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# i4F introduces new purpose-built herringbone drop-lock technology

- *Patented system facilitates easier fit of herringbone's short side into long side of adjacent panel*
- *Much easier installation, disassembly and replacement of herringbone panels*

**BOOTH 2437, SURFACES, LAS VEGAS, USA - i4F®**, a group of companies providing patents and technologies to the flooring industry, today announced that it has introduced a new, patented drop-lock system specifically designed for an easier installation of herringbone panels. The new system greatly facilitates the fitting of a herringbone panel's short side into the long side of an adjacent herringbone panel. Disassembly is also significantly easier which, in turn, facilitates any necessary replacements.

The new i4F herringbone drop-lock system eases installation without compromising on the high locking strength and performance characterized by i4F drop-lock technologies.

This is the latest addition to i4F's drop-lock technologies portfolio offering manufacturers the world's most ingenious installation systems, tailored per product category and suitable for use on all materials.

i4F's CEO, John Rietveldt, says, "Due to the more complicated nature of the installation, the placement or repair of herringbone patterns have traditionally almost been exclusively reserved for professionals. Our new purpose-built herringbone drop-lock system makes it possible for more end-users to do it themselves, by making installation, disassembly and replacements very similar to more conventional flooring installation techniques."

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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, digital printing as well as laminate and board production technologies. i4F has strategic partnerships with the industry's most important IP players, including Classen, Kronospan, HMTX, Windmüller, CFL Flooring, Tarkett, Kingdomfloor, Li&Co, Benchwick, QuickStyle Industries and Hymmen. The company's flagship technologies, 3L TripleLock®, Click4U® and i-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 solid polymer core, expanded polymer core, luxury vinyl tiles, laminate, and wooden flooring panels. International patents and patent applications for i4F's technologies have been granted and filed in over 100 countries worldwide. Visit [i4F.com](http://i4F.com)*