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global influences spring/summer 2006, released today, offers a new and radical way of looking at the future. For this, our brand new format, the starting point for the **kjaer global** team was to ask, and seek to answer, three deceptively simple questions. They were: How does it feel inside? How is life out there? And, crucially, where else can we go?

Contemplating such a long and perilous journey inspired us to create a visual value map divided into four sections to quantify both social undercurrents and emerging trends. Starting 'within' by focusing on our own bodies, we moved 'without' to examine local community, then global village and finally the bigger world of space and consciousness.

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