



# **Hosokawa Micron Ltd and Knowledge Process Solutions Ltd Sign a Strategic Partnership Agreement**

Hosokawa Micron Ltd, the UK operation of the Hosokawa Micron Group headquartered in Osaka Japan, and Knowledge Process Solutions Ltd (KPS), a subsidiary of the UK based XpertRule Software, have signed a strategic partnership agreement to deliver innovative performance improvement solutions to the particle processing industries.

Hosokawa Micron is a leading world-wide supplier of particle processing equipment and services. KPS is a leading supplier of data mining and rule based process modelling software to the process industries.

KPS has developed and patented a number of intelligent software technologies to improve the performance of industrial processes. These technologies include the discovery of process performance patterns from historic process operating data, the intelligent on-line monitoring of the performance and condition of a plant, and intelligent process control and optimisation.

KPS and Hosokawa Micron Ltd. have collaborated successfully on a number of pilot projects to apply these technologies to the particle processing industry. They have successfully demonstrated the significant return on investment that has resulted from deploying these solutions. Hosokawa Micron and KPS have now turned their successful collaboration into an exclusive strategic agreement to market these solutions to the particle processing industries in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.