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design that
works wherever
you work.

ever evolving, business has adapted quickly to the transformations born of technology and a knowledge-based economy—in traditional firms formalized in structure, as well as the nebula of high-tech start-ups and media groups. today, every business requires a high level of creativity to succeed; every office is, to a greater or lesser degree, a work in progress and each day is a mix of work, learning and social experiences. of critical import, is a workplace designed to enable creativity and mobility, to support co-existing work modes whatever the context in which work takes place.

at teknion[®], we design furniture that works across boundaries, products that fit within any architectural envelope and work culture. our versatile and integrated portfolio of furniture products supports collaborative spaces and those where people work alone. a broad finish and textile palette offers design solutions right for any context, any “temperature” of work.

teknion offers an unparalleled range of systems and freestanding furniture, task chairs and soft seating, storage, space division products and accessories that have been designed to work across the variously scaled and defined spaces that constitute the 21st century office. teknion furniture adapts to multiple planning scenarios, allowing for change with minimal disruption, mobility without friction, and adjusting to the different temperatures of activity that define the modern office, hot tech touchdown spaces and traditional settings.

at teknion, we believe in the power of design to address the complexity of the workplace with tools, systems and spaces that enhance the ability to interact, to create and innovate. we design products that fit a diversity of people, cultures, physical spaces and the nature of modern work practices. furniture that works wherever you work.

A modern office interior featuring a black ergonomic chair, a light wood shelf with a row of books, and a large window with a view of greenery. A semi-transparent white box with a thin border is centered over the image, containing the text "modern office".

modern office

more democratic and organic than the grid-based office of half a century ago, the modern office is defined by people and culture rather than an inflexible geometry. it's a place that makes room for people in motion and for several degrees of privacy and community—requiring furniture that serves the co-existence of multiple work modes.

the modern office represents office cultures that are fluid and flexible, with an emphasis on openness and communication. people work singly and together in light-filled landscapes that create no barriers to interaction, no impediments to mobility in a landscape of open worktables, individual workstations and soft spaces where low, comfortable seating invites a quiet break or casual conversation. designed for a multi-dimensional workplace, teknion products help people work alone or in teams, at any task, in every space and within any architectural envelope.

teknion furniture projects a quiet elegance that fits seamlessly with the architectural simplicity of the modern office with its pleasing sense of order and clarity. at the same time, clean, crisp furniture shapes can be paired with a wide choice of finishes and textiles: understated neutrals to keep the “temperature” cool or bright accent hues for bold contrast and greater warmth.

materials play a critical role, enhancing aesthetics and adding color and texture that modify the look and feel of furniture, as well as the personality or “temperature” of the workspace. neutral finishes in a zone devoted to focused work create a quiet backdrop that provides visual relief from richer or more vibrant tones that may be used to identify active social spaces. white is always a powerful color—fresh and affirmative; enhancing natural light and signifying transparency and clarity.

in the context of an inclusive and ever-evolving office, work is well served by furniture that can be adapted and configured to create a space that serves the corporate vision and individual purposes. teknion’s portfolio offers the furniture, finishes, materials and details to create an engaging modern office that empowers people to do their best work.



01
textiles in rich, deep tones offer
vivid contrast and an element
of warmth in a modern office
characterized by hard, smooth
surfaces and screens.

02
a mix of open lounge seating and
defined workstations addresses
the nature of the office as
personal workspace and social
space, a place where people
need to retreat, but also to
collaborate or simply to chat.

03
teknion furniture reflects a focus
on fit and function, on design that
serves the user, the task and the
space.





















