

## **TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 now available in stores worldwide**

### **Out now: The new controller hardware with multi-colored LED pads for controlling the Remix Decks in TRAKTOR PRO 2.5 software**

Berlin, May 30th, 2012 – Native Instruments today announced that TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 is now available in stores worldwide and at the NI Online Shop. The latest controller from the team behind TRAKTOR KONTROL S4, KONTROL S2 and KONTROL X1 is a pad-based, USB-powered hardware controller built to control the advanced Remix Deck™ technology in the included TRAKTOR PRO 2.5 software.

Designed specifically for DJing, the KONTROL F1 offers a DJ-centric workflow for launching audio clips, loops or samples in an intuitive way using 16 multi-colored LED pads. Users can switch between up to 64 tracks, loops and one-shot samples on each deck, utilizing an ergonomic mixer section with four volume faders and dedicated filter knobs for advanced control over each sample.

TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 includes the full version of the recently released TRAKTOR PRO 2.5 software, provided as a download to all registered users. TRAKTOR PRO 2.5 is also available as a free update to all users of the TRAKTOR 2 generation. The hardware controller was designed to control the Remix Decks and provides full and tactile control over the new feature, benefiting from seamless bi-directional software-hardware integration and offering full visual feedback through the multi-colored LED pads. DJs can control up to four Remix Decks at once and save their work as a Remix Set™ with its respective beat grids, BPM and key information. To provide DJs with F1-ready audio content, Native Instruments is giving away more than 20 Remix Sets for free to all TRAKTOR PRO 2.5 users – including Sets prepared by renowned artists such as Pan-Pot, Stewart Walker, and Marc Houle, plus a selection of genre-based Remix Sets and a tutorial pack.

### **Pricing and availability**

TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 is available now for the suggested retail price of \$279 / 249 EUR at authorized retailers and at the NI Online Shop. It ships with a full version of TRAKTOR PRO 2.5, available via download on registration. All owners of TRAKTOR PRO 2, TRAKTOR SCRATCH PRO 2, TRAKTOR KONTROL S2 and TRAKTOR KONTROL S4 can update to TRAKTOR PRO 2.5 for free.

### **Further product information and press material**

Additional information on TRAKTOR KONTROL F1 is available at [www.native-instruments.com/f1](http://www.native-instruments.com/f1)

A digital press kit including picture material is available at [www.native-instruments.com/press.info](http://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 around 300 people in its two offices in Berlin and Los Angeles, and works closely with more than 40 international distribution partners to ensure its future growth and success.