



**ACHITEX MINERVA**





Dears,

Achitex Minerva Group has been listening to the market to identify and meet its Customers' needs for over 70 years.

Today it's present directly on 4 continents, with 8 Companies and a network of distributors and partners that enables it to supply to supply virtually every country in the world.

In spite of its rapid growth and the continuous changes demanded by today's world, the corporate spirit and the passion dedicated to the Group's mission every day are still unchanged.

Innovation: a word I believe points to our future, the road we must travel every day. I can safely claim that Achitex Minerva has never stopped, and never intends to stop, investing time and resources in developing innovative solutions to be supplied to Customers and the market, while still safeguarding the environment and the common good.

Achitex Minerva is the sum of the people who work there, whose commitment keeps the wheels of the organisation turning, day in, day out, with the shared aim of growing together.

The President



# INNOVATIVE MISSION AND VISION

Achitex Minerva Group aims to be a trustworthy partner for its customers, employees and associates, to redraw the boundaries of a more and more sustainable, innovative, high-quality textile industry.

Its product quality, its technical and commercial know-how, its R&D investments and the passion brought to the management of every single project confirm its dedication to pursuing this path.

Every step has added value to the Reality: a unique value, built through the hard work of everyone who has helped to make the Group what it is today, maintaining its original identity.

## VALUES

- ✔ **Customer satisfaction:** in a highly competitive market, the customer becomes a key development partner, by indicating the market's needs. His level of satisfaction is the daily incentive for tackling new challenges and criticalities.
- ✔ **Quality:** a long-standing fundamental for Achitex Minerva, which confirms its importance every day through attention to details, rigorous analysis of the entire production process and the constant, meticulous search for a continual improvement.
- ✔ **Passion and curiosity:** it is passion from which the most innovative ideas are born, and through curiosity and flexibility that they are achieved.
- ✔ **Sustainable development:** the world of tomorrow is built with the actions of today. Protecting the environment and free goods for future generations underlies the sustainable policy of the Group, which believes everyone can pay a key role in shared prosperity.



