

Interface Creates Positive Spaces at NeoCon With Two New Nature-Inspired Collections

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Global Change and Human Connections Offer Foundation for Positive Human Impact

CHICAGO, June 12, 2017/PRNewswire/ -- **Interface** (Nasdaq: TILE) offers more opportunities to create positive spaces with its introduction of two new global collections, **Global Change™** and **Human Connections™**, on view in the company's Chicago Merchandise Mart showroom #10-136 and the adjacent Interface Chicago showroom at 345 North Wells Street. Designed as individual collections, both use nature as a muse and provide the inspiration needed to create positive human impact indoors through a connection to the outdoors. Global Change and Human Connections also harmonize with existing and future designs in the Interface portfolio and pair gracefully, without transition strips, with Interface **luxury vinyl tile (LVT)** hard flooring.

"The best spaces are designed from the ground up to foster creativity, inspire productivity, and help people feel more in touch with their purpose," said Interface Chief Design Officer Chip DeGrace. "Both Global Change and Human Connections contribute to the creation of positive spaces with their modular vocabulary that has biomimetic attributes, supporting biophilic design. Each collection delivers its own unique aesthetic. Global Change offers a sophisticated but organic global feel, while Human Connections provides an edgy, urban grit, associated with tight-knit and modern communities."

The Collections

Global Change, the first global launch from the company's lead product designer, Kari Pei, reflects the human need to seek out nature and brings these qualities to commercial interiors, including corporate office and hospitality environments. The collection evokes foliage through artistic interpretation of tree and leaf shading patterns. Biophilic elements and references are reflected in random patterns and fluid transitions inspired by

textures found in nature.

Global Change is comprised of seven face styles available in six organic color palettes. Progression™ I, Progression II and Progression III, the collection's foundational planks, offer three gradated base textures at three different price points and pile heights.

Glazing and Shading take inspiration from the tree canopy with foliage appearing as positive shapes against striations of texture, while Ground and Raku™ resemble the cracked appearance of dried earth and can be installed as non-directional squares. The styles are available in a mixture of 50cm x 50cm squares and 25cm x 100cm Skinny Planks™, ranging from flat to plush.

To complement the seven face tiles, the Interface design team developed six earthy, mineral-based colorways for the collection, inspired by global trends: Eclipse, Evening Dusk, Desert Shadow, Fawn, Daylight and Morning Mist.

Also on view at Interface's North Wells showroom is Boundary Metallics, an LVT collection designed specifically to coordinate with Global Change. The Skinny Plank tiles will be available in all six Global Change colorways, with Boundary Metallics Daylight and Boundary Metallics Eclipse on view in the showroom, and the full collection poised for wide release later this summer.

"Global Change takes the end-user on a journey from the forest to the coast, offering beautiful aesthetics that also deliver modular versatility and functionality," said Pei. "Each product in the collection was designed to harmoniously blend into the next, and the collection has the unique ability to adapt as design and tastes evolve."

Human Connections, designed by David Oakey of David Oakey Designs, Interface's exclusive product designer, embraces nature's elements and their relationship with interactive, gritty, urban neighborhoods, artistically interpreting city surfaces including turfs, patterns, textures and grounds. This collection is being previewed at NeoCon and will be available in mid-2017 in North and South America.

"The genesis for Human Connections is the dynamic quality of a work force that is in constant, people-oriented motion," stated Oakey. "The connection is like a neighborhood, whether leading pathways for zoning, wayfinding or crossing points, which all foster interaction. This concept of the collection is a broader offering than a traditional, single surface with choices of colors and patterns."

Human Connections includes six 50cm x 50cm squares, plus two 50cm x 50cm FLOR® by Interface styles. Paver and Flagstone draw inspiration from well-worn city streets, in four stone-like warm grays. Kerbstone serves as a transition tile to the collection's more visually depictive cobblestone-inspired tiles, Sett in Stone and Moss in Stone. Moss in Stone transitions to Moss, which imitates moss and greenery growing through cobblestone.

Stone Course and Rue, the collection's FLOR by Interface styles, are reminiscent of tile mosaics and are each available in eight color combinations. The accent colors provide pops of color, similar to flowers in bloom. These tiles enhance wayfinding in the built environment, with accent colors prime for creating zones for interaction.

Flexible and Adaptable Modular System

Both collections were developed to coordinate with existing and future Interface collections and products, including its first global LVT collection, **Level Set™**. This gives designers, specifiers and end-users ultimate flexibility to create eye-catching zones and pathways. Because the Interface flooring system is modular, customers can easily and efficiently update or replace the tiles to refresh design.

Proof Positive Tile

Alongside the introduction of Global Change and Human Connections, Interface is also unveiling a prototype, first-of-its-kind carbon negative "**Proof Positive**" tile. After the tile is made, there is less carbon dioxide in the atmosphere than if it had not been manufactured in the first place. Interface has achieved this accomplishment directly through choices in design and manufacturing, without purchasing carbon offsets.

Read more about this innovative new prototype carpet tile [here](#).

Sample Tweets:

- Stop by @InterfaceInc #NeoCon17 showroom 10-136 to see two new collections: Global Change and Human Connections. #PositiveSpaces
- @InterfaceInc's #ProofPositive proves that we can take back the climate. Check it out at #NeoCon17 showroom 10-136. #ClimateTakeBack

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