Workplace
About us

The value that dwp brings to our clients is great design.

At the heart of everything we do is the philosophy that architecture and design is simple, elegant and timeless.

For 25 years dwp has been a global architecture and design company that has completed award-winning work.

Proud of our entrepreneurial spirit, we aren’t afraid to push boundaries and face new challenges. dwp steps into the future with cutting edge collaborative, sustainable and creative design technology.

Currently located in Australia, Asia and the Middle East, we will extend our worldwide architectural and design services to the US and Europe by 2020.
Workplace expertise

dwp designs office spaces that not only ooze cutting edge creativity - for optimal use of space, workflow and light - but office spaces that help organisations achieve a competitive advantage by aligning workplace culture with digital transformation and modern work practices.

Our experience enables us to advise our clients on complex decisions about precinct planning, building type, size, shape, lift locations and enhancements. We design buildings that attract and retain tenants with the flexibility to adapt to changes over time. Our architectural and interior design addresses business essentials, delivering products that meet economic realities and market conditions.

dwp’s clients benefit from our in-depth experience of designing commercial buildings, mixed use developments, business parks, workplace fitouts, refurbishments, adaptive reuse projects and major commercial towers. We have an expert team that includes specialist interior designers who are highly skilled in workplace strategy and design and can assist our clients in anticipating the changing nature of work and digital transformation.

Sustainability is integrated into all our projects with a range of energy and water saving options. Our qualified professionals guide our clients through rating systems such as LEED, NABERS and GBCA Green Star.

dwp office designs are about win-win. Happier staff, more efficiency and, as a consequence, increased profits. Efficient technological infrastructure and collaborative workspaces are born from designs created for adaptability and functionality with a distinctive sense of place.
Selected workplace projects

Kare Medical and Wellness Suites, Sydney, Australia
KBank Private Banking Office
Banking in style

In a big move for the corporate banking sector KBank asked dwp to design a very high-end, by invitation only, banking experience for their high net worth clients focused on customer service. A warm opulent welcome is created right from the lift lobby through to the concierge where statuesque French doors open into the comfortable and luxurious customer lounge. Although KBank’s branding colour is usually green, this is the only KBank product to allow a colour scheme of taupe, browns and creams which offer a lush, rich environment.

The office is located on a very high floor in a prime location so the layout was planned to maximise natural light throughout and allow the stunning views inside. Beyond design, dwp pushed KBank - a traditional company - towards a modern office concept with a bar, a long counter top with power outlets for hot-desking and a café with a view. The result is an extremely functional and flexible office design.

Client: Kasikorn Bank
Location: Bangkok, Thailand
Size: 1,763 sqm
Completion: 2019
Smart Dubai
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Leading smart technology and sustainability

The Smart Dubai initiative is anchored in the vision of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, to make Dubai the happiest city on earth. To this end, the Smart Dubai department is introducing strategic initiatives that contribute to Dubai’s governance, economy, quality of living, environment, people and mobility.

The Smart Dubai workplace incorporates cutting edge technology with the latest in sustainability measures, creating a workplace that encourages multidisciplinary collaboration through intelligent space planning, flexible workspaces and beautiful aesthetics.

Conceptually, the design takes inspiration from the desert winds ripping over sand dunes, articulated in the ceilings and shared spaces. This approach creates organic structures whilst emphasising movement and fluidity through the space.

Client: Smart Dubai
Location: Dubai, UAE
Size: 1,800sqm
Completion: 2017
icare Medical & Wellness Suites
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World class wellness oasis

icare Medical & Wellness Suites in Sydney is the first in a roll out of several world class customer immersive experience suites.
dwp created an oasis of a health and wellbeing with centralised consultant rooms and interactive digital displays for connection and fluid patient flow. Under a soft fabric canopy a concierge welcomes guests to seamless service, highlighting icare brand’s focus on community engagement. dwp’s palette of natural finishes translates the icare brand focus on relaxation and wellbeing.
The icare health and wellbeing suite provides customers with a sophisticated, tranquil environment.

