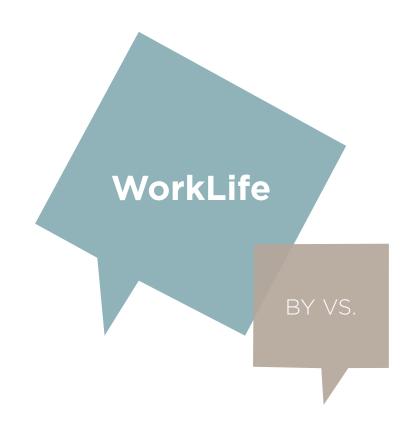


Flexible office solutions by VS

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research clearly shows how an organisation's commercial property is no longer seen as simply a place of work, but is now considered to be central to the overall performance and future success of a business.

- John Gotley, Managing Director, Portal Managed Office Solutions

# The "In-Between" Spaces

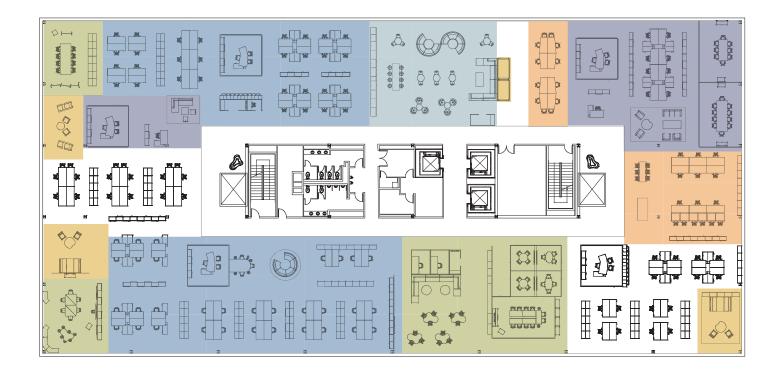
Ancillary furniture is too important to just be residential

The desk and chair were always primary furniture in the office environment, but today they are clearly just tools: a place to perch, a surface for one's device. In the past they were placed according to real estate efficiency as understood at that time – cellular offices, lower cost cubicles, or density-defying runs of benching systems – and then the in-between spaces were filled in with ancillary furniture pieces.

Today, these in-between spaces are more important than the workstations, or even the meeting rooms, as people continue to be driven by interconnectedness. The art of connecting people through furniture and layout has become a key management tool – the ancillary furniture pieces and the in-between spaces are very critical to linking areas to business objectives. The income-producing intellectual capital is owned by the social networks within a company, and as a result office planning cannot be solely about efficiency of space for just work – we must plan for the social aspects as well.

There is currently a trend towards viewing ancillary furnishings as items that introduce a residential feeling. This often results in the unwise selection of truly residential pieces that do not satisfy contract/commercial furniture standards and carry potential risks and liabilities.

Shared furniture in a mobile office has to be simple and intuitive, and both gender- and rank-neutral. Coupled with this is the recognition of nature, the outdoors, and a healthy environment that touches all the senses, rendering the restrictive nature of complex task chairs and workstations less desirable.



### Innovation, Collaboration, and Productivity

Spaces should encourage experimentation and collaboration – inspiring new thinking while communicating key aspects of brand and culture.

Furniture costs are typically in the range of just 1%-2% of a company's annual expenses, but the costs of a workforce are typically around 80% of annual expenditures. Critical decisions about space layout and furniture will have quantifiable benefits in the measurable areas of increased productivity, optimized processes, improved workflows, enhanced communication, accelerated exchange of information, as well as improved metrics for real estate utilization and efficiency.

There are also potential outcomes, although less easily measured, with regards to an improved working atmosphere, raised motivation, the capture of collective intelligence, and the

# People are more productive when they're alone, but they are more collaborative and innovative when they're together.

- Marissa Mayer, former CEO of Yahoo

establishment – if not the advancement – of the corporate culture and identity. The clarity and mission of a company is made tangible through its brand, and the furniture choices formerly regarded as ancillary are key in embodying the brand and culture in the workplace experience.

There is ample evidence that most desks and meeting rooms are under-utilized, and seating capacity is excessive, which results in wasted space. According to the "Optimaze Workplace Review 2016" published by Rapal Oy, work seats are used on average only 37% of the time, and designated meeting rooms are used only 44% of the time, with the meeting seats in use for only 19% of the time. Enclosed offices and conference

rooms no longer adequately serve knowledgework, and clearly do not afford the best support for activity-based work.

It is now commonly accepted that real estate should not be regarded as overhead – a company must align its space with organizational goals. The essence of this shift is to move away from isolation and repetition to casual collision and imagination, thereby empowering the staff.

This re-alignment means seeing space not as something to accommodate equipment, functions, and processes, but as a tool to make employees more innovative, productive, and rapid in processes.

# There is tremendous pressure for workplaces to integrate learning with every aspect of daily activity.

- Gensler Workplace Survey

## Where Intellectual Capital Thrives

In the convergence of people and places that we call an office, the purpose in today's economy is to implement knowledge gathering and to embed the capture and exchange of it in all work processes. Knowledge exchange only is insufficient - intellectual capital has to be owned and entrenched to inform all employees if there is to be a culture and a continuity of mission.

As intellectual capital has become the prime resource for every organization, we see ideas migrating from office to education spaces and from education into the workplace. With a history deeply rooted in the creation and furnishing of learning spaces, VS is a leader in the field of high-performance environments.

# Partner with VS and transform these essential office zones into high-performing spaces

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#### **EXECUTIVE**

Where the company culture and business offering is crystal clear, and the company's mission is celebrated.



#### **MEETING/TRAINING**

Where brainstorming happens - from scheduled meetings to impromptu sidebars.



#### QUIET/KICK BACK

Spaces for focused work, whether on the individual or team level, with acoustic considerations throughout each space.



#### TOUCHDOWN

Spaces created for remote workers as they drop in to make connections and collaborate with colleagues.



#### LOUNGE/CAFÉ

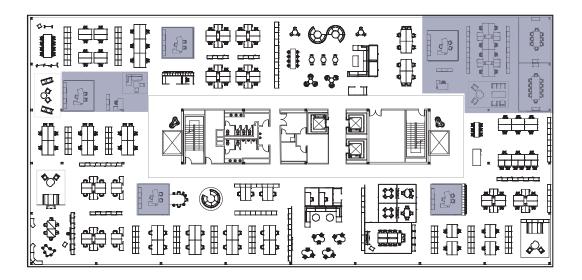
Social spaces where engaging discussions can take place and relationships are built.



#### **TYPICAL NEIGHBORHOODS**

Areas where workstations, both dedicated and collaborative, reside.

# Work Life EXECUTIVE



### Culture: Reveal and Celebrate

The client welcome and experience

The best thing a company has to offer is its culture. The workplace must be unique to the corporation, define its personality, and articulate a particular brand narrative. Competitive advantages in services provided or products manufactured can be short-lived, especially in these days of knock-offs, but a company's strong visible culture is almost impossible to duplicate and is therefore its best long-term competitive advantage.

With respect to office space the design must consider how the materials, fixtures, or features tie back to the way a company wants to feel and be represented. Well-designed and useful objects bring an aesthetic and a texture that create a context for workers and clients – and express the particular culture. The space, even an entire building, is a tool that should be used to force transparency everywhere.



## **TheWelcome**

An organization's executive areas should provide the first and most clear expression of its culture and business offering. Authenticity, excellence, and transparency can be conveyed in timeless pieces reflecting a company's commitment to a long-term mission as opposed to a flavor-of-the-month appearance with a short-term hype.



**Lovell Lounge**Richard Neutra
Collection



Low Organic Table Richard Neutra Collection



Cantilever Chair Steel Richard Neutra Collection

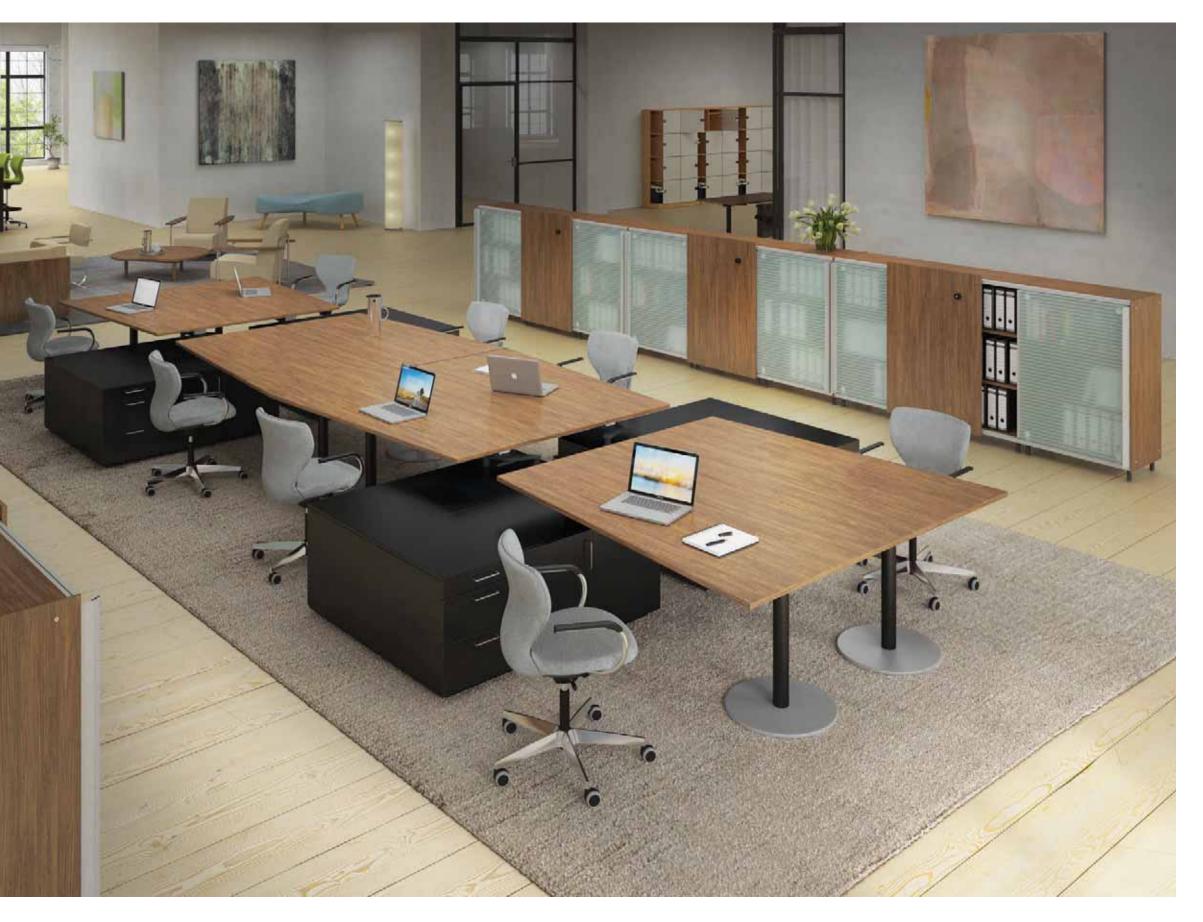


**Camel Table**Richard Neutra
Collection



**Alpha**Richard Neutra
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## **Executive Shared**

When executives are sequestered within the silos of their own department and people, the ideal synergies and strategizing activities are negatively impacted. The most effective C-suite is a shared space that increases opportunities for various executives to meet face-to-face. Within this executive shared space, accessibility, immediacy, and transparency are maximized in one big open room.









**Puzzle** Seat element

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## **Executive Private**

The idea of a CEO seated in the middle of an open plan evokes the transparency and breaking down of hierarchy that is very much sought today, but when a dedicated executive office is an absolute must, ancillary furniture can convey the same flattened hierarchy and warm collegial atmosphere. Classic, well-designed pieces express business strength and longevity – the key is to deliver a message of hospitality along with a clear brand statement.



Series 901



**Stratos W** Visitor's chair

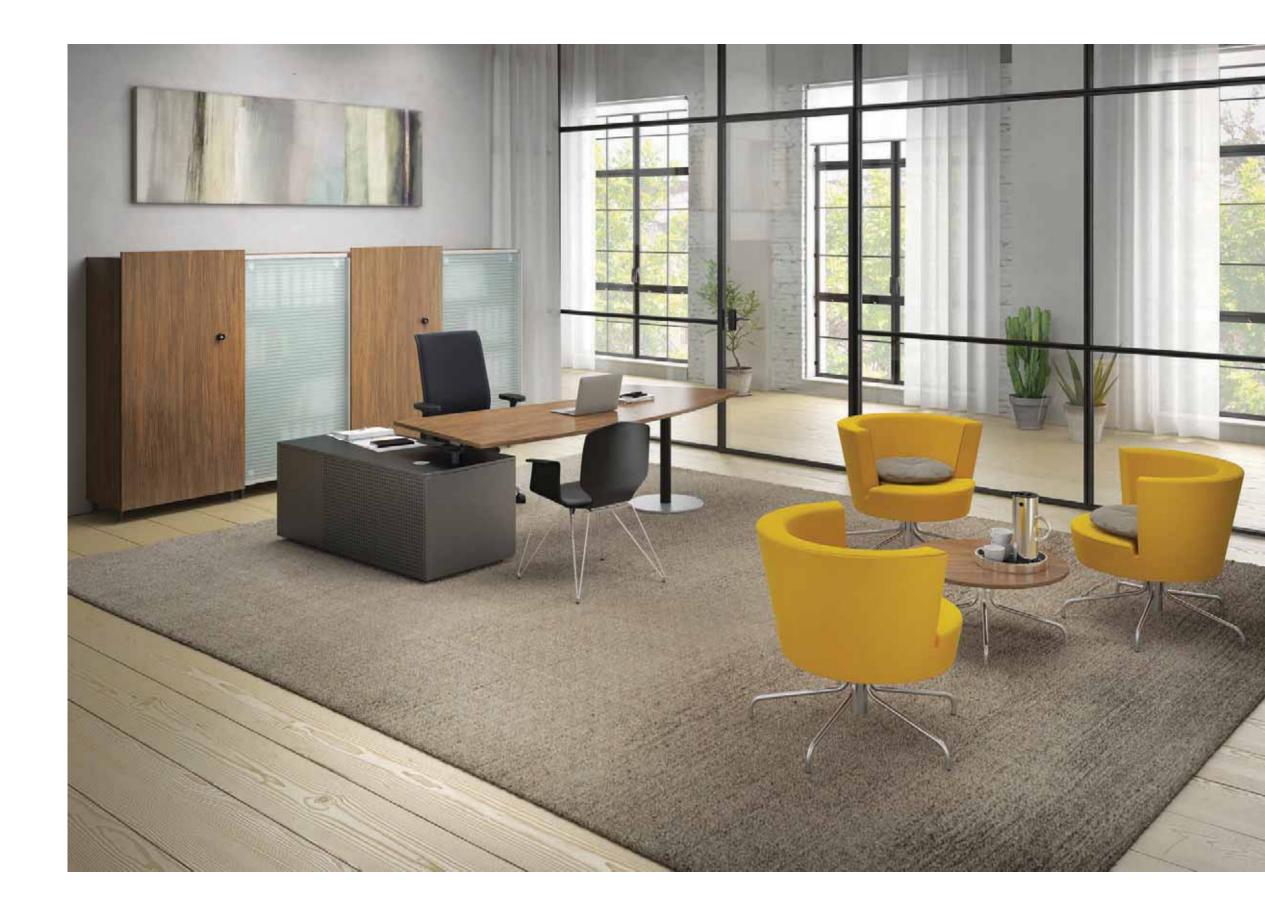


Series 700 Cupboard system



Series Lounge







## **FormalMeet**

Face-to-face collaboration is essential when you want to get something done quickly in a large organization.