Over 70 years  
of experience



Innovative  
products



Technical and  
commercial assistance,  
teamwork



Quality



Safety

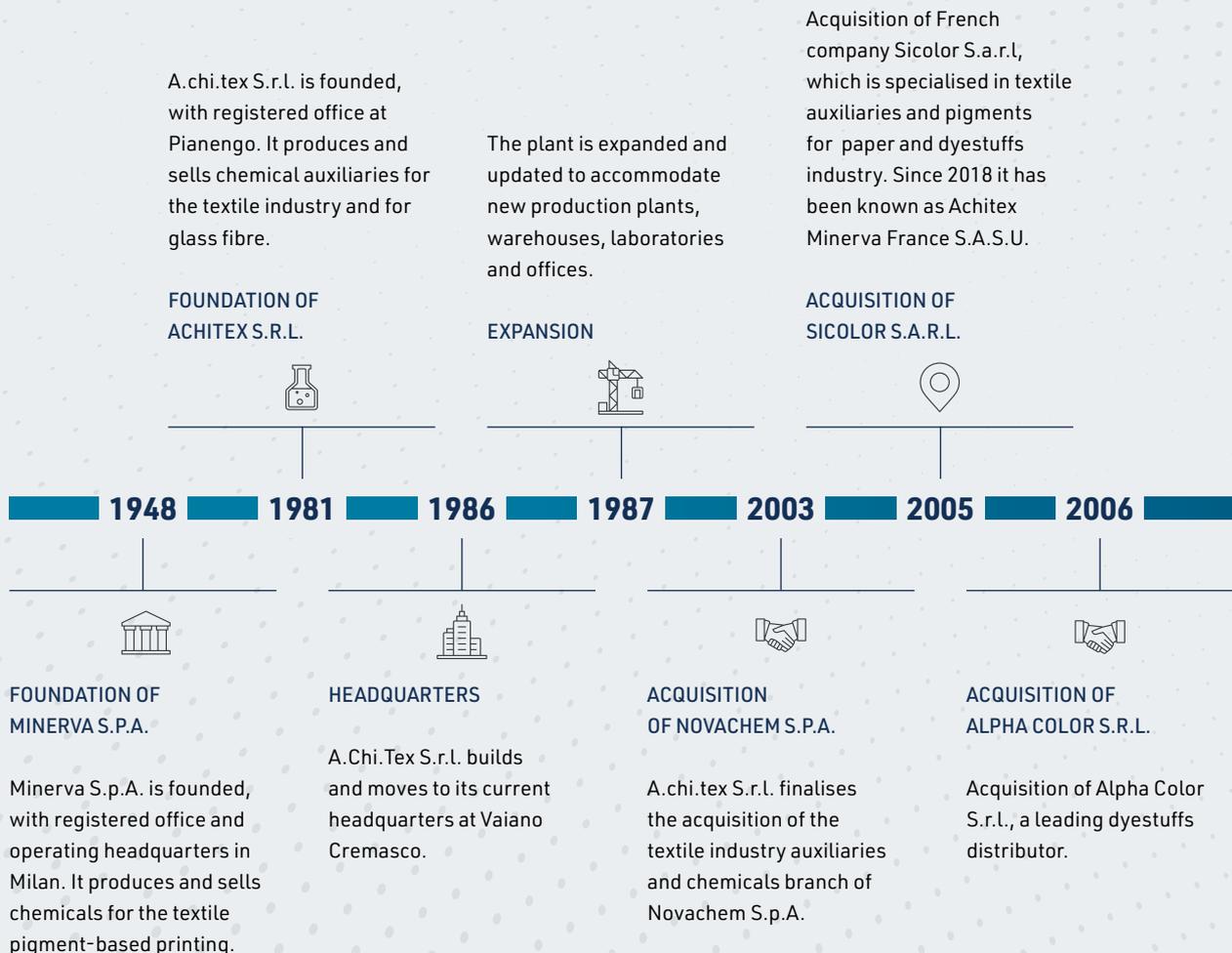


Environmental  
sustainability



# THE STORY OF THE ACHITEX MINERVA GROUP

An increasingly competitive market and the need to access export markets led the parent company to broaden its horizons. A series of acquisitions enabled the company to grow indirectly and to become the well-structured, international Group of today.





The Group originated from the merger, in 2006, of two major, long-established textile companies, Minerva S.p.A. (1948) and Achitex S.r.l (1981), which combined their respective know-hows in a single organisation and completed their product offering.

The plant is further expanded and updated, increasing the area of its buildings to over 20,000 m2. The new building project includes latest-generation plants, warehouses, offices and an area of 1,200 m2 destined exclusively to R&D and quality control labs.

#### EXPANSION



Acquisition of the textile division of Lamberti for the EMEA markets. This enabled the incorporation of Achitex Minerva Kimya Ltd Sti in Turkey and Achitex Minerva Chemical (Pty) Ltd in South Africa.

#### ACQUISITION OF TEXTILE DIVISION OF LAMBERTI S.P.A.



It was created on 1 July 2019 through the acquisition of the corporate assets of the existing company Minerva Color Colombiana LTDA. Through this acquisition, which also included the production plants, the company became a leading producer and supplier of printing products, pigments and textile auxiliaries for the local and neighbouring markets.

#### FOUNDATION OF ACHITEX MINERVA COLOMBIA S.A.S.



2006 2008 2010 2011 2017 2019 TODAY



#### ACQUISITION OF MINERVA S.P.A. AND INTERNATIONALIZATION

A.chi.tex S.r.l. acquires Minerva S.p.A., which has strategic subsidiaries in Spain (Minerva Color S.L., changed to Achitex Minerva S.L. in 2013), Portugal (Minercor Corantes Texteis de Portugal Lda, Achitex Minerva Portugal, unipessoal, Lda since 2014) and South American (Colombia and Brazil). The Group is born.



#### ACHITEX MINERVA S.P.A.

1 January 2010: with the transfer of the Achitex operating branch to Minerva, the company name of Minerva S.p.A. changes to Achitex Minerva S.p.A.



