



Press Release

EPTA AND HAUSER JOIN FORCES AT CHILLVENTA TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF REFRIGERATION

Two complementary portfolios. One vision for a more efficient, resilient cold chain.

Milan, 13 October 2026 – **Epta** – Independent global player and leader specialised in commercial refrigeration – returns to **Chillventa**, one of the world's leading events for refrigeration, air conditioning, ventilation and heat pump technology, **exhibiting alongside Hauser for the first time and showcasing a unique portfolio of complementary solutions**. From 13 to 15 October 2026 in Nuremberg, at **booth 4-247, Hall 4**, the Group presents a selection of its **all-round solutions**, highlighting its **commitment to a more efficient, reliable and sustainable cold chain in every climate**.

*“The integration of Hauser into the Epta Group represents a **significant step forward in the evolution of the Company's value proposition**, creating a **more comprehensive platform for supporting clients**. This move reinforces **Epta's leadership in commercial refrigeration** while **extending its reach into the industrial sector** and opening up new opportunities across a broader range of applications. By bringing together **two complementary areas of expertise**, **Epta can respond more flexibly to evolving customer requirements**, while **retaining the distinctive strengths and specialist capabilities of each brand**”* states Aurélien Tissot, Epta Group Marketing SR Director.

A COMPLETE REFRIGERATION OFFERING, BUILT FOR WHAT COMES NEXT

The innovations unveiled at Chillventa **underline Epta's role as a leading technology partner**. Through an **integrated approach spanning consultancy, hardware, software and services**, the Group delivers an **advanced, future-proof ecosystem designed to create lasting value over time**. A **key enabler** of this vision is the **progressive digitalisation of refrigeration management**, with **new tools designed to make store operations simpler, more efficient and increasingly data-informed**. As digital capabilities evolve, **Epta is moving beyond individual solutions, connecting the way refrigeration assets are monitored, maintained and optimised to support smarter decision-making throughout the lifecycle of the refrigeration fleet**.

From the **design and industrialisation of refrigeration systems** through to installation, commissioning and after-sales support, **Epta guides clients throughout every stage of a project**. This **end-to-end offering** is underpinned by the **system engineering expertise** of both **EptaTechnica and Hauser**, together with **EptaService's portfolio of services**, including remote monitoring and predictive maintenance.

The combined **know-how of EptaTechnica and Hauser** broadens the range of **refrigeration power packs and bespoke systems** offered to the market. **Based entirely on natural refrigerants**, these solutions are engineered around the specific requirements of each project. Advanced analytical tools also enable **accurate forecasts of energy consumption and reliable estimates of return-on-investment periods**, supporting **more informed capital expenditure decisions** and translating **sustainability targets into tangible and measurable financial results**.

Efficiency remains a defining strength shared by both brands, with **new performance benchmarks** achieved **even under the most challenging climatic conditions**. To ensure that systems retain 100% of their refrigeration capacity during heatwaves, which have become increasingly frequent in recent years, Hauser is putting forward **ecoFusion**, a technology for **transcritical CO₂ applications** that complements **Epta's patented FTE 3.0 (Full Transcritical Efficiency)** and **ETE (Extreme Temperature Efficiency)** systems. These solutions **optimise power pack performance at temperatures above 40°C** and deliver estimated energy savings of between 15% and 23%. **Developed in cooperation with Graz University of Technology**, **ecoFusion** centres on a **modular R290 subcooler**, whose architecture **limits the propane charge per circuit**, making **plug-and-play installation** possible, including when **retrofitting existing systems**. Available in two sizes, 12 kW and 24 kW, and featuring a compact design, the solution is particularly well suited to **applications where outside temperatures reach up to 50°C**.

For the first time, Epta's refrigeration power packs portfolio is extending also into the **industrial sector** with **HAUSER XL Rack**, a refrigeration system designed for food production, storage facilities, logistics and distribution centres. With **configurable frames of up to 12 metres**, **expandable modules** and a wide range of **layout options**, XL Rack offers **maximum flexibility** during both planning and operation. **Front access to components**, **pre-wired electrical cabinets** and **commissioning-ready systems** also **simplify installation and maintenance**, while variable-speed compressors and other innovative technical features help ensure high **efficiency and reliable, long-term operation**.

*"Chillventa 2026 provides the ideal platform for demonstrating how Hauser's offering has been integrated into Epta's broader brand portfolio, just six months after completion of the transaction. This **milestone** marks an **important step in the Group's growth strategy**, **strengthening its position across the DACH region and South-Eastern Europe**. Epta can now build on Hauser's established local presence, strong brand recognition and **extensive network of customer and market relationships**, developed over 80 years of continuous activity, which represent a **significant long-term asset for the Group**"* remarks **Thomas Loibl**, Epta General Manager for the DACH region (Germany, Austria and Switzerland).

