# THIS IS NOT A CORPORATE BROCHURE







# THIS IS A NICE CORPORATE BROCHURE

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The international focus and the constant research for a world without barriers live together within the Nice Northeastern heartbeat. The Italian culture is the origin of the growth and of the Nice development on the global landscape: thinking further, but always feeling in your place.



# THE NICE GROUP

A Group of companies with a distinctive brands' portfolio, each designed for fitting its peculiar distribution channel.

NiceGroup aims to simplify and get everyday life of people better, making the most of commercial, industrial and residential space management, through design, technology, sustainability.

NiceGroup makes the whole space fit for you.

# THE NICE BRANDS





# **Nice**

Nice is the specialist, the n.1 choice in automation systems: the simplest integration, the widest range, the best control electronics, the finest design, the most amusing automation all together.

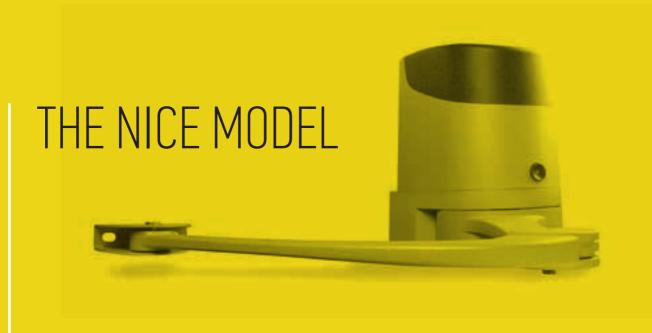
# elero

elero is the leading global brand in the area of drives and controls for smart, sustainable building automation and industrial applications: pioneering technological achievements, quality Made in Germany, specialist for innovative technology.

# **Fontana**Arte

FontanaArte is one of the Italian companies that have written the "history of lighting and furnishing" in Italy and around the world. They have involved the most important architects and lighting designers, who, together with the company, have built a cultural project on architecture, lighting and furnishings. Timeless objects, with splendid shapes, some of which have become design classics on show in the most important museums around the world.

The real light in a beautiful home.



COMMITMENT TO TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION/ATTENTION TO DESIGN/ ATTENTION TO THE WAY OF COMMUNICATION/ FLEXIBLE AND EFFICIENT PRODUCTION/ STRICT CONTROL OF PRODUCTION KEY PHASES/FOCUS ON TIME-TO-MARKET/EXTENSIVE/ GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE/ HIGHLY DIVERSIFIED CUSTOMER BASE



# THE NICE WORLD

Nice has moved fast all over the world, finding the best markets for its products: over 100 Countries have chosen the high quality of the Nice solutions that combine technology, design, innovation and research. Exporting new products, fresh ideas and a different way of thinking.

# ● INDUSTRIAL FOOTPRINE

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Subcontractor Network, Europe
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San Antonio, Texas, USA
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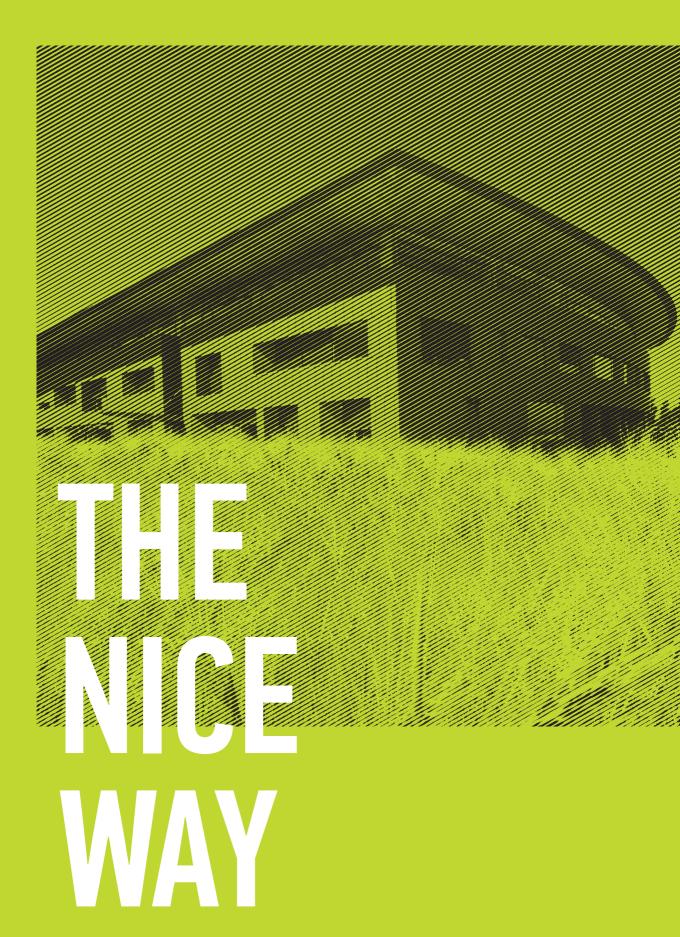