#### ACQUISITION OF PTH MIKRONET S.A.

The Group expands thanks to the acquisition of the Polish company PTH MIKRONET S.A. based in Łódź, which has been selling textile industry products since 1990. It is now known as Achitex Minerva Polska SP. Z O.O.

#### RUN TO A GREEN FUTURE!

Achitex Minerva Group continues to invest resources and energy with the aim of growing its know-how, its international presence and its plants, with a far-sighted spirit and a more and more green approach! Stay tuned!



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OVER  
**70**  
YEARS  
OF EXPERIENCE

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**8**  
LOCATIONS  
WORLDWIDE

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**180**  
EMPLOYEES (15% IN R&D)

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**3**  
PRODUCTION SITES

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**80**  
COUNTRIES SERVED  
WORLDWIDE

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**1400**  
PRODUCTS  
IN THE RANGE



# ACHITEX MINERVA GROUP AT A GLANCE



Thanks to a consolidated network of distributors and collaborators, Achitex Minerva is able to supply products and technical assistance all over the world.

It is present directly with its own offices in 4 Continents and 8 Countries: Italy, France, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Turkey, South Africa and Colombia.





# RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Research and development, quality control laboratories and customer service provide an outstanding response to the market's demands, meticulous control of all in-house production processes and reliable industrial products with high quality and reproducibility standards.

Achitex Minerva Group invests in its customers' success by working alongside them to develop innovative solutions and formulations and achieve the best performance for its preparations and industrial production processes, using state-of-the-art analysis and application equipment.





# AREAS OF BUSINESS

## TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Achitex Minerva textile sector includes a portfolio of chemical products destined to all phases of the textile finishing process, from spinning to printing.



- Products for primary and secondary **spinning**
- Products for **sizing**
- Auxiliaries** for preparation, dyeing and finishing
- Chemantrene** dyes in powder and liquid form
- Compound for **technical textiles**
- Products for **continuous and discontinuous printing**

## TEXTILE PRINTING

The Group produces and sells high-quality, high-performance and eco-compatible products for continuous and discontinuous textile printing. The wide range allows customized solutions with excellent quality results.



- Minerprint® **pigment dispersions**
- Ready-to-use pastes** for continuous printing
- Ranges for screen printing** (water based, Plastisol, PVC-free Plastisol-like, silicones)
- Ready-to-use pastes for **special effects**
- Pre- and post-treatments** for digital printing
- Pigment-based inks** for digital printing

## PIGMENTAL DISPERSIONS

Achitex Minerva is a European leader in the formulation, production and sale of water-based pigment dispersions, which find application both in the textile sector and in different sectors.



- Minerprint®**: series for textile printing and the paper industry
- Minerprint® FC**: range suitable for food contact
- Micronil**: concentrated pastes for water-based paints
- Minerpad FA**: series for coloring abrasive fibers
- Minertape WNS**: dispersions for coloring adhesive tapes
- Minerpaint Art**: range suitable for the UN EN 71: 7 standard for finger paints
- MinerSeed**: series developed for seed coating
- Achiflex**: inks for flexographic printing of packaging

## SPECIAL LINES

The Group has specialized in some non-textile sectors, such as sizing for glass fiber, adhesives for paper cones and a range of products intended for construction for the protection and renewal of building materials.



- Building**: specialties for the protection and renewal of building construction materials
- Products for **glass fiber sizing**
- Adhesives for paper cones** for the textile industry



# A PASSION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Achitex Minerva Group believes that economic growth is compatible with safeguarding the environment and free goods for future generations, so it involves employees, suppliers and customers in its sustainability policy, making them key players in common well-being.

This means not only complying with international environmental and safety legislation but also conforming to voluntary certifications, and promoting and investing in innovative products, processes and plants with eco-compatible and eco-toxicological characteristics.

UNI EN ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Certification, combined with the UNI EN ISO 9001:2015 Quality System, reflects the Group's constant commitment in these areas.

