

The workplace of tomorrow  
is agile.



**onGo**<sup>®</sup>  
agility at work



## Productivity through agility.

To make a difference, you have to be agile. With this belief I started ONGO® ten years ago, to make the offices healthier for people and therefore more agile. Physical as well as cognitive agility increase productivity and satisfaction at the workplace. Active seating, like the ONGO®Classic, the first pendulum stool with acoustic feedback, brought us to the agile office, as a response to the challenges of the rapidly changing world of work.

New technologies demand completely new job categories and employee profiles, with more creativity, collaboration and agility. That is precisely what ONGO® has created its new workplace concepts for, with the Pop-Up Office as the building kit for transformation.



## The world of work is reinventing itself. Are you in?

Some call it “Work 4.0”, others “New Work”, or even “The fourth industrial revolution”. One thing is certain: we are in the middle of a process that is radically turning our entire working universe upside down and that is rewriting the rules. The rapid transformation from a production to a digital knowledge economy can be welcomed or resisted but not ignored. Because this revolution isn’t just about companies getting more digitally connected.

If you want to be prepared for the future, you will also have to adapt physically. Because changing the world of work also means changing your workplace. And that’s precisely what ONGO® has created its new workplace concepts for.



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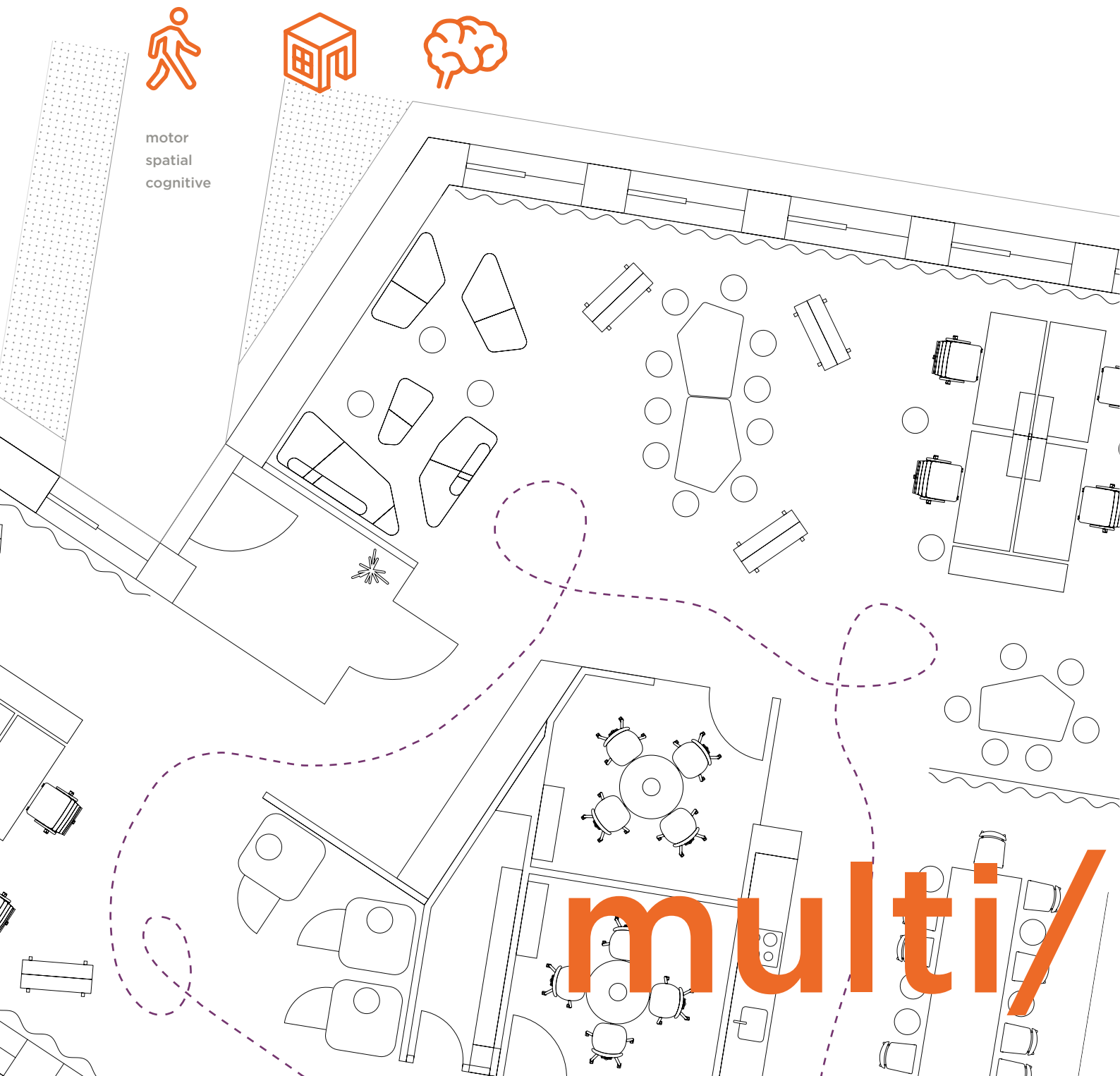


