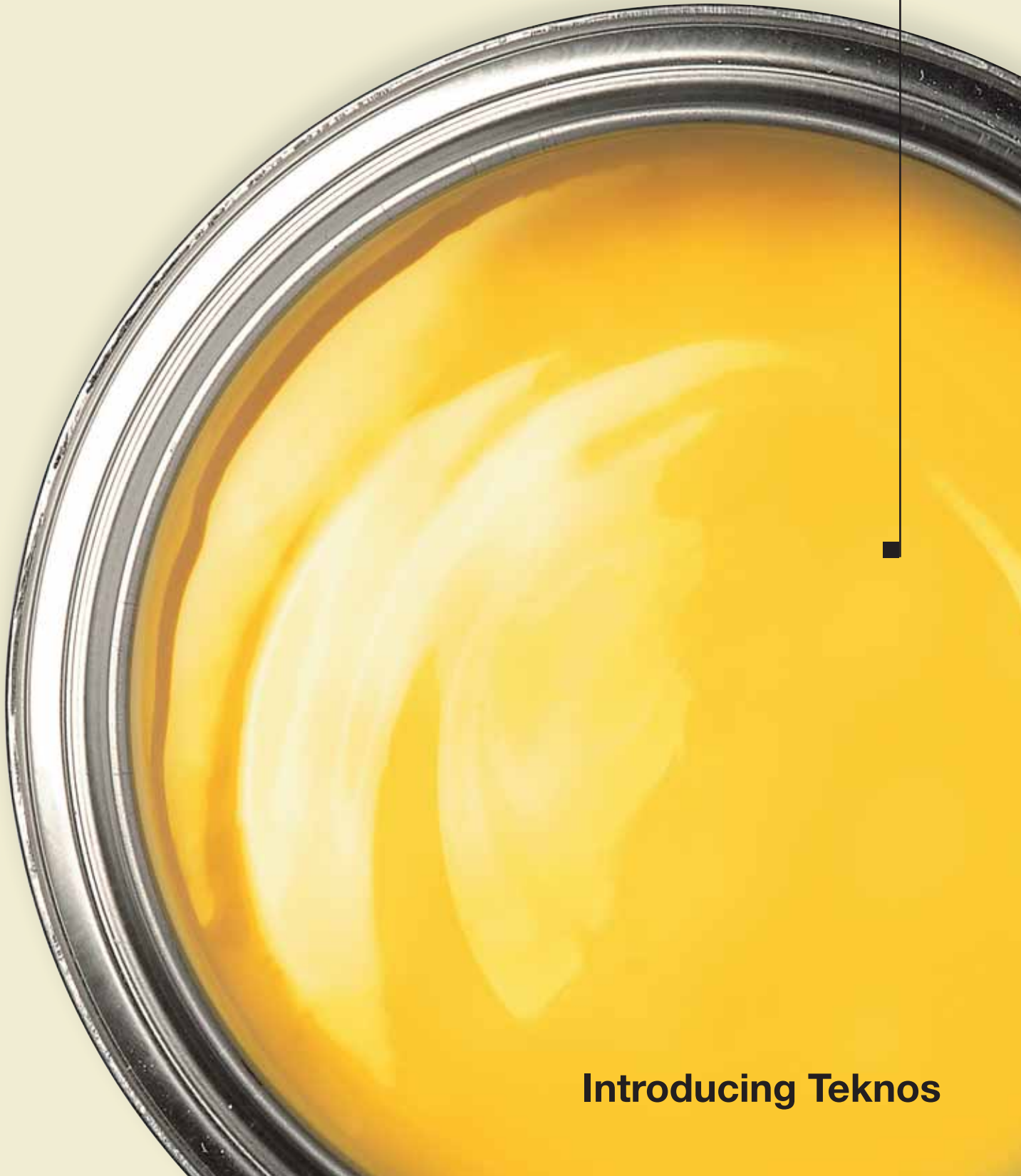


Paint with Pride



Introducing Teknos



Teknos in a nutshell...

Founded in 1948 in Finland, Teknos has operated sixty years in the paint industry, which bears witness to the Teknos Group's position as one of the leading paint suppliers in the Nordic countries.

Currently, we run companies in all of the Nordic countries, Germany, England, Ireland, Poland and Russia, and export paint products to about twenty other European countries.

Teknos is a family-owned company. Family ownership means long-term business planning. It also involves other advantages, such as flexibility and the ability to make decisions quickly. Furthermore, it is reflected in our corporate culture and values.

Teknos is known as an innovative paint supplier with R&D excellence and customer focus. We are proud of our long heritage and good reputation. And we are proud of our professional and highly committed personnel, who are behind the Teknos success story.



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Teknos Way...



Over the years, Teknos has grown from a local firm into a group of companies with an international presence. Our chief asset is the employment of people from different cultures with a variety of skills. All the same, we want to share our common Group goals and make every effort to head in the same direction in order to achieve these goals.