UNI EN ISO 9001:2015  
UNI EN ISO 14001:2015

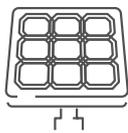


CERTIFIED MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

The **UNI EN ISO 9001:2015** standard defines the requirements for an organisation's quality management system. The standard places the customer and his satisfaction at the centre of its approach: every activity and all process application and monitoring is intended to maximise the satisfaction of the end user. Everything is based on thorough analysis of the company's opportunities and a definition of its mission and vision expressed through a quality policy. The company has held certification since 1996.

The **UNI EN ISO 14001:2015** standard specifies the requirements for an environmental management system which an organisation may use to grow its environmental performances. This voluntary standard helps the organisation to achieve the goals set by its environmental management system, which delivers added value for the environment, the organisation itself and stakeholders, by supporting the environmental sustainability project. The company has held certification since 2014.

## INTERESTING FACTS



Latest-generation 1000 kW photovoltaic plant (55% of power generated consumed in-house)



The rest of the energy used derives from renewable sources



All-LED lighting



Internal wastewater treatment plant



Constant reformulation of products to reduce environmental impact



10,000 m<sup>2</sup> of woodland planted to compensate for the facility built in 2008



# RUN TO A GREEN FUTURE

Achitex Minerva Group believes that it is possible to offer ever-improving chemical solutions, developed with respect for the environment and people's lives. Therefore, it provides a safe work environment for its employees, as well as products which contribute to a better quality of life, capable of meeting expectations regarding more sustainable development. As a supplier to thousands of industrial companies, the Group is constantly looking for new ways to reduce its environmental impact, by asking from chemistry more and more with less. Its certifications reflect its prioritisation of these essential values.



## GOTS Global Organic Textile Standard

The Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) is the world's leading standard of reference for organic fibre processing, with the aim to define requirements that ensure the organic status of textiles, from raw materials, through a responsible manufacturing up to labelling, in order to provide a credible assurance to the end consumer.



## bluesign® system partner

The bluesign® system aims to reduce the textile industry's impacts on people and the environment, ensuring responsible use of resources and guaranteeing the highest degree of consumer protection. bluesign® system partner companies are responsible for the textile value chain and are to use resources in a responsible way, improving their environmental performances. Achitex Minerva is a bluesign® system partner.

## THE LIST

by **INDITEX**

## The List, by Inditex

Inditex has developed a system for testing products and controlling their quality, in compliance with the toughest health and safety and sustainability regulations in the industry. The program - The List, by Inditex - involves the application of rigorous standards to the entire manufacturing process, including chemical suppliers and their subordinate facilities.



## OEKO-TEX®

The STANDARD 100 by OEKO-TEX® is an independent, uniform international control and certification system for textile industry raw materials, components and finished products at all levels of processing, as well as for the auxiliaries used. On the basis of severe tests, most Achitex Minerva Products are declared compliant for the production of articles that conform to the Oeko-Tex® Standard.



## REACH COMPLIANCE

REACH is a regulation of the European Union, adopted to improve the protection of human health and the environment from the risks that can be posed by chemicals, while enhancing the competitiveness of the EU chemicals industry. It also promotes alternative methods for the hazard assessment of substances in order to reduce the number of tests on animals. Achitex Minerva products are REACH-compliant.

## Ø ZDHC

## ZDHC Zero Discharge of Hazardous Chemicals

ZDHC program consists of a complex of requirements and standards that both brands and companies in the textile supply chain must respect in order to minimizing the environmental impact and reduce the use of harmful elements in production processes. Through the ZDHC Gateway digital platform it is possible to consult the list of approved products and their compliance.

# ACHITEX MINERVA GROUP



## WHO WE ARE

Achitex Minerva Group is a dynamic, 100% family based multinational, which has successfully made textile chemicals its core business.

It has been manufacturing and selling chemicals for all phases of textile processing for over 70 years, although over time it has differentiated its operations to create product ranges for the paper cone, glass fibre and construction industries.

Today it is one of the leading European players in the production of water-based pigment dispersions for the textile, coatings, adhesive tape, scouring fibre and flexographic printing industries.



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SYSTEMS