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Levallois-Perret, France

The main architectural objective of the renovation and modernisation of the 1980s building was to create a landmark that conveys identity for Levallois-Perret near Paris. The combination of the existing building and the extension creates a rhythmic sequence that blends into the urban space and enhances it. Baumschlager Eberle Architekten brought the architecture up to date. This naturally includes making the building climate-ready.

The outdoor space is now accessible through loggias and terraces and creates a link to the nearby banks of the Seine and the Île de la Jatte with its vegetation. The permeable and modular vestibule on the ground floor is generally accessible and comprises the entrance halls to the offices, a large coworking restaurant area, a lobby and a foyer at double and triple height. From the outside, the elevation of the ground floor and the newly created transparency provide a view of the private garden inside. The straightening of the old space-consuming semi-circular entrance areas made more office space possible. Utilisation-neutral office spaces increase longevity because they can be easily adapted to changing working environments. The expansion of the open space offering with terraces and a restaurant on the roof also generates added value for employees.

Preserving the building structure as far as possible limited the demolition work, the existing core was retained and existing materials such as floor slabs, raised floors and cable ducts were reused. The renovation of the façade led to a significant increase in the efficiency of the building, which has a district heating and cooling connection. Primary energy consumption is now 40 per cent lower than before the renovation.







Companies involved

Client

SCI Westbridge

Architecture and integral planning

• Baumschlager Eberle Architekten

General contractor

· Petit, groupe Vinci

Facts

Office building

Completed 2021

Area: 28,350 m²

Energy and environmental aspects

Refurbishment

- Re-use of existing building materials in line with the circular economy
- · District heating and cooling
- Reduction of primary energy requirements by 40 per cent
- · Increase and creation of green and open spaces
- Modular and use-neutral office space

Characteristics

Primary energy requirement: 98.8 kWh/m²a

• CO₂ emissions: 4.9 kg/m²a (estimated)

Building labels and awards

• BBC Effinergie Renovation

