Role summary

We are looking for an experienced Furniture / Product designer to join the growing Industrial Design team. The team works on elements for major architectural projects, for clients on private commissions and with major design led brands to develop new products for commercial manufacture. The role requires creative thinking, design sensitivity and strong technical ability and workshop skills.

Role Definition

Job title: Industrial Designer

Reporting to: Head of Industrial Design on a day to day basis and ultimately to the Head of Design

Responsibilities

- To work on industrial and furniture projects within the department and act as a consultant to the architectural and interiors teams
- To prepare and develop from the brief, a design proposal and presentation by means of hand sketches, technical drawings, graphics, CAD models, working and presentation models
- To liaise with other external design teams and manufacturers and to oversee the construction and development of a project
- To take responsibility where required by the project leader for specific areas of the design and project development
- To assess the need for manufacture of a presentation model and to liaise with the model shop in terms of time and material management. To work within the safety guidelines and provide support to others within the machine tool environment
- To review industrial design work as part of the internal review process
- To give support where needed to colleagues working on other projects within the industrial team
- Thorough knowledge of and compliance with Foster + Partners procedures and standards
- To contribute, or otherwise assist as required
- Equity, diversity & inclusion (EDI) is a core priority. To support and champion the embedding of this focus as a collective workforce responsibility, EDI should be integrated, where relevant, into all workstreams.

Qualities and Skills required

- Able to demonstrate ability to undertake the above responsibilities
- Previous experience within the field of industrial design
- Able to construct sketch and high-level presentation models in house for review and client presentation
- Legally able to work in the country in which the position is based
- Excellent organisational skills
- Able to manage sensitive and sometimes confidential information
- Self motivated and able to take responsibility
- Able to demonstrate initiative and a proactive approach to daily tasks
- Good interpersonal skills and able to work independently and as part of an effective team
- Flexible attitude
- Able to build good relationships at all levels, internally and externally
• Resilient to cope with conflicting demands, able to prioritise duties and work effectively under pressure.
• Able to work as part of an effective team assisting and supporting team members

This description reflects the core activities of the role but is not intended to be all-inclusive and other duties within the group/department may be required in addition to changes in the emphasis of duties as required from time to time. There is a requirement for the post holder to recognise this and adopt a flexible approach to work. Job descriptions will be reviewed regularly and where necessary revised in accordance with organisational needs. Any major changes will be discussed with the post holder.