Oderzo, Italy
Turin, Italy
Beueren, Germany
Limeira, Brasil
San Antonio, Texas, USA
Shanghai, China

NICE HEADQUARTERS Oderzo, Italy

# SUBSIDIARIES

Padua, Rome, Milan, Italy Aubagne, Decines Charpieu, France Mostoles, Madrid, Spain Pruszków, Poland Leuven, Heverlee, Belgium Billerbeck, Germany Cluj Napoca, Rumania Sutton in Ashfield, UK Ümraniye, İstanbul, Turkey Alcabideche, Portugal Odintsovo Moscow Region, Russia Shanghai, China San Antonio, Texas, USA Germiston, South Africa Belmore, Australia Dubai, UAE, Middle East





## MISSION

# DESIGNING A NICE WORLD

Improving the quality of life by offering the best way to live and manage the space. Different solutions with the same purpose: satisfy the desire of comfort with a unique design, a simple use and a constant innovation. A wide range of products and projects all following this main goal: a complete system for living and building management.

### VISION

# A WORLD WITHOUT BARRIERS

Becoming the specialist in the management of integrated automation systems thanks to a complete variety of intelligent and easy-to-use products.

# A NICE STORY

1932

FontanaArte was founded in Milan by the Italian architect Gio Ponti 1964

elero designed and produced in Germany the first tubular motor ever

1993

Lauro Buoro
founded Nice,
creating electronic
products: remote
controls and
accessories for
the automation
of gates and garage
doors, proposing
to the home automation
sector a new way
to produce, compete
and communicate

1995

Enlargement of the Nice product range with the offer of motors for gate and door automation. First branch in France 2000

Enlargement of the Nice product range: automation systems for awnings, shutters and solar screens 2001

Listing in Borsa Italiana S.p.A. Ready to accept new challenges Nice became listed in the STAR segment of the Italian Stock Exchange



2008

Nice entered new market segments: the wireless alarm systems and the industrial doors 2009

Nice offers home automation and security systems through a new NiceHome line 2010

Nice acquired the majority share capital of FontanaArte, the Milan-based company recognized in Italy and abroad to have marked the "history in lighting and furnishings" 2011

Nice acquired elero Group, leader in the manufacture of automation systems for sun protections and venetian blinds. Nice entered into the South American market with Peccinin and acquired a second brand, KingGates

Product enlargement: presentation of the NiceEra range marked by cuttingedge design and new technology



### **WHY NICE**

NICE HAS DEVELOPED INNOVATION CULTURE WHICH MEANS INNOVATION THROUGH: DESIGN, TECHNOLOGY AND SUSTAINABILITY.

## **DESIGN**

Beauty of shapes, ergonomy and research for new materials are our key elements. Nice was the first company in the home automation field believing in the importance of design, whose centrality has always been one of the main features of Nice products and projects.

Searching for beauty goes together with the innovation culture which leads the way of every NiceGroup activity: from lighting systems with FontanaArte, to automation. The importance of design is always a basic element to reach innovative, aesthetically pleasing and functional solutions.



### **TECHNOLOGY**

R&D Departments are located all over the world on the strength of product competence and historical features: Oderzo (Veneto, Italy) for Home Automation, as well as Shanghai (China), Limeira near to São Paulo (Brasil), San Antonio (Texas, Usa), where peculiarity of local markets is a strong element; Turin (Italy) for Alarm Systems; Beueren for tubular motors and Pößneck for linear actuators; Milan, (Italy) for lighting system, where FontanaArte put together business men, artisans and designers, since 1932.

R&D gives a constant push to reach the highest level of safety, durability, quality and innovation, all the features that make NiceGroup always ready for a new challenge.

### SUSTAINABILITY

The respect for the environment and the improvement of the quality life are two of the main concepts driving NiceGroup in its activity.

