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ICONIC Awards 2020: König + Neurath is counted among the "Best of the Best" in Interior Design with its meeting space solution LIFE.S Interaction.

December 2019 – The ICONIC AWARDS are considered a trend barometer for architecture and interior design. They are awarded each year by the Rat für Formgebung (Design Council) for exceptional innovations, and recognise the best from all areas of interior design. The jury has now paid tribute to the design style of König + Neurath with its highest award.



LIFE.S Interaction + Stool, the combination of table and bench seating which is suitable for the flexible furnishing of communication zones, was awarded "Best of the Best" in the furniture category. The 30 "Best of the Best" participants emerged from a field of 300 entries. The jury explained its decision as follows: "At first glance, the design with its slim tubes looks a little improvised. But when you look more closely, you can see the

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refinement of its well thought-out design, which meets the detailed requirements of contemporary open-plan offices and co-working areas. An original design which is not just young and fresh, but is relatively affordable: and this is given conscious expression in its puristic aesthetic." Cornelius Müller-Schellhorn, Designer at König + Neurath, says of the underlying design idea: "LIFE.S Interaction should be multi-functional in use, as can be seen from the restrained look with its unpretentious round tube frame. The acoustically optimised solution makes for an inviting meeting point and at any time it can be changed to meet new user requirements. We welcome this award as confirmation that "Design follows function" is the correct route to take when the focus is on office furniture with functional added values".

The second award as a "Winner" in the office and workstation category goes to the **QUIET.BOX with a rear panel in Lucem translucent concrete**. A few months earlier, this innovative telephone box design received the German Design Award. In open-plan offices it provides quiet zones for short telephone conversations and moments of concentration. Peter Heimann, Room Systems Sales Manager for König + Neurath, describes the special features of this furnishing solution: "For architects, the design with its rectilinear design style is attractive, since it blends harmoniously into the room architecture. And fit-out companies appreciate above all that the QUIET.BOX is delivered and installed as a complete item of furniture. In open-plan offices it creates a balance between transparency and privacy.



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The ICONIC AWARDS 2020: Innovative Interior will be awarded on 12 January 2020 in the Kölnischer Kunstverein as part of the interior design exhibition, the imm cologne 2020. Following this, there will be a Winners' Exhibition in the Kunstverein from 13-19 January at which all the winning projects are to be presented to the specialised public and other interested visitors.

About König + Neurath:

Working cultures change - and with them the requirements placed on the working environment: spatial, technical, organisational. König + Neurath offers answers: as one of the leading suppliers of office furniture and space solutions, set up in 1925 and operating internationally, this family-owned company supports its customers during the whole process of office furnishing - from requirements analysis, planning and production to long-term service. The company manufactures all products at the main site in Karben, owns six showrooms in Germany and is represented internationally in France, England, Switzerland, Austria and the Netherlands. This allows König + Neurath to combine reliable quality made in Germany with an international scope of operation.

With its experience, wealth of ideas and its partnership approach, König + Neurath uncovers the potential and challenges of individual working cultures - and develops tailor-made solutions with differentiated styling, comprehensive product ranges and digital quotations.

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