## The Wido-Inv system – invisible mechanical fixing







Notice: technical parameters for panels should be verified according to the panel and complementary element producers' guidelines.

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GRC concrete façade panels can be assembled mechanically with the Wido-Inv system, which provides invisible fixing. This method uses two kinds of structures: an aluminium Wido-Grip substructure and horizontal elements assembling the panel with hanging brackets and fasteners (invisible assembly elements).



It is strongly advised that the customer, project owner and architect seek independent advice from a certified construction professional and/ or engineer regarding application and installation, as well as compliance with design requirements, applicable codes, laws and regulations, and test standards. Please check your local codes and applicable design requirements for proper use.

An individual executive design of the ventilated façade is recommended.

#### Legend:

- 1. GRC façade panel
- 2. Wido-Grip aluminium double bracket
- 3. Wido-Grip insulation washer
- 4. Screw or rivet
- 5. Wido-Grip aluminium supporting L-profile
- 6. Wido-Inv profile
- 7. Wido-Inv hanging bracket

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## **General recommendations:**

### 1. Ventilation and ventilation area

In order to ensure constant ventilation behind the panels, it is recommended to leave a 20-to-50mm-wide clearance between the facing and the thermal insulation layer or construction wall, which will allow airflow between ventilation inlets and outlets. The area of ventilation inlets and outlets must amount to at least 50 cm<sup>2</sup> per every linear metre of the elevation. The ventilation clearance as well as inlets and outlets should be chosen in accordance with relevant building regulations.

## 2. The supporting substructure

The Wido-Inv aluminium horizontal profiles can be installed on vertical elements of a wooden or aluminium supporting substructure of a sufficient strength and constant durability. The quality and conservation of the structure should obey relevant norms and building regulations.

#### 3. Assembly elements

The hanging brackets are fixed to the façade panels with two assembly fasteners or screws per bracket. Every panel has two moving points. To retain panel position, the panel must have one fixed point at the top by inserting a self-drilling screw (or similar) through the hanging bracket and into the profile.

Alternatively, where access is impossible, each panel must have one glued fixed point (with proprietary adhesive system, e.g. polyurethane).



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#### Features:

**1.** Wido-Inv enables the continuity of works in almost any weather conditions.

**2.** The panel producer's guidelines determine the substructure arrangement.

**3.** T-type profiles, which can support two neighbouring panels, can be used in joint axes.

**4.** Invisible mechanical fixing can be used for different formats.



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Wido-Inv profile spans





#### Legend:

e - distance between fastener axes

- f distance between horizontal fasteners
- c edge clearance
- → sliding point
- 🕸 adjusting point
- ixed point

Usually, the supporting bracket is a double bracket.



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## Wido-Inv profile spans







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## The Wido-Inv system - Determining vertical lengths of the Wido-Grip substructure







Having determined the panel size, you may proceed with defining the vertical lengths.

Depending on thermal expansion, the profile length may be equal or slightly smaller than the length of one or several panels. Therefore, proper calculations should be made.

**Notice:** regarding invisible mechanical fixing, the dilatation of the vertical Wido-Grip profile should be made not in the panel height (behind the panel) but between panels within the horizontal joint.



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The Wido-Inv system An exemplary bracket arrangement





The axes of vertical profiles and hanging brackets in the invisible mechanical fixing system do not have to overlap.

Legend:

a - distance between vertical profiles

 $\mathsf{Vk}-\mathsf{vertical}\,\mathsf{distances}\,\mathsf{between}\,\mathsf{Wido-Grip}\,\mathsf{bracket}\,$  axes

Supporting brackets – fixed points of vertical Wido-Grip profiles

Retaining brackets – moving points of vertical Wido-Grip profiles

Usually, the supporting bracket is a double bracket.

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## The Wido-Inv system Assembling hanging brackets to panels





The first step of the assemblage is fixing the hanging brackets to panels.

The hanging brackets should be arranged according to the panel producer's guidelines.

The most important part of preparing the panel is the accurate drilling of an assembly fastener hole.

Only CNC machines (or other specialized machines fulfilling the producer's requirements) guarantee the firmness and recurrence of the cutting and pulling strengths affecting the fasteners.

An inaccurately prepared hole may cause the panel to come off the façade.



## Assembling Wido-Inv supporting profiles









The Wido-Inv façade profiles are fixed horizontally. The arrangement of the profiles depends on the arrangement of the hanging brackets. Usually, the profile is slightly shorter than the panel width; however, it is possible to assemble profiles which are longer than the panels they support. Horizontal assemblage of one profile is easier and more precise than assembling two separate profiles. When the profile is fixed, it is cut.









