

## COSNOVA BEAUTY

### **NEW WORK CONCEPT**

Cosnova is innovative and growing rapidly. Finding good employees is not easy these days. To be and remain an attractive employer, they keep up with the trends of modern and ergonomic workplaces.

It goes without saying that the new desks are electrically height-adjustable. There is a decisive reason why the office furniture manufacturer WINI chose tables with electrical adjustment systems from Linak: With rapid growth, the need for workplaces is also increasing. However, there is a lack of space. Since not all employees are in the office at the same time - especially the salespeople are on the road a lot and their tables are often not used - an innovative solution for desk sharing was needed. This is where the third company comes into play: the Dutch room & desk booking specialist GoBright.

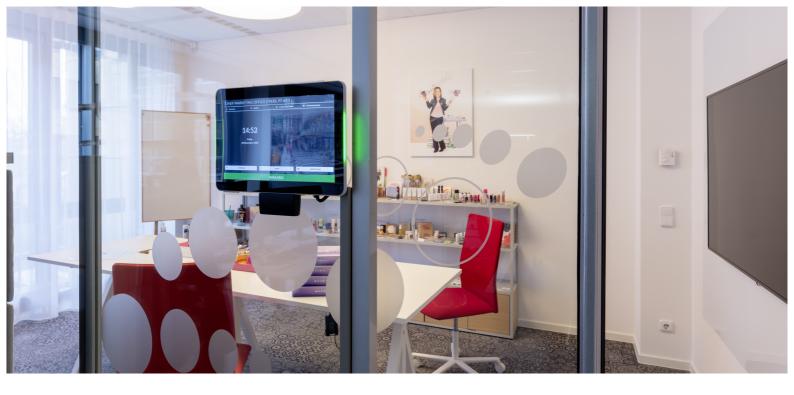
Meanwhile, 650 employees work for the cosmetics company, whose best-known brands are essence, Catrice and L.O.V. 450 people work in Sulzbach alone. In 2004 the company moved to this location and since then new office space has been added time and again. Today, the company has reached its limit of what is possible in terms of space.

New ways of working are a good solution to this problem; in other words, the combination of mobile working and working at the office. A combination of working in coworking spaces, on the go, from home or even at the office is conceivable. The 'New Work' concept should on the one hand alleviate the space problem, on the other hand it should also appeal to young, potential employees who want to work flexibly.



## **OPTIMAL USE OF WORKPLACES**

A modern sit-stand workplace that should contribute to ergonomic working was planned from the start. 'Ergonomic working is important in offices these days', Jens Gädeke, Director IT at Cosnova Beauty. When looking for the right tables, both facility management and the IT department focused not only on ergonomics, but above all on an intelligent solution for desk sharing. A booking system should help with the optimal use of workplaces. The pilot project started with the order processing, accounting and sales departments. 100 sit-stand workstations were created, spread over two floors. Cosnova breathes the open space philosophy, there are only a few individual offices. Retreats and smaller meeting rooms are integrated in the open space.



## THE MOST INNOVATIVE APPROACH

The booking system that Jens Gädeke had in mind should fit the Cosnova's company size. The requirements for the system were: a steady, flexible, and future-oriented solution in which the hardware and software are aligned. During a search online they came across software manufacturer GoBright. "It was the company with the most innovative approach to a modern booking system," reported Director IT Jens Gädeke.

The link to the office furniture manufacturer WINI came on the advice of GoBright. Cosnova chose the WINEA FLOW sitstand table system from WINI, in which the motor and control components from Linak are installed. GoBright and Linak work closely together. The Linak controls provide an interface so that the GoBright booking system can communicate with the electric lifting columns. This allows the tables to be controlled with the GoBright Connect; the control element.

#### **Room and Desk Booking**

But how does the GoBright room and desk booking system work exactly? On a large Mapping display at the office you can see all available and booked rooms and desks of each floor; reservations can be made on the touch display instantly. Alternatively, desks and rooms can be booked via the GoBright mobile app as well – the app can be used to book the tables at any time, regardless of location, and a browser interface is also available. Meeting rooms can also be booked via an integration in Outlook / Exchange with various additional functions. If the motion sensor in the meeting room does not detect any participants or if you do not confirm your arrival on the display, the booking is removed from the system after a short time and the room is available for other meetings. The same applies to the workplaces.



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## A UNIQUE COMBINATION

Cosnova is very satisfied with its new working environment, especially with the combination of a ergonomic height adjustable desk with a booking system. "Not only does it look good and you can work ergonomically, but the desk sharing issue has also been solved using the latest technology," says Director IT Jens Gädeke.



## THE COMPANY: COSNOVA BEAUTY

At Cosnova, people like colors. No wonder, because cosnova, based in Sulzbach im Taunus is a cosmetics manufacturer. The cosmetics industry is probably one of those industries that can hardly be surpassed in terms of color diversity. What applies to the products also applies to the interior design of the offices. The corporate colors raspberry red, orange and pink can be found in small colored accents in the offices. Here a roll container in raspberry red, there a seat cushion in orange or pink.

