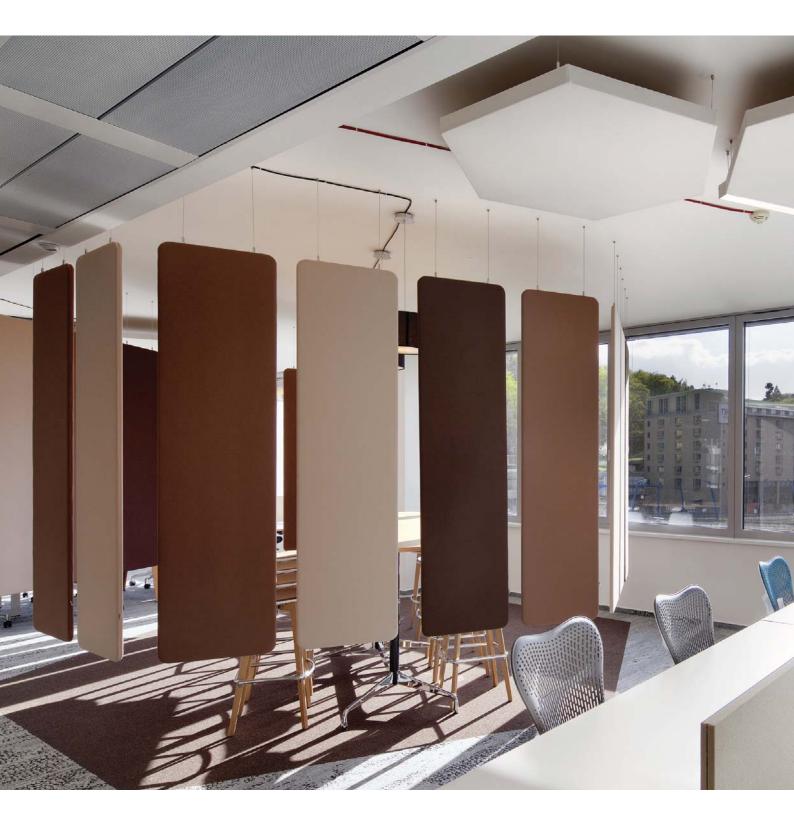
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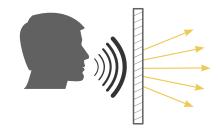
At every moment of every day, we are all surrounded by sound. The effects of this experience on the human organism can be positive, but the dangers are just as potent.

TYPICAL NOISE LEVELS



SOUND DISTRIBUTION IN AN INTERIOR SPACE





transmission

Outfitting a room with sound-absorbing materials can result in a substantial reduction of the overall noise level. This leads to improved audibility and clarity between colleagues, which in turn contributes to a lower conversational volume.



ACOUSTICS IN THE OFFICE

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SOUND REFLECTION IN A TYPICAL OFFICE

Many people spend up to a third of their lives at work. As such, it's essential to plan our offices so that they provide the best possible conditions for undisturbed work. In workplaces without special acoustic considerations, echoes and other background noise can quickly reach intolerable levels. Both output and morale are negatively impacted as employees struggle to maintain concentration, productivity and creativity in such a chaotic environment.



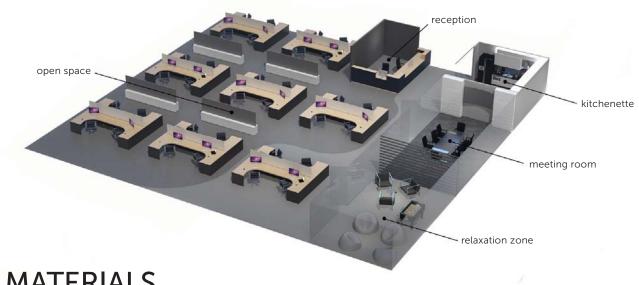
SOUND ABSORPTION IN AN OFFICE WITH ACOUSTIC ITEMS

By installing acoustic fixtures in the right positions, office users can benefit from a significant reduction in background noise. This increase in acoustic comfort will boost concentration and efficiency as well as employee health over time.



TYPICAL OFFICE AREAS

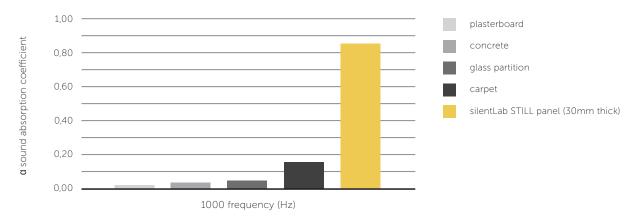
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MATERIALS

Visible concrete, plasterboard, glass and other common office materials have negligible sound-absorption properties. These materials instead reflect sound around the room to create a distracting echo effect. Listed below are the acoustic capabilities of these typical office materials. They're contrasted with a SilentLab STILL panels to highlight the benefits of specialized acoustic technology.

OFFICE MATERIAL SOUND ABSORPTION CAPACITY





WORKING ENVIRONMENT

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Offices are divided into different zones according to the activities taking place in each.

Each individual zone therefore requires a specialized acoustic approach designed to eliminate echo, reduce background noise and ensure privacy.

THE MAIN PROBLEMS OF TODAY'S OFFICES AND THEIR CONSEQUENCES

LACK OF PRIVACY EXCESSIVE NOISE COMMUNICATION DIFFICULTIES IMPAIRED CONCENTRATION REDUCED PRODUCTIVITY STRESS, OTHER ADVERSE HEALTH IMPACTS

CASE STUDY

Employee satisfaction surveys reveal that excessive noise is one of the most frequently reported problems in contemporary offices. According to one study*, an average employee will lose 21 minutes per day due to noise distractions. For example, in a company with 100 employees and a total hourly labor cost of \leq 25 for each, noise-related losses may reach \leq 210,000 per year.

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1 EMPLOYEEDAYMONTHYEARINEFFICIENT USE OF TIME20 minutes7 hours84 hoursCOSTS OF EMPLOYEES8 €175 €2 100 €



100 EMPLOYEES	DAY	MONTH	YEAR
INEFFICIENT USE OF TIME	2 000 minutes	700 hours	8 400 hours
COSTS OF EMPLOYEES	833€	17 500 €	210 000 €

* Perceived acoustic enviroment, work performance and well being – survey results from Finnish offices, presented to the International Congress of Noise as aPublic Health Problem (2008).



ACOUSTIC **PRODUCT TYPES BY FUNCTION**

ACOUSTIC PRODUCTS CAN BE DIVIDED INTO SEVERAL CATEGORIES BY THEIR FUNCTION IN THE WORKPLACE

1 SOUND ABSORPTION

ACOUSTIC WALL AND CEILING PANELS, POUFS

These items absorb sound that would otherwise be reflected, thereby reducing noise and improving communication in the room.

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2 SPACE DIVISION

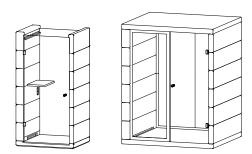
DESK, HANGING AND FREE-STANDING DIVIDERS

Through both acoustic and visual improvements, dividers keep sound contained, ensuring it does not spread into other areas.

3 PRIVACY ENHANCEMENT

MICROOFFICE, ACOUSTIC SEATING, PHONE BOX

The soundproof MICROOFFICE and other related items provide a private setting for conference calls or sensitive negotiations.





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