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Unilin's IP division enters into a cooperation with Li&Co Switzerland and Scholz & Partner regarding Micodur_® mineral based flooring

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The Micodur® technologies relate to mineral based boards which are extremely well suited for flooring applications because of the dimensional stability, the fire and water proof features and the environmental friendly character of the product. The mineral based boards can be printed or can be used as a base layer for further coverage with LVT, cork, or other top layers. Micodur® has been developed by Karl-Heinz Scholz and Li&Co.

The cooperation between UNILIN, Li&Co and Scholz & Partner will allow Unilin's IP company to sublicense the patented technologies relating to mineral based boards for flooring applications to its licensing base. Some of the patents on the technology were already filed in 2005 and the patent portfolio is evolving.

"We are very pleased to partner with Unilin's IP team", says Karl-Heinz Scholz. Edwin Lingg of Li&Co agrees: "both of us have invested quite some time in the development and fine-tuning of the mineral-based flooring technologies, and we are convinced that Micodur®, after an intensive testing period, is now ready to be launched on a much broader scale. Unilin's IP unit is an ideal partner for us because of their extensive patent and licensing expertise, and global partner network."

Says Pieter Wilmots, Unilin's IP business development manager, "We are looking forward to this cooperation on Micodur®. Both Karl-Heinz and Edwin have done a wonderful job in the development of these technologies and in bringing them to the market. We are delighted that we are now able to offer these technologies to our licensed partners and look forward to growing the category together."

Several applications of the Micodur® technology will be shown by Unilin's IP division and by Li&Co on their respective booths during Domotex Hannover. Unilin's IP booth can be found in hall 6 stand E44 - Li&Co's booth in hall 9 stand B13.

For more information visit: www.scholzandpartner.com/innovationen

