Chassis.

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High class. Seeking more than just a chair? They’ve been around for 5000 years. And if you thought improving their design was impossible, think again. Think Chassis. From New York to Frankfurt, Sydney or Singapore, London, Essen or Munich, the superbly fluid and distinctive form makes it a popular design icon worldwide.
High tech. The secret of its elegant appeal lies in the way it’s produced. The method is based on car-body manufacture, which has been applied to produce chairs for the first time. Very strong sheet steel is teased into precise forms, welded by robot and powder coated. Then it’s combined with the shell to create an attractive piece of furniture.
A chair for home and work. When working and private lives overlap, design solutions are required that combine a more individual with a more professional touch. And express this in a new way. The designer thought that the new forming technology could allow this multi-purpose chair to combine stability and technical precision with a contoured shape and comfortable elasticity. The first prototypes were welded together from 11 handcrafted components. The road to industrial production was paved with obstacles. The courage and painstaking work required have been rewarded. Chassis is a new milestone in design, comfort, ease of use – and it’s environmentally friendly too. The shell is easy to exchange and the frame simple to repair and recycle. The chair’s a friend for life.
Variety. Some 33 combinations of frame colours and seat shells result in a surprisingly diverse range of interpretations. The various options turn Chassis into a customised design tool for studios, meeting rooms, cafeterias, showrooms, dining rooms, hotels and conference spaces ... Have any ideas of your own? Be our guest.
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