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Press release

Hamburg-based management consultancy WAYES moves its headquarters to Westfield Hamburg-Überseequartier

The letting of office space at Westfield Hamburg-Überseequartier continues to progress successfully. The Hamburg-based management consultancy WAYES, which focuses on restructuring, litigation, transactions, planning, interim management and tax consultancy, and Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield (URW) have signed a long-term office lease agreement. WAYES will move into an area of 1,500 square meters on the top two floors, the 12th and 13th floors, of the “Luv” building. The handover of the new office space to WAYES is planned for spring 2025. In addition to the almost fully let office buildings Lee (10,500 sqm) and The Yard (8,000 sqm), letting is also progressing in the Luv building.

WAYES is an independent management consultancy specializing in the key issues, faced by medium-sized businesses. The company is represented in Hamburg, Berlin, Bremen, Hanover and Oldenburg. Its clients include well-known owner-managed and listed companies that are shown ways out of a transformation phase.

Stefan Wechsung, Konrad Martin and Falk Schnurbusch, Hamburg partners at WAYES, are delighted: “The investment in modern and larger office space is an investment in the future - we are continuing to grow and naturally want to honour this. The urban environment of HafenCity, where change is constant, is exactly the right address for us. Here we can not only continue our growth trajectory, but also attract new talent and develop innovative ideas that will take us forward.”

Jakub Skwarlo, Chief Operating Officer Central Europe at URW, said: “The exceptional location of the offices at Westfield Hamburg-Überseequartier, directly on river Elbe with excellent public transport connections and the immediate vicinity of retail, dining and leisure facilities makes it an ideal place to bring teams together. We are delighted that WAYES, a Hamburg-based company, has chosen the Luv office building as its new headquarter. The quality and sustainability of the architecture will support the development of the company.”

Luv & Lee: inspiring environment for the working world of tomorrow

Designed as an inspiring workplace, the 19,650 square meter Luv & Lee towers on the waterfront offer state-of-the-art features. There is direct, glass-roofed access to the metro. The architecture creates connections and enables a higher level of communication and teamwork. In addition, the Luv & Lee buildings welcome public restaurants, including the Pesca fish restaurant in the Luv building. The architecture for the office towers is by UNStudio, an internationally oriented architecture and design firm based in Amsterdam.

The further office rental partners at Westfield Hamburg-Überseequartier are Shell Deutschland, the Hamburg-based clean-tech company ADLER Smart Solutions and the audit and advisory firm Mazars.

Sustainability and urban regeneration

Surrounded by water on two sides, with a direct view of the river Elbe and a unique waterfront promenade, Westfield Hamburg-Überseequartier establishes a new form of living, working and recreation for the city. The Grand Opening, which will focus on the opening of the retail, dining and entertainment areas, is scheduled for October 17.

Built on the site of a former gas factory, the project was conceived and realised with a clear focus on sustainability, both during construction and in its upcoming operations. Among many features, construction at the site included the remediation of almost 1 million tonnes of polluted soil, 90% of the cement used was low carbon, which saved 23,800 tonnes of CO₂, and it is estimated that the project avoids the artificialisation of around 8,000 m² of natural and agricultural land.

All buildings in the quartier will receive the BREEAM Communities and BREEAM New Construction Excellent certificates. German Sustainable Building Council (DGNB) awarded the project with the DGNB pre-certificate for sustainable building sites and some of the office building projects will receive the DGNB Gold designation.

The quartier is optimally integrated into local infrastructure with its own metro station, bus lines and plentiful mobility services.

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About Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield

Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield is an owner, developer and operator of sustainable, high-quality real estate assets in the most dynamic cities in Europe and the United States.

The Group operates 74 shopping centers in 12 countries, including 39 which carry the iconic Westfield brand. These centers attract over 900 million visits annually and provide a unique platform for retailers and brands to connect with consumers. URW also has a portfolio of high-quality offices, 10 convention and exhibition venues in Paris, and a €3 Bn development pipeline of mainly mixed-use assets. Currently, its €51 Bn portfolio is 87% in retail, 6% in offices, 5% in convention and exhibition venues, and 2% in services (as at June 30, 2023).

URW is a committed partner to major cities on urban regeneration projects, through both mixed-use development and the retrofitting of buildings to industry-leading sustainability standards. These commitments are enhanced by the Group's Better Places 2030 agenda, which strives to make a positive environmental, social and economic impact on the cities and communities where URW operates.

URW's stapled shares are listed on Euronext Paris (Ticker: URW), with a secondary listing in Australia through Chess Depository Interests. The Group benefits from a BBB+ rating from Standard & Poor's and from a Baa2 rating from Moody's.

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