

## DEVELOP

Outstanding Achievement  
in Control Panel Design



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DEVELOP has been honoured with a Summer 2012 "Outstanding Achievement Award" for its new control panel interface, as seen on the Summer 2012 Pick-winning DEVELOP ineo+ 754 and DEVELOP ineo+ 654.

"DEVELOP continues to impress with its innovation," said George Mikolay, senior product editor for A3/Copier MFPs. "Time and again, whether it be its award-winning My Tab for print driver customization, or being the first manufacturer to offer biometric authentication, to now its new control panel interface, DEVELOP continues to push the boundaries to simplify the overall user experience for its customers."

The new 228 mm electrostatic display supports touch-and-swipe scrolling, and automatically wakes up from energy-save or sleep mode when it detects a finger about 25 mm away. "But what really sets this panel apart from the pack is the ease with which users can jump between three different control panel interfaces," said BLI Manager of Laboratory Testing Pete Emory. "Users can switch to any of the interfaces they wish on the fly, providing unmatched flexibility for users to choose the interface that best fits their needs. Even the numeric keypad is available as both touch-sensitive and hard keys depending on each individual user's preference."

Carrying over the best of the old interface, along with new and enhanced capabilities, the Quick Menu interface is very graphical, utilizing both text and icons, with most of the settings for typical jobs accessible from the first screen, including colour mode, paper source, reduction/enlargement and simplex/duplex. "Even finishing is now selectable from the first screen," said Mikolay. "And when you add in the accurate toner gauges on the main display of the Quick Menu interface, users are essentially provided with all the settings and capabilities needed for a typical copy job without ever having to leave the first screen."

The second interface, the Basic copy menu, has also been redesigned, and fits the bill for users looking for more programming simplicity. The Timeline interface, which is acces-

sible via the Application key, features a sliding bar activated by touch-and-swipe that allows users to easily jump over from menu to menu. The layout is intuitive here too, and menu selections are clearly named. Users can also save up to 48 settings for frequently used jobs. For even more flexibility, support for Enterprise My Panel Manager allows a “personal” interface to be created and stored for each registered user. In addition to displaying a default home page, language, and so on, My Panel Manager enables “scan to me” and “scan to home” button settings, so users can quickly send documents to their own email address or preferred folder destination, without having to enter those destinations manually. Touch keys are bright and highly responsive, and the control panel can also be tilted freely. The Guidance hard key is dynamic, pulling up information on the particular setting that is currently selected.

## About **BLI Pick Awards**

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Twice a year with its “Pick” awards, BLI gives special recognition in each category to those products that provided the most outstanding performances in BLI’s exhaustive lab tests. “Outstanding Achievement” awards acknowledge products or capabilities that stand out for attributes such as innovation, usefulness, energy efficiency or value.

BLI’s awards stand alone in that they are based on a rigorous battery of lab tests that takes approximately two months to complete. The evaluation includes an extensive durability test, during a portion of which each unit is run at the manufacturer’s maximum duty cycle. BLI’s durability test is unique among office product evaluations and uniquely qualifies BLI to assess reliability, a critical factor for buyers and IT directors.

Other performance attributes evaluated include ease of use, media handling, productivity and value, among others. Each product that successfully passes BLI’s lab test earns BLI’s “Recommended” or “Highly Recommended” seal and a BLI “Certificate of Reliability” and qualifies as a “Pick” award contender. Consequently, a BLI “Pick” is a hard-earned award that buyers and IT directors can trust to better guide them in their acquisition decisions.

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