

# Life at Work

We work hard. Of course we do. But we also work in a very different way than we did only five years ago. DAMN° has kept an eye on office layouts and workplace design, to see where the new ideas are heading. The vision is of a social office that we understand, an office that doesn't completely abandon the traditional boundaries but includes innovations that enable us to enjoy life and work in a more spontaneous, seamless way.

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## SITTING

What is it that makes a work chair a great one? It's not just ergonomics or the best support. It has to promote movement, hence creativity and well being. Furthermore, there's a need for erasing the boundaries between areas for meeting and solo working, connecting the individual with the group and evolving the crossover to lounge chairs, quickly dissolving boundaries and categories.



### OLLE GYLLANG

*Head of Design Strategy at Propeller Design*

Kinnarps's new range of furniture, Fields, was unveiled at the Stockholm Furniture Fair this year and is now being launched in shops the world over. The new modular range of sofas, tables, screens, and easy chairs allows for the creation of an active workplace. Designed by Olle Gyllang of Stockholm-based Propeller Design, the system has been developed in collaboration with Kinnarps, achieving a large variety of furniture pieces that suit the different activities carried out during a working day. "For activity-based work environments and with a vast range of different materials, colours and accessories, it is possible to customise and adapt Fields to any space-planning solution. The basic concept is a modular, flexible system in which functions and parts can be combined depending on requirements, conditions, and available space. We have created the building blocks and options so that the architect can step in and use these in the design of high-quality functional environments", says Gyllang.

Easy chairs, sofas, tables and screens are mixed with exciting accessories and smart solutions to create a well thought-out, holistic solution, bringing together shared and private areas, erasing the boundaries between places for meetings and those for solo working, connecting the individual with the group as well as making it possible for all the staff to find their own space in which to work and be happy.

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