

Zurich plans to redevelop its global headquarters

Zurich Insurance Group Ltd (Zurich) is delighted to announce approval of the project plan of Architekt Krischanitz ZT GmbH, thus taking the final decision to extensively refurbish and redevelop the global headquarters at Mythenquai 2 in Zurich. Construction work is expected to commence in the spring of 2016 at the earliest.

Zurich, December 12, 2013 – In 2012, the project by Architekt Krischanitz ZT GmbH won an international architectural competition with recommendations for further development by the jury. It will now serve as the basis for preparing the special zoning plan, which is to be drawn up over the coming months in close cooperation with the authorities of the city and canton of Zurich.

Martin Senn, CEO of Zurich Insurance Group, remarked: "Zurich has proudly borne the name of a magnificent city for 140 years and has had its global headquarters at Mythenquai for over 110 years. This long tradition has reinforced close ties with the city of Zurich. Redeveloping our global headquarters underlines this commitment to Zurich as a business location, to its inhabitants and the city itself. " For this reason Zurich chose to name the project *Quai Zurich*.

Sustainable and modern

Hans-Peter Bissegger, Head of Project Quai Zurich, emphasizes the magnitude of this very ambitious project: "We aim to realize this high-profile project, both in terms of urban development and architecture. It should blend with the existing structures populating Zurich's lakefront, an area well worth protecting. Besides structural renovation, the goal is to improve the visibility, provision of services and internal networking of the building complex and the entire area."



The new headquarters will satisfy Zurich's exacting quality standards. The project's central vision is to provide employees with an efficient and flexible workplace environment that meets current and future needs.

At the same time, Zurich is supporting the efforts of the city with regard to the 2000-Watt Society. To lend weight to this ambitious objective, the Group is seeking to gain the highest national and international sustainability standards for the new headquarters.

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