

SPEFA was founded in Mainz in 1973 as the Spezial- Falzapparate- und Druckmaschinenbau-Gesellschaft.

The founding team consisted of experienced designers and technicians who had acquired their knowledge at well-known, large print machinery manufacturers.

The production programme encompassed fold appliances for commercial and newspaper rotations. This range was expanded to include fold appliances for narrow track rotations whose modular systems were distributed under the copyrighted brand name SPEFA COMPACT<sup>®</sup>. Currently more than 60 COMPACT fold appliances are in use worldwide. The offset rotation facilities equipped with them originate from almost all large print machinery manufacturers.

The fold appliances are predominantly used at well-known print shops for newspaper and magazine printing, the production of advertising literature, handbooks and telephone directories.

Due to their robust construction and the trouble free operability of the equipment, SPEFA has become the original equipment manufacturer for digital print ROLAND AG/Germany, MIYAKOSHI/Japan, machinerv for MAN EDELMANN GRAPHICS/Germany, SANDEN/Canada, ALCOA Didde/USA, Goebel. ZIRKON/Germany SOLNA/Sweden. Drent and Müller-Martini/Swtizerland, among others.

This market position has also been further developed by participation in the largest specialist trade fairs for the printing sector.

To round off the fold appliance programme, SPEFA has manufactured periphery equipment for several years, which makes possible the complete production of folded products. This includes unwinding with an insetting facility for processing pre-printed rolls, as well as the COMPACTtrim Roto-cutter for the one to four page bleed and middle bleed of ready-glued or stapled folded products.