

Press release

XINOX – the new sanitary range in stainless steel from FRANKE – now endorsed with the “DESIGN-PLUS” award bestowed at ISH 2003 in Frankfurt, Germany. Special surface finished with INOXplus that actually repels fingerprints, making them virtually invisible.

AQUARIUS – a freestanding sculpture for bathrooms designed with wellness in mind

Freestanding like a fountain – and therefore ideal for use in open spaces – that’s AQUARIUS, the exceptional sculptured washbasin designed to go with FRANKE’s new XINOX range of stainless-steel sanitary products. A paper-towel disposal slot and connected waste-bin are integrated into the washbasin unit, along with a towel dispenser in the mirror and a semicircular glass shelf. The XINOX range of products has been endorsed this March at ISH in Frankfurt, Germany with the highly esteemed DESIGN-PLUS award.

The XINOX brand covers a range of over fifty harmoniously compatible individual products, created by the design team at Berger & Stahl of Basel (Switzerland) to provide bathroom facilities that need to reflect the prestige of public, semi-public and private buildings, and wherever exacting standards of hygiene, convenience and aesthetics are to be met. The long list of possibilities includes such places as wellness centres and fitness studios, theatres, top hotels and airports, or the customer facilities of banks, insurance offices and industrial premises.

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The outstanding feature of this new range of sanitary products from FRANKE – apart from the high-quality manufacturing and design standards applied – is the

use of our unique and innovative INOXplus surface finish. This is not just a simple coating process, but a sophisticated finishing treatment that involves the combining of minute nano-sized particles with the molecules of the stainless steel surface. The result: As with the surface of the petals of the lotus flower, water and soiling form into pearl-like droplets and fingerprints are rendered virtually invisible. XINOX sanitary products thus favour general hygiene and cleanliness, while considerably reducing the amount of care and cleaning required.

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