If you want to make a difference,  
you have to be agile.

It's not human nature to stay seated all day long. Quite the reverse. We are really only productive when we move – both physically and cognitively. Because every single change in position, space, location plus changing our perspective creates new inspiration. And that in turn increases output. This is why there will be increasingly agile and mobile workplaces where employees can freely decide when, where, how and with whom they work most efficiently. At ONGO® we call this new way of agile work “woove”, an attitude where “work and move” merge naturally.

A development for which flexible workplace concepts from ONGO® bring easy to implement solutions already today.

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## The ONGO® concept: agile on all levels.

ONGO® promotes mobility in multiple dimensions: motor, spatial and cognitive. Our seating furniture and workplaces can be moved through the room and can be adjusted both vertically and 360° horizontally, for ideal working conditions that facilitate people's physical and cognitive mobility.

As new technologies transform routine jobs, completely new job categories and profiles for human work will gradually emerge. As a result, tomorrow's employees will work in a more agile way – creatively, collaboratively and constantly communicating. To facilitate this, the workplace of tomorrow must offer greater flexibility. That is why "Agility at all levels" inspires the development of each individual ONGO® product.

Because our furniture can be integrated anywhere, you can rearrange the working environment as needed and at any time. The multi-dimensional mobility stimulates physically and, due to the constant change of perspective, also cognitively. Because if you move, you can concentrate more easily, think more creatively, and make clearer decisions. In other words: synapses are firing on all cylinders.

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## Step by step to the mobile office.

The good news: new, flexible ways of working do not mean that companies have to throw everything out and start afresh. Clever ONGO® workplace concepts make entire office structures more agile. Often it's the small details that make a big difference: for example stools, chairs and tables that are hydraulically adjustable from normal sitting to standing height. A desk can easily be rolled into a team project. Or a complete office that can be opened and dismantled in no time.

ONGO® has a clever solution for every requirement in the new working environment – to stimulate employees to be more agile, regardless of the nature and amount of space available.

Every company has its own structures and processes. That's why each needs solutions tailored to their specific needs. You can explore these with ONGO® workplace concepts bit by bit and without major investments.

Are employees adopting new forms of mobility? Can solutions be integrated into the everyday work situation? Should something be added in certain areas? All our furniture can be individually integrated and used easily and intuitively, which means you can have fun trying it out at the pace, scope and timeline that suits your company. See how this looks and works in detail on the following pages.

# work/flow







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## Move into the working world of tomorrow.

Ergonomic office chairs have been optimised so that users can sit in them for as long as possible. But this is not adapted to human nature, nor to tomorrow's needs. On ONGO® stools you constantly change your position: up, down, right, left, leaning forwards or backwards or sometimes inclined around the stool's own axis. Stools are light so it's simple to carry them from A to B with one hand. Or on wheels, allowing you to easily roll them to the next workstation. They're so versatile that each working environment can be reconfigured in a matter of seconds ready for the next assignment: from individual workstation to team office, from think tank to the conference room, from co-working to a spontaneous stand-up meeting ...