- Michael Sappington, former CEO of gloStream

Most formal meeting rooms are just that - too formal. While they may need to be large and make a desired impression when they are primarily client-facing, their formality is often too rigid and inflexible. To support creativity the furnishings need to be dynamic and allow for change. Mobility of technology and services is essential, and should not be built into the furniture as these will advance and change more rapidly than the need for new furniture.

If the import and enthusiasm within the meeting is to be sustained after its conclusion, small group support areas should be provided nearby for discussions before and after the formal meeting.



LongTable Conference table



**Stratos** Swivel chair



**S600** Mobile catering cart

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## **66** 80% of all real innovative ideas emerge from personal communication. ""

is often deserted break-out spaces, elaborately

maybe just two or three participants. And the spaces are to support creativity the furnishings cannot be static.

essential for pre- and post-meeting gathering.





LongTable Conference table



Stratos Swivel chair



Media rack



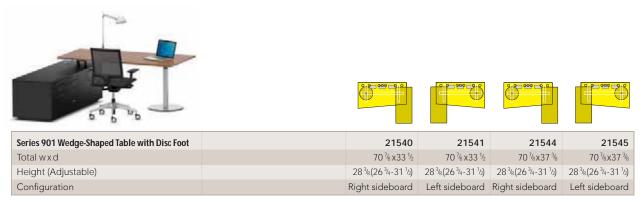




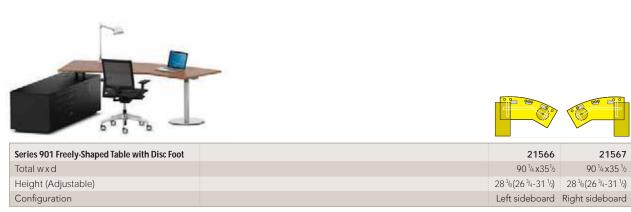
S600 Mobile catering cart

## Series 901

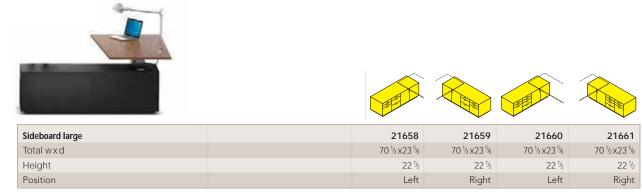
Series 901 is a highly efficient office furniture system which provides for universal furnishing concepts and covers all the functions that are required in an office: from reception and ergonomic sitting/standing workstations, right through to prestigious management and conference solutions. The tables are easy to assemble and fit seamlessly into all manner of room situations and architectural concepts without losing any of their unique character or formal lines.



Materials: Steel tube: M2, Laminated top: L6; Veneered top: F1.



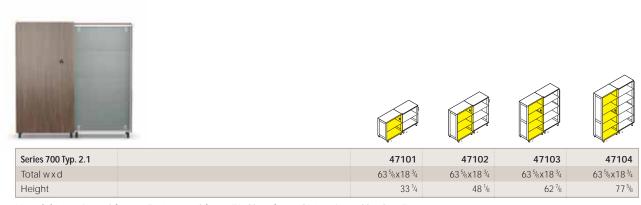
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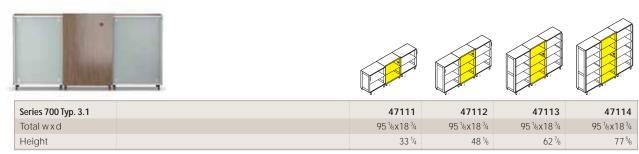
Materials: Laminated body: L1; Laminated front: L1.

## Series 700

Providing ample storage space in a classic design, the Series 700 is perfect for any office environment. The fronts have sliding doors for ease of access into any cabinet space, and when a secure system is necessary, cylinder locks are available.



Materials: Laminated front: L3; Veneered front: F1; Glass front: G1, Laminated body: L3.



Materials: Laminated front: L3; Veneered front: F1; Glass front: G1, Laminated body: L3.

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Lovell Easy Chair + Ottoman Steel	98046	98047
wxd	31 ½x35 ¾	31 ½x26 ¾
Seat Height (cushion)	15 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	15 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
Total Height	32 %	15 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>

**Materials:** Chrome plated tubular steel; Armrests: solid wood, matt finish natural oak, walnut, or cherry. Upholstery: Nappa leather black, brown, sand, S55,56,57,58,59,60.

















Alpha Seating	98051	98052	98053	98054	98055	98056
wxd	37 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x31 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	37 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x 31 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	62 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x31 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	62 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x31 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	86 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x31 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	86 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x31 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
Seat Height	17 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	17 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	17 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	17 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	17 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	17 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
Total Height	311/2	31½	31½	311/2	31½	31½

Materials: Frame: Matt finish natural oak, walnut, or cherry; Upholstery: Nappa leather black, brown, sand, S55,56,57,58,59,60.









98001	98004
80 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x 35	74 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x37 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>
30 (14 1/4)	30 (14 1/4)

Materials: Chrome plated tubular steel; Laminated top: L3; Veneer top: F1.



**Camel Table** wxd

Height Down (Up)

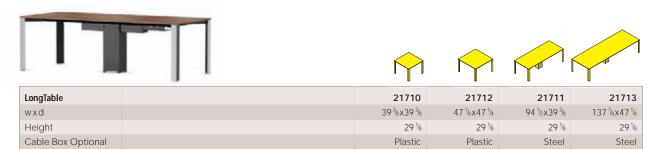


Low Organic Table	98013
Diameter	48
Height	13

Materials: Matt finish natural oak, walnut, or cherry.

## LongTable

The LongTable was created to be the centerpiece of conference and meeting spaces, ensuring that everyone gets a seat at the table. Optional cable boxes ensure that all cords are hidden away for a clean, streamlined look.



Materials: Chrome plated steel frame: Veneered top: F1.

### **Stratos**

The elegant Stratos chair immediately invites visitors to sit and relax, and the upholstery of the seat and backrest ensures a high level of comfort. Different materials and upholstery colors are available to help create a striking and sophisticated ambiance.



**Materials:** Steel tube frame: M2,(high polished Alu, chrome-plated); Seat and backrest: H2; Upholstery: S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,64.





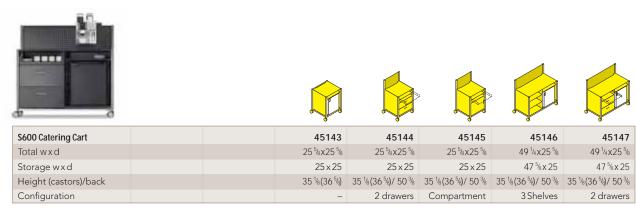


Stratos W	31881	31882
Seat wxd	20 x 18 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	20 x 18 ½
Seat Height	18 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	18 ½
Total wxd	26 % x 22 %	26 % x 22 %
Total Height	32 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	32

**Materials:** Steel tube frame: M1, chrome-plated; Seat and backrest: H2; Upholstery: S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58, 59.60,64.

## Series 600

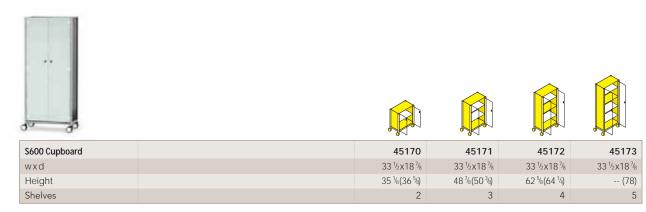
The Series 600 furniture line is extremely versatile, meeting your needs in each and every space. Simply use the mobile catering element wherever you need a coffee station set up, the media cart model for interactive meetings, or the basic cupboard model for intelligent mobile storage space.



Materials: Tubular steel: M1, Chrome plated; Steel Front: M1; Steel body: M1.



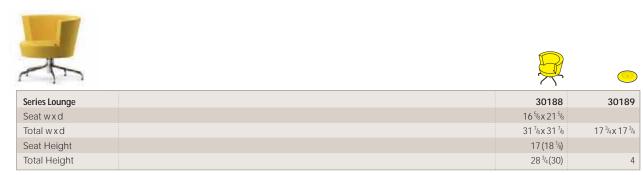
Materials: Tubular steel: M1, Chrome plated; Steel Front glass: G2; Steel body: M1.



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## **Series Lounge**

Inspired by mobile workers in coffee shops, lounge furniture has invaded the world of work - broadening the possibilities for location independent work. There, they are adapted to suit workplace seating needs, offering new possibilities. That was the starting point for the Series Lounge - a furniture system with accessories that VS developed with Hubertus Eilers.



Materials: Chrome plated tubular steel, Upholstery: S16,45,46,51,53.

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Series Lounge	20110	20111	20112	20113
wxd/ø	23 ½ x 23 ½	27	23 5% x 23 5%	27 %
Height	13 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	13 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	26 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	26 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>

Materials: Chrome plated tubular steel; Laminated top: L3; Veneer top: F1.

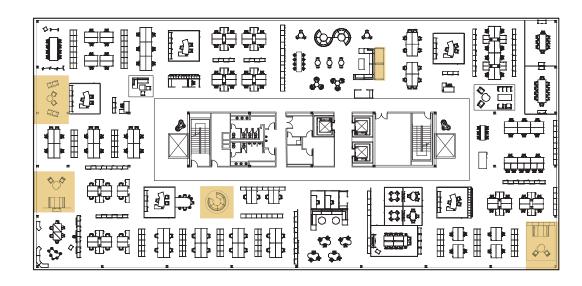
## **Puzzle**

This freeform seating element adds dimension and character to any room. The 3-dimensionally shaped surface has seating positions of different heights, welcoming people to take a seat.



 $\textbf{Materials:} \ \textbf{Steel frame:} \ \textbf{M(silver);} \ \textbf{Wood frame:} \ \textbf{H(natural, black stain);} \ \textbf{Upolstery:} \ \textbf{S45,46,51,64}.$ 

# WORKLIFE QUIET/KICK BACK



## Focus and Collaboration

Quiet is the absence of distracting noises, not the absence of all sound.

Plan for noise by creating only meaningful separations that enhance the experience, respecting the different types of retreat and heads-down spaces.

Focus and collaboration are complementary work-modes – an office cannot choose one or the other and be successful. Work environments where the employees have the autonomy to choose their work area based on the task, as well as on their individual sensitivities, are more effective, high-performance environments. Balancing focus and collaboration is key.

#### Two kinds of focus spaces:

Concentration spaces: these areas must have an acoustical separation, as well as a visual stop. This includes designated spaces for taking calls within the larger open plan workspace.

Contemplation/recharge spaces: the equivalent respite of one's home, quiet and separate, more natural or organic, differentiated from the corporate branded spaces.



## **GetAway**

First and foremost, design must be inclusive. In a successful convergence of place and people, the people come first, with processes and productivity second.

The move towards non-traditional office layouts affords an opportunity to evaluate not only how people work, but also how they learn. If your corporate headquarters is your 'academy' of intellectual capital, then the first order of business is to understand how your employees learn. The range of learning differences and how people process information can and does affect their work style. Understanding learning styles is equally as important as identifying the individual work styles, since they are inextricably linked.

Today there is an awareness that those differences may be what inspires creativity and innovation. Open spaces must provide choice so they are not intimidating and counterproductive, and they must cater to all the varying sensibilities and learning styles of the workers.



**Series Lounge** Seating elements and occasional table

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## LaidBack

The hum of the coffee shop and the ambient noise in a café are optimal for individual creativity - measuring typically at 70 decibels, this is superior to a 55 decibel level which is more suited to detailed work.



**Series Lounge** Seating elements

Informal conversations between colleagues are essential; they are more than 2.5 times as important for the success of an organization than access to more information.

Productivity can be enhanced by 10% without further costs just by re-arranging a work environment and by allowing more social interaction between colleagues.

Professor Alex "Sandy" Pentland, MIT



## MeetUp

Acknowledge that it's all social: translate processes and traditional spaces into social networks to break down the silos that prevent knowledge sharing.



