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An event and exhibition programme featuring current trends in design, in particular in interior design, with exhibitions in Cologne's showrooms, galleries, furniture shops, cultural institutes, museums and universities.

It's that time of year again: in January, the 25th PASSAGEN will kick off the international design season, providing exciting impressions, great inspiration and atmospheric environments.

The design parcours through Cologne's city centre will start at the Kölnischer Kunstverein with Werner Aisslinger's spectacular 'A&W Designer of the Year 2014' exhibition. Since 1997, the Designer of the Year exhibitions have set tongues wagging, such as last year's show by the Bouroullec brothers. Werner Aisslinger has nominated the German-Danish designer Gesa Hansen for the A&W mentor prize.

The Cologne Museum of Applied Arts (MAKK) will open the 'typisch deutsch?/typically German?' exhibition by London-based designer Rolf Sachs and will also show an exhibition by the Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), featuring the work of Algerian artist and designer Amor Lamine Dokman. The Handwerkskammer Köln will present Dutch design in a group exhibition by Dutch Design Desk. 'Design Flanders' at Belgisches Haus will introduce young design by Atelier Bonk and Cas Moor. The new collection of vases by Julie Richoz, award winner of the 7th DESIGN PARADE by villa Noailles, Hyères, will be presented at the Institut Français. With 'Modern Japanese Design', the Japan Foundation will provide an overview of Japanese everyday design objects. Furthermore, the foundation will present Issey Miyake's 'IN-EI' lighting collection. Right across the street, the Italian Cultural Institute will open 'Italian Style: Dressing the Home' with furniture by Giancarlo Zoppi, Lodoli, Angelo Bozzola and others. The artist and designer Stefan Wewerka, who passed away recently, will be honoured with the 'Denkmöbel' exhibition at UAA (Ungers Archive for Architecture).

At PASSAGEN, Cologne will demonstrate its full potential as a design venue with exhibitions at interior design stores, flagship stores and showrooms, including Jan Kath by Nyhues at the recently opened store in the Belgian quarter, as well as Boffi, cucina and bulthaup. Along the Ring boulevard, TOBIAS GRAU, pesch wohnen, Fermob, Giorgetti, COR interlücke Studio, Lambert Home, schmalenbach design, Dada at Pfannes & Virnich, Marktex and Rolf Benz with PIURE will be showing new products. In Cologne's Deutz quarter, Design Post will present programmes by Acousticpearls, Agape, Andreu World, Aqua Creations, Arco, Arper, Bolon, Carpet Sign, Danskina, Flötotto, Gelderland, Kasthall, Kinnasand, Kvadrat, Lema, Licht im Raum, Linteloo, Luceplan, Magis, Montana, Montis, Moroso, Pastoe, Palau, Pilat + Pilat, Rimadesio, Rohi, S+ Systemmöbel, Secto, Spectrum, Swedese and Zeitraum. In the Rheinauhafen harbour district, Occhio, Sitzfeldt, Garten+Design and Vitra Bad will present their products and concepts. New products will also be shown in the area around Neumarkt, including Kartell, Vittoria Friggerio and MIAZZO ELITE ITALIA at Elivion, USM Möbelbausystem at the new (smow) store and LIEHT at lighting retailer Schiffgen.

Architecture-related products again prove to be a central theme in 2014: the Altes Gaswerk has become the meeting point for architects and interior designers, with presentations by ultramarine, Bisazza, Living Ceramics, Laufen by Kartell, Tubes Radiatori, effegibi, Dallmer, Menu, Strömer Küchen and OSA, antoniolupi, Die BildBildner, wandgut, Cambio Kunstmöbel, comme-il-faut, Atelier BlaurockBamberg, Schreinerei Jürgen Delmes, Cabinet and DROOM. The casaceramica

showroom will be celebrating a world premiere with the EQ Dekor glass fibre wall and floor finish by Italian manufacturer Inkiostro Bianco and will also be showing products by digitalSTROM. EMS will be at RaumWerk, Parkett Dietrich can be found in Köln-Weiden; new architectural concepts by Mosa Architectural Ceramics Center Köln, markilux and Garten+Design will be presented in the Rheinauhafen harbour district.

