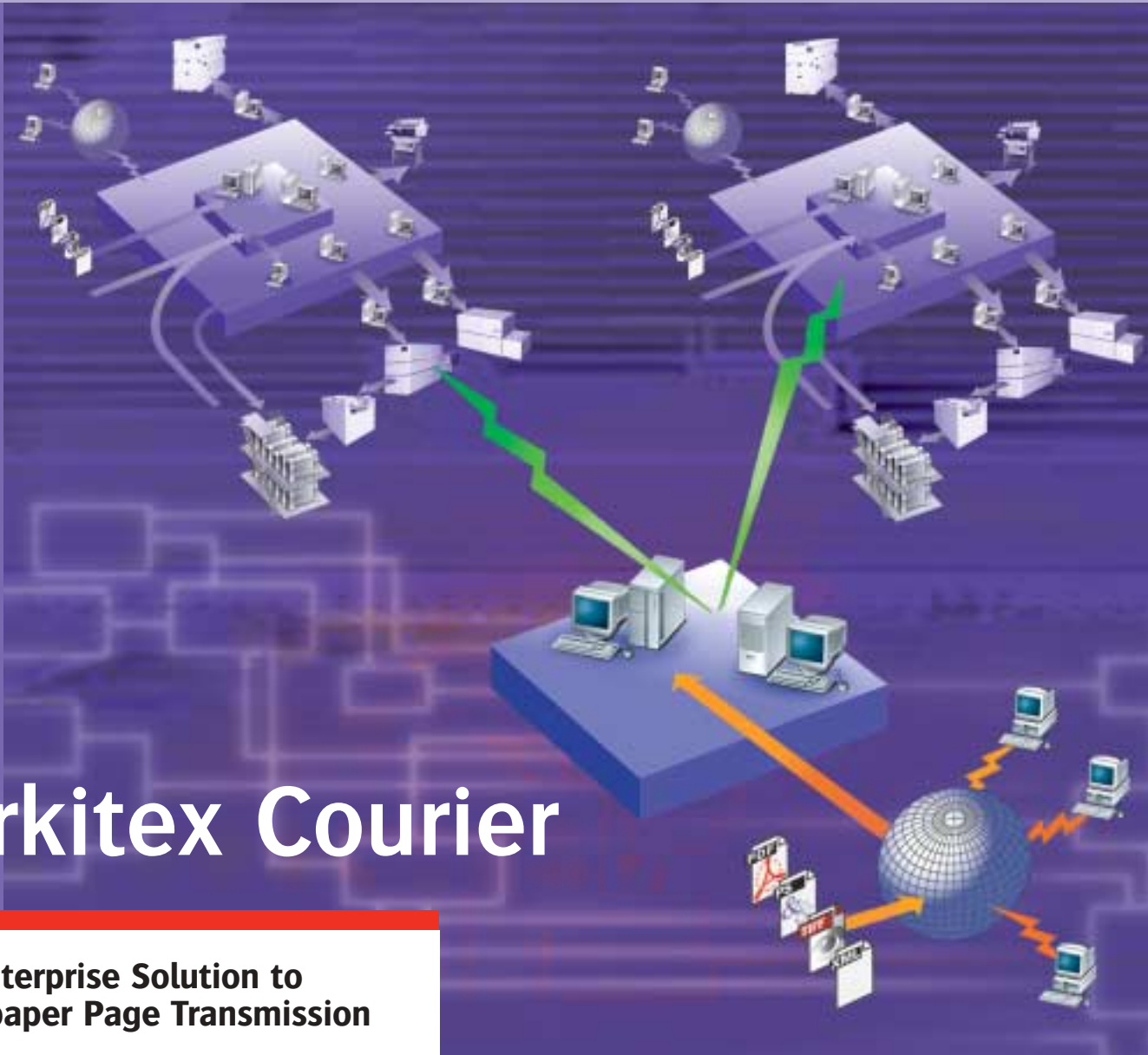


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The Enterprise Solution to Newspaper Page Transmission

Getting your files safely and securely from one site to another is critical to achieving true workflow automation. You need a transmission system that gives you complete control over the planning, management and tracking of your critical files. You need to have confidence in the system that will integrate your multiple external systems in a secure software environment. That system is Agfa's :Arkitex Courier.

