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Innovations4Flooring signs global strategic partnership agreement with Kronospan

Innovations4Flooring 和 Kronospan 签署全球战略合作协议

- 14F receives licensing rights for 1,000 Kronospan patents
- I4F 取得 1000 多项 Kronospan 专利的特许权
- Kronospan obtains license for I4F's technologies
- Kronospan 获得 I4F 技术的授权许可

WILLEMSTAD, CURAÇAO – Innovations4Flooring (I4F), a technology company providing innovative flooring technologies, today announced that it has signed a global strategic partnership agreement with Kronospan. As part of this agreement I4F receives rights for Kronospan's one thousand-strong patent portfolio covering flooring locking, wall panels, board compositions and production, as well as digital printing and furniture. This adds to I4F's strategic partnership agreements with Classen and Kowon, established in 2017.

WILLEMSTAD, CURAÇAO – Innovations4Flooring (I4F), 一家从事地板创新技术的高新企 业,今日宣布其与 Kronospan.签署了全球战略合作协议。作为协议内容的一部分,I4F 获得 Kronospan 1000 余项富有竞争力的专利组合的特许权,其内容涵盖了地板锁扣,墙板,纤 维板配比和生产,以及数码打印和家具。这一合作进一步加强了 I4F 在 2017 年与 Classen 和 Kowon 签署的战略合作协议。

With more than forty production sites and 14,500 people globally, Kronospan is the world's largest manufacturer of wood-based panel products. Kronospan also holds a leading position in the production of laminate flooring with a strong investment plan for manufacturing LVT flooring.

Kronospan 在全球坐拥超过 40 个生产基地和 14500 名员工, 是全球最大的木制板材的 生产商,Kronospan 在强化地板的生产领域也保持全球领先地位,并对豪华乙烯基地砖的 生产有雄厚的投资计划。



Commenting on the new agreement with I4F, Ignace Gorus, Kronospan's Head of Intellectual Property said, "We see I4F as a leader in flooring installation IP and believe it is well placed to become a similar authority in other flooring, wall and furniture technologies. Its innovative approach will maximize the impact of our R&D efforts to deliver market leading products."

关于本次与 I4F 签署的战略合作协议,Kronospan 的知识产权负责人 Ignace Gorus 认为, "我们将 I4F 视为地板安装专利技术的领军人物,并且相信其在其他地板,墙板,家具技术等行业也会取得类似的地位。其创新战略会最大化的影响相关知识产权研发,并且持续给市场输出先进的产品。"

John Rietveldt, I4F's CEO adds, "This latest strategic partnership with Kronospan is a significant stride forward on our path to deliver the best technological solutions for the flooring industry. Kronospan's impressive heritage and commitment to innovation is fully aligned with our strategy to be a leading global technology company. We are partnering with the best and now, together with Kronospan, Classen and Kowon, we are creating a powerful platform that provides accessibility to open and meaningful innovations. In the next weeks, we will communicate details relating to the roll out and development of I4F's fast growing patent portfolio."

John Rietveldt, I4F 的首席执行官补充道,"与 Kronospan 的最新联盟对我们的全球战略是一个强有力的保证,我们在为全球地板行业提供最好的技术解决方案又前进了一大步。 Kronospan 对于创新精神的延续和投入与我们成为全球领先的技术公司这一战略完全不谋而合。我们只选最好的合作伙伴,例如 Kronospan,Classen 和 Kowon,我们在创立一个强大的平台来提供开放和富有意义的创新通道。在接下去的时间,我们会就相关细节进行沟通,以明确如何保障 I4F 快速增长的专利组合。"

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<u>About Kronospan</u> <u>关于 Kronospan</u>

Kronospan is the world's leading manufacturer of wood-based panels and value-added products for the interior design, furniture and construction industries. Since our operations commenced with a single sawmill in 1897, Kronospan has developed a unique supply chain with over 40 production sites and 16 distribution centres in 29 countries and more than 14,500 co-workers around the world. As the leader in technical development in our industry we have pioneered many key advances and will continue to lead product development and innovation into the future. For over a century Kronospan has been meeting its customers' needs with an unbeatable combination of great design, quality products, value for money, respect for the environment and outstanding service. We are driven by passion for our business and strive for excellence in everything we do.

Kronospan 是全球专注于木制板块和相关增值产品的生产商,其产品用于室内设计,家具和建筑行业使用。 自从 1897 年我们开始于一家小型锯木厂的运营,发展到现在已经成为拥有独家供应链,超过 40 个生产基地, 遍布 29 个国家的 16 个分销中心,全球 14500 名员工的规模。作为我们这一领域的技术领军人物,我们已经 带动了许多技术革新并且将持续带动未来的技术创新。在过去的一个世纪,Kronospan 通过提供无懈可击的 创新设计,高质产品,最优性价比选择,最大化环保和卓越的服务充分满足了广大客户的需求。我们对于自 己的业务充满了激情和梦想,并且会不遗余力全身心的持续投入其中。

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About Innovations4Flooring Holding NV: 关于 Innovations4Flooring 股份有限公司:

Based in Willemstad, Curaçao, Innovations4Flooring is a privately-owned technology company focused on the development of patents and flooring installation solutions. 3L TripleLock and Click4U, provide a unique drop-lock installation technique for flooring panels that eliminates the need for an additional insert on the short side. This elimination provides manufacturers with the possibility to improve productivity levels as well as to reduce their costs and carbon footprint. International patents and patent applications for I4F's technologies have been granted and filed in over 100 countries worldwide. 3L TripleLock provides a drop-lock installation innovation while Click4U provides an angle system on the long side and a drop-lock on the short side. The solution is suitable for laminate, luxury vinyl tiles, wood plastic composite, rigid core flooring, multi-layer flooring and wooden flooring panels.

I4F 是一家私有技术公司,注册于荷属库拉索岛,致力于专利的开发和地板安装解决方案。3L TripleLock和 Click4U,为地板安装领域提供独特的直落锁扣安装技术,使其不必在短边安装之余仍需额外插条。该技术可以使制造商提高生产率,并降低生产成本和碳排放。I4F 已经在全球 100 多个国家为其相关技术申请了专利保护。3L TripleLock是一个短边直落式锁扣设计,而 Click4U 是长边插入式、短边直落式锁扣系统的组合。该解决方案适用于复合地板、豪华乙烯基砖、木塑复合地板、刚性地板,多层地板和实木地板。

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