

PRESS RELEASE

Two Warimpex office buildings in Poland certified according to WELL Health & Safety Rating

Both buildings, Mogilska 43 Office and Ogrodowa Office, have also been awarded the BREEAM environmental certificate with “Excellent” rating.

Warsaw/Vienna, 28 June 2021 – Cracow’s Mogilska 43 Office building and Lodz’s Ogrodowa Office building, which are part of Warimpex’s portfolio, have been certified according to WELL Health & Safety Rating and BREEAM In-use with “Excellent” rating. These certificates confirm the high standard of buildings, their environmental friendliness and preparedness for functioning in pandemic conditions, including with the use of solutions that help to care for the health of users.

WELL Health & Safety Rating confirms pandemic preparedness

Developed by the International WELL Building Institute (IWBI), the WELL Health & Safety Rating is a response to the COVID-19 pandemic and other threats to the health and safety of building occupants. It provides an objective, research-supported way to show that the procedures implemented in the building and regular inspection of its key systems (such as ventilation and water installation) have a positive impact on reducing the risks associated, among others, with the pandemic. This certificate also has a broader application in supporting the long-term health and safety of people in a given space.

Awarding the WELL Health & Safety Rating certificate to Mogilska 43 Office and Ogrodowa Office confirms Warimpex’s commitment to health and safety. Both facilities were recognized for solutions implemented in areas such as disinfection and cleaning procedures, emergency preparedness plans, health care availability, water and air quality management, stakeholder engagement, communication and innovation.

“In times of pandemic, the health and safety of all users of our buildings is extremely important to us. The WELL Health & Safety Rating certification confirmed that our facilities in Poland meet world-class standards in this area. We are perfectly prepared for the return of employees to their offices, as well as for potential future emergencies,” said Jerzy Krogulec, president of Warimpex Polska.

Sustainability strategy confirmed with BREEAM “Excellent” rating

Sustainability and climate protection play a significant role for Warimpex Group. All of the Group’s new buildings are certified during the construction process with regard to energy efficiency, the use of renewable energy sources, the reduction of carbon dioxide emissions, and the quality of interior space. These certifications confirm the high sustainability standards for the properties of the Warimpex Group and will gradually be obtained for all Group’s developed properties.

In line with this strategy, Mogilska 43 Office and Ogródowa Office buildings have recently been awarded BREEAM certificates with “Excellent” rating. BREEAM In-Use International is a multi-criteria system for assessing existing buildings. Its main purpose is to reduce the negative impact on the environment and the operational costs of buildings. The certificate, awarded by Building Research Establishment (BRE), is one of the world’s most important elements that set standards in the design of sustainable and ecological buildings.

Particularly highly rated were their convenient location and close proximity to public transportation, facilities for cyclists, high building comfort, effective waste management and the use of local materials with appropriate environmental certificates. *“The certificates obtained by Mogilska 43 Office and Ogródowa Office reflect our principle of respect for health and the natural environment in the buildings we construct. From the moment of obtaining this rating we are sure that our buildings are truly ecological, and the solutions we introduced have a positive impact on the well-being and comfort of work of their users. We are delighted that our portfolio has been expanding with new BREEAM-certified buildings, especially at such a high rating,”* said Jerzy Krogulec, president of Warimpex Polska.

High quality office space

Mogilska 43 Office is a modern office building located in the Grzegorzki district in Cracow, with an area of approximately 12,000 sq m, put into operation in 2019. The building, with its distinctive shape, large windows ensuring optimal daylight, as well as green terraces accessible for the tenants, blends in perfectly with its surroundings. The Ogródowa Office building is located in the center of Lodz. The building provides more than 28,000 sq m of space, supplied with commercial and service outlets as well as food amenities. Ogródowa Office combines the aesthetics of architecture with functional spatial solutions. The available amenities include terraces and balconies, locker rooms and showers for cyclists, and electric car chargers.

Warimpex Finanz- und Beteiligungs AG at a glance

Warimpex is a real estate development and investment company that was founded in 1959. The firm is headquartered in Vienna and is listed on the stock exchanges in Vienna and Warsaw. Warimpex develops properties and operates them itself until the time at which the highest added value can be realised through sale. The company optimally combines the long-term strategic planning and short decision-making channels of a family-run business with the transparency and financial flexibility of a listed firm. In addition, Warimpex has more than 60 years of business experience in Central and Eastern Europe, where it serves as a true pioneer, for example with the development of the region’s first design hotel. Warimpex has developed properties worth more than one billion euros over the past 40 years and is deeply anchored in Poland, Russia, Hungary, Germany, and Austria to this day.

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