PRESS RELEASE

**FILA AND Lapitec®: PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN TWO ITALIAN EXCELLENCES**

**AT THE SERVICE OF THE BUILDING AND FURNISHING INDUSTRIES**

**FILA AND LAPITEC® have signed a partnership agreement that will see these two great brands unite.**

FILA, a leading Italian company in the development and production of care solutions for all surfaces, boasts over 70 years' experience in the sector and the highest quality standards.

LAPITEC® is the top international producer of the biggest “full body” sintered stone slabs in the world, made using an exclusive patented technology that is the result of its technological partnership with Breton S.p.A, benchmark in the sector of composite stone processing machines.

This partnership will further expand the services provided by both companies for research & development and after-sales, thanks to increasingly more efficient technical consultancy for their clients, for both furnishings and the building sector, with global coverage.

Well established worldwide, the two companies will now be joining forces, counting on their respective knowledge of the markets, sector needs, constant investment into product innovation and hi-tech, and backed by the certainty of being able to provide prompt, effective support.

Their synergy will also result in co-marketing projects and training, in-house for the distribution and after-sales network, and external for clients, users, designers and planners.

**FILA Surface Care Solutions** is a leading Italian company in the development and production of care solutions for all surfaces, from in-line treatmentto the most prestigious work sites. Founded in 1943, today it is a brand of excellence recommended by over 200 manufacturers of stone and ceramic materials worldwide.

Careful equilibrium between the traditional values of the family and advanced managerial organisation have made Fila a modern global company, with six branches abroad and a sales network covering over 100 countries all over the world. For FILA, environmental respect is a tangible undertaking that translates into research and development of eco-friendly solutions with low environmental impact produced entirely with solar energy.