of our strategy to develop new international contracts (...) our partner HID is an obvious choice and will provide new clients with an efficient and durable solution," explained Vincent Dupart, STid Deputy Chief Executive.

"This partnership extends our portfolio of identification solutions by offering our customers innovative products that meet the environmental requirements of multiple industries (...) STid's experience and technological prowess give us a unique range of high-performance metal identification tags," explained Claude Baucheron, HID's RFID Cards and Tags Sales Manager.

"We hope that this partnership agreement is just the first step in a long-term relationship with HID Global® in the field of industrial traceability," added Vincent Dupart.

The success of the first tag is set to be quickly extended to the rest of the IronTag® range.

About STid

Your partner in contactless identification

STid was established in 1996 and boasts more than 10 years experience, specialising in radiofrequency contactless identification technologies (RFID). STid designs, produces and sells readers and tags for **high security** personal identification (access control, time-clocking etc.), **vehicle identification** (automated vehicle access control, fleet management, tracking etc.) and **product identification** (traceability for critical items, logistics, etc.).

- Market leader, Stid has developed innovative products and solutions for high security access control and automatic vehicle identification (AVI).
- Our expertise and know-how as a manufacturer of RFID in industrial traceability allows us to address the
 issues of traceability in harsh environments in the most demanding sectors such as aviation, health,
 transportation and logistics etc.

Number 2 on the French market, STid offers a full range of products developed using RFID at all frequencies (125 kHz, 13.56 MHz and UHF) that are compatible with all chip technologies (NXP Mifare®, Mifare Plus®, DESFire EV1®, ST, EM, Inside, Legic, etc.) and international standards (ISO 14443 A-B, ISO 15693, ISO 18000, EPC).

More about STid: www.stid.com

About HID Global

HID Global is a leader in solutions for the delivery of secure identity solutions for millions of customers around the world. HID Global is headquartered in Irvine, California and has over 2,100 employees worldwide with international offices that support more than 100 countries. HID Global has extensive experience in secure, contactless technology including transponders and reader module solutions. HID offers a broad portfolio of field-proven RFID tags across diverse industrial vertical markets, including asset tracking and logistics, waste management, animal ID, retail and manufacturing and healthcare.

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