

## Abstract

Nowadays, small offices / home offices (SOHO) have increased due to the fact that the entrepreneurs usually start the business from small offices or home offices. Generally, this type of offices is renovated from a residence or a small building creating working space in order to serve multi-pattern of business.

The aim of this research is to study physical environments of small and home offices specialize in interior and architecture design. The results of the research are concluded and can be used as design guidelines for space planning for small and home offices in Bangkok area. The research was conducted by surveying and interviewing home offices of 5 architecture and interior design firms and the questionnaires were developed from the results. Then, the questionnaires were completed by 191 samples who are interior designers or architects through the internet. The results of the survey indicate that small offices or home offices mostly located in single houses, town houses or small commercial buildings. The average area usage for this type of office is approximately 95 square meters and has 4-8 employees working. Most of them face insufficient space for storage, working space and support area. The survey also suggests that for the future development, home offices for design firms should provide more space to support diversity of activities, open space environment, and can accommodate up to 10 working staffs.