Lock’s revolution in Düsseldorf

FAP proposes a new door opening concept: move your foot close to the side and the garage door opens. No visible handle or locks. In addition, the arrival of the new “Twin” lock.

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The reference market for Italian FAP is Europe, where the Florence based Company assumed a leading position in the production of locks for recreational vehicles. A particular field, in which FAP has been operating since the 1960s, and where it can boast long experience and a remarkable team of expertises. Hence its constant presence at the Caravan Salon. Last year in Düsseldorf, FAP presented the automatic lock “Selfy”, a device that immediately captured the attention of the operators and will now be installed as “basic equipment” by one of major German manufacturer. Originally engineered for the “high range” vehicles, it’s practically the finest on offer today in terms of locking systems for the living unit entrance door. To close the door, you simply need to rest its latch to the frame: door closes automatically, returning to its housing by the electric activations of the locking mechanism(s). Not only, there are less effort and stress. It means less noises, not to mention the fact that vehicle’s owner have an immediate perception of high quality, a quality similar to the one for automotive that for R.V. Seeing the interest of manufacturers in this design, FAP therefore continued on this track: in the 2017 edition of Caravan Salon, is presenting the automatic garage door closing & opening mechanism, going even one step beyond performances offered by “Selfy” lock. If the user has his hands occupied, he can simply open garage door by passing his foot under a dedicated sensor disengaging Selfy lock and activating the automatic opening system. For closing an automatic system...
Twin lock

In addition to the automatic locks, Italian company FAP is presenting a new patent device at Caravan Salon: the new Twin lock for the lockers door. Normally fitted flush with the wall, the handle comes out only when the key is inserted: the classic 180° rotation isn’t required any longer; 90° are enough. But the real innovation of the Twin lock is that by means of two rods it is possible to control a further two additional locking units. The rods can be of any desired length according with your door width, which means extreme flexibility in positioning the locks. Basically, one single handle can control up to 3 locking units, positioning them as desired even on doors of considerable width size.

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Company Profile

Since nearly half century, FAP is involved in the production of plastic accessories, but not only. The founder approached R.V. market in 1968, listening suggestion of two entrepreneurs (namely Mr. Luano Niccolai from Rimor and Mr. Giovanbattista Moscardini from Laika) that made history on this field. In 1982 FAP entered also the rail way sector supplying interior decoration. Production and ware house is located in Florence in a building of 4,000 covered square meter. FAP is today covering 80% of European market needs for R.V. door locks, having good and friendly connection with door manufacturers and Motor home manufacturers.