# Active Sitting





# ong<sup>o</sup> Classic



Sit yet move. The **ONGO®Classic** beautifully combines these somewhat contradictory ideas or conditions thanks to a curved bottom that reacts to any shift in weight, activating muscles and blood circulation. A rotating ball in the foot of the stool gives discreet acoustic feedback whenever the angle changes.

The seat cover, body and base of the **ONGO®Classic** are available in many colours and materials, so it stands out everywhere: at a desk or in teamwork, in the office or at home.



The perfect height can be easily adjusted using the circular release surface under the seat.

Both the **ONGO®Classic**, “regular” version and the **ONGO®Classic** “tall” version, which can be extended to a standing stool, can be carried easily to wherever you need it, thanks to its light body and 360° grip groove under the seat.



With the **ONGO®Move** training programme, the **ONGO®Classic** also becomes a training device.

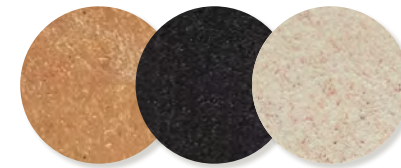


**ONGO®Free** is not really a stool, but a sit-stand solution ideal for height-adjustable workplaces. That's why its triangular or round seat is designed in such a way to always offer optimal support and comfort at any height without restricting its owner.



The grip on the gas pressure spring makes the ONGO®Free even more movable. It can be easily adjusted in height – from 47 to 67 (regular) and 57 to 81 cm (tall).

That makes it a perfect choice to keep moving and always find exactly the right posture. The change between sitting and standing relieves the back, strengthens the body's own support system and helps increase concentration and motivation. No surprise that the ONGO®Free is increasingly popular with people at all levels within companies.



So that the stool stands on a safe foot everywhere, the underside of the base plate has a soft, 100 % recycled coating. The plate itself is made of an innovative composite material made of wood and plastic and is available in the colours natural, black and cream white.

# ongo®Free



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# ONGO<sup>®</sup>School

The design of the **ONGO<sup>®</sup>School** combines movement and ergonomics with an attractive price. The robust plastic seat is surprisingly comfortable and easy to grip on its rounded edges. The seat is slightly roughened and prevents from slipping while rocking.

The base plate of **ONGO<sup>®</sup>School** is similar to the one of the **ONGO<sup>®</sup>Free**. It is also available in the colours natural, black and cream white.

**ONGO<sup>®</sup>School** is comes in fresh colours and height-adjustable with a hydraulic spring in regular and tall.



# ONGO<sup>®</sup>Active Point

The **ONGO<sup>®</sup>Active Point** is a cabinet table that can be moved on wheels, providing space for three **ONGO<sup>®</sup>** stools. Unpacked or stowed away again in no time, the **ONGO<sup>®</sup>Active Point** serves as a temporary storage- and workstation in the office and as a spontaneous meeting table at the same time.

With its four large, lockable castors and handle in the top, the **ONGO<sup>®</sup>Active Point** can always be used wherever there is a need for sitting and meeting. And with **ONGO<sup>®</sup>** stools, sitting becomes more dynamic, giving tired employees new energy.



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# ONGO®Roll

The **ONGO®Roll** should really be called “Rock ‘n’ Roll”. Because the ergonomic design stool not only rolls in any direction on its five smooth-running double castors, but also rocks thanks to its flexible seat mounting, which allows the seat to be tilted all around. What could be more mobile?

Its design is also flexible. With the choice between round, triangular and saddle seat and forty cover variants, the ONGO®Roll is agility in action.



Just roll from your desk to colleagues or cupboard compartments. This not only makes work faster and more flexible, it also makes it more fun.

# ONGO®Stand

**ONGO®Stand** firmly stands on the floor with three feet. Its standpipe, resiliently mounted in the foot, is so flexible that the height as well as the inclination of the seat adapts perfectly to any working condition. Ideal for people who need or want to work standing up. Because the combination of stability and mobility increases the radius of action – for unimpeded concentration and optimal results.



The seat is available in black and white as well as with a microfibre fleece padding – in black, grey and henna – which clips and clings very easily onto the seat and which can also be replaced. Also available in ESD version.







