

Kai Stania | Designer

Kai Stania was born in Salzburg in 1965 and began studying architecture at the Technical University of Vienna in 1987. Alongside his architectural education, he began to study industrial design at the College of Applied Arts in Vienna in 1990. In 1993, Stania became responsible for project management at Ron Arad's studio in London. He completed his architectural studies with honours in 1996 and started as a university assistant at the Technical University of Vienna. Following additional positions as an assistant at the Institute of Architectural Construction and Design at the Technical University of Vienna, in 2002 the architect and designer established his own design studio, "kai stania | product design". His clients include such names as TEAM 7, Bene, Wittmann, and Rolf Benz in the furniture department, and Cerrutti, Ungaro, Nina Ricci, and Hugo Boss in the area of fashion accessories.



For TEAM 7, for example, he designed the height-adjustable **k7** kitchen, which has a unique selling point on the market to this day. The **riletto** bed, the **lift** coffee table, and the **atelier** desk were also conceived by Stania. His innovations include the **loup** side table, whose organic shape offers a new interpretation of round ornamentation. Another perfect expression of TEAM 7's design principles is the metal-free **float** bed, which lives up to its name by seeming to hover in the air – thanks to the invisible wooden slides which support it. The matching bedside table completes an elegantly coordinated set. The **float** bed and **loup** side table both won honours in the ICONIC AWARD 2017: Interior Innovation - Selection.

Stania has been honoured with numerous awards in the course of his career, such as the Red Dot Design Award, the German Design Award, and the White Star. The designer lives with his family in Vienna in a highly-regarded house of his own design which he created in 2007, where he skilfully combines living and working.

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