Put the panel (with already attached hanging brackets) near the construction wall so that the hanging bracket is over the Wido-Inv profile.

Put the panel on the profile so that the hanging bracket is inserted in the proper element of the profile. Having placed the panel properly on the profile, tighten the façade screw and adjust the level and height of the panel.





Wido-Inv hanging bracket

After placing the panel on the profile, you can adjust the level and height of the panel. Assembling another panel above makes further adjustment impossible.

In the Wido-Inv system the assemblage of the panels on a façade goes upwards.

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The adjusting screw is accessible until we assemble a panel above the adjusted panel.









## The Wido-Inv system Calculating bracket height on the basis of elevation outreach





Elevation outreach is the basic factor determining the height of the bracket. While choosing the bracket, you should consider the unevenness of the surface. The vertical adjustment of the Wido-Grip profiles should be made possible.

#### Hk = We - (g+P+Ig)

### Legend:

We – elevation outreach Vo – thermal insulation thickness Vw – ventilation clearance (minimum 20 mm)

g – panel thickness

P – the height of the substructure between

the bracket and the panel

Ig - the thickness of Wido-Grip insulation washer

Hk - the height of Wido-Grip bracket



## The Wido-Inv system Levelling the unevenness of the building surface



Adjusting façade outreach through the change of bracket size



Adjusting a single bracket



When the adjustment of a single bracket is insufficient, you can exchange the bracket for a smaller or bigger one. Wido-Grip aluminium brackets are produced in the following sizes: 60, 80, 100, 120, 140, 160, 180, 200 and 230 mm.

For greater outreaches, stainless steel brackets or bracket lengthening devices should be used.

## Wido-Inv elements



#### 50-100377

#### Profil fasadowy montażu niewidocznego Wido-Inv - aluminium

Wido-Inv aluminium façade profile Profilstück für unsichtbare Montage im Wido-Inv – aluminium



## 50-100508

Profil fasadowy montażu niewidocznego Wido-Inv – aluminium Wido-Inv aluminium façade profile Profilstück für unsichtbare Montage im Wido-Inv – aluminium



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#### 55-100378

Zawieszka Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium Aluminium hanging bracket – 60 mm Heftklammer Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium



#### 55-100379

Zawieszka Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium Aluminium hanging bracket 60 mm Heftklammer Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium





#### 55-100380

Zawieszka z regulacją Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium Aluminium adjustable hanging bracket – 60 mm Heftklammer verstellbar Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium



### 55-100381

Zawieszka z regulacją Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium Aluminium adjustable hanging bracket 60 mm Heftklammer verstellbar Wido-Inv – 60 mm – aluminium



## Wido-Inv elements



#### 55-100465

Zawieszka Wido-Inv – 40 mm z otworem sześciokątnym – aluminium Aluminium hanging bracket with a hexagonal hole – 40 mm

Heftklammer Wido-Inv – 40 mm, Öffnung 6-eckig – aluminium



## 55-100466

#### Zawieszka z regulacją Wido-Inv – 80 mm – aluminium

Aluminium adjustable hanging bracket – 80 mm Heftklammer verstellbar Wido-Inv – 80 mm – aluminium



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## 55-100469

## Zawieszka Wido-Inv – 60 mm z otworem sześciokątnym – aluminium

Aluminium hanging bracket with a hexagonal hole – 60 mm Heftklammer Wido-Inv – 60 mm, Öffnung 6-eckig – aluminium





### 55-100470

# Zawieszka z regulacją Wido-Inv – 60 mm z otworem sześciokątnym – aluminium

Aluminium adjustable hanging bracket with a hexagonal hole – 60 mm Heftklammer verstellbar Wido-Inv – 60 mm, Öffnung 6-eckig – aluminium





## Wido-Inv elements



#### 55-100507

Zawieszka Wido-Inv z otworem okrągłym 40 mm – aluminium Aluminium hanging bracket with a round hole - 40 mm



## 50-100426

Profil zawieszki Wido-Inv – aluminium Aluminium profile for a hanging bracket Profilstück Heftklammer Inv – aluminium



## 30-600429

Gumka do profili 50-100377 Inv Rubber for profiles 50-100377 Inv Gummidichtung für Profilstücke 50-100377 Inv



### 30-200445

Blaszka ślizgowa do śruby regulacyjnej – inox Stainless steel plate for an adjusting screw Gleit-Blechlamelle für Regelungsklammer – inox



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