Teknos Way is our daily working tool, which provides the foundation for our operations and management. It defines our shared values, vision and overall goals.

Teknos Way calls attention to all the factors that have an impact on our attempt to find the preferred paint partner. Three core elements lie at the heart of the Teknos Way.



Value added

One of Teknos' key objectives is that its coating solutions and service add true customer value, by offering the optimum balance of price, performance and service.



Reliability

Fast, reliable delivery is one of today's key business priorities. Teknos' European supply chain, modern production facilities, and the Teknomix tinting system ensure rapid and reliable deliveries throughout Europe.



Innovation

Ever higher product quality and performance standards and new, more demanding, environmental regulations continue to shorten product life cycles. Teknos' concentration on R&D ensures that it meets the demand for new coating solutions and services.

Product range...

Teknos offers a wide range of paints and coating solutions for industrial use, professionals and do-it-yourself painters. Our paints meet today's high requirements and international standards.

Since our customers constitute a heterogeneous group, our business is divided into segments. The business segments operate across company and national borders.

Read more about our products on the following pages...



Industrial Wood



General Industry/ Heavy duty





Powder Coatings



Architectural Coatings



General Industry /



Within this segment we serve a variety of customers using various paint technologies from traditional alkyd paints to high-tech polyurethane-based paints. All our paint systems are made according to international standards such as ISO 12944.



For General Industry customers we provide paint solutions for different types of machines and components made from metal, plastic or composite materials.

When it comes to Heavy Duty customers, we can speak about cranes, oil refineries, power plants, bridges and steel constructions.



We always keep paint shops' and industrial coaters' needs in mind when developing new products. Process optimisation and cost-efficiency with low VOC emissions, fast curing and throughput, high durability, and an appealing surface are important aspects.

Environmental safety and user friendliness are our other guiding principles in R&D. Teknos is one of the few paint suppliers that can offer water-borne, low-solvent or totally solvent-free paints for all industrial applications.



We can offer a one-coat high solid system, which, besides being VOC-reducing, reduces coating times and speeds up the whole production chain; alternatively you can choose our 1- and 2-component water-borne products – all based on the latest chemistry and technology.

Our ultra high solids polyurethane paints, TEKNODUR COMBI 3560, constitute one of our latest innovations. Representing the latest technology, these new products combine a multitude of new features designed to speed up painting processes and help paint shops to increase their productivity.



We also produce paints and coatings for mineral surfaces and customer specified substrates, e.g. in nuclear power stations and the building industry.

Heavy Duty



Powder Coatings



Powder coatings are a strong area of expertise. We have the market leader position in the Nordic countries and Russia.

Powder coatings are environmentally friendly and completely solvent-free. The powder coating technique is a good alternative for paint shops that emphasise environmental friendliness in their operations. Powder coatings do not cause any VOC emissions. In addition, powder coating that misses the object to be painted can be recovered and recycled, leading to a high utilisation rate. The powder coating technique is thus a reasonable solution in financial terms as well.

The powder coating technique is ideal for a variety of applications, such as domestic appliances, steel furniture and shelves, garden furniture, bicycles, car parts, etc.

Powder coating is also a sound corrosion protection alternative when the size and material of painted objects are suitable for this coating method.

Teknos markets products under the INFRALIT brand-name. The INFRALIT product family includes powder coatings based on various binders, such as polyester, epoxy polyester, epoxy, polyurethane and acrylic powders. Durability and other requirements placed on the product dictate the type of paint chosen.



Teknos traditionally invests significantly in its R&D. Our new service concept called Teknos Design includes a complete new tinting system for powder coatings giving almost unlimited possibilities to select colours. Teknos Design combined with PowderMix Colour Service makes it possible to order powders in almost any colour and in a precise quantity with a very prompt delivery time.

Industrial Wood



Our product range covers a wide variety of paints and coatings for the wood and joinery industries. Most of the products are water-borne, low-solvent or UV-hardened. Since solvent emissions during the painting process are extremely low, Teknos products are consistent with the EU's VOC directive, which specifies restrictions on solvent emissions. We hold a leading market position in water-borne solutions in many countries.

Our wide product range, including primers and top-coats, serves the needs of the joinery, furniture and board industries. We are currently marketing Industrial Wood products under the name of the AQUA family.

Outdoor surfaces

- solid wood structures (gluelam, beams, bridges)
- façade boards (plywood)
- windows and doors
- noise walls (impregnated wood, thermotreated wood, plywood)
- garden furniture

Indoor surfaces

- internal doors and windows
- panels
- furniture

Damp spaces not directly exposed to weather

- solid wood structures in cold stores, swimming baths, ice rinks, etc.