Series Lounge Seating elements



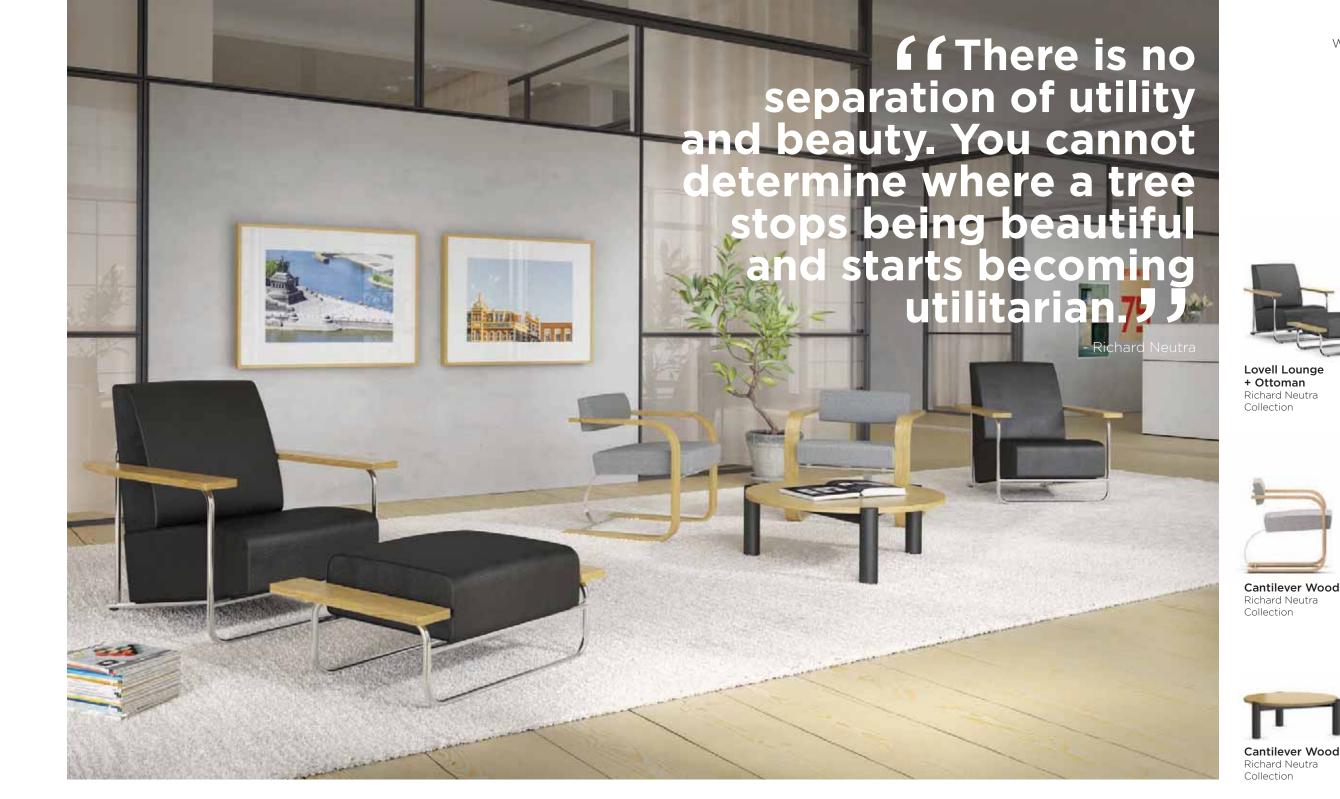
Boomerang Richard Neutra Collection



Richard Neutra Collection



S600 Mobile catering cart



## **Chillax**

**Active, relaxing, and holistic spaces** – celebrating movement, food service, coffee breaks, and daylight. These strategic renewals boost productivity, job performance, and health.

Bringing the outdoors into the workspace has been seen to improve health. This idea was identified as Biorealism back in the 1920s by Richard Neutra, and is once more coming to the

forefront. The inherent and inseparable relationship between humans and nature was the underlying theme of all of Neutra's designs, both in buildings and furniture. VS identified this important characteristic some years ago when the company decided to acquire exclusive rights to the distribution of Neutra's iconic furniture pieces.

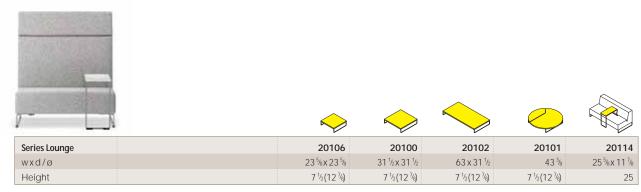
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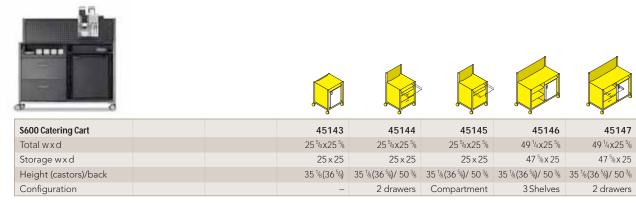
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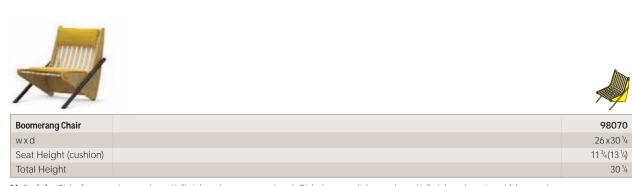
Series 600 furniture is extremely versatile, and can easily be transitioned from space to space depending on your needs. The mobile catering model pictured below is perfect for meeting rooms, hallways, and more, creating an oasis for a quick coffee or water break.



Materials: Tubular steel: M1, Chrome plated; Steel Front: M1; Steel body: M1.

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**Materials:** Side frame: plywood, matt finish oak veneer, natural; Side bars: solid wood, matt finish oak, natural/charcoal; Netting: dark brown, off-white; Upholstery: S55,56,57,58,59,60.







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**Materials:** Chrome plated tubular steel; Armrests: solid wood, matt finish natural oak, walnut, or cherry. Upholstery: Nappa leather black, brown, sand, S55,56,57,58,59,60.





Cantilever Chair Wood	98039
wxd	26 3% x 25 5%
Seat Height	17 3/8
Total Height	30 1/2

Materials: Frame: plywood, matt finish oak veneer, natural; Upholstery: Nappa leather black, brown, sand, \$55,56,57,58,59,60.

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**Materials:** Table top: veneer in natural European oak, American walnut, or American cherry, matt finish. Legs: solid wood natural European oak, American walnut, or American cherry, natural or charcoal stained.

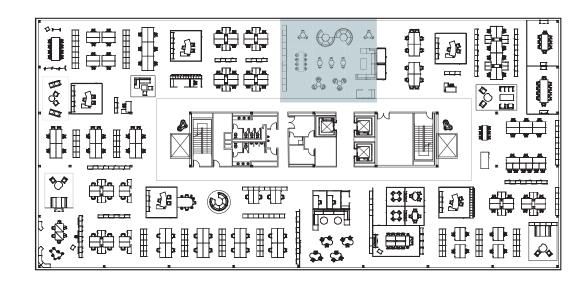


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to the ways in which people relate to themselves and to each other, and my work is a way of scooping and ladling that experience.

## WORLIfe LOUNGE/CAFÉ



### Lounge, Café, Break-Out Spaces

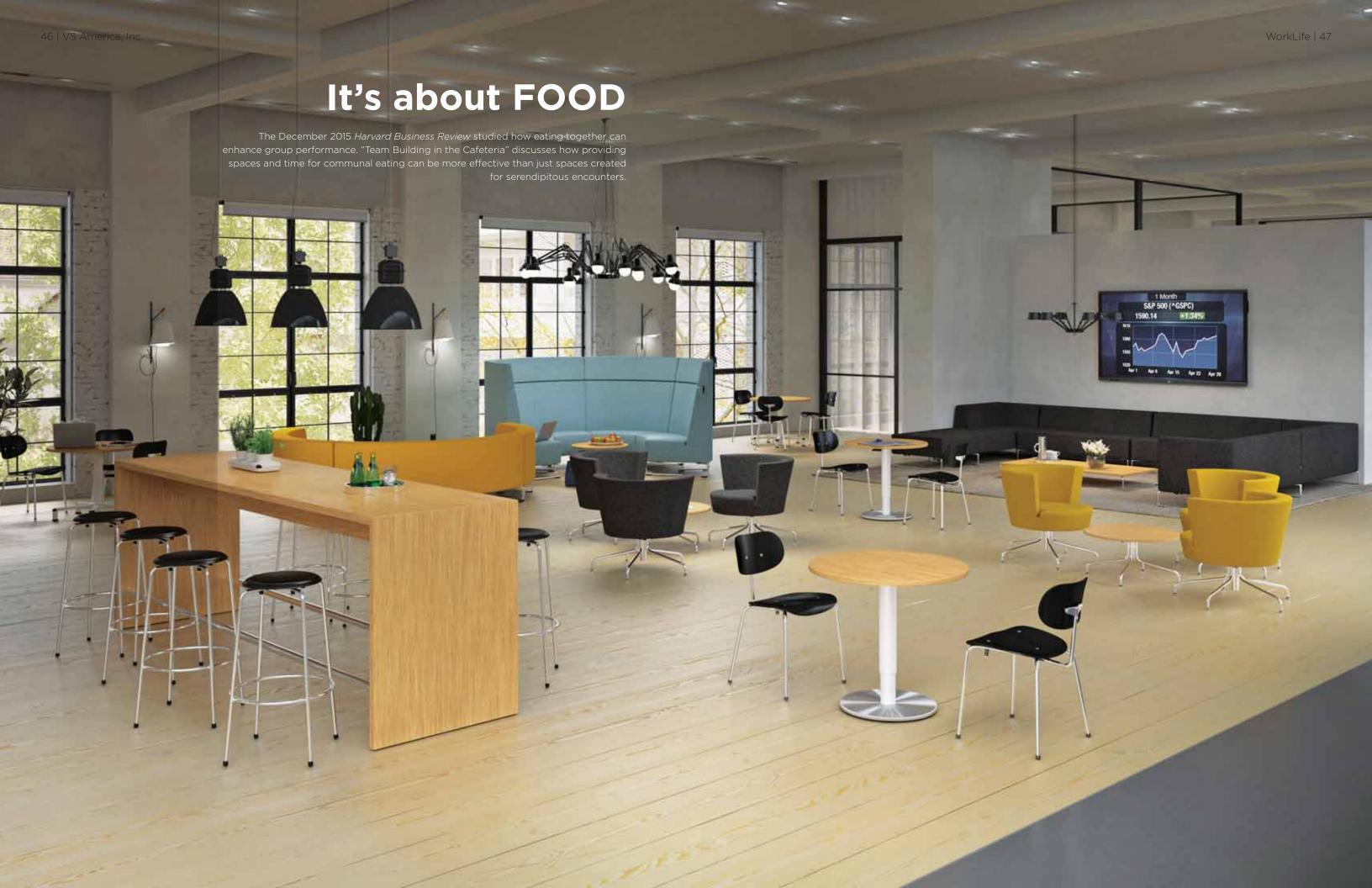
It's social – friends are crucial

## Metworks are self-organizing structures held in place by relationships of trust.

- Professor Karen Stephenson, Erasmus University

As clinical psychologist Steven M. Sultanoff points out, only 15% of workers are fired because of lack of competence. The remaining 85% are let go because they are unable to get along with fellow employees.

There is organized collaboration because people have to meet, and then there are chance encounters which are different from planned meetings. These are about unplanned crossorganizational engagement, and they have results that are also unplanned and unforeseen.



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## CoffeeBreak

It is only ideas gained from walking that have any worth. ""
- Friedrich Nietsche

High-performance work comes from an active environment that drives casual and spontaneous collisions. Physical and visual proximity increases the ability to have impromptu discussions, thereby speeding up processes and decisions.





M Table Stand-at/sit-at table





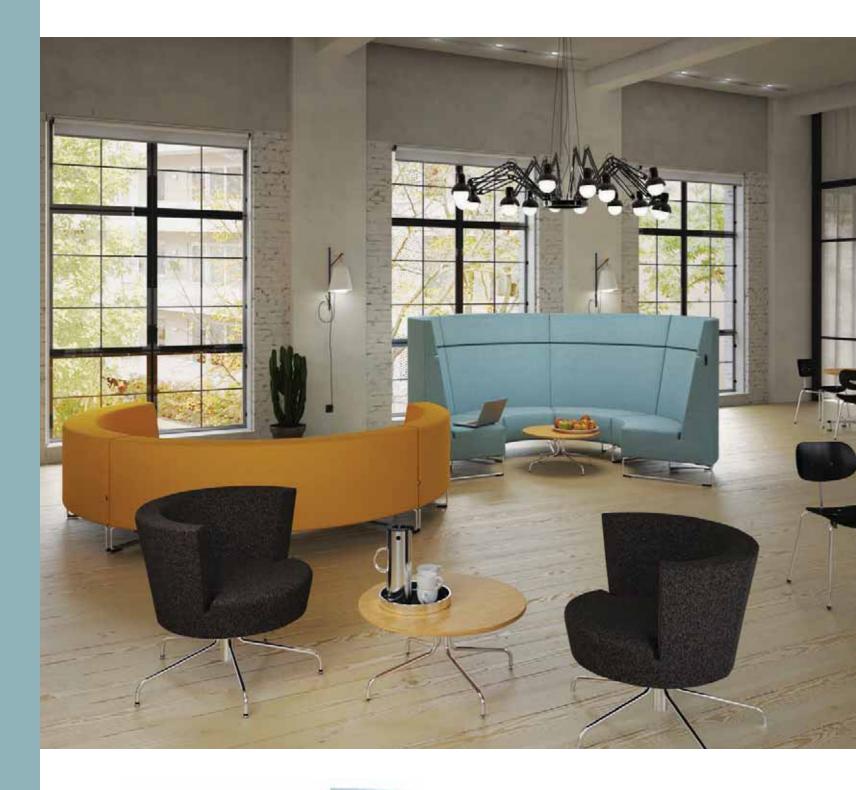


Height-adjustable

S800 Cabinet system

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## LoungeWork









Series Lounge





## **TouchBase**

The age of remote and nomadic workers causes a heightened demand for informal points of contact. In addition to fostering a collegial atmosphere, it is vitally important to create a community of trust.



