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## I4F showcases new 3D Wall Installation System and Liquid Laminate Technology "Light" innovations

- Flat Wall and Ceiling Click-System also demonstrated on I4F booth (E1 C27, international hall)
- Licenses for all three technologies immediately available

DOMOTEXasia/CHINAFLOORS 2018, SHANGHAI, CHINA – I4F, a group of companies providing patents and technologies to the flooring industry, today announced three technologies being showcased on its booth at DOMOTEXasia/CHINAFLOORS 2018. This includes a 3D wall installation system, a flat wall and ceiling click-system and Liquid Laminate Technology (LLT) "Light". All three technologies are immediately available through an I4F license.

The new 3D wall installation system enables three different levels of panels to interconnect for the creation of an amazing 3D effect and endless design opportunities on walls. This unique system enables fast and easy installation and is suitable for all materials. Moisture and heat resistant joints make 3D walls installed with this technology suitable for bathrooms and wetrooms.

The flat wall and ceiling panel click-system is an innovative profile providing variable joint options for easy installation and diverse design possibilities. The profile's flush joint and a space on the long side enables either concealed or visible joints, or a combination of both. The system, providing moisture and heat resistant joints, is suitable for all materials and can be used to install panels on walls and ceilings.

The 3D wall and flat wall and ceiling installation systems, both developed and patented by I4F's strategic partner, Kronospan, enable manufacturers to enter new markets as well as leverage their existing designs by launching new collections combining flooring, walls and ceilings.

Liquid Laminate Technology, developed and patented by I4F's strategic partner, Classen, is a chemical process for the cost-effective production of high quality melamine surfaces on laminate floor boards. A "Light" version of LLT was created to meet customer needs and the increasing amounts of Embossed-in-Register textures. LLT "Light" delivers significant costs savings through the use of less raw materials (paper, resin and melamine) and a sustainable production process. As dry decor paper is fixed on to the HDF board before in-line liquid treatment, paper growth is eliminated delivering unrivalled optics and haptics, ideal for synchronized decors or Embossed-in-Register (EiR) textures.

John Rietveldt, I4F's CEO, comments, "These great technologies are exciting examples of how our strategic partnerships are accelerating accessibility to exciting innovations designed to help the flooring industry tap into new growth opportunities and make cost savings through the use of highly efficient production processes."

I4F is welcoming visitors on its booth (number E1 C27 in the international hall). To book an appointment or become a licensee, please contact David Song (david@innovations4flooring.com, +86 139 164 70782).

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## **About I4F:**

I4F is an innovations group focused on the development of patents and technologies for the flooring industry. Its portfolio includes IP for flooring installation and wall mounting systems, material compositions, surface treatment as well as laminate and board production technologies. I4F has strategic partnerships with the industry's most important IP players, including Classen\*, Kronospan\*\*, UWC and Kowon. The company's flagship technologies, 3L TripleLock and Click4U, provide a unique one piece drop-lock installation technique for flooring panels that eliminates the need for an additional insert 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. International patents and patent applications for I4F's technologies have been granted and filed in over 100 countries worldwide.

\*I4F has exclusive sub-licensing rights for one of Classen's IP portfolios, comprising over five hundred patents, covering key flooring materials, specific locking patents as well as important inventions for digital printing and Liquid Laminate Technology (LLT).

\*\*I4F has the licensing rights for Kronospan's one thousand-strong patent portfolio including Kronowall 3D and Kronospan wall and ceiling installation systems, flooring locking, board compositions and production as well as digital printing.

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