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Kitchens and Kitchen Furniture - UK

‘People expect a lot from their kitchens. They want the kitchen to be an organised space that can accommodate a lot of possessions, and be a place to eat and entertain. A kitchen must combine practicality, style and a sense of status. But modern homes are getting smaller and a ...

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Furniture Retailing - UK

“Retailing is changing. This is partly due to the advent of the internet and partly because of a growing reluctance to drive to out-of-town stores. Furniture retailers have adapted to the internet, their next challenge is to think long and hard about the future of the superstore. Their first move ...

Bathrooms and Bathroom Accessories - UK

“Standing out from the rest is difficult in a market like bathrooms. Retailers need to build a wide suite of skills to service the complex requirements of a bathroom make-over. So we expect to see more development of quality own-label products with differentiated styles and designs. Alongside this, services will ...

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E-Commerce - UK

“Coupled with the power of social media, mobile connectivity is giving consumers access to more information instantly than ever before. Viewed sociologically, m-commerce is changing behaviour.”

Garden Products Retailing - UK

“Even though demand for garden products is volatile (because of the weather), this is a huge market and many companies are prepared to run the risks and compete for a slice of the action. Today’s garden retailer faces tough competition from generalists and online sellers. They are investing for the ...