Series Lounge Seating element



Series Lounge Occasional table

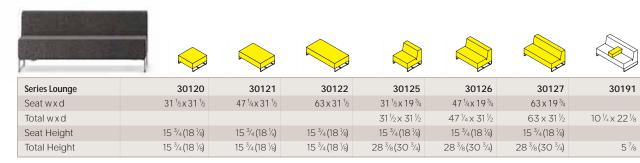


Series Lounge Chair

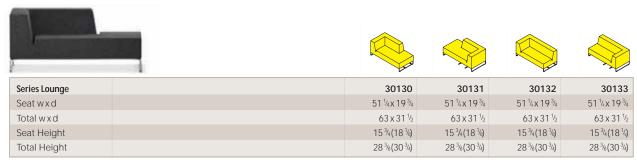


## **Series Lounge**

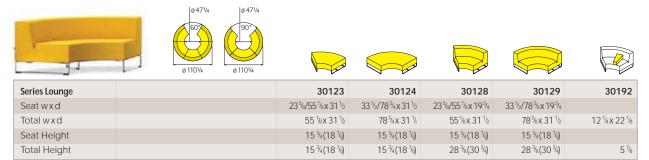
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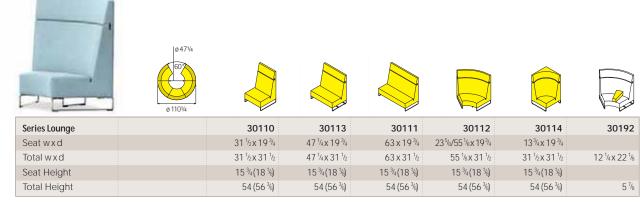
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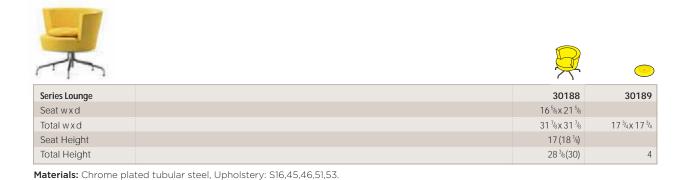
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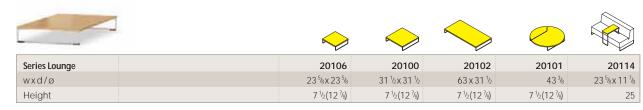
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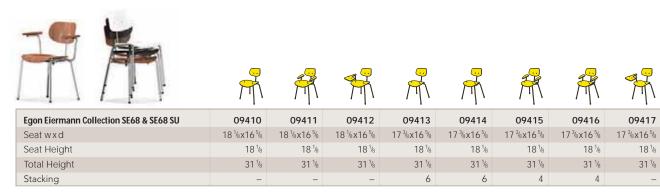
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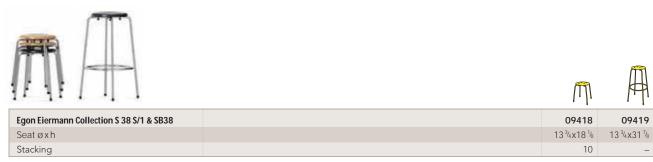
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## **Eiermann**

For architect and furniture designer Egon Eiermann, furnishings were part of the overall architectural concept. The Eiermann pieces pictured below show true minimalism with maximum effect, with delicately shaped construction and an elegance that is never obtrusive.



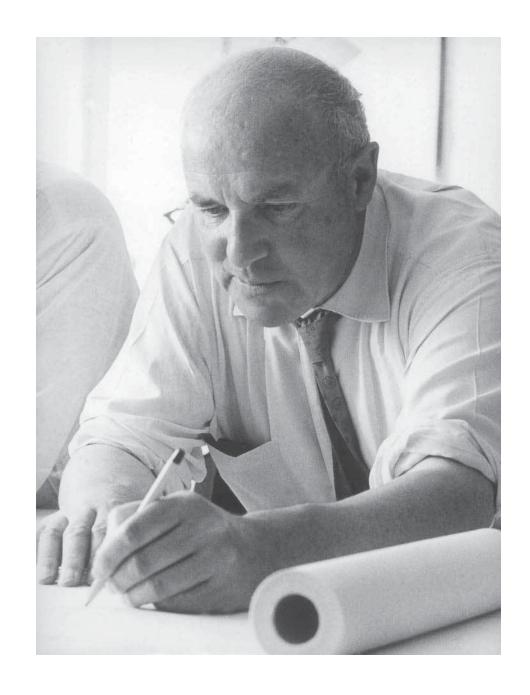
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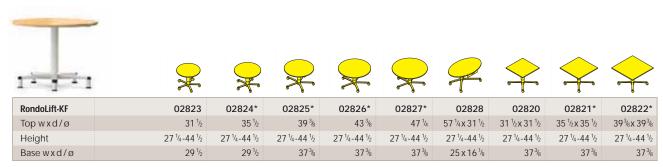


# First I ask myself if something is right and then whether it is beautiful.

- Egon Eiermann

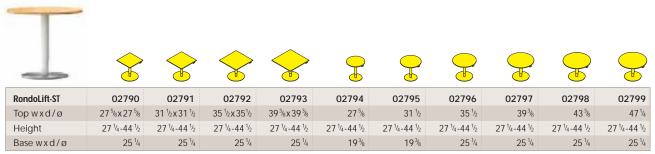
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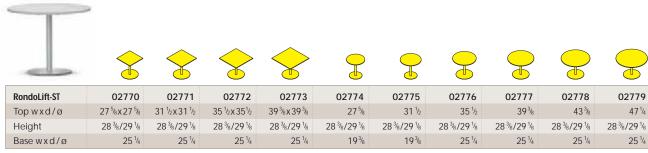


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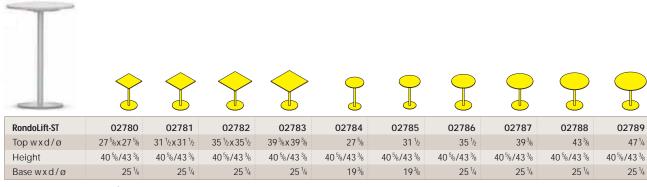
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## Series 800

One system, many faces. Shelving cabinets, wall elements, assorted surfaces and cabinet sizes – a wide range for virtually unlimited applications. Series 800 cabinets offer great furnishing variety through the use of appropriate fixtures and fittings.

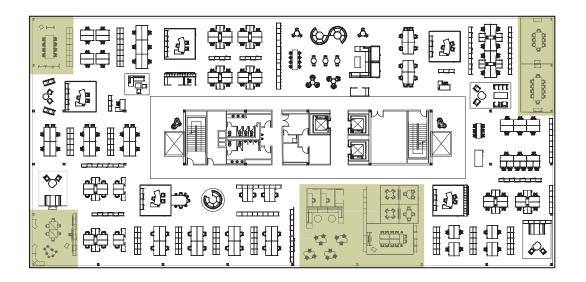


Series 800

Due to multiple configurations and options please visit www.vsamerica.com for more information.

Materials: Laminated body and front: L3; Veneered front; F1.

# WORKLIFE MEETING/TRAINING



## Conference and Training Rooms

Where brainstorming is at its peak

As we mentioned earlier, most meeting rooms are under-utilized, and seating capacity is excessive, which results in wasted space. This was evident in the findings of the "Optimaze Workplace Review 2016" published by Rapal Oy, which sampled 23,000 workers from a global population.

- Designated meeting rooms are used only 44% of the time, with the meeting seats in use for only 19% of the time. There were always 49% of all the meeting seats free and unused.
- 66% of all meetings involve four people or less, but 57% of the time these meetings are in rooms designed for 5-9 people, and 37% of the time in rooms intended for 16 or more people.
- More than a third of the time spent in the typical office environment involves working with others, but clearly the workstation and usual meeting room configurations are not optimal.



## **BeMessy**

Create a domain in which the dynamics of change can occur

In celebrating your culture - your only true competitive advantage - expecting and inviting change means the robust infrastructure of spaces that adapt to every situation. In non-client facing but readily accessible gathering spaces, active, noisy, and social means messy.



**Shift+ Landscape** Soft seating element



Hokki+, Hokki Height-adjustable and select height stools



Puzzle Freely-shaped table



**Shift+ Interact**Height-adjustable
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## YourTeam

Who is on the team?

The battle for talent

Attracting and retaining staff – and the bringing them into the office in this digital ag so that ideas and skills are shared – require persuading the next generation to choose you company. Does your space inspire people to digreat work?

The in-between areas have too often been overlooked, and ancillary furniture treated as fill-in pieces. According to Swedish futurologist Mats Lindgren, the team you want is known to look for these features, in order of importance:

- Accessibility of colleagues
- Meeting rooms, preferably small
- Informal work areas and break-out zones
- Variety of space types in the office
- Wired (in-office) network connectivity
- Natural light
- Quiet rooms for working alone or in pairs
- Communal areas such as atriums
- Remote access to files and/or network

Take note that no workstation was ever mentioned. The primary furniture required which was once considered ancillary, is now a range of intuitive ad hoc pieces - convenient meeting tables that are mobile and perhaps height-adjustable, as well as perching stools whiteboards, and portable media pieces along with related mobile storage units





**TriUnion**Stand-at table



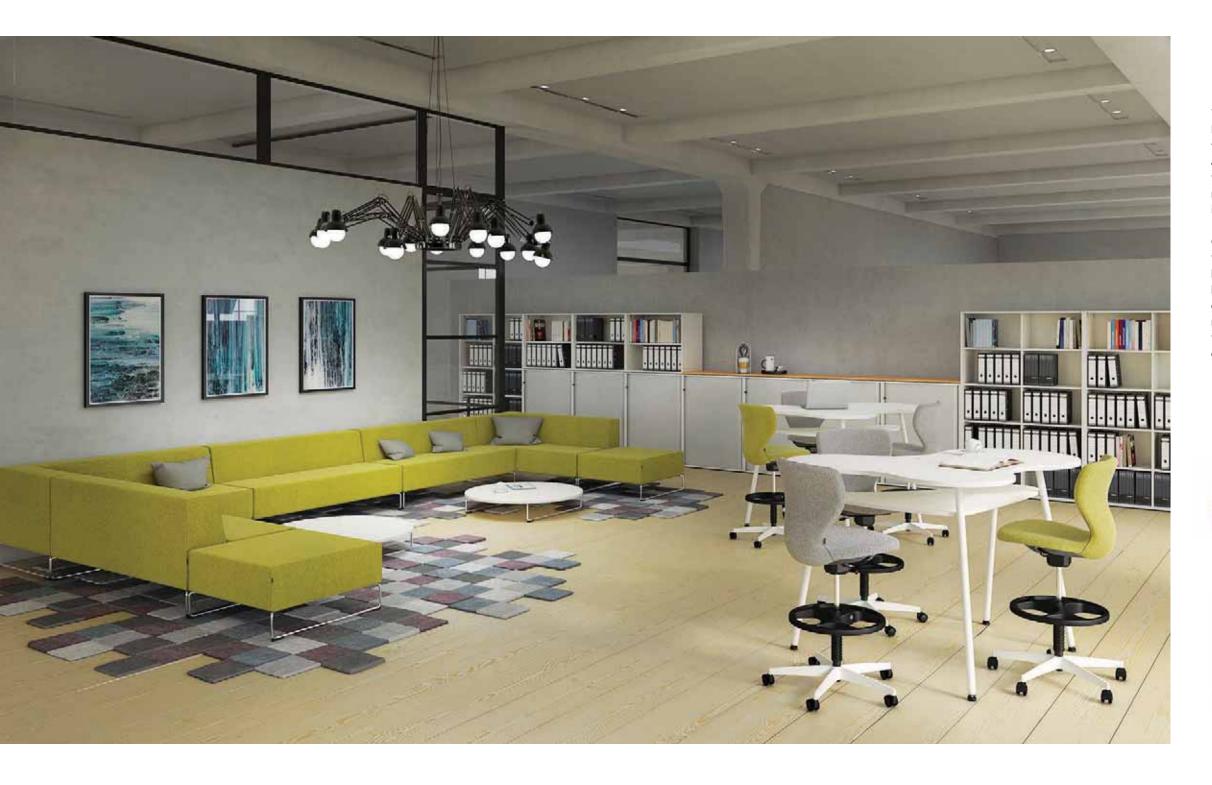
NF-Move Height-adjustable



Puzzle Freely-shaped table



Hokki+, Hokki Height-adjustable and select height



## **FollowUp**

The momentum after meetings is frequently lost as participants flee to their respective workstations afterwards. An appropriate adjacent space for conversations about thoughts, feelings, and impressions from the meeting is critical, as are discussions about intended follow-up.

Comfortably furnished to invite such discourse, these spaces serve as relaxing break-out zones between meeting sessions, as well as offering a base for participating nomadic employees and outside professionals. Including a hospitality refreshment feature will keep the community together throughout the day's activities and exchanges.



**Series Lounge**Seating elements and occasional table







**TeamTable** Stand-at table

\$500

S500 Cabinet system

## ImpromptuMeet

66 Physical proximity still matters for research productivity and impact. 33

- Isaac Kohane, Harvard Medical School

In research done by Harvard Medical School scientists, it was found that on average a paper with one to four authors was cited 45% more when the authors were in the same building, compared to research papers with authors in separate buildings.

Creating those in-between spaces with inviting ancillary furniture pieces creates an environment that draws people together and lights the spark of co-creation and innovation.