# ONGO®Wing

Especially to inspire working at height-adjustable desks, we developed this very special chair with an extremely large seat height range. The continuous and individually selectable height adjustment of the **ONGO®Wing** ranges from ordinary sitting to standing upright.

At the same time, its seat changes with increasing height – from an ordinary seat to a dynamic saddle shape. This is made possible by the clever interplay of two gas pressure springs and foldable seat wings to which the chair owes its name.

A work furniture concept that literally gives wings to agility.

Despite all its technical complexity, the **ONGO®Wing** is very light and manoeuvrable and can be rolled anywhere with the help of a practical handle in the backrest.

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## Creating space for a new working era.

Flexible working means that teams can get together spontaneously for a project or task. However, individual employees may also need mobile retreats where they can concentrate undisturbed and work creatively.

How do you satisfy such contrasting demands without spending huge sums of money? The ONGO® answer: cleverly designed and flexible mini work units that can be moved spontaneously from here to there to make every room the perfect workspace.



# Mobile Desks







# ong<sup>o</sup> Spark

The **ONGO<sup>®</sup> Spark** desk is probably our all-time most flexible workmate.

First, its mono column can be moved up and down as required using a gas pressure spring. Second, there are two double castors under its inclined footrest on which it can easily be pulled to any desired work location. Third, the beautifully shaped multiplex table top integrates both a handle for easy manoeuvring and a magnetic groove for hanging an **ONGO<sup>®</sup>** stool.

Because the table top is just big enough to accommodate all work materials, including a coffee or tea cup, **ONGO<sup>®</sup> Spark** fits in every office corner and in every work situation. Keeping people busy – flexible, agile and self-contained – what you expect from employees in the future.



With the comfortable handle, the **ONGO<sup>®</sup> Spark** can be pulled to the desired location in no time at all.





# ONGO<sup>®</sup>Meet

Short meetings while walking or standing are much more productive than prolonged sitting around. That's the idea behind **ONGO<sup>®</sup>Meet**.

An elongated standing table on castors, around which a spontaneous Monday morning catch-up can easily be held or where colleagues can meet over coffee. And if it needs to take longer, you can quickly pull up a couple of ONGO<sup>®</sup> stools.



Mobile Desks



Despite its stable solid oak frame, the ONGO<sup>®</sup>Meet can be easily rolled from A to B on its four double wheels. So light that you can even take several stools with you at the same time.

Throughout our solutions, the same handle for easy mobility in the office.





## A separate office for each project? Nothing could be simpler.

With ONGO®, entire offices can be assembled in no time. Simply put your own workplace together with colleagues' workstations when and where it makes sense. Maybe a few more ONGO® Boards and the think tank, meeting room or video conference is ready.

And just as quickly as the office came into being, it is disassembled and on its way to the next assignment.



# Pop-Up Office







# ONGO® Boards

ONGO® Boards are available in three versions – Click Board, Team Board and Monitor Board.

Whether you use this versatile piece of furniture for sound insulation or privacy, for noting brainstorming ideas in a project team or – in the monitor board version – for a spontaneous video conference, it can be rolled anywhere easily and flexibly thanks to its elegant double castors.

The ultra-light Click Boards can be easily connected to each other thanks to the magnetic connections.



Sleek and thoughtful to the smallest details: two grips for easy handling, the practical utensil storage on the foot and magnetic points for connection make the ONGO® Boards obvious all-rounders.





# ONGO®Click, Team und Monitor Boards: space for new ideas.

The **ONGO®Click Boards** are featherlight and therefore super flexible to use. For reasons of sustainability, they are made of triple-layered corrugated cardboard, one side coated with whiteboard film and the other with recycled PET felt. With the size of 185 x 100 cm and a thickness of 15 mm results a weight of less than 4 kg.

Four magnets in each board allow to easily connect two boards, which considerably enhances their flexibility. They can be used as soundproofing and privacy screens or for brainstorming and making quick presentations.

When only a single board is needed, the **ONGO®Hold** can assist – also as a seat, when no ONGO®Stool is available.

The **ONGO®Team Boards** are both pinboard on one side and whiteboard on the other. They can easily be rolled to the desired location, with up to six ONGO®Click Boards on their base, which may also be used to place office utensils, like markers, board erasers or pins.

