Leitz introduces planerhead for moulder/planing market

GRAND RAPIDS, MI — The Leitz VariPlan Plus—an adaptation of the VariPlan planerhead—is designed to bring the advantages of the award-winning RipTec technology to the broad-based moulder/planing market.

For companies serious about a continuous improvement philosophy, VariPlan Plus offers practical ways to increase quality and decrease waste. Using the RipTec knife technology for pre-planing or integrating with smooth knives, VariPlan Plus promises to increase the smoothness of rustic and even difficult-to-machine woods, while decreasing the prevalence of chipping. As with the original VariPlan design, solid HS or carbide knives are reversible and can be sharpened up to six times without changing diameter for outstanding performance. Knife changes are quick, easy, repeatable and exceptionally accurate to satisfy the requirements of the RipTec system.

VariPlan Plus is available in standard Z2 or Z4 configurations, with lengths from 100mm to 310mm and various diameter and bore dimensions, including HSK85W, for most machines.

The Leitz VariPlan Plus planerhead is an IWF 2012 Challengers Award entry. Visit Leitz in booths #7534 and #7544 at IWF 2012 to see more innovative solutions that continue to optimize productivity and shape the future of the woodworking and advanced materials industries.
Conventional planing

VariPlan Plus planing