Hokki+ Height-adjustable



PantoMove-Soft Height-adjustable



Stand-at/sit-at table





## **TeamTalk**

It is important to have a space connecting the various zones of the office where separate teams can come together to share knowledge and exchange ideas. This space becomes the knowledge marketplace - a place where teams can casually foster information sharing and relationship building, making sure separate teams are always aligned.





chair

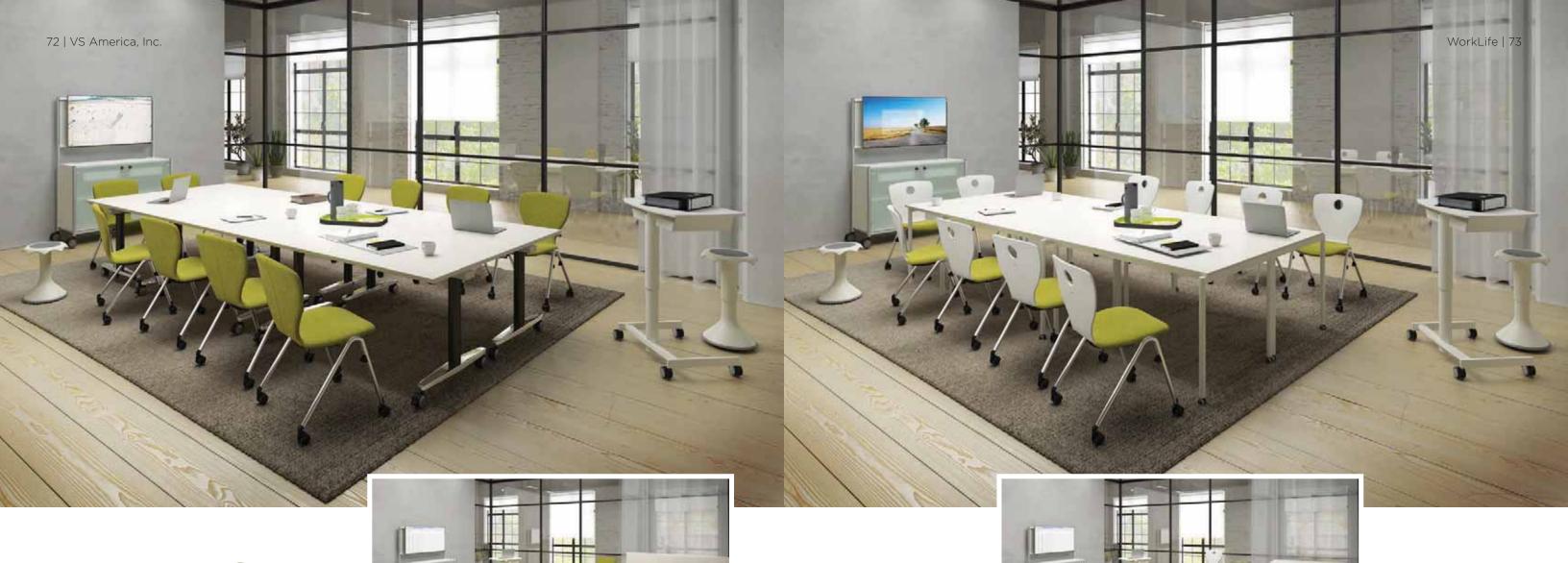






S600 Stand-at storage

S500 Cabinet system



## **Transform**

Meeting areas must be flexible, both in use and furnishings. A minimum number of pieces should be able to create varied layouts, and more importantly, the required adjustment of the furniture must be simple and intuitive.



FlipTable-TF
Folding top table



Compass-VF 4-legged chair



Hokki+, Hokki Height-adjustable and select height



Shift+ Interact Height-adjustable lectern



**S600** Media cart



**LiteTable-AL**Lightweight stackable table



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## **Spontaneous**

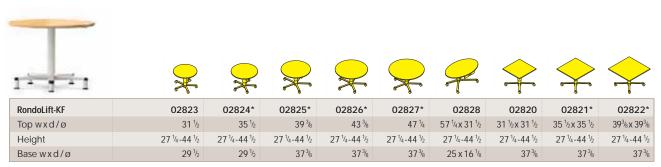
The Propinquity Effect - the more we interact with someone the more easily we become friends. Design can be key in creating an environment that draws people together, thus promoting collaboration.

# Simply glancing at someone once increases the likelihood that you will interact with them.

- Andrew Heumann, former designer at NBBJ

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\* Optionally available with a folding table top.



#### **TriUnion**

Available in two heights, this stand-at table is light, easy to move, and adapts to the needs of every work situation. A special characteristic of the TriUnion is the lower frame. It offers a foot rail all around in two heights so everyone – regardless of their height – can comfortably rest their foot and change their standing position regularly. TriUnion tables can also be easily linked together in various configurations for larger groups.



Materials: Steel tube frame: M1, Chrome plated; Laminated top: L4; Veneer top: F1; Compact top: L4.

#### **Puzzle**

Reshape the conversation with the Puzzle Table. With an appealing design and innovative shape that invites collaboration, the Puzzle Table is offered in several colors, surfaces, and edge options to fit a variety of spaces.



Materials: Steel tube frame: M1; Laminated Top: L3.

### **Shift+ Interact**

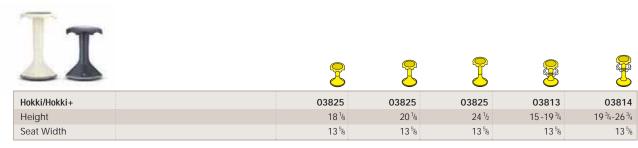
With the Shift+ Interact, podiums are a thing of the past. Take the presentation to the next level using this height-adjustable lectern, easily transformed to fit everyone's style perfectly – whether they prefer sitting behind it, standing behind it, or placing it to the side simply as a notes holder to keep them on track. The castors make the lectern mobile so it can move anywhere in the room when the need calls for it, or it can be moved off to the side when it is not in use.



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## Hokki/Hokki+

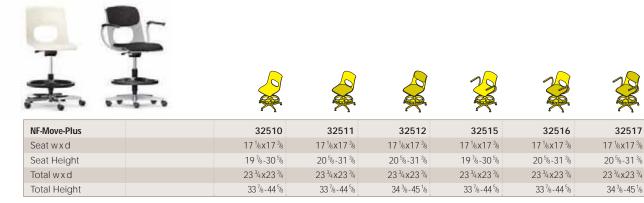
The Hokki stool is a true original, with an iconic wobble that creates added motion and balance, making it easy for professionals to be more engaged and focused. The Hokki is incredibly stable and provides movement that feels natural and unrestricted, with 360-degree rotation. The height-adjustable model, the Hokki+\*, has a gas spring height adjustment with antitwist protector, resulting in overall stability and seating comfort. All of the Hokki stools are lightweight so they can easily be carried into a meeting room or to a desk.



Materials: Plastic: C2.

#### **NF-Move-Plus**

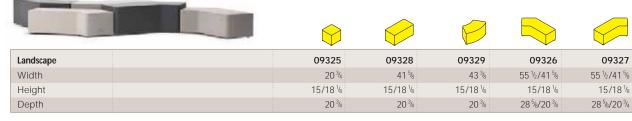
The design for the NF family of chairs comes from Nicolai Fuhrmann, who has worked as a design partner for VS since 2006. He began his career at Jorge Pensi Diseño in Barcelona, and then worked for several years in Milan and Zurich before setting up his own studio in Cologne in 2004. For him, every project starts by listening and observing openly – only then can the creative process start. As a stool for sit/stand workstations, the height-adjustable NF-Move-Plus – with an adjustable foot ring for that added comfort – really comes into its own.



**Materials:** Tubular steel: M1; Plastic seat steel: C1; Upholstery: S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,64.

## **Shift+ Landscape**

Create a dynamic oasis with the Landscape soft seating elements. Available in different heights and colors, these elements offer appealing group seating areas with more informal character.



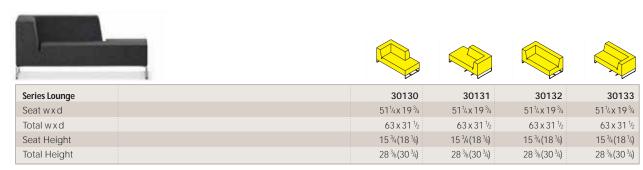
Materials: Upholstery: S40,64.

## **Series Lounge**

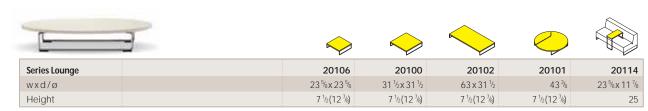
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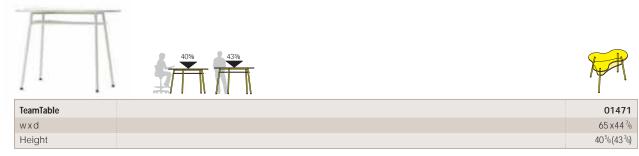
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#### **TeamTable**

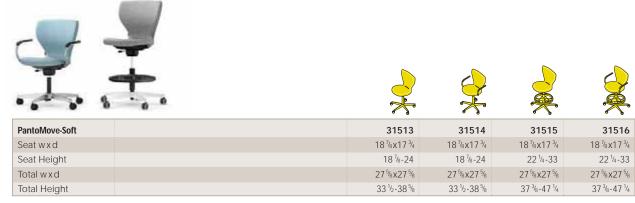
The TeamTable brings it all together with a shape that enhances collaborative exchanges, and provides instant flexibility for changing work needs. Designed with a convenient storage shelf and steel powder-coated legs connected directly to a continuous frame for extra stability. TeamTables can easily be combined, allowing for larger group work with the same flexibility single TeamTables offer. People naturally gravitate to the multiple concave niches, and the table space allows everyone their own area while still offering proximity to all other participants.



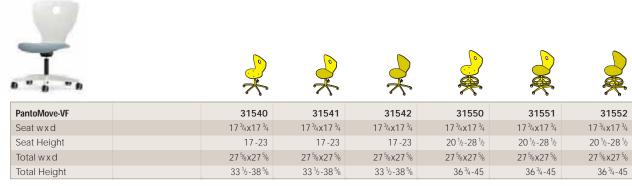
Materials: Steel tube frame: M1; Laminated top: L3; Venner top: F1.

#### **PantoMove**

With Verner Panton's ground-breaking ideas and concepts, he countered the monotonous gray of daily life with color, form, and light. Dynamics as a pre-condition for comfort – that was the declared aim of Panton's development work. The PantoMove swivel chair has an infinitely adjustable seat height, and it's equipped with an innovative 3D rocking mechanism.



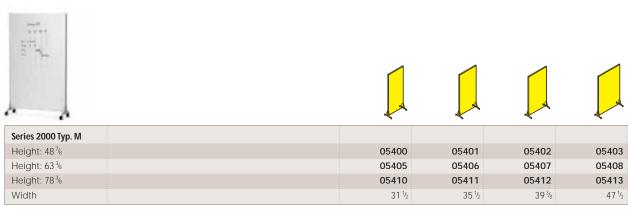
Materials: Tubular steel: M1, high polished Alu, chrome plated; Upholstery: S26,51,52.



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#### Series 2000

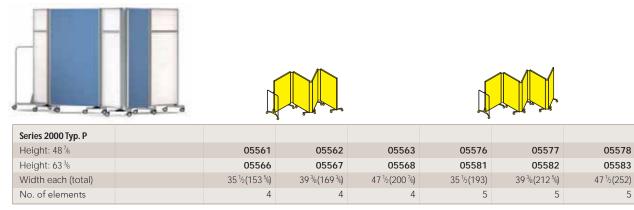
Designed by Hubertus Eilers, the Series 2000 is a screen system that opens up limitless possibilities: permanent visible and acoustic protection as well as the situation-specific definition of zones. It can also be utilized to organize workplaces. The basic concept of the Series 2000 is to equip screens with a high degree of functionality without making them appear solid. Colors and materials accentuate the lightness and the high degree of flexibility, lending the elements a friendly and unobtrusive character.



**Materials:** Aluminum frame: M (anodize); Stabilizer and foot: M (arctic, black); Writing surface: E (white); Fabric cover: S46,48,52,53; Acoustic surface: L3



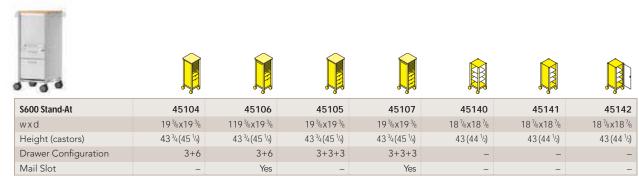
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### Series 600

The Series 600 furniture line is extremely versatile, meeting your needs in each and every space. Simply use the basic cupboard model for intelligent mobile storage space or the media cart model for interactive meetings.



Materials: Tubular steel: M1, Chrome plated; Steel Front: M1; Roller Shutter: C (astral silver, white); Steel body: M1; Laminated top: L3; Veneer top: F1; Front glass; G2.



Materials: Tubular steel: M1, Chrome plated; Steel Front glass: G2; Steel body: M1.

#### **M** Table

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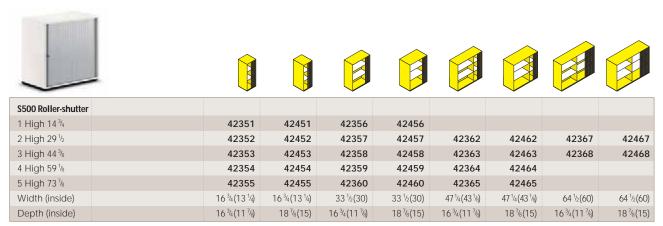


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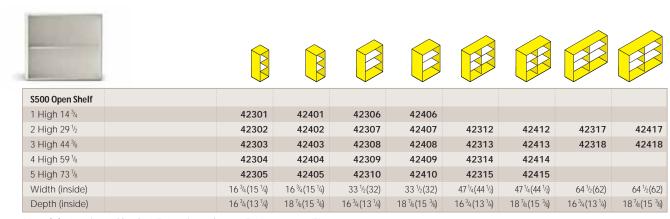
Materials: Laminate: L3; Veneer: F1; Metal: chrome plated.

#### Series 500

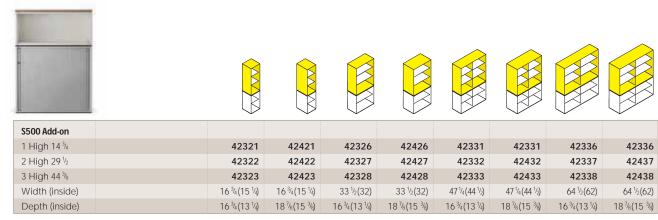
Roller-shutter and shelving cabinets in the Series 500 line have horizontally and vertically combinable elements, offering effective storage for any office environment.