:Arkitex Courier... **Harnessing the Power of the Network**

Using powerful fourth-generation industry standards and unprecedented network capabilities, :Arkitex Courier revolutionises the way newspapers distribute multiple editions to single or multiple facilities—whether you work in an :Arkitex workflow or not.

:Arkitex Courier brings together our powerful proven technologies in one complete system. With :Arkitex Courier, you get the strengths of Agfa's previous solutions. Additionally, :Arkitex Courier goes beyond previous solutions incorporating new, advanced technologies such as MAXML and Java 2 Enterprise Edition (J2EE) flexibility, giving you optimal performance in the most powerful transmission workflow tool yet. The :Arkitex editorial-to-press workflow automation system combines experience with innovation to bring you the solutions you need.

:Arkitex simplifies workflow automation with advanced production planning techniques. It is modular and scalable, so it can accommodate any size operation. Both :Arkitex and its Courier module integrate easily with existing Agfa or non-Agfa systems, so you won't have to start over to get the level of automation you need today and be prepared for your needs tomorrow.

Built to Match Multiple-Site Requirements

The :Arkitex Courier solution is best enjoyed by those who have a remote local site requiring control over transmission such as scheduling or approval or who have multiple sites worldwide. It is a scalable solution that can develop with you as your business grows. :Arkitex Courier was built by experienced R&D engineers dedicated to newspaper systems. And because it is also supported by dedicated newspaper service teams to provide successful implementations and maintenance, you can rest assured that your system is keeping you ahead of the game.

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:Arkitex Courier Advanced Features

- Easy communication between all transmission and print sites, both near and far ensures all authorised users are kept fully up-to-date with production at all sites via Arkitex Courier's Universal Clients.
- Multiple permission levels that ensure only authorised users can perform authorised tasks. This allows complete control, especially critical when every minute counts.
- Full management control. While tasks in :Arkitex Courier are automated, the authorised users always remain under your complete control.
- Strong and intelligent handling of recognised and unrecognised file names reduces lost files and delays. Any delay could be costly to your operation. That's why :Arkitex Courier can manage any file type or naming structure keeping your operation running smoothly.
- Powerful filename recognition and conversion on input and transmission allows :Arkitex Courier to fit into any production situation.
- Built-in robust redundancy ensures deadlines are protected.

Power and Flexibility

:Arkitex Courier, a fourth-generation networking solution, is part of Agfa's :Arkitex workflow automation system based on standard application servers. It is a complete transmission solution that provides total control, while at the same time, gives users full automation. Each operator is provided with a full range of simple-to-use capabilities to make real-time decisions to meet changing production needs. What makes :Arkitex Courier so critical to your operation is that it can safely and securely transmit multiple editions with multiple variations and versions to multiple sites. It includes support for softproofing and hardproofing with page approval.

Since :Arkitex Courier is based on Java 2 Enterprise Edition (J2EE) application server technology, it is platform independent. J2EE technology is at the heart of many of today's e-business solutions, for compliant platform portability. This proven technology gives you the edge required for successful and reliable transmission systems. As such, :Arkitex Courier can provide accurate results every time regardless of whether you are running Unix or Windows-based system.

Reliable & Secure

:Arkitex Courier is based on experience building reliable transmission solutions, so you can be assured that you are getting software that does what it is supposed to do. It includes advanced fourth-generation industry standard techniques, helping it to perform all of its tasks securely. Scheduling and priority transmission allows added control over when pages are sent, especially important with multiple editions and multi site customers.

Automation – With Control

:Arkitex Courier gives you total automation of plans and file distribution. Integrated with editorial/advertising or press planning systems, it removes task replication, and reduces the chance for human errors.

Platform Independence and Easy Migration

Agfa recognises the need for "managed change" between systems. :Arkitex Courier is designed to provide you with a pain-free migration from your existing system, whether or not you are running an :Arkitex workflow system.

People-friendly

:Arkitex Courier's intuitive user interfaces make the system easy to learn and simple to use—whether it's for planning, tracking, or complete management with detailed or summarised feedback. It even features user interface support for multiple languages and both composite and separated workflows. When you add it all up, :Arkitex Courier is so easy to use and helps you by improving efficiency and reducing downtime.

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