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INDEX: AWARDS THE FINAL PAGES OF THIS ISSUE OF DESIGNMATTERS WILL PRESENT SOME EXAMPLES OF "DESIGN TO IMPROVE LIFE" – NOMINATED BY DESIGN SPECIALISTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD FOR THE WORLD'S BIGGEST DESIGN PRIZE. THE WINNERS HAVE NOT YET BEEN ANNOUNCED, SO: PICK YOUR OWN WINNER – AND VISIT INDEX2005.DK FOR UPDATES ON THE INDEX: AWARDS AND THE DESIGN YEAR 2005.

RAMPSSNAKE: COMMUNITY

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A modular conveyor-belt enables the RampSnake to carry the luggage from the full depth of the aircraft cargo compartments up to a height of 8 metres – and vice-versa. Two



men can effortlessly transfer tons of luggage in and out of the confined spaces of aircraft cargo rooms. This means a vast improvement of the work environment of the estimated 2,000,000 luggagehandlers worldwide and takes off 80% of the load on the human body. Far more than required by the Work Environment Authorities. Design: CPH Design A/S, Denmark.

[RE]CHARGE: BODY

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[Re]charge bicycle enables the user to cover approximately 20

km in urban conditions without pedalling. Battery can be recharged either by connecting to a wall outlet (home), special

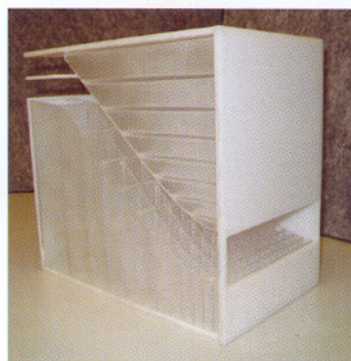


communal parking/recharging posts, or by pedalling (outside or at home). Can be used as a home stationary bicycle for exercise or battery recharging purpose, without any modification. Design: Kovacic Neven, Croatia.

SILENCEAIR – NATURAL VENTILATION WITH SUPERIOR NOISE REDUCTION: HOME

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Silenceair's design is transparent, compact and consists of a series of tubes that are engineered to eliminate noise intrusion by 85% whilst



facilitating a free flow of fresh air. It is environmentally friendly as it has no power requirements. The overall effect is the same as an open window without the noise.

Design: Chris Field and Fergus Fricke, Australia.

THE "ECODIRECTORY" PROJECT: COMMUNITY

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This design has been conceived to create a new resource for



Bangalore which provides information in a manner

that is different from normal listings. Bangalore does not have a compilation of eco-related material. The IT face of Bangalore is more prominent than the fact that it is an eco-crisis in the making. The design of this directory hopes to show the interconnectedness of ecology and provoke decision-making. The hope is that ordinary citizens will understand the issues that usually are not black and white, through the way the information has been categorised.

Design: Poonam Bir Kasturi, ao, India.

SOLAR PASTEURISATION UNIT: BODY

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1.1 billion people in this world do not have clean



drinking water. This solar pasteurisation unit, made with plastic packaging technology, pasteurises water, AIDS-infected breast milk, cooks food and sterilises surgical instruments. Design: Kent Laursen, Denmark.

'C' SYSTEM: PLAY

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A "smart" labelling system for clothing using a tactile language of shapes to enable visually impaired people to shop independently for colour and size, with a bar code reader for additional product information.



The language enables visually impaired users to identify over 60 colours by learning 16 tactile shapes and to determine whether the material at hand is patterned or plain.

Design: Paola Suhonen, Finland.

MIND OVER MATTER – INTERACTIVE TELEVISION AS AN ARENA FOR VALUE DISCUSSION THROUGH FACT AND FICTION: COMMUNITY

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Mind Over Matter is a media design concept that turns television into an arena for value debates. The strategies



for this are the examination of individual choice, ethics and responsibility in conjunction with fiction and the enhancement of public affairs and political value debate as presented through facts. Both strategies are realised as mass