Materials: Roller Shutter: C (astral silver, white); Laminated body: L3; Laminated top: L3; Veneer top: F1



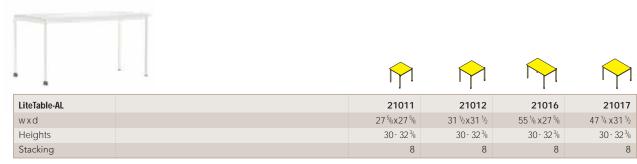
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#### LiteTable

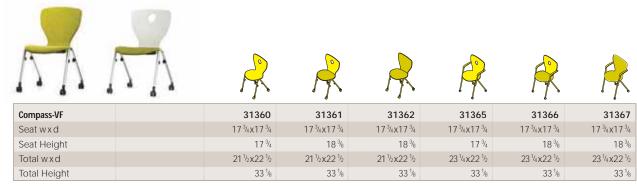
The LiteTable offers the ultimate flexibility for multi-use spaces. Durable round aluminum inner and outer legs are designed for easy stacking and connections between tables. The table is stackable up to 8 and is equipped with stack protection at the lower edge of the top frame. The aluminum frame and lightweight top allows for anyone to easily rearrange, stack, and move.



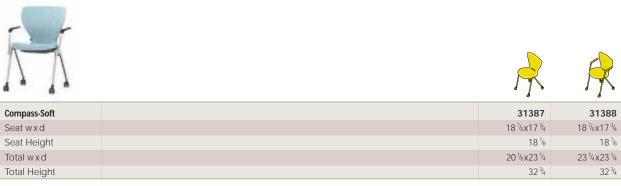
Materials: Aluminum frame: M1; Laminated top: L4.

## Compass

The Compass-VF seat shell is made from beech plywood with anti-slip paint. The Compass chair is available in a wide range of upholstery options, including upholstery on the seat alone, or the seat and back together. The Compass chair without armrests is stackable up to 6 chairs at a time when a room needs to be rearranged quickly. The Compass armrest model has a slim, comfortable armrest for those who prefer the additional support.

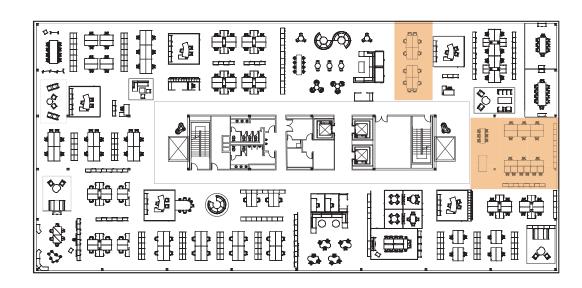


Materials: Tubular steel: M1, high polished Alu, chrome plated; Wood stain; H1; Upholstery: S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,64.



**Materials:** Tubular steel: M1, high polished Alu, chrome plated; Upholstery: S26,51,52.

# Worklife TOUCHDOWN



## **Accommodating Nomads**

A place to reconnect

telecommute at Google? Our answer is: As few as possible. J - Patrick Pichette, former CFO of Google

Touchdown, hoteling, non-territorial workstations entered our vocabulary as a result of studies that showed 50%-60% of desks and offices are unoccupied for most of the day. Along with this under-utilization of space, the advent of the internet and the cloud made telecommuting possible.

Today the amount of professionals who work from home - not including self-employed workers - has grown by 115% since 2005. In just one year, from 2013 to 2014, the employee population as a whole grew by 1.9%, while employees who telecommute grew 5.6%.

The now-famous tech office perks at Silicon Valley companies, like free food and laundry service, are at least partly designed to keep workers in the office, with the offices themselves designed specifically to optimize interaction.





## CheckIn

Providing places where nomadic workers can check into a typical neighborhood that rejuvenates and re-energizes them is critical for an organization to reinforce its culture, mentor it forward, and onboard new workers rapidly and successfully.





Discretion element









eddy Toolbag



Series 700 Cupboard system



#### FreelanceForce

The 2016 McKinsey Global Institute Study revealed that 20%-30% of the labor force in the U.S. and the EU comprises independent selfemployed workers. In the U.S. this was 54-68 million of the 159 million in the civilian labor force.

In the publication "Freelancing in America 2017," the Freelancers Union estimates that this number (which grew 30% between 2016 and 2017) will exceed 50% by 2027 with half the labor force participating in what some call the "gig" economy, but is more aptly described as the "On-Demand" economy. 47% of millennials are freelancers more than any other generation - but they will be working for established companies which will need suitable flexible spaces to accommodate these nomadic workers. Key drivers motivating people to be freelance consultants are the desires to choose both where and when they work. As a result, the office environment has a more crucial role than ever in attracting the necessary talent.



Series 901 Wedge shaped table



Spaces Discretion element



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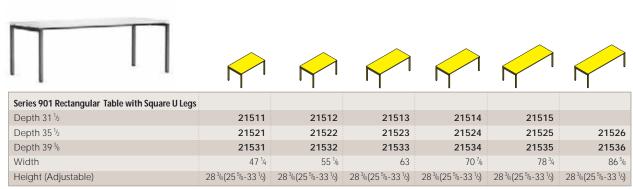


Toolbag

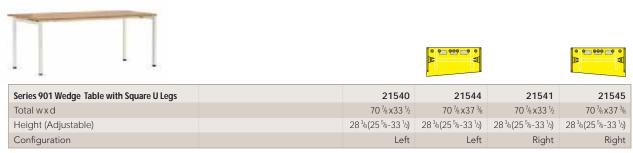


#### Series 901

Series 901 is a highly efficient office furniture system which provides for universal furnishing concepts and covers all the functions that are required in an office: from reception and ergonomic sitting/standing workstations, right through to prestigious management and conference solutions. The tables are easy to assemble and fit seamlessly into all manner of room situations and architectural concepts without losing any of their unique character or formal lines.



Materials: Steel tube: M2, Laminated top: L6; Veneered top: F1.



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## **Spaces**

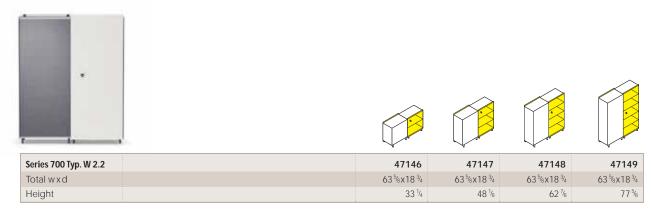
The Spaces discretion elements can be used to divide table surfaces into zones, enabling visual and acoustic division. The inner part of the element is covered with fabric and is sound-absorbent. At any time they can be easily rearranged in order to divide up the table in different ways, so they fit the space in the exact way required.



Materials: Steel tube: M2, Laminated top: L6; Veneered top: F1.

### Series 700

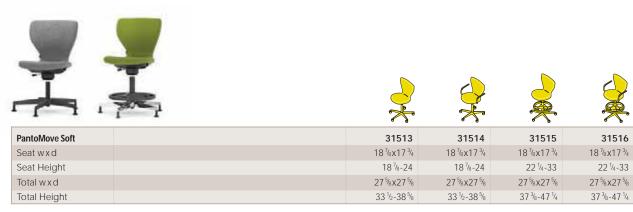
Providing ample storage space in a classic design, the Series 700 is perfect for any office environment. The fronts have sliding doors for ease of access into any cabinet space, and when a secure system is necessary, cylinder locks are available.



Materials: Laminated front: L3; Veneered front: F1; Glass front: G1, Laminated body: L3.

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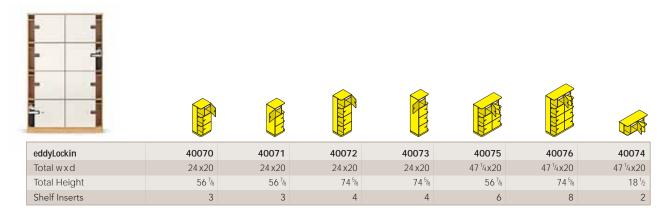
**Materials:** Tubular steel: M1, high polished Alu, chrome plated; Upholstery: S26,51,52.

## eddy

The companion for the entire day. More than just a simple bag – eddy is the perfect toolbag. It accompanies you everywhere in the course of a workday when on the go in the office. With eddy, everything you need is always on hand. eddy makes carrying your work materials and tools convenient – from workstations to meetings and more. It is handy and easy to carry, yet provides enough space for all your essentials throughout the work day.



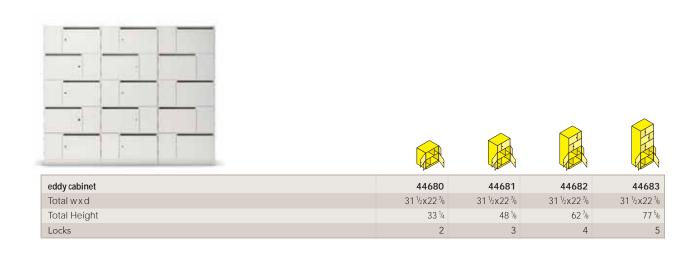
Materials: Body composite material: V1,2,3.





### Series 800

The eddy bag is easy to park in the personal cabinet area, where it is protected against unauthorized access at all times. The Series 800 eddy cabinet provides a perfectly fitted compartment for storage. Next to it is another lockable compartment for safe storage of your materials, working papers, and personal items.



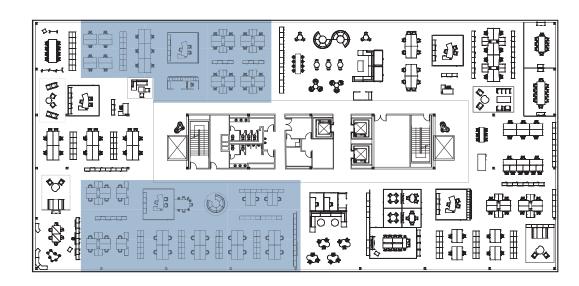
#### **Stratos**

The elegant Stratos chair immediately invites visitors to sit and relax, and the upholstery of the seat and backrest ensures a high level of comfort. Different materials and upholstery colors are available to help create a striking and sophisticated ambiance.



**Materials:** Steel tube frame: M2,(high polished Alu, chrome-plated); Seat and backrest: H2; Upholstery: S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,64.

# WORKLIFE TYPICAL NEIGHBORHOODS



#### **Vibrant Spaces**

Support engagement and satisfaction

Open plan should not mean one large open space with repetitive furnishings – a better term would be multi-space, where a variety of spaces support the different work processes and styles of the employees.

A 2008 study researched the effects of moving from traditional cubicle/private office space to multi-space and revealed these benefits:

- People communicate three times more often.
- The mean duration of communication events decreased from 9 to 3 minutes
- The amount of time spent without communication increased from 5% to 29%

The conclusion is that multi-space not only enhances face-to-face communication, but also makes it more efficient (Boutellier, Ullman, Schreiber, and Naef 2008).

91% percent of millennials expect to stay in a job for less than three years. This potential cost of churn should drive the investment in an employee experience that not only attracts the best people but creates a sense of place, a convergence of stimuli, and support for individual styles and strengths – thereby keeping them.



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ScreenPlus

Height-adjustable Privacy screen



Height-adjustable



OfficeBox Mobile pedestal



Series 500 Cabinet system

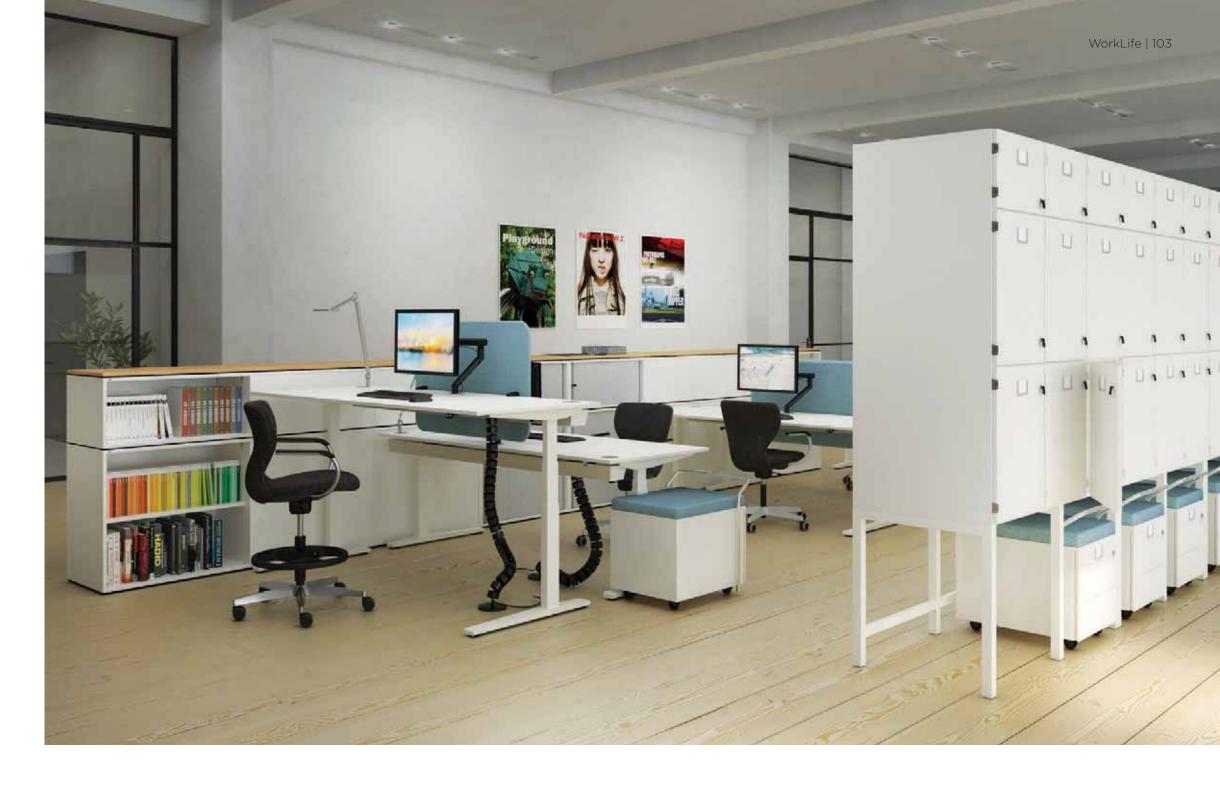
**6 6** Organizations with high levels of engagement (65% or greater) outperformed the total stock market index and posted total shareholder returns 19% higher than the average in 2009. On the other hand, companies with low engagement (40% or less) had a total shareholder return that was 44% lower than the average. "J

## **UrbanSocial**

The urban vibe supports the energy and urgency of working closely with others – and this will prove to be the environment with the highest impact for innovation and cocreation. Sized correctly, supplied with certain amenities, and allowing the appropriate access to people in terms of distance and proximity, the vibrancy will emerge naturally from the levels of engagement and satisfaction.

if you sit more than an 80-foot walk away from someone, you are much less likely to talk to them on a daily basis than if you sit closer.