Client: icare Insurance and Care NSW
Location: Sydney, Australia
Size: 500 sqm
Value: $3 million
Completion: 2018
McKinsey & Company
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Professional digital hub

The largest consulting group in the world are ‘passionate about innovation and impact’. They recently established a hub in Bangkok to expand their digital capabilities. dwp created a sleek, professional office in rich materials including marble and natural timber. Double glass partitions are effective for both sound-proofing the meeting and collaboration rooms as well as for heat-resistance and insulation. Design elements were inspired by a traditional Thai house with sashes of timber on the wall and the ceiling. Strips of inlaid gold give a dynamic, luxurious feeling and is reflected with strip-lighting design. Warm wood provides a welcome to guests. The final look is corporate, professional, sleek and timeless.

Client: McKinsey & Company
Location: Bangkok, Thailand
Size: 700 sqm
Completion: 2018
Emaar Corporate Offices
Entrepreneurial spirit expressed in impactful design

This project demonstrates how design can reinvigorate a team and reenergise a brand.

Working with one of the world’s largest property developers, dwp translates their vision of the future into an extraordinary design for today. Raw loft-style interiors feature long worktables, standing meeting rooms with an open communicative theme. The collaborative open plan workspaces flooded with daylight are a joy to work in.

The creative use of eclectic eco materials such as cork-lined walls which serve as pin boards in the meeting rooms, and full-height digital wallpaper, mirror the team’s entrepreneurial ethos.

Client  Emaar
Location  Dubai, UAE
Size  6,250sqm
Completion  2014
Pandora Workplace
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Pride, passion and performance

dwp’s design reflects Pandora Danish origins combined with being a family held business with the ethos of pride, passion and performance at its heart. A combination of heritage and home was a key briefing requirement for the expanded workplace, combined with a warmer Scandinavian look and feel.

The existing workplace had a monochromatic palette with a distinctly separated floorplate due to a large central built zone. The project required two key issues solved - a more connected collaborative workplace combined with a greater visual connection to the retail side of the business.

dwp’s suggestion was to include an intra-tenancy stair to connect to the expanded tenancy below. A rope feature between the floors adds a layering to the space, whilst introducing retail design elements from Pandora’s flagship Melbourne store. The lower level provides meeting rooms, a large staff cafe and expanded training facilities for ongoing retailer training. The upper level was opened up through the core to connect the teams, increasing the amount of informal meeting spaces and quiet rooms combined with increased staff workpoint numbers.

Client: Pandora
Location: Sydney, Australia
Size: 2,250sqm
Value: $1.5 million
Completion: 2018

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Pandora | Sydney, Australia | 2,250sqm | $1.5 million | 2018
Hilton Regional Headquarters
Flexible interactive workspace

dwp were invited and selected to provide the concept design services for Hilton Hotels & Resorts Regional Headquarters located in Level 4, Dubai Internet City. The 2,156sqm space was required to feature a president office, internal offices, conference rooms, huddle rooms and a number of hot desk seats and workstations, plus cafe and reception areas. dwp’s primary aim of the design was to reflect Hilton’s brand and vision whilst designing spaces that suit the working lifestyle of today’s Hilton Team. The spaces designed by dwp successfully allow for flexibility and transformation of use, fostering increased interaction and collaboration between employees; whilst the welcoming reception area provides a true Front of House experience for every customer.

Client: Hilton Hotels & Resorts
Location: Dubai Internet City, UAE
Size: 2,156 sqm
Completion: 2019
Department of Finance Offices
dwp were appointed by the Government of Dubai to redesign two floors for the Department of Finance offices, located at the H.H. Ruler’s Court, Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The development of the 25,000sqm space was to be designed by dwp from Concept stage through to Detailed Design including the fit-out of the project as well as supervision services during construction. Sustainability aspirations were to be strongly considered as part of the design concept as well as the brands desire to be a leader in workplace design. Innovative design, smart space planning and use of technology were all necessary to this workplace design to showcase competitiveness through design excellence.

Client: Department of Finance, Government of Dubai
Location: Dubai, UAE
Size: 25,000 sqm
Completion: 2019
National Bank of Bahrain
dwp were selected to provide full interior design services for a significant upgrade of the National Bank of Bahrain headquarters located in Manama, Bahrain. NBB is the country's leading provider of retail and commercial banking services with its headquarters housing approximately 400 employees across 4 floors. The refurbished offices were required to be seen as a symbol of NBB’s continued desire to be a leader in providing a world class working environment to attract and retain the very best staff, optimize efficiencies in workflow and excel in the provision of best in class customer service.

dwp’s interior design strived to create a strong sense of identity throughout the space with subtle and sophisticated use of brand colours as well as create an emotional connection with the use of supergraphics. Creative flair, innovation and smart space planning were all key to this design to successfully demonstrate a world class working environment.