NiceGroup tries to define new scenarios of sustainability through the research for eco-compatible materials and design, using low energy sources, photovoltaic appliances and managing natural and artificial light through solar screen automation systems, with great benefits in terms of comfort and eco-saving.

Inseguo il sogno di una casa vivente, (...) con quel che ha di variabile ed aperto ed aprendone le finestre perché v'entrino nel loro giro, sole e luna e l'altre stelle, e tutto è movimento, (...) inseguo l'immagine di una nuova società umana; questa immagine non è un miraggio irraggiungibile, e sta in noi sognarla per raggiungerla perché nessuna cosa

si è avverata che non fosse dianzi sognata

Gio Ponti

# A NICE MIND

Start to reshape your future with bravery, determination and with the elements that have always characterized the NiceGroup story, such as: passion, search of excitement, curiosity and interest of those who want to discover,

thinking different and going against the stream.

Desire to create something we did not do yesterday,

but which might be helpful tomorrow.

"Be the protagonists of the change.

We need to foster every day our dreams, even the boldest; we don't have to forget them".

Dreams and desire can change the world.



### THE NICE HQ

The Nice Headquarters is an example of when necessity leads to the achievement of a dream. For a company like this, expanding faster than anyone could have imagined, new space was clearly a necessity; the dream was the creation of a human-centred design whose lines and forms express Nice's founding philosophy: movement. We wanted an architectural approach that would preserve the ties with our land, which would fit into the surrounding landscape with respect and, at the same time, would be a metaphor for our desire for growth, reaching out towards new horizons. The result is a building which rises up from the ground and wraps back around itself projecting upwards around the empty space we call the "egg".

Beyond the road are vineyards and sown fields; around the building a ring of water and cultivations form a link between nature and the work of man.

Focusing on the people working in the building every day, Nice decided on wide, open spaces, which would be bright and airy, almost transparent; our goal was to create a connection between the environments and the people, and then again with the exterior, in order to enhance teamship. More than simply a workplace, we wanted a comfortable, vital building, where people could relax, go for a drink, have lunch together, or dedicate time to their wellbeing in a gym, a sauna or a steam room.

The attention focused on the interior design was an integral part of a project whose aim was to express the company's essence.



