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Former industrial site becomes residential and commercial quarter PORR celebrates topping out at the Gangloff site

Berne, 07.09.2021 - Last Thursday, the topping-out ceremony for the future residential and commercial building in the Gangloff Areal in Bern was celebrated. PORR was commissioned by Gangloff Immobilien AG as the total contractor to construct the building with 178 flats and 2 ateliers. Construction work started about a year ago, and the shell was already completed at the beginning of July - 4 weeks earlier than planned. On Thursday, the completion of the shell was celebrated.

Hubert Seifert, CEO of PORR SUISSE: "An extremely short construction period was planned for the shell. I am all the more pleased that we were even able to complete it ahead of schedule. The fast and smooth implementation illustrates our handshake quality."

The topping-out ceremony took place in the presence of representatives of the Bernische Pensionskasse and Gangloff Immobilien AG in the completed shell. Everyone is very pleased with the flawless result of the work on site and the early completion of the shell. This makes it possible to achieve the set goals of the tight construction schedule together with all project participants. The topping-out ceremony was appreciated by the guests with great applause.

Modern residential quarter in an excellently developed location

The residential building consists of three interconnected parts: A tower in the west with eight storeys, a lying structure in the north with seven storeys, and an angular building in the south and east with four storeys. The robustness and simplicity of the clinker brick façade and the horizontal formats of the window divisions are reminiscent of the former industrial use. A special feature of this clinker facade is the use of glass fibre concrete and belt strips. The building is certified according to the Minergie standard.

On the upper floors, high-quality living space with a total of 178 flats and two ateliers will be created on approximately $9,600 \text{ m}^2$. In addition, a commercial area of around $2,500 \text{ m}^2$ will be used for retail and services to meet the needs of the surrounding neighbourhood.

Facts and figures at a glance

Scope of services: Construction of a residential building with 178 flats and 2 ateliers as well as commercial space

Type of project: Building construction . Residential construction

Client: Gangloff Immobilien AG

Contractor: PORR SUISSE AG **Project duration:** approx. 2 years

Investor: Bernische Pensionskasse (BPK)

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Caption: From 2022, the Gangloff area will score with livable living space and an optimal location. (Copyright: PORR)

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