A modern office interior featuring long white desks and ergonomic chairs. In the foreground, two iMac computers are positioned on a desk, with keyboards and mice nearby. The chairs are a mix of red and light grey. In the background, another desk is visible with a small basket of green apples. The overall aesthetic is clean and professional.

tech
touchdown

in any given office, the true context for design is the presence of human beings who activate and energize the workplace, interacting with an array of systems, spaces and technologies to drive a continuous enterprise of creativity and innovation. at teknon, we design furniture for people as well as process.

tech touchdown today's high-energy entrepreneurial companies are defined by the continuous flow of information and people ever in motion. laptops, tablets and smartphones—the essential tools of our time—afford workers the freedom and flexibility to work away from an assigned desk or table at any site across the office or outside the office. and, while those employed at many high-tech and media companies often spend long days on campus, they also circulate and touch down in a variety of spaces, pursuing diverse activities in an atmosphere of intense creativity and collaboration.

in such hotbeds of interaction, kinetic furniture forms and a vibrant use of color capture the lively spirit and nomadic workstyle of tech, media and other creative workers. soft spaces furnished with comfortable high-back seating create a place to cocoon, while colorful chairs and casual tables act as a focus for impromptu meetings. furniture, materials and finishes combine to yield an interior that sets off the raw urban quality of the architecture.

teknion's product portfolio offers a broad material palette that can be applied to reflect and reinforce start-up culture. work chairs, lounge chairs, ottomans and modular seating upholstered in fresh, bright colors engage and energize. an unexpected pop of color applied to the interior of a bookcase, a table leg or a cabinet door creates visual interest and activates the space. and, as people spend more hours at work and interacting with technology, color and texture speak to our human need for warmth and comfort.

teknion leverages the power of design to enhance the way people work, meet and interact—whatever the “temperature” of the work culture. our products respond not only to the physical and philosophical character of a workplace, but also to essential human needs and behaviors: the need to sit and to stand, to seek privacy and community, to find respite and inspiration.



01
modular seating can be arranged in multiple configurations and directions to fit the space and to support workers who touch down to read, make calls or check in on a laptop.

02
high back seating creates a degree of surround and privacy in an open, collaborative setting.

03
sliding screens give each person a level of control over the workspace. screens slide open for conversation. when privacy is desired, a closed screen can signal a need to focus.

























traditional
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furniture that is simple, functional and elegant is not bound by the constraints of time and place or limited by the parameters of aesthetic convention, but rather transcends a narrow definition of traditional and modern, formal and informal, perhaps even what constitutes residential and corporate design.

traditional space while law firms, financial institutions and other traditional businesses often live within an architectural space reflective of history, modern technology has transformed the way work is conducted within their walls. collaborative workstyles enabled by technology exist here alongside the private office and the formal boardroom. the office atmosphere is more flexible and more client-focused. dressed in understated colors and refined finishes, furniture acquires a heightened elegance that fits both the realities of work and the decorum of the surroundings.

banks, investment banks and accounting firms may live within a heritage building or a contemporary glass and steel high-rise structure. nonetheless, within the shell, interior design is often traditional: neoclassical architectural features, high ceilings and paneled walls and possibly elements such as a fireplace or lighting fixtures associated with residential interiors. at the same time, “white shoe” firms pursue their goals within the context of a knowledge-based economy and significant shifts in patterns of behavior and styles of work.

given that context, an elegant work chair may reside at a desk or in the boardroom; a simple, versatile desking system supports the use of technology and lives in harmony with architectural columns and decorative moldings; a sofa upholstered in a beautiful fabric in muted tones serves a practical function—a place to converse, check emails or to relax—as well as an aesthetic one, balancing use and beauty to satisfy both demands at once. the message of the furniture echoes that of its surroundings—quality, substance, excellence.

the best contemporary design does not dismiss history and tradition, but instead fulfills an ideal of useful, suitable design that fits the everyday experience of working. the 21st century office—modern or traditional in look and feel—is a place defined by creativity, mobility and collaboration, enabled by technology and made more rewarding by a profound sense of engagement and a rich social matrix.



01
the boardroom requires
furniture that conveys a sense
of refinement and complements
the residential look and feel
of the molding and fireplace.

02
a semi-low desking system,
augmented by multi-functional
storage, enables an individual to
work alone or to easily engage
with others.

03
elegant high-back sofas
offer a place to converse
or take a moment to complete
a personal task.

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