**Press release Cosentino Group**

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**Cosentino Group and Monica Förster launch a collaboration**

**at Stockholm Design Week 2015**

**Cosentino launches a brand new collaboration with Monica Förster Design Studio during Stockholm Design Week 2015. The first act of the collaboration is a table accessory collection called Twilight, all made of Dekton. The collection will be presented in an exhibition at Bianchi Café & Cycles in Stockholm.**

Cosentino Group is world leading in production of innovative surfaces for architecture and design. In 2014 Cosentino Group launched Dekton; a material with huge potential for the architecture and design field. Twilight is a collection of table accessories and outdoor candleholders designed by Monica Förster Design Studio for Bianchi Café & Cycles. Dekton’s unique resistance to heat and thermal shock have inspired the designer to create the collection.

“Dekton feels like a Hi-Tec, futuristic material. The material’s unique qualities; its resistance to heat, thermal shock and the fact that it is ultra compact makes it a very exciting material for me as a designer to explore. We have therefore created a collection which is based on these qualities”, explains Monica Förster.

The collection consists of two families, *Tealight* and *Moonlight*. Tealight is a collection of trays, with an integrated tealight holder, which creates a nice ambiance. The Tealight collection also includes a tealight holder as well as a coaster for oil and vinegar. The other family, Moonlight, is a collection of candleholders in two sizes. The key to this collection is the contrast between light and shadow. The Moonlight collection is made of three different shaped sides that interact with each other. This creates a movement that makes the object look different depending on which angle you are viewing it from. By turning the torch holders in different directions, it is possible to create numerous variations within the world of illumination.

Since Dekton is extremely compact, it is easy to wipe clean if it gets dirty by the smoke from the outdoor candles. The products are made in 8 mm and 12 mm Dekton in the colours Irok, Zenith, Domoos and Sirocco.

Twilight is designed for Bianchi Café & Cycles in collaboration between Cosentino Group, Monica Förster Design Studio and Stengruppen. The installation, designed by Monica Förster Design Studio, will be launched on February 2 and is open to the public until February 20 at Bianchi Café & Cycles terrace in central Stockholm. In February 2015 Monica Förster was awarded Designer of the Year by Elle Decoration.



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**About Dekton® by Cosentino**

The Dekton® by Cosentino ultra-compact surface is a new and innovative category of surfaces created with the objective of becoming a global leader in the world of architecture and design both for indoor and outdoor spaces. It is the result of an investment of 128 million euros and 22,000 hours of research and development, making it the perfect partner for designers and architects throughout the world.

Dekton® is a sophisticated mixture of the raw materials that is used to manufacture glass, porcelain materials and quartz surfaces. The Dekton® surface can recreate any type of material with a high level of quality. It is manufactures in large format (320 cm x 144 cm) and thin thicknesses (0.8 cm, 1.2 cm and 2 cm) and it as superior technical characteristics:

* + - * High mechanical resistance
			* Good resistance to fire and heat
			* High scratch resistance
			* High UV rays resistance
			* High hydrolysis resistance
			* Reduced water absorption
			* Very good colour stability
			* Very good dimensional stability
			* High abrasion resistance
			* High stain resistance
			* Resistance to freezing and thawing.

These superior technical characteristics are achieved thanks to the exclusive TSP (Technology of Sinterized Particles), developed by the R&D of Cosentino Group. TSP technology is an ultra-compaction process which makes Dekton® a totally revolutionary low-maintenance, long-lasting product with a multitude of applications.

Prestigious architect and designer Daniel Libeskind has created in 2014 “Beyond The Wall”, a spectacular sculpture which becomes the first architectural and design milestone created with Dekton® by Cosentino. As well, the ultracompact surface Dekton was selected for the flooring of Baku airport, Pepe Jeans stores in Barcelona, Paris and Rotterdam, Dani García restaurant in Marbella (two Michelin stars) and DiverXO restaurant from David Muñoz (three Michelin stars) in Madrid.

Since 2011, Cosentino Group is sponsor and official provider of worktops at “The 50 Best Restaurants of the World”. Since 2014 with its Dekton® brand sponsoring the “One To Watch” award.

In 2015 the Spanish tennis player Rafa Nadal features worldwide Dekton® adversiting campaign. At the same time, thanks to Cosentino’s sponsorship of the project “Rafa Nadal Academy by Movistar” the tennis academy will include Dekton in diverse applications of the spectacular premises.

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**About Cosentino Group**

Cosentino Group is a global, family-owned company that produces and distributes high value innovative surfaces for architecture and design. As a leading company, Cosentino imagines and anticipates together with its customers and partners design solutions that offer value and inspiration to people’ lives. This goal is made possible by pioneering brands that are leaders in their respective segments such as Silestone®, Dekton® and Sensa by Cosentino®. Technologically advanced surfaces which allow create unique designs for the home and public spaces.

The group bases its development on international expansion, an innovative research and development program, respect for the environment and sustainability, and its ongoing corporate commitment to society and the local communities where it operates, education, equality and health & safety.

Cosentino Group currently distributes its products and brands in more than 80 countries, and directly manages from its headquarters in Almeria (Spain) its own facilities in 29 of them. More than 90% of Cosentino Group’s turnover comes from international markets.

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