PLUG-IN SIMPLICITY MEETS REMOTE PERFORMANCE: INTEGRAL CABINETS ON DISPLAY

The Group's combined portfolio is also reflected in the **Integral solutions** on display: **Costan / Bonnet Névé-branded Zenith VP Integral Air** and **Hauser's MIRENGO Integral Air**. Both propane-based vertical cabinets, equipped with air condensation systems and designed respectively for positive- and negative-temperature applications, ensure **reliable product preservation** while **delivering the flexibility and energy performance of remote models** with the straightforward installation of a plug-in solution.

In detail, **Zenith VP Integral Air** stands out for its **compact footprint, transparency and efficiency**. The redesigned unit occupies less floor space, thanks to a **100 mm reduction in depth**, while offering a **13% increase in Total Display Area** compared with the previous Integral series. Most notably, it is the **first closed L375 cabinet with six doors to be powered by a single refrigeration circuit and compressor**. This breakthrough is enabled by **advanced features**, including **double-structure insulation**, doors with magnetic seals and technical innovations, which also contribute to **lower noise levels in the store**. The cabinet **achieves energy class B** and provides **greater temperature stability**, delivering energy savings of **28%**.

Hauser's MIRENGO Integral Air likewise combines **lower energy consumption** with a **high-quality product presentation in the frozen-food aisle**. Frameless glass hinged doors and side panels with panoramic glazing, together with an **advanced LED lighting system**, provide **excellent deep-frozen products visibility**. For **maximum transparency**, the cabinet can be fitted with optional **Infinity doors**, featuring a **canopy-free design**.

TURNING REFRIGERATION DATA INTO SMARTER DECISIONS WITH MYEPTA

Another key innovation being presented at Chillventa is **MyEpta**, a **new all-in-one digital platform** designed to simplify the management of information, assets and services. MyEpta provides a **single, secure and reliable gateway** to all **technical data, support resources and services**, bringing them together in an **intuitive environment**. It gives users access to accurate information and a **complete, real-time view of their refrigeration solutions**, without the need for connectivity. With everything in one place, **MyEpta turns solution management from a primarily operational task into an increasingly predictive, data-driven process**, enabling more effective planning of maintenance activities and future investments.

EPTA AND HAUSER TAKE CENTRE STAGE AT CHILLVENTA

To explore the **Group's innovations for the food retail and industrial sectors** in greater depth, **Epta** and **Hauser** are inviting visitors to attend presentations by their experts in different areas of the exhibition on the following dates:

- ✓ 13 October, 10.20 am, stand 8-512, Hall 8: **"From Data to Action: MyEpta and Advanced Diagnostics"**, presented in English by Piergiorgio Bonfiglioli and Emanuela Di Costa;
- ✓ 13 October, 4.20 pm, stand 4A-203, Hall 4A: **"EcoFusion R290 Unterkühler"**, presented in German by Gerhard Hetzmanseder;
- ✓ 14 October, 4.00 pm, stand 4A-203, Hall 4A: **"Best Refrigeration Systems Selection: Climate and Store-Size Driven Decision Tools"**, presented in English by Stefano Trabucchi.

At Chillventa, **Epta** and **Hauser** are showcasing a **shared vision: to continue creating long-term value through conscious innovation**. This vision is embodied in the **"Good Never Stops"** payoff: a commitment that guides every strategic decision and drives the Group's continued business evolution.

Epta. Preserving our planet with conscious innovation. Together.

Epta – A multinational group specialising in commercial refrigeration, it operates worldwide through its brands **Costan** (1946), **Bonnet Névé** (1930), **Eurocryor** (1991), **Iarp** (1983), **Kysor Warren** (1882) and **Hauser** (1946). Epta positions itself on the domestic and international markets as a partner capable of producing and marketing complete refrigeration systems, thanks to the integration of specific product lines such as: traditional positive vertical and semi-vertical, vertical and negative horizontal refrigeration counters, incorporated unit counters (Plug-in) for the Retail, Food & Beverage and Ho.re.ca sectors, medium and large power units and a complete portfolio of pre- and after-sales services. Headquartered in Milan, it has over **10,000 employees**, several production sites in Italy and abroad, and a capillary technical and commercial presence all over the world, guaranteed by more than 40 technical-commercial branches.

HAUSER

HAUSER is a successful European full-service provider of refrigeration equipment and technology for the food retail sector and for industry. Founded in 1946 as a service and installation company for refrigeration systems in Linz-Urfahr/Austria, the company has grown significantly since then. Today, **HAUSER** uses state-of-the-art processes to manufacture products at two production sites in Austria and the Czech Republic. Its product portfolio includes a wide range of refrigerated cabinets, such as multideck chillers, freezer units, service counters, centralized and decentralized refrigeration systems and their controls, cold rooms and cold storage facilities, as well as a broad



array of services including 24-hour service, remote data monitoring and energy optimization. In the 2024/25 financial year, HAUSER generated sales of around 410 million euros with 1,500 employees.

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