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# STEFAN CAMENZIND

## PARTNER & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Stefan Camenzind is an architect and workplace innovator, founding partner and executive director of Evolution Design, an internationally recognised architecture and design studio with a particular focus on human-centred solutions.

Founded in 2004, Evolution Design has completed a number of internationally recognised projects and has delivered inspiring workspaces for the global chocolate manufacturer Barry Callebaut, tech giant Google and German broadcasting company RTL. The practice also designed the iconic office building Cocoon, the renowned Flexhouse and converted the former NZZ print works to a multi-use hub.

With his strong analytical ability and his openness to embrace new ideas, Stefan's career has been guided by an inquisitive approach to architecture and design. In all the projects – whether it's a workplace where employee self-determination and productivity are given primary con-

sideration, a futuristic single-family house or a child-friendly community sports centre – Stefan challenges the status quo by questioning the existing conditions and proposing new insights and perspectives.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Stefan profoundly analysed the impact of remote work on the workforce's efficiency, productivity and sense of belonging as well as company culture. Surveys undertaken with more than 6000 employees from different industries informed his views on the future workplace. «Home office is here to stay,» he says. «People enjoy the freedom and self-determination of working from home or anywhere they can be productive. If employers want to motivate their staff to return, they have to have a convincing answer as to how space can create added value in people's interaction and how the office can propel company culture.»

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