Architectural Coa



In this segment we serve both professionals and do-it-yourself painters. We have a complete range of coatings, from interior and exterior paints to special coatings. Within this segment Teknos has a long history as a pioneer due to its new product launches. Most of its paints are water-borne or totally solvent-free thus making painting easy and safe for the environment.



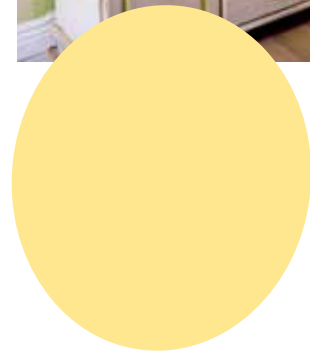
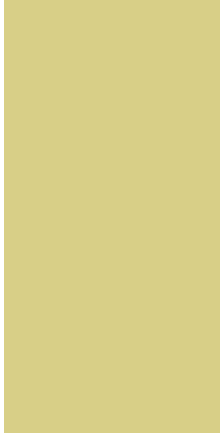
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Recently we brought into the Nordic markets a totally new product family for wood protection – WOODEX – with eight different products including environmentally friendly water-borne alternatives. Another new product family is water-borne NORDICA with different variations including a water-borne alkyd-oil paint. For interior use our extensive product range includes the famous BIORA and EKORA families as well as the TEKNOFLOOR series for floor coatings.

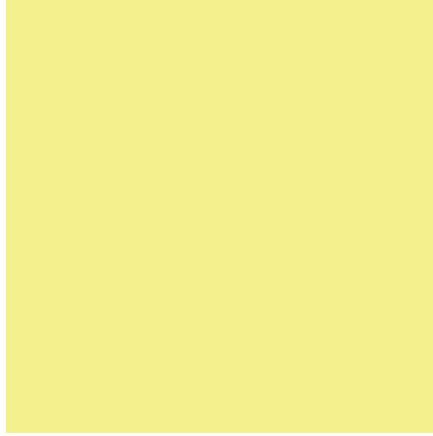
Other well-known trademarks in Scandinavia are the FUTURA series for both wooden and metal surfaces, FERREX anticorrosive paint for steel surfaces, and KIRJO for sheet-iron roofs, to mention just a few.

Our architectural coatings are widely sold in Finland and Sweden via retail chains and individual paint shops. Products are also sold in many of our export countries.



In a





world of colours

As a paint manufacturer, colours are an essential part of our activities. To serve its customers better in all Nordic countries, Teknos changed its interior paints' colour system at the beginning of 2000 to the pan-Nordic NCS colour system.

We launched the first automatic tinting systems over twenty years ago. At that time it was a revolutionary innovation, allowing the same colourants from the same dispensers to tint both architectural and industrial paints. Now we have launched new-generation Teknomix mixers and dispensers onto the market which have the same high-tech features. Our mixers and dispensers are available in markets all over Europe, in retail outlets and specialist paint shops.

Teknos paints are available in almost all colours according to customer requirements including opaque and translucent colours. To powder coatings we have developed the Teknos Design colour concept which has an almost unlimited range of colours and effects.

To help do-it-yourself customers with colours we have special in-store colour studios which are placed in retail outlets. On our home web pages we run a colour planning programme, called Teknoplan, where the customer can plan his/her exterior paint works.



Quality and environment

At Teknos, environmental issues and quality are closely linked. Teknos takes environmental aspects into consideration in its business and product development and aims to prevent and minimise the environmental impacts of its operations. The Group's entire personnel have been given training in environmental issues and have committed themselves to adhering to the quality systems.

Teknos' factories have certified quality and environmental systems according to ISO 14001 and ISO 9001.

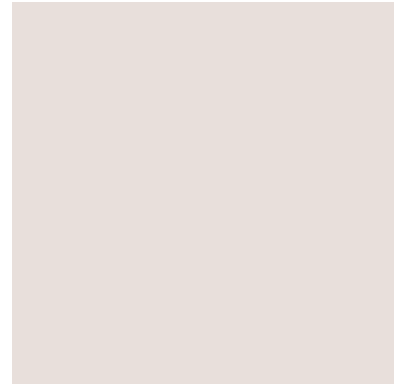
Teknos' core products are water-borne, high solid or totally solvent-free, to protect the environment and minimise the impact of the products on our natural surroundings.

Every day, coated products are exposed to UV, humidity, corrosion, mechanical and chemical stresses.

Teknos' VOC reducing products are developed to maintain the protection and appearance of customers' products and are already proven to be in extensive use all over Europe.

For example, steel structures, earth-moving equipment or other heavy plants have been traditionally coated with solvent-based primers and topcoats. Now Teknos can offer for that purpose a one-coat high solids product system which, besides being VOC-compliant, reduces coating times and speeds up production.

The EU's VOC directive has taken into effect obliging industries using solvents or solvent-based paints to markedly reduce their emissions. You are welcome to contact us. We can help you solve your VOC challenges by offering you our new paints and painting system for a better future.



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