

Native Instruments releases TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 advanced DJ performance deck

**New Stems-ready TRAKTOR performance deck designed for professional
DJs on the road is now in stores**

Berlin, May 4 2015 – Native Instruments today released TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 – the next-generation deck for intuitive, creative DJ performance that takes the DJ's focus away from the laptop. The compact TRAKTOR KONTROL D2's touch-sensitive controls and full-color display provide seamless TRAKTOR workflow and a host of features for multi-channel mixing with the upcoming Stems* open audio format. TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 is now available online and in stores worldwide.

TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 takes advantage of innovative touch-and-see TRAKTOR workflow that makes DJing an intuitive mixing experience. Touch-sensitive hardware and the high-resolution display empower pro DJs to perform creatively on-the-fly with enhanced deck functions and with Stems – the forthcoming multi-channel audio format that introduces the ability to mix with a track's different musical elements individually. Arriving in summer 2015, a TRAKTOR PRO update will make TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 one of the first Stems-ready hardware controllers available. When used with the Stems-implemented version of TRAKTOR PRO 2, the D2's Performance faders, encoders, and pads will instantly correspond to a loaded Stem file's different 'stem' parts for immediate performance.

Designed to minimize bulk and setup time, TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 is highly transportable for DJs on the go. The lightweight, yet robust build features four foldable rubber-padded feet that extend to raise the unit to industry-standard height, or incline it for contoured comfort. Though one D2 alone can navigate through several TRAKTOR decks, two USB ports found on the rear panel allow a second D2 to be daisy-chained to one computer USB port for a full two-unit setup. Connections are further simplified with an included power supply splitter cable that allows two units to be powered using one power supply unit. Other TRAKTOR controllers can also be chained with TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 for more specialized performance setups.

Pricing and availability

TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 is now available for \$ 499 / 499 € at the NI Online Shop and at retailers worldwide.

* TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 will be fully compatible with Stems on public release of the format in summer 2015.

Further product information and press material

Additional information on TRAKTOR KONTROL D2 is available at:

www.native-instruments.com/d2

A digital press kit including picture material is available at:

www.native-instruments.com/press.info

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About Native Instruments

Native Instruments is a leading manufacturer of software and hardware for computer-based music production and DJing. The company's mission is to develop innovative, fully integrated solutions for all professions, styles and genres. The resulting products regularly push technological boundaries and open up new creative horizons for professionals and amateurs alike.

Native Instruments opened up the fascinating world of real-time sound synthesis on standard computers in 1996, and today offers an extensive product range for musicians, producers and DJs. The company currently employs more than 400 people in its offices in Berlin, Los Angeles, Tokyo, Shenzhen, and London and works closely with more than 40 international distribution partners to ensure its future growth and success.