Client National Bank of Bahrain
Location Manama, Bahrain
Size 4,000 sqm
Completion 2019
Glowfish Office

Modern coworking community space

The Glowfish Office concept of 'Work, Play, Grow' sets a new standard for modern coworking space. The third branch of Glowfish Offices are located on the busy 19th and 20th floor of the Sathon Nakorn building.

Glowfish serviced offices, ready-to-use meeting rooms (that can be rented hourly) and event spaces; serve high-performance local and international 'millenial' start-up companies, scaleup, SMEs and large organisations who need a temporary hub. dwp's innovative office design is conceptualised to increase productivity, support business growth as well as customers' lifestyle choices by creating a relaxed, creative interior with natural light, practical facilities, and a sustainable space.

The design concept is a homey, urban lifestyle atmosphere that provides privacy and warmth. Industrial, raw and natural materials were mainly used for this project: concrete, wood, metal and a vertical garden to soften the environment, mood and tone. The active reception with barista bar and hot desk working area is a hub formed from concrete and surrounded by a natural, green environment. The design reflects the inclusive culture and partnership approach to working with clients. The reception opens up to the larger community space that provides a single location for staff to work, socialise and hold community events.

Client: Glowfish
Location: Bangkok, Thailand
Size: 1,744 sqm
Value: $51 million baht
Completion: 2019
icare Workplace

An egalitarian city within a workplace

icare is about wellness; of people, business and the community; and their new workplace is designed to reflect their core values.

Bringing together four diverse existing business units from various locations throughout the Sydney CBD, we designed a cohesive workplace that provides strong connectivity, unified branding and supports cultural change. dwp’s conceptual response is based on the metaphor of a town, offering precincts for different uses and civic spaces.

Designed for maximum flexibility to enable teams to join forces, the staff work areas are defined by home zones, supported by meeting rooms, collaboration spaces and utility zones arranged as a main street. This new 5.5 star NABERS rated workplace is helping to transform icare’s culture from government silos to a united organisation with a commercial mind and a social heart.

Client: icare Insurance
Location: Sydney, Australia
Size: 7,500 sqm, over 5 levels
Completion: 2016
JD Central
dwp designed the Bangkok headquarters of the joint venture between Central Group and JD.COM, a Chinese e-commerce company. Big and successful with a young CEO they wanted a digitally themed, creative and dynamic office space.

The company’s mascot is a smiling dog-character called Joy. Each workspace is developed around the theme of ‘Joy comes to Thailand’. Everywhere around the office smiling Joy is found in different shapes, sizes and colours of neon lights. Joy in the city (‘let’s talk’ meeting room with city views), Joy in the market (marketing office), Joy café/pantry (staff kitchen), Joy in the park (lobby), with grass on the walls and views over Lumpini Park. Joy is ‘groovy’ in the games room with a ping pong table and flexible working space with views over Bangkok.

Materials reflect the young and dynamic, industrial-chic theme of white, pale timber and brick with splashes of red and black and neon lights and signs. Furniture is light, modern and funky. Sound absorbing acoustic panels are patterned in timber to be functional and also pleasing to the eye.

Client: Central JD Commerce Co.
Location: Bangkok, Thailand
Size: 2,222 sqm
Completion: 2018
The One Office
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The one and only

The One, formerly known as the One Card, is now a cardless platform. The major rebranding included logo, name change and a new office.

The challenge of the office design was to link three separate spaces to become, synchronistically enough, one. dwp linked the rooms together with glass doors and glass corridors. The design themes, even if different, were linked through materials to create a sense of cohesiveness and community. Each meeting room, for example, has a different character - from brightly coloured with hibiscus wallpaper, to a French café, to very modern meeting spaces where design features include exposed pipes and ceiling work.

dwp’s expertise in the field of digital transformation was particularly helpful in the area formerly known as ‘reception’. This was removed altogether and replaced with an AI interactive video wall with facial recognition. Although this is still a work in progress, AI video wall will know why you are there, which meeting visitors will be attending, and will happily introduce guests to the One platform.