Below each grip hole is a support allowing to place a Click Board horizontally, which creates ample space for new ideas.

The Team boards measure 195 x 115 cm and are made of 19,6 mm Multiplex with white HPL as whiteboard on one side.

On the other side is a 9 mm thick recycled PET fleece for acoustic dampening and as pinboard. Furthermore eight magnets are included for connecting and securing the Click Boards.

The **ONGO®Monitor Boards** differentiate themselves from the Team Boards through the possibility of installing a Monitor on the pinboard side. This includes a slot for cable management and a box for storage. The backside can be used as a whiteboard or to hold further Click Boards.

With these tools a brainstorming session can be transformed into a video conference in no time.



# Pop-Up Office



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An interview with architect Thomas Heinle,  
Partner of Heinle, Wischer und Partner,  
Freie Architekten GbR

**How do you as an architect see the changes in the office work environment?**

Almost three quarters of German companies still work behind closed walls and doors. These rigid office structures are no longer efficient in an increasingly mobile and data-driven world. There are no collaborative exchanges, which is why these structures are limiting productivity and creativity. These will, however, be key in the working world of tomorrow, when monotonous, repetitive work processes will be more efficiently taken over by robotics and artificial intelligence.

**What trends in tomorrow's workplaces should we plan for today?**

It's clear that there will be no place for rigid office structures in the future workplace. This change is being driven by younger generations, used to working more collaboratively and flexibly, and who want to retain this workstyle. New workplace models deliberately use more flexible structures. Freedom to choose where and how to work, being able to create teams quickly and easily, and moving onto the next challenge – these



modes will change everyday office life and its infrastructure. L'Oréal's new "Flex Lab" research center in Paris recently introduced this. All the furniture can be moved on castors so that teams can find and regroup themselves in a matter of seconds.

**What are the core requirements of your corporate customers?**

Everyone is talking about the "struggle for talent". If you want to be successful as a company in the future, you have to secure the brightest minds today. This is not always down to salary; the atmosphere in the workplace plays an increasingly important role in choosing an employer or work environment. In addition to a deeper sense of purpose, today's young professionals are also demanding less hierarchy and more flexibility in everyday work. Above all, agility will shape the future office workplace helping companies be more adaptable. The search for productivity will also play a role, because there is more potential for optimisation through more flexible structures.

**What's the time frame for the workplace of tomorrow?**

It's not easy to predict. Change has already started: IT companies, as well as leading industrial and service firms, have redesigned or are on the way to making their offices more mobile and agile. As there are so many companies with traditional structures, this process of change will take time. But I think it's essential if Germany wants to keep up internationally. I am convinced that within ten years we will work completely differently across the board.

**“There will be no place for rigid office structures in the working world of tomorrow.”**

# Innovative in form and function and responsible for the environment.



From Active Sitting to the Pop-Up Office: passion and competence has made ONGO® a pioneer for the agile and collaborative workspace of tomorrow.

### Design

At ONGO®, good design is a fusion of timeless design, practical daily functionality and seamless integration into a wide variety of working environments and corporate structures. When designing our products, we don't just think about their use, but far beyond – right up to when they are disposed of sustainably.

### Warranty

Although we attach great importance to quality and durability in the manufacturing process of our products, and while all our products are subject to stringent quality tests before being allowed on the market, quality issues can still happen. Every ONGO® product is therefore guaranteed for a full three years on all original parts.

### Made in Germany

All ONGO® products are designed in Germany, manufactured according to customer requirements and shipped directly.

### Sustainability

Sustainability is a top priority at ONGO®. “Made in Germany” brings a quality that lasts for many years. We use raw materials that are produced as sustainably as possible, such as wood from PEFC- or FSC-certified sources. We use materials in a way that consumes a minimum of raw materials and resources. And we reduce our transport costs and impact through efficient production processes and low transport weight. We label our components so that they can be easily dismantled and recycled. ONGO® also takes back used products for recycling.



We are constantly working on innovative ideas to improve the sustainability of our products. For example, the new “ONGO® for Future” is made from a maximum of renewable or recycled materials.







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