# A NICE VIEW







































































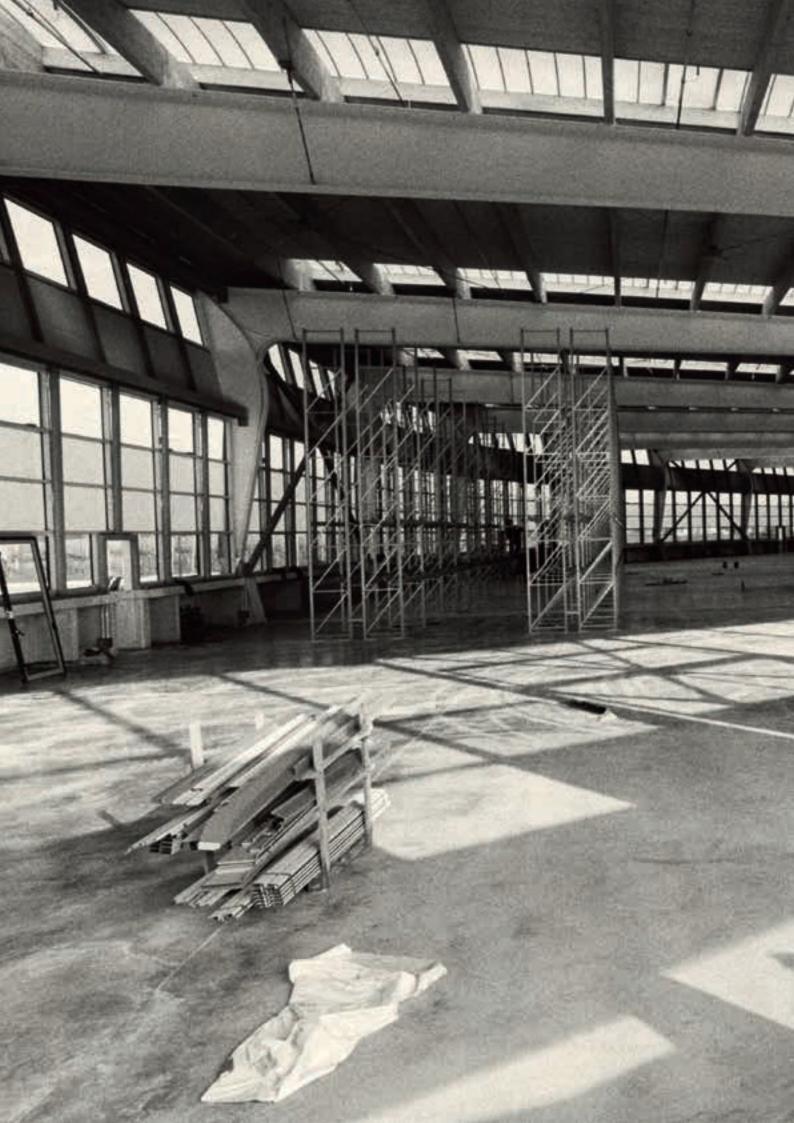
























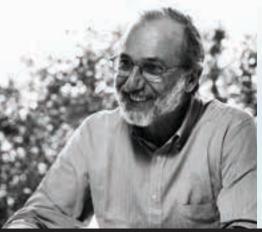




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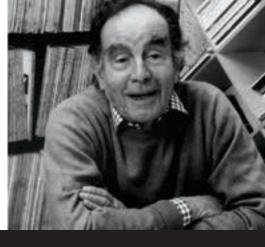




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FONTANA, MAX INGRAND 1954

VICO MAGISTRETTI







FORM US WITH LOVE

DAVID CHIPPERFIELD

CHANDELIER, DAVID CHIPPERFIELD 2004







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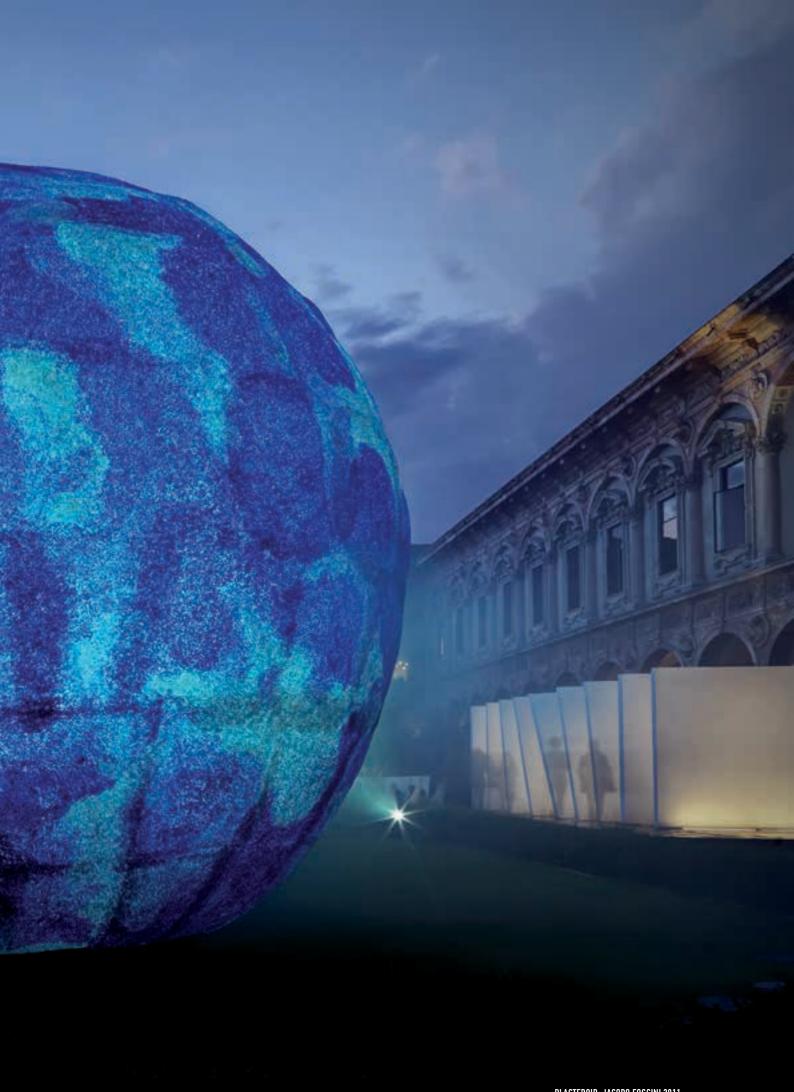






