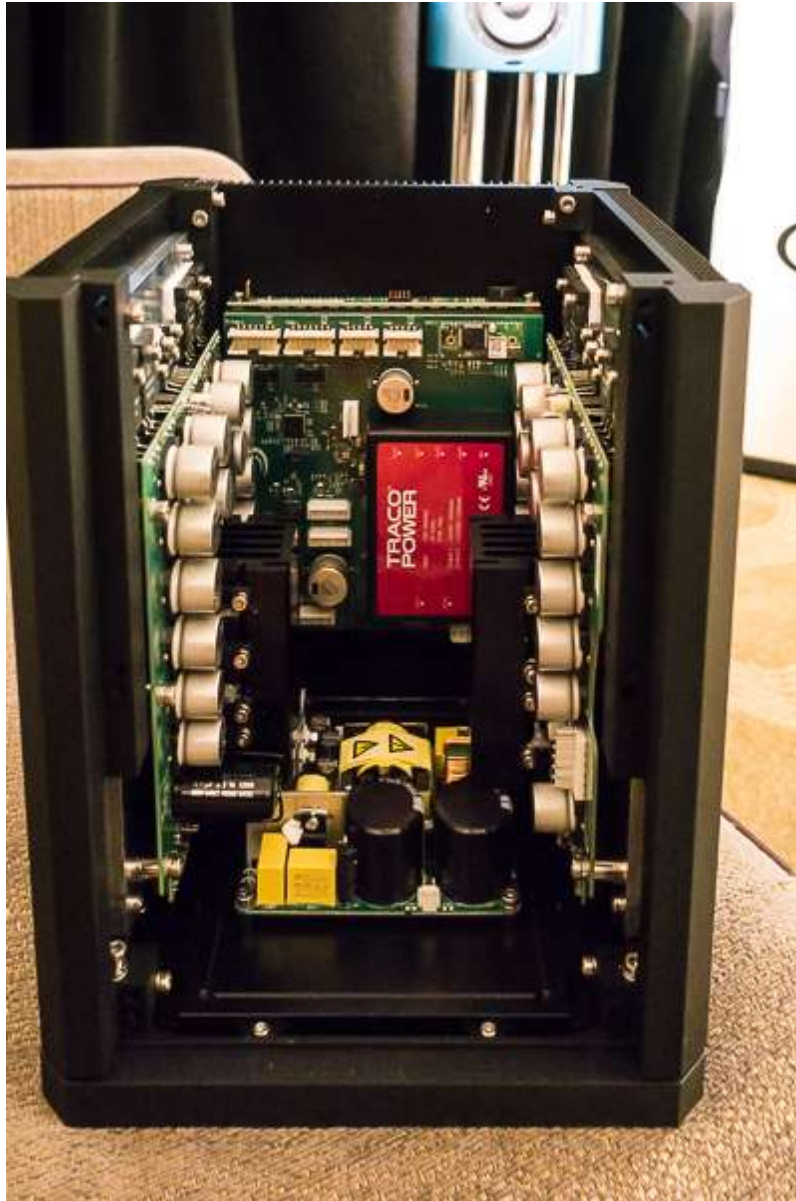


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High-End Electronics in All Their Glory

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Crystal Cable integrated amplifier

In their usual fashion, high-end power couple Gabi and Edwin Rijnveld of **Crystal Cable/Siltech** presented yet another thoroughly enjoyable demo room setup. This time, listeners were treated to the latest version of the petite **Minissimo** loudspeakers (with diamond tweeters and silver internal wiring and voice coils) driven by the flagship **Siltech Saga** amplifier with cables from (duh) Crystal Cable. Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 (digital) came alive with lightning-fast transients and lush verisimilitude. They also introduced an entirely redesigned integrated amplifier as part of their **Cube System**. The brand-new design has been rethought from the board up and has already won a CES 2016 Innovation Award. The new integrated amp, which was on static display, will be feedback-free from input to output. It features innovative chimney cooling (via discreet vents in its top), and its already-small footprint has been reduced in weight and by 1 cm in each dimension. There's an external power supply to remove digital noise, and a phono stage option in the works. Price for a targeted summer release is estimated to be around \$15k–\$25k.