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KUBE, the new kitchen cabinetry line **designed by Giovanni Offredi for Italian manufacturer Snaidero**, has a clear-cut "architecture" of dynamic and smooth contemporary forms.

KUBE was presented by Snaidero at the Eurocucina Milan Fair in April 2008 and will be available in North America exclusively through Snaidero USA starting September of this year.

Kube is a system that offers outstanding practicality and layout versatility. Its streamlined design is built around the interplay of volume and space. **The contrasts of shapes, materials and colors define clearly distinct functional areas which coexist harmoniously.**

The analytical design of Kube results into **a timeless kitchen conceived to respond to the need for increased functionality** that is typical of today's lifestyle.

Kube is the expression of the new concept of luxury, which is not about ostentation; rather, it **is about using design for function and as a mirror of the homeowner's personality.**

Main Features

- **Toe kick: visually, Kube appears suspended above the floor** due to a recessed aluminium toe kick supporting the base units. A reflective mirror finish in stainless steel gives lightness to the design.

- Materials: the contrast of white (Corian) and wood emphasizes the clear-cut lines of the design. The warm tone of the Elm wood enhances the visibility of the work surfaces in stainless steel, all the while softening the cold feel of the steel.
- **The Elm wood was chosen for the “technical” look of its lines. The nuances of its grains blend together into a harmonious pattern that provides warmth and visual variety.** The “vein pattern” of the Elm is used horizontally, except in the cupboards where it’s vertical.
- Kube is also available in high gloss, matte and metallic lacquer in the Snaidero color range.
- The compact sink/hob unit is complemented by a gently sloping extractor hood (patented by Snaidero). The work unit is available in stainless steel, Corian, Quartz, Ecorite, Marble or laminate. Added to this area is an elegant open element in stainless steel, equipped with a middle shelf. This block serves as a practical accessorized unit to facilitate washing and food preparation activities.
- Compact or standard household appliances can be housed in countertop units which also offer additional drawers for storage.
- Drawers are fully accessorized with practical trays to better organize silverware and utensils.
- Demands for increased storage space can be met by including wall units in the same finishes as the doors. **Spacious cupboards can also be added. The supporting toe kick of the cupboards is flush with the doors to preserve the consistency of the design.**
- **Drawer doors are available with handles or no handles. In the latter case, the self-closing doors open through a Blum servo-drive device:** a technology that opens the door for you when activated with just a light touch of the drawer front. Servo-drive offers full freedom of movement in the kitchen: even when the user’s hands are full, it’s easy to open and close the drawers. The user controls the technology and determines when the drawers should keep moving, stop or close.
- **Light is a fundamental part of Kube, adding intimacy and warmth to the kitchen and thus becoming an attractive feature in and of itself.** Custom-size fluorescent strip lighting is fitted: 1) along the long shelf in the wall layout, lighting

up the food preparation area; 2) in an under-top position on the central island unit and in a large suspended rack.

Three different compositions are available:

1. The work area (cook top and sink) is part of the main wall unit, which also houses the appliances and is complemented by cupboards for storage needs.
2. No wall unit: the island is used as the main operational area, incorporating cook top and sink, and accessorized with chopping boards and pot stands. This area transitions to a lunch/breakfast table on one side. Cupboards are used for storage and to house (and hide away) the appliances.
3. The wall unit retains the function of main work area (with cook top and sink), while the island is used as a bar or as an additional work station for food preparation. Appliances can be housed in the wall unit or inside the cupboards. This is the most complete layout, ideal to welcome two or more people working together and also provide more space to host social gatherings.

For its lacquer doors, Snaidero uses **water-based, non-toxic varnishes with low VOCs**.

Snaidero also holds the **LFE E1 certification for its commitment to utilizing wood panels with low formaldehyde emitting glues and resins**.