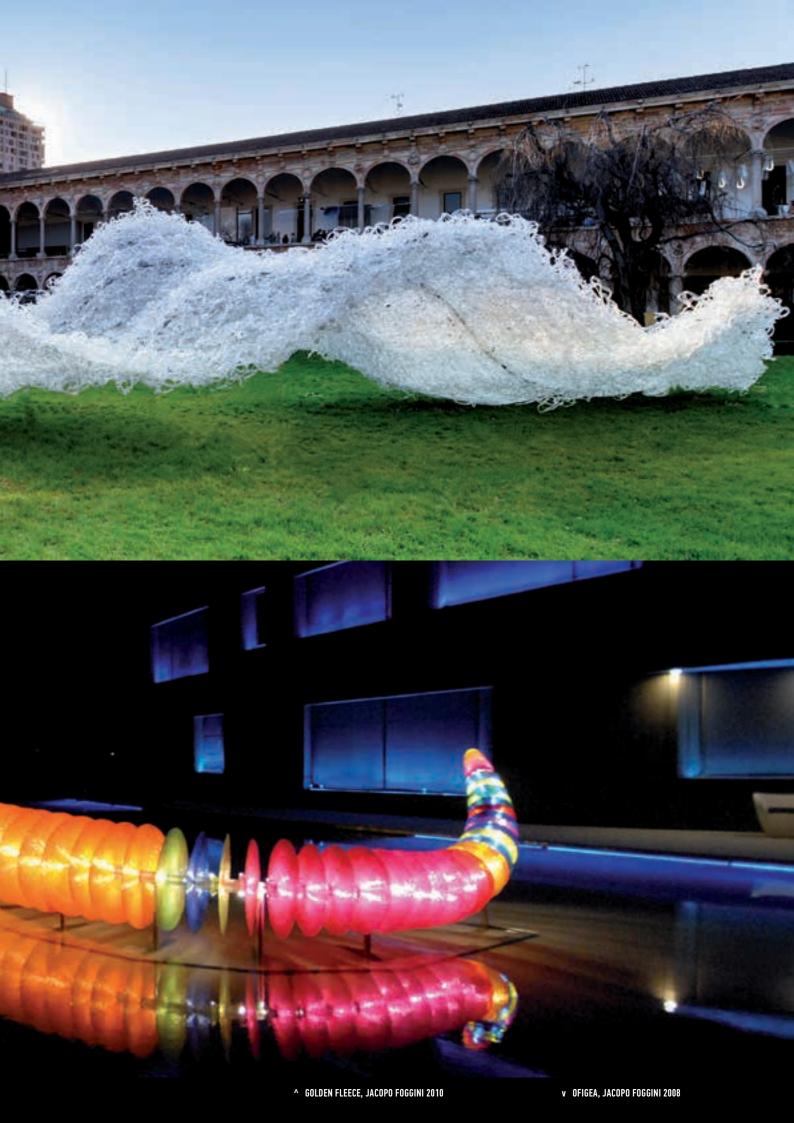
















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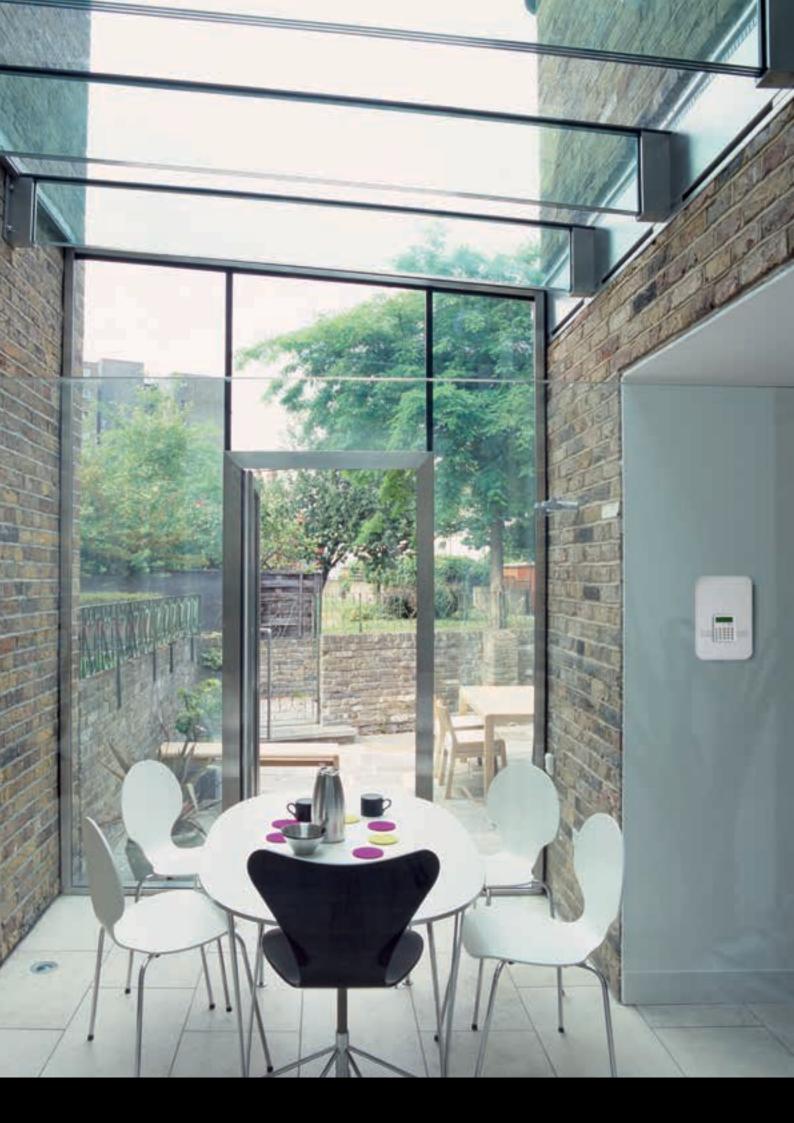






