- Andrew Heumann, former designer at NBBJ





ParetoScreenPlusHeight-adjustablePrivacy screendesk



PantoMove-Soft Height-adjustable chair and stool



OfficeBox Mobile pedestal



Series 800 Cabinet system



Series 500 Cabinet system



## **ParkingSpot**

Social quality is found in a collegial atmosphere where the visibility of others makes them accessible - the neighborhood is walkable - with meaningful visual stops so that views are not intimidating or overwhelming.

Provide the parking spot: holistic design requires a walk in the woods area. It may be just a retreat area, but can range from a remote contemplative seating zone, a small games area to a full-scale gym accessible from the main working spaces.



Series 901 Rectangular table with V-shaped foot and free-standing pedestal



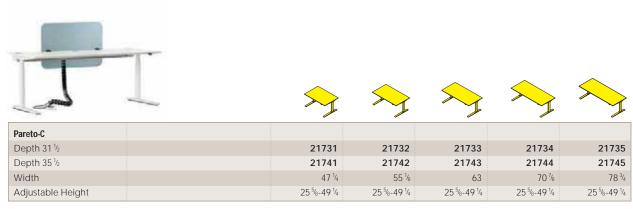
PantoMove-Soft
Height-adjustable chair



Series 700 Cupboard system

#### **Pareto**

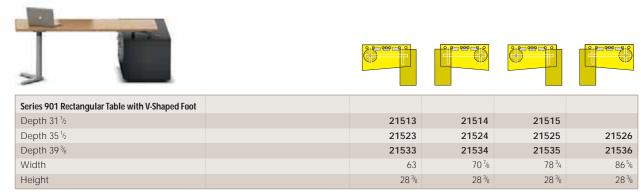
The Pareto is a height-adjustable, transport-optimized work table with C-type foot. Having furniture that allows movement and choice, and the ability to go from sitting at a workstation to standing, is important to keep people focused and comfortable. The Pareto table height can be adjusted to allow for each individual's height and preferred work method.



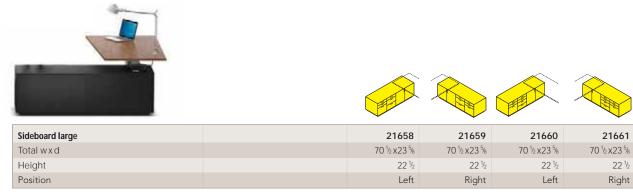
Materials: Steel tube: M2, Laminated top: L6; Veneered top: F1.

### Series 901

Series 901 is a highly efficient office furniture system which provides for universal furnishing concepts and covers all the functions that are required in an office: from reception and ergonomic sitting/standing workstations, right through to prestigious management and conference solutions. The tables are easy to assemble and fit seamlessly into all manner of room situations and architectural concepts without losing any of their unique character or formal lines.



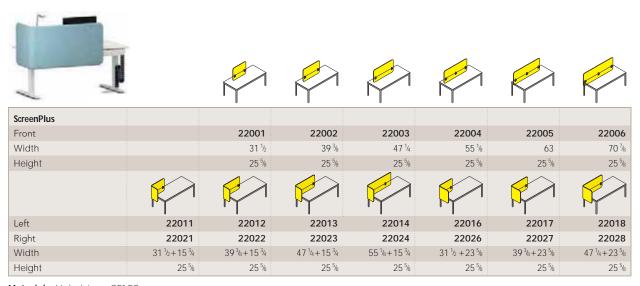
Materials: Steel tube: M2, Laminated top: L6; Veneered top: F1.



Materials: Laminated body: L1; Laminated front: L1.

#### ScreenPlus

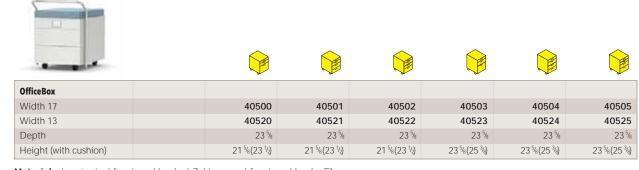
System consisting of linear elements and angle elements with side parts of 15 3/4 or 23 5/8 inches in width to be mounted on the left or right sides of Pareto tables. The positioning of the linear screens can be chosen freely across the entire width of the table.



Materials: Upholstery: S51,52.

### OfficeBox

The OfficeBox container offers storage space for personal work materials and other items. It is conveniently parked and can be wheeled to a particular workplace.



Materials: Laminated front and body: L3; Veneered front and body: F1.



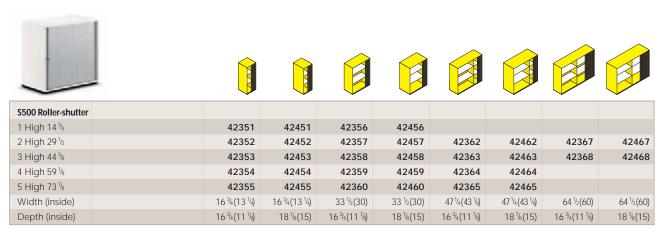


OfficeBox Cushion		
Width 17	40591	
Width 13		40593
Total wxd	17 x 23 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	13 x 23 5/8
Height	134	1 3/4

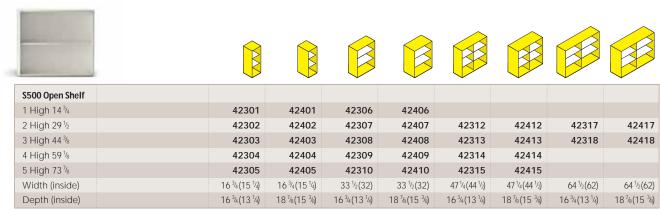
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#### Series 500

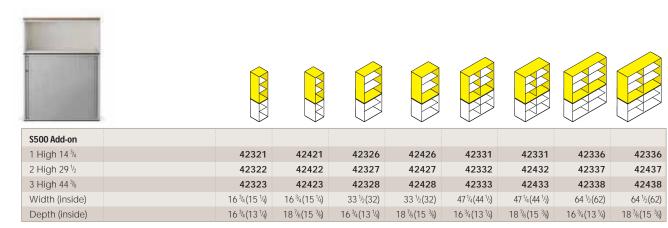
Roller-shutter and shelving cabinets in the Series 500 line have horizontally and vertically combinable elements, offering effective storage for any office environment.



Materials: Roller Shutter: C (astral silver, white); Laminated body: L3; Laminated top: L3; Veneer top: F1



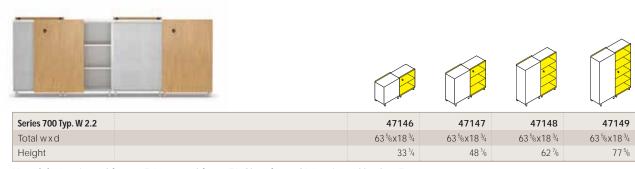
Materials: Laminated body: L3; Laminated top: L3; Veneer top: F1



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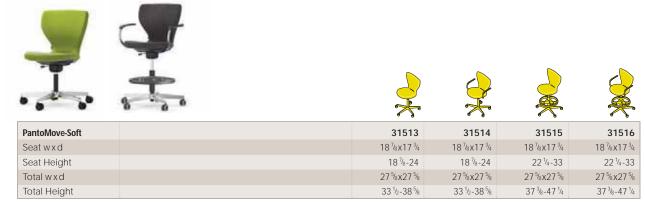
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Materials: Tubular steel: M1, high polished Alu, chrome plated; Upholstery: S26,51,52.

## Series 800

One system, many faces. Shelving cabinets, wall elements, assorted surfaces and cabinet sizes - a wide range for virtually unlimited applications. Series 800 cabinets offer great furnishing variety through the use of appropriate fixtures and fittings.



Customizable to meet your needs. Call a representative for more information.

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# WorkLife

Make furniture and layout a strategy, not a design solution.
The chance to create a new office is a chance to accelerate and support the change you want.

Space must not be seen as overhead, a business support function, but as a key element of company strategy. The goal should be to investigate what the workplace contributes to output, instead of looking only at metrics on what the workplace costs.

When planning for the activity-based workplace, too often the focus has been limited to just 'activity.' Shifting the focus from the work to the people requires that office design must be inclusive. Offering choice in a variety of work settings means putting people first - their engagement and their well-being. Processes and productivity are secondary, but are greatly impacted if levels of engagement and well-being are high.

True activity-based working should never be a cost-saving project; instead it is a transformational project that fosters cultural change. The increased density of collaborative areas should not necessarily mean less space – instead the space that is gained should be seen as an opportunity: the chance to develop those interstitial areas which are so crucial to the high-performance workplace.

Despite a decade or more of discussing open plan and activity-based concepts, most interior planning still fails. Viewing the new or future office as a physical interior design project, coupled with current IT initiatives, results in a failure to understand the required amount of behavioral change management. Workplace and worktools are not first – instead it is all about Workforce: the people.

# WORKLIFE MATERIALS

## **Color System**

by VS

The world has become more colorful: knowing that color contributes to the positive atmosphere of a room, VS has expanded its color palette with several new, attractive colors. There are more selection options for top surfaces of tables and cabinets, plastic colors on chair seat shells, metal colors for table frames and steel tubes on storage furniture, wood colors, colors for fabrics, linoleum, and veneers. All colors have been coordinated and create an integrated world of color. You now have the choice – and with that, full freedom to create your environment according to your own color code. We invite you to discover the world of colors with VS.

For your convenience, on the following pages we have systematically put together the complete selection of colors of the various product families. With one glance, you can see which colors and individual designs are possible. On this basis, you have complete freedom: tables, chairs, upholstered elements, cabinets, sideboards, storage units, containers – all product groups are part of an integrated color concept. Follow your personal preferences, create a color ensemble in your space, choose from a broad palette – each environment gains character and atmosphere through individual color accents.

Plastics: Group C	1	2	Stains: Group H	1	2	Metals: Group M	1	2	Fabrics: (s S46	sampling*) S51
015, 025 anthracite			010 natural						290 black	266 anthracite
010, 020 diffindence			OTO Flateral						230 Black	200 drittillacite
016, 026 translucent			011 black			008 black			291 anthracite	267 brown
017 astral silver			021 light green			009 silver			292 warm grey	268 warm grey
027 dark red			022 light blue			030 terra grey			293 light grey	269 beige grey
029 dark blue			023 light grey			031 petrol			294 grey	270 grey
030 light blue			024 brown			032 light blue			295 blue	271 blue
						-				
031 white			025 orange			033 light green			296 dark green	272 turquoise
032 orange			027 dark red			034 orange			297 light green	273 green
033 light green			028 dark green			059, 159 arctic			298 bordeuax	274 yellow green
034 green			029 dark blue			063 anthracite			299 red	275 grey green
035 dark brown			051 polar white			065 black			300 light red	276 red
036 purple			010 <sup>015</sup> oak			071 sapphire blue			301 orange	277 rust red
073 black grey			O11 <sup>015</sup> black			084 oxblood				
078 dolphin grey			051 <sup>015</sup> polar white			091 white				
328, 090, 094 white						049, 010, 020, 801 alu				
800, 089, 093 black						060, 011 chrome				
						802 alu. silver				

<sup>\*</sup> For additional fabrics, see page 122

Frame	Seat/Backrest	Upholstery	SEATING	
	2004, 200111 000			
M1 + M060	C1	-	Compass-LuPo	
M1 + M060	_	S26,51,52	Compass-Soft	
M1 + M060	H1	\$16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	Compass-VF	
M1 + M060	H1	S16,22,26,36,37	KN-38	
M1 + M060	H1	\$16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	KN-39	
M1 + M060	C1	S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	NF-Compass	
M1 + M060	C1	S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	NF-Move	
M1 + M060	C1	\$16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	NF-Swing	
M1 + M049,060	C1	_	PantoMove-LuPo (Plus)	
M1 + M049,060	_	S26,51,52	PantoMove-Soft (Plus)	
M1 + M049,060	H1	S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	PantoMove-VF (Plus)	
M1 + M060	H1	\$16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	PantoSwing-2K	
M1 + M060	C1	-	PantoSwing-LuPo	
M1 + M060	_	S26,51,52	PantoSwing-Soft	
M1 + M060	H1	S16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,63,64	PantoSwing-VF	
M1 + M060	H2	\$16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,63,64	Stratos-W	
M2 + M049,060	H2	\$16,22,26,36,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,63,64	Stratos-S4	
M2 + M049.060	H2	\$16.22.26.36.45.46.47.48.49.51.52.53.53.54.55.56.57.58.59.60.63.64	Stratos-S5	

