Neolith and the UIC Barcelona LITEIS Research Group Have Created a Strategic Alliance

* **The global leading sintered stone brand, Neolith, and the UIC Barcelona LITEIS research group have formed a strategic alliance to boost a sophisticated research agenda aimed at achieving more innovation and sustainability in architecture, both in housing as well as architectural heritage.**

**Barcelona; June 1, 2022 –** Neolith and the UIC Barcelona LITEIS research group have signed a collaboration agreement to do research in innovative and sustainable architectural façades. Present at the signing ceremony were José Luis Ramón, CEO of Neolith Group, David Bueno, Chief Transformation Officer for Neolith, Dr. Alfonso Méndiz, Dean of UIC Barcelona and Vicenç Sarrablo, Chair of the UIC School of Architecture, as well as professors Jordi Roviras and Cristina García Castelao, also from UIC.

The goal with this alliance is to make progress in improving and applying new developments to the new unalterable and sustainable architectural shapes that provide continuous insulation and block direct sunlight. This will lead to significant energy savings with proposals that are resistant to changes in temperature, inalterability with the passing of time and 100% natural materials.

The LITEIS research group is an important reference in academics and one of its objectives includes the innovation and development of new construction systems capable of meeting today’s sustainability and industrialization needs in home architecture and architectural heritage.

In the words of **José Luis Ramón, CEO of Neolith Group,** “*Our group is constantly evolving, researching and developing new technologies. Being on the cutting edge is a part of our DNA and this alliance will allow us to continue fostering solutions that meet consumers’ needs. We want to keep inspiring and creating bright and bold spaces that are enjoyed to the fullest. We want to create sustainable buildings and spaces so that we can live in new cities. We want to work responsibly with society and build a future for everyone and if on top of that we can save energy, then we all win*.”

On the other hand, **the Dean of UIC Barcelona, Alfonso Méndiz**, stated that at the University, “*We are very much aligned with the Neolith spirit and it’s a source of satisfaction to be able to collaborate with a company with which we share distinctive attributes such as a commitment to innovation and sustainability.”*

About Neolith

Fully believing in the idea that “the best thing about creating something is living it”, Neolith is the global leader in sintered stone. A pioneering architectural surface with superior technical characteristics made of 100% all-natural raw materials, it can provide indoor and outdoor solutions. All around the world, it has become an essential style element for any kitchen, bathroom, facade, floor and even exclusive designer furnishings.

The virtues of Neolith sintered stone combine next-generation technology featuring impressive no-limits designs through its **Iconic Design** line and high functionality. All of that, along with Neolith’s sustainable DNA, have led it to becoming one of the most environmentally friendly materials on the planet as it advocates **sustainable beauty** in all of its collections to inspire new trends in architecture.

The company is currently immersed in an expansion plan aimed at key geographic areas such as North America, Australia, the UK, Europe and China in order to continue contributing to the creation of unique spaces and extraordinary experiences featuring sustainable functional design in the nearly 100 countries where it is present through direct distribution as well as an extensive sales and *partner* network.

About the UIC Barcelona LITEIS Research Group

The LITEIS Group scientific activity is mainly based on the innovation and development of new construction systems capable of meeting today’s sustainability and industrialization needs in home architecture and architectural heritage. Its strengths include all of its efforts to collaborate with the construction sector, its capacity to create architectural demos to test the innovations developed and extensive experience producing patents with great results.