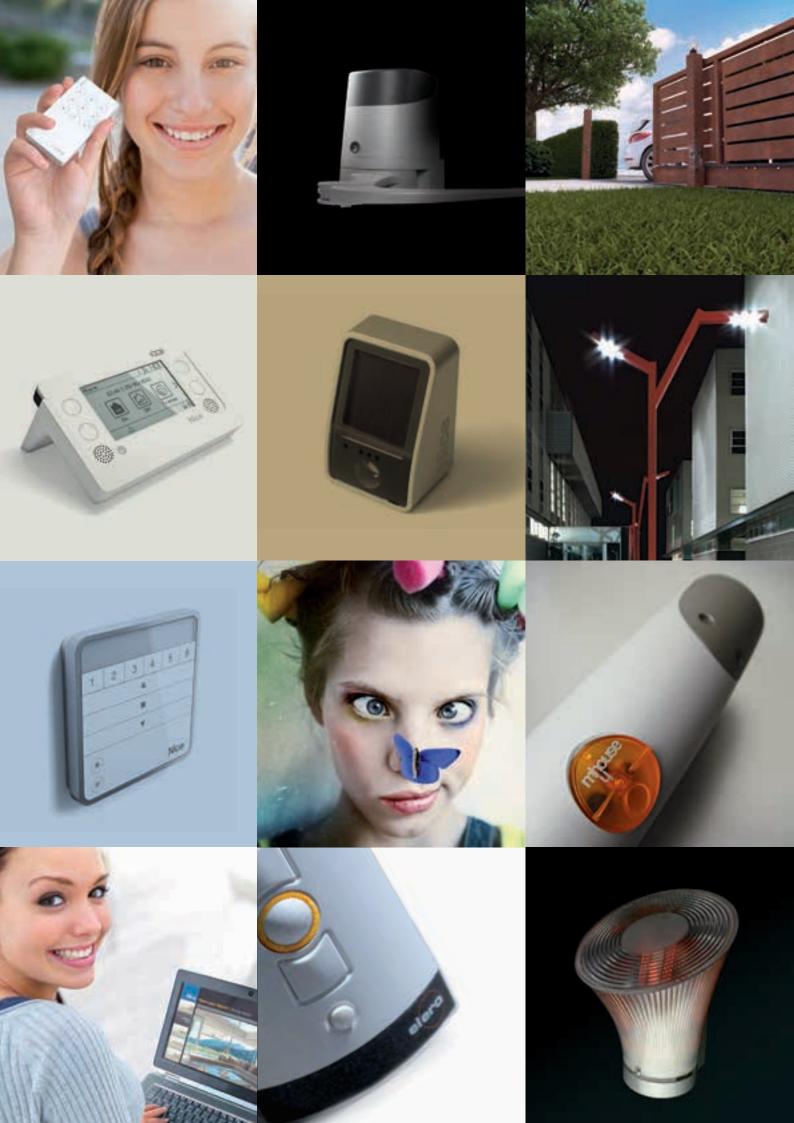














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