Client: Central Group
Location: Bangkok, Thailand
Size: 64.61 sqm
Completion: 2018
Project experience

- AstraZeneca HQ, Bangkok, Thailand
- BAE Systems Lead-in Fighter Contractor Support Facility, Newcastle, Australia
- Bangkok Airways Office Headquarters, Bangkok, Thailand
- BBL Asset Management Offices, Bangkok, Thailand
- Boehringer Ingelheim, Bangkok, Thailand
- Charles Darwin Centre, Darwin, Australia
- Citibank, Singapore
- Vanke, Shanghai, China
- Department of Finance Headquarters, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Department of Finance Offices, Dubai, UAE
- Diocese of Parramatta Office Accommodation, Sydney, Australia
- Double A, Bangkok, Thailand
- Dusit Thani Building, Bangkok, Thailand
- dwp Sydney Studio Fitout, Brisbane, Australia
- Eighteen Honeysuckle Drive, Newcastle, Australia
- Emaar Corporate Offices, Dubai, UAE
- Foreshore House Workplace, The Rocks, Sydney, Australia
- FrieslandCampsina HQ ‘House of Milk’, Hô Chi Minh, Vietnam
- Glowfish Office, Bangkok, Thailand
- Greater Building Society Head Office, Newcastle, Australia
- Hastings Deering QLD Headquarters, Brisbane, Australia
- Hillsong Church Workplace Hub, Sydney, Australia
- Hilton Worldwide Regional Headquarters, Dubai, UAE
- Hoffman La Roche Vietnam Offices, Hô Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- Honeysuckle Central, Newcastle, Australia
- Honeysuckle House, Newcastle, Australia
- icare Workplace, Sydney, Australia
- IEV office, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia
- JD Central, Bangkok, Thailand
- KBank Private Banking Office, Bangkok, Thailand
- Macquarie University AIHF Fitout, Sydney, Australia
- Macquarie University Sydney City Campus Angel Place, Sydney, Australia
- Major Development, Bangkok, Thailand
- McCann Worldgroup Offices, Bangkok, Thailand
- McKinsey & Company Offices, Bangkok, Thailand
- MediaCom, Bangkok, Thailand
- Melbourne Quarter Masterplan, Melbourne, Australia
- Microsoft Hub, Bangkok, Thailand
- National Bank of Bahrain, Manama, Bahrain
- Newcastle Permanent Head Office, Newcastle, Australia
- Northern Territory Government Charles Darwin Centre, Darwin, Australia
- Pandora Workplace, Sydney, Australia
- Parramatta Square Design Competition, Sydney, Australia
- Qantas Club Lounge, Cairns, Australia
- QLD Airport Ltd Workplace Fitout, Gold Coast, Australia
- Reserve Bank of Australia Basement Improvement, Sydney, Australia
- Richlands SEQ Distribution Centre, Brisbane, Australia
- Riverside Park Office Tower, West Gosford, Australia
- Riverside Property Office Fitout, West Gosford, Australia
- Sime Darby Property Headquarters
- Sime Darby Plantation Headquarters
- Smart Dubai, UAE, Dubai, UAE
- Standard Chartered Bank Saadig
- The Hills Shire Council Relocation, Sydney, Australia
- The One, Bangkok, Thailand
- Thomson Reuters, Bangkok, Thailand
- Workcover NSW Office Fitouts, NSW, Australia
- Workplace Brisbane, Brisbane, Australia
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**Additional Award Details:**
- **Smart Dubai Office**
  - Winner, Sustainable Interior Design of the Year, CID Awards
  - Finalist, Interior Design of the Year, Office, CID Awards

- **Opal Hillside**
  - Commendation, Public Architecture, AIA Newcastle Architecture Awards

- **Newcastle Private Hospital**
  - Kingston Expansion, Commercial Architecture, AIA Newcastle Architecture Awards

- **Kingston Expansion**
  - Commendation, Commercial Architecture, AIA Newcastle Architecture Awards

- **18 Honeysuckle Drive**
  - Winner, Urban Design, AIA Newcastle Architecture Awards

- **The H Residency, Macau**
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