For the first time, the Stuttgart-based designer duo STADTNOMADEN will be presenting their new collection at Galerie Ampersand in the Belgian quarter near the new Jan Kath by Nyhues store. 'Still Life Stories', extraordinary porcelain vessels by Berlin-based artist Maria Volokhova, will be shown at La Seda. The Hamburg-based furniture and lighting designer pliet will present his designs in a garage while Frankfurt-based designer and light artist Fabian Thiele will illuminate the Hallmackenreuther Café. In the suite of nearby Hotel Chelsea, Wohnkultur66 will present their own collection 'Wiener Zwischenkriegszeit' featuring new products by Ernst Schwadron, as well as the Finn Juhl collection 'Onecollection'. Besides their own designs, Polstermanufaktur Brdr. Petersen will be presenting classic designs by, for example, Nanna Ditzel and Vilhelm Lauritzen. Another 'must' for lovers of design classics is the Cologne Markanto Depot who will be showing furniture by Børge Mogensen and Pierre Chapo.

One again, PASSAGEN will be providing an opportunity to discover young international design talent: the DESIGNERS FAIR has established itself in Köln-Ehrenfeld and will again be presented at the DQE hall, featuring selected designers and the new DESIGNERS FAIR Concept Store to explore, order and buy products by Eva Gronbach, Hansen Family, Jan Kath, JUNG DYNAMISCH SYLT, Utensil, FREMDFORM, Rohstoff Design, halloessen and many others.

The seventh design parcours ehrenfeld is even more diverse and colourful than ever before, presenting a mix of exhibitions, events and happenings: SALON ZWEI will be showing felt and light objects by internationally acclaimed designer Siba Sahabi; Daniel Tschannen's wooden lounge at Fotoatelier Peter Blum & Melanie Fredel will be inviting visitors to take a long and 'hard' break; NEUNOY will be presenting table designs with a surfboard finish and much more. Continuing the PASSAGEN 2013 success, the group exhibition 'Objects and the factory' will be featuring, among others, Karoline

Fesser, Kai Linke and Thomas Schnur. In addition to its own exhibition hall, Design Quartier Ehrenfeld (DQE) will be staging shows at several other locations on the Helios site, including exhibitions by design networks such as KölnDesign and Gronicles, a group of Dutch designers from Groningen, and university projects such as 'designkrefeld' by Hochschule Niederrhein and 'From Istanbul with Love' by Fachhochschule Dortmund.

Young design will also be showcased at interior design retailers, flagship stores and cultural institutes: for example Boffi with its YOUNG PERSPECTIVES project, a platform for prototypes by young designers and the Belgisches Haus with Atelier Bonk and Cas Mor, as well as the Institut français with Julie Richoz.

In the city centre, 15 young designers will present their highlights in the 'Designers' Tower': over three floors of the temporary t.a.t. exhibition location, there will be designs by Christian Heufelder, Robert Hoffmann, Markus Krauss, MÖBEL COMPAGNIE, Otono, Manuel Welsky and others. Together with composer Carlo Peters, students of the Köln International School of Design (KISD) will be presenting a sound and light installation on the top floor called 'Sensing the City / Capturing Cologne'.

PASSAGEN was founded in 1990 by Sabine Voggenreiter and will be taking place for the 25th time in 2014. All information is correct at the time of printing but may be subject to change. The catalogue will be published at the end of 2013. The entire programme is available online at: www.voggenreiter.com/passagen2014/.

Admission to PASSAGEN is free. This press release is released for publication. Pictures and additional exhibitor information are available at: <http://www.voggenreiter.com/passagen2014/index.php/presseanmeldung/>.