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Cern Collection Honored with Prestigious 2017 GOOD DESIGN Award

December 13, 2017 –Toronto. Nienkämper today announced that it has been honored with the 2017 GOOD DESIGN award for the Cern Collection designed by figforty.

GOOD DESIGN is an international symbol of a company's firm commitment to innovation and superior design embodiment. The GOOD DESIGN Award recognizes excellence in innovation, construction, function and utility. "The Good Design Award is welcome recognition of our continued focus on design and integrated technology. Every aspect of the design has been carefully considered achieving a classic design with contemporary detailing and modern technology and we're thrilled it continues to be noticed by the design community at large", said Klaus Nienkämper.

Founded in Chicago in 1950 by architects Eero Saarinen, Charles and Ray Eames, and Edgar Kaufmann, Jr., GOOD DESIGN annually bestows international recognition upon the world's most prominent designers and manufacturers for advancing new, visionary, and innovative product concepts, invention and originality.

Cern embodies the warm-modern sensibility of today's working environment. Most notable about the Cern collection is its wide range of mixed materials and finish options that contrast and complement each other, which when layered creates unique and versatile workspaces and keeps things visually interesting; Laidback and casual for some areas, streamlined sophistication in others. The Cern collection is a system that addresses contemporary office furnishing needs. The multifunctional elements allow for seemingly endless combinations and configurations from individual offices and workstations to teamwork areas for more collaborative work. The table range includes modular tables and desks, bench desks as well as height adjustable options. Cern offers a wide variety of innovative office storage solutions. The credenzas and bookcases can either be freestanding or completely integrated with tables. Cern is also capable of creating wall compositions; bookcases and credenzas can even be used as room dividers to create separate and distinctive work zones.

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“The Cern table was a terrific point of departure for a complete furniture collection. This collection has evolved from the private office, to furniture that can be flexible enough to create individual work spaces, room division, height adjustability and varied levels of privacy.” Said designer Lee Fletcher of Fig40 . Adding, “The Cern themes of continuity and integration can be seen throughout the collection. With new additions including cast concrete desk accessories, a coat rack and architectural scale double sided shelving.” Cern pairs timeless design with thoughtful functionality to create dynamic and inspiring spaces for the modern workplace.

About figforty

figforty is a Toronto based industrial design group passionate about the creation of physical objects. That passion is made real through the ‘things’ that surround us, the experiences they create, and how they are designed and made. Lee Fletcher and Terence Woodside created figforty combining 1 years of award winning industrial design and engineering to create a team equipped to take any product from concept through to full production. A transparent and collaborative approach to product development blurs the boundary between design and engineering, creating compelling, responsible and thoroughly designed objects. www.fig40.com

Established in 1968, Nienkämper is an internationally recognized designer and manufacturer of fine office furniture. Recognized as one of the 50 Best Managed Companies in Canada each year since 2009, Nienkämper is committed to being at the forefront of innovation; collaborating with forward-thinking designers; and pushing the boundaries of technology. Excellence from design to delivery.

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