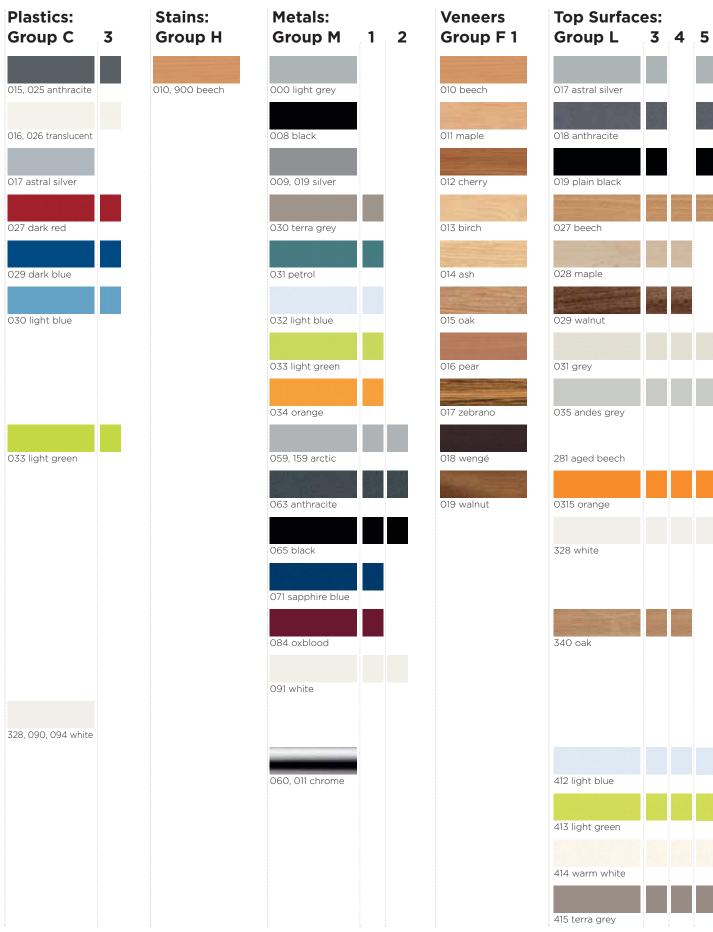
**SEATING** 

<sup>\*</sup> M060 only on cantilever chair



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Frame	<b>Top</b> LIGNOpal+KU-, +BU-Edge	Linoleum+KU-, +BU-Edge	Veneer+BU-Edge	Compressed Top	Solid Beech	
M1 + M060	L3	L8	F1			FlipTable-RU
M1	L3	L8	F1	_		FlipTable-TF
M1	L4	_	_	_		LiteTable-AL
M1	L4	_	_	_		LiteTable-ST
M1 +M060	L3	L8	F1	_		Network
M1	L3	_	_	_		Puzzle
M1	L3	L8	F1	_		RondoLift-KF
M1	L3	L8	F1	_		RondoLift-ST
M1 + M060	L3	L8	F1	_		RondoSit-ST
M1 + M060	L3	L8	F1	_		RondoStand-ST
M060	L3	L8	F1	_		RondoLounge-ST
M2	L6	L8	F1	_		Series 901
M060	L3	L8	F1	_		Series Lounge-Table
M1	L3	L8	F1	=		TeamTable
M1	L4	L8	F1	L4		TriUnion

**TABLES** 





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Frame	Front/Bacl Panel LIGNOpal		Frame	Glass	Roller	<b>Body</b> LIGNOpal	Frame	Front LIGNOpal	Linoleum	Veneer	High De Plate	ensity
M1 + M060	L3	F1	-	_	C017	_	M2	L3	L8	F1	-	MyCaddy
_	L3	F1	_	_	_	L3	_	_	_	_	_	OfficeBox*
_	_	_	_	_	C017,328	3 L3	_	L3	_	F1	_	Series 500
M1 + M060	_	_	M1	G2	C017	L3	M1	L3	L8	F1	_	S600
_	L3	F1	_	G1	_	L3	_	L3	_	_	_	S700
_	L3	F1	_	_	_	L3	_	L3	_	_	_	S800

<sup>\*</sup> Upholstered seat cushion available in groups S16,22,26,45,46,47,48,51,52,53

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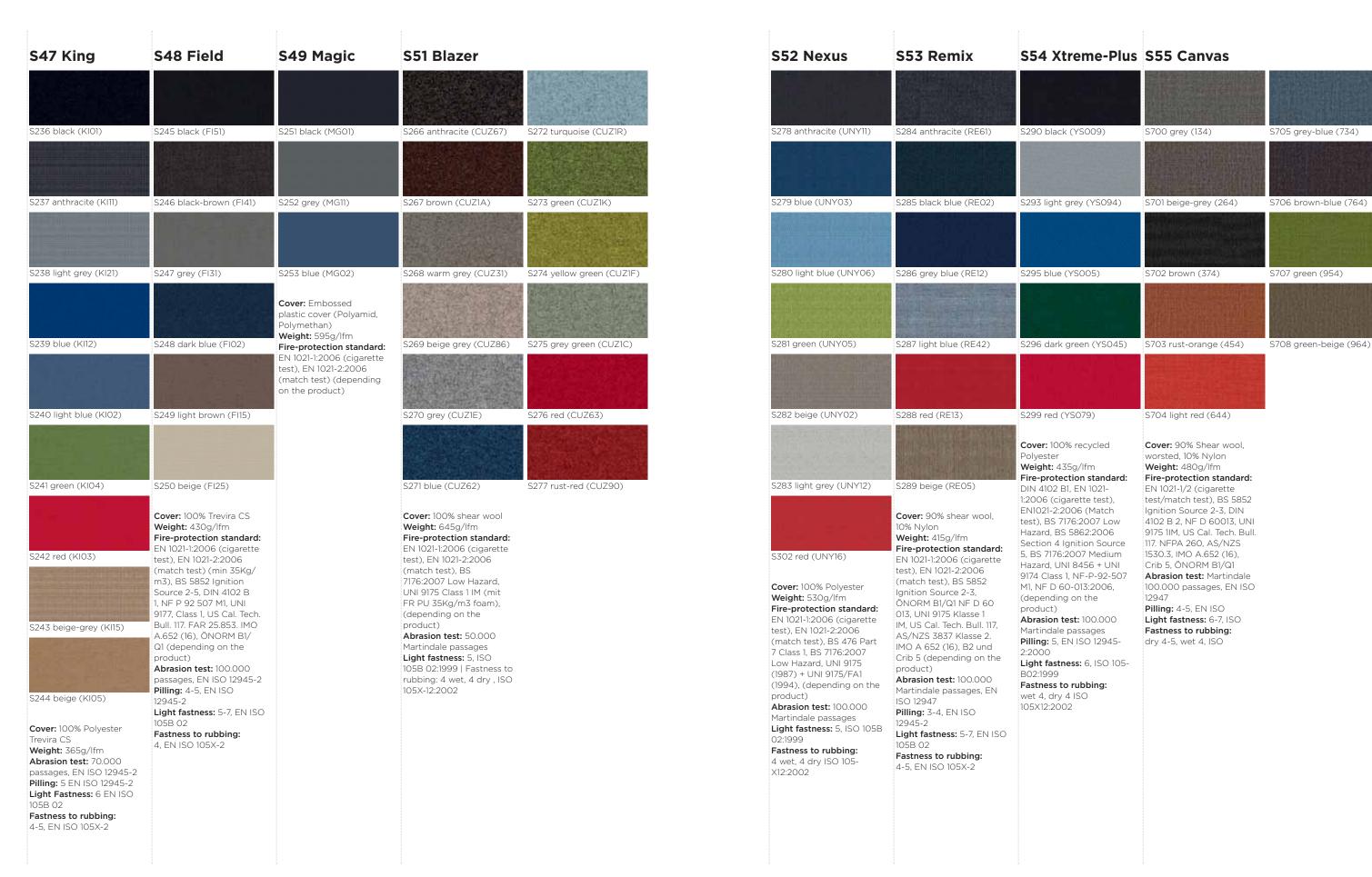
415 terra grey

Frame	<b>Top</b> LIGNOpal+KU-, +BU-Edge	Linoleum+KU-, +BU-Edge	Veneer+ BU-Edge				WORKSTATIONS
M2	L6	L8	F1				Series 901
M2	L6	L8	F1				Series 910/Pareto
Frame	Тор			Board			ROOM DIVIDERS
	LIGNOpal±KII	Linglaum±KLL	\/opoor±	\\/riting	Eabric	Acquetic	

**WORKSTATIONS** 

Frame	<b>Top</b> LIGNOpal+KU-, +BU-Edge	Linoleum+KU-, +BU-Edge	Veneer+ BU-Edge	<b>Board</b> Writing Surface	Fabric	Acoustic Surface	DIVIDERS
M159, 165	L3	L8	F1	E020	S15,46,48,52,53	L3	Series 2000







S68 Relax	S69 Evo	S70 Xtreme	S71 Nexus
S783 black (2700)	S787 black (EV-11)	S791 black (XT-16)	S795 black (NE-16)
S784 dark grey (2701)	S788 anthracite (EV-1)	S792 anthracite (XT-15)	S796 anthracite (NE-15)
S785 blue (2720)	S789 medium grey (EV-14)	S793 blue (XT-9)	S797 light grey (NE-17)
S786 red (2710)	S790 blue (EV-9)	S794 light red (XT-4)	S798 blue (NE-10)
Cover: 100% Trevira CS* (polyester) Weight: 450 g/lm Fire-protection standard: DIN EN 1021: Part 1 & Part 2, DIN 4102-B1, NF-P 92- 503/504 M 1 Abrasion test: Martindale	Cover: 100% Polyester Weight: 300 g/lm Fire-protection standard: DIN EN 1021: Part 1 & Part 2 Abrasion test: Martindale 150.000 rubs, BS EN ISO 12947-2 Light fastness: 4-5 (Scale	Cover: 100% Recycled Flame Retardant Polyester Weight: 310 g/lm Fire-protection standard: DIN EN 1021: Part 1 & Part 2, DIN 4102-1 B1, BS 5852 Section 4 (Ignition source 5)	S799 green (NE-6)  Cover: 100% Polyester
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# Then/Now HISTORY OF VS

## **Our Philosophy**

We believe that design is the process of taking something from its existing state and moving it to a preferred state, and we apply this as the criterion for all our products - whether they are furniture pieces by renowned designers such as Richard Neutra, Egon Eiermann, Vernor Panton, or Jonathan Harding, or the smallest ancillary pieces.

#### **A Century of Excellence**

1898

#### **The Start**

In May 15, 1898, VS started business under the name Vereinigte Schulbankfabriken. The production site was in Tauberbischofsheim, Germany, where it still remains today.



1907

#### **Deutscher Werkbund**

VS was a key partner in the founding of the Deutscher Werkbund, the state-sponsored effort to integrate traditional crafts and mass production techniques. The stated aim of the Werkbund was 'the refinement of working life through the combined influence of art, industry and craft trades.'

VS subsequently exhibited at the Werkbund's first appearance at the Cologne Exhibition in 1914.

1986

#### Free-form Table with Günter Behnisch

What an unusual desk! Nothing like it had ever been seen in an office before: The desk, designed by Günter Behnisch, really stands out thanks to its characteristic free-form top. Cocreated with VS, this single desk turned into a whole, attractive office furniture system. Even the German Bundestag was won over by it, equipping all its administrative offices and various federal ministries with it.



1988

#### B&P 900 Desk

VS was represented for the first time at the Orgatec office furniture trade fair in Cologne. They won the design prize for their B&P 900 desk by Behnisch and Eilers. 1992

#### **Collaboration with Design Partners**

VS continued to extend its range of furniture for modern offices in a process of co-creation, with its Series 700 product range and the Series 900 workstation system by Günter Behnisch and Hubertus Eilers, as well as the invitingly laid-back Lounge furniture from Hubertus Eilers.



Hubertus Eilers

1994

#### Co-Creating with Design Legend

Starting in 1994, VS developed various chair families together with Verner Panton. They soon became classics and are still a typical part of the decor of numerous schools and administrations. The star item among them is the PantoSwing cantilever chair with its light, tubular steel frame and colorful air-cushioned seat - nononsense and totally ergonomic. Amazingly simple - simply ingenious!



2010

#### Series 1100 for Braun Melsungen

The customer was skeptical at first: Would we really succeed in developing exactly the kind of workstations the company needed? The bottom line was a jointly developed table. Under the name of Series 1100, it became the basis for further new developments.



2010

#### **Dynamic Sitting and Creative Thinking**

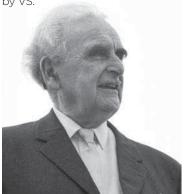
Hokki, the innovative, dynamic stool, makes sitting a fun game. With its convex base, it can move in all directions, thereby encouraging a continual change of posture that strengthens muscles. No wonder that wherever Hokki is to be found, it becomes the public's darling. VS developed this idea by designer John Harding into a success story.



2014

#### **Neutra Furniture Collection**

In the beginning, all we had were furniture sketches and drawings by Richard J. Neutra, the star architect who, with his houses, put his stamp on California modernism. Together with Neutra's son, Dion, VS worked to bring these furniture designs back to life, or build them for the first time. This one-of-a-kind co-creating process has resulted in the rebirth of genuine classics: One-off items or miniseries that Neutra had developed for the homes of his customers are now manufactured and sold exclusively by VS - in the Neutra Furniture Collection by VS.



2015

#### Furnishings for the New ECB Building

The mission: To develop workstations for various purposes with optimal connectivity to the required IT infrastructure and hardware. With tables developed specifically for the project, VS offered the ideal solution. Co-creation – a success principle.



2015

#### **WIPO Conference Room**

WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization) is a United Nations agency. In collaboration with Behnisch Architeckten, VS furnished the new WIPO conference room in Geneva with nearly 900 delegate tables specially designed for the building. Conventional wood-based materials were not enough to satisfy the required standards of dimensional accuracy, fire protection, wear-and-tear and visual appearance. This is why we brought in an additional cocreation partner in materials specialist Hasenkopf.



2016

#### **Ergonomic Conference Room Concept**

How can furniture provide the greatest possible scope for people's basic movement needs? To find the answers to this question, VS works hand in hand with ergonomic experts. This cooperation has resulted in movement-promoting furnishing concepts – for example, for the work environment, the AGR-certified conference room concept consisting of the TriUnion high table for stand-up meetings, the ergonomic, height-adjustable PantoMove-Plus chair, and the versatile S2000 partition wall element.



#### **Certificates:**



Fire protection classification in accordance with DIN EN 1021, Part 1 (medium), DIN EN 1021 Part 2 (medium), and DIN 54341 (high)



Label issued by the Healthy Backs Campaign (Aktion Gesunder Rücken e.V) for products that are very highly recommended due to their ergonomic design



The BIFMA sustainability standard

Awarded by the Business Institutional Furniture Manufacturers

Association



GS "tested safety" label – awarded by the TÜV inspection authority on the basis of the German legislation on product safety



"Greenguard - Indoor Air Quality" certificate, the U.S. equivalent of the LGA "pollutanttested" certificate



LGA "pollutant-tested" certificate guarantees that the pollutant limit values correspond to or are well within the legal requirements



PEFC certificate for timber from sustainably managed forests and controlled sources



Quality label of the Federal association for posture and movement promotion (Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft für Haltungs- und Bewegungsförderung e.V)

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