

Mennica Legacy Tower skyscraper construction about to begin

Official site handover of Mennica Legacy Tower office complex in Warsaw's Wola district to the general contractor will take place on 26 October 2016. Construction of the joint investment by Golub GetHouse and Mennica Polska S.A. is expected to last about 33 months. Warbud S.A. is the general contractor.

According to the agreement with the general contractor, Warbud S.A. will handle the full range of works in connection with the completion of Mennica Legacy Tower – starting with underground works, through the erection of both complex buildings, all the way to the installation works, elevation and finishing works. The entire office complex of Mennica Legacy Tower will be completed in line with the demanding requirements of the international BREAAAM 'Excellent' certification standards. Reconstruction of Waliców Street between Prosta and Pereca Streets will also be part of the project.

'We are glad that the team of experienced professionals from Warbud, with whom we have already developed a relationship while working together on the Prime Corporate Center office building, will be our key partner also on site of Mennica Legacy Tower. I am confident about the implementation of this project, which we consider vital for our firm. It is a design that will soon become an impressive skyscraper, without any doubt the most cutting-edge building in the very heart of Warsaw, which we would like to become a new icon of our city' said Czarek Jarząbek, founder and CEO, Golub GetHouse.

The scheduled date of commissioning for use of the lower, 10-storey Western building of Mennica Legacy Tower is Q4 2018, while the 33-storey high tower is to be ready in Q3 2019.

'We thank the Investor for all the trust they have placed with us. This is another project which we will implement together with Golub GetHouse. I am convinced that our co-operation will be equally efficient and substantive as usual. This top-class office building in the very heart of Warsaw is an important part of our portfolio which requires from our firm high technical precision, discipline and experience in construction,' emphasized Wojciech Gerber, Member of Warbud SA's Management Board.

Mennica Legacy Tower will offer a total of 65,630 sq m of lease space. The 140-meter high tower will house 50,752 sq m and the Western building will provide another 14,880 sq m. Thanks to the large area of a typical floor - 2,000 sq m gross - and to the outstanding arrangement flexibility of offices, Mennica Legacy Tower will meet the highest standards of ergonomics. The employment of the most advanced technological solutions in the office complex, including integrated lift access control and management systems, lighting and AC mobile control and the concierge service, will have a real impact on improvement of office space use and the reduction of energy consumption in the building. Moreover, the offer will be supplemented with amenities such as rooftop terraces with greenery, a restaurant and a café on the ground floor. Both buildings will also have a combined total of 4,500 sq m of commercial and services space.

On the four-storey underground parking lot there will be electric vehicle charging stations and 300 stands for bikes, along with infrastructure for cyclists, including independent, safe entrance, dedicated lifts, a locker room with showers and a repair station.

Mennica Legacy Tower project has been designed by the renowned Chicago-based architectural firm Goettsch Partners, which decided to work with the well-established design consultant Epstein on this demanding project. Subtle curves, serrated façade and the transparent lobby glazing with total high of 13 meters (three storeys) will provide lightness and dynamism to the building shape and blur the boundary between its interior and its surroundings. An urban passageway has been designed to occupy the space between complex buildings, which will ultimately become a pedestrian thoroughfare connecting Prosta and Grzybowska streets. Locating the tower in the southeast corner of the plot allows a generally accessible urban square with small architecture and greenery.

At the beginning of October project of Mennica Legacy Tower received a prize for the best green design for 2016 in the Green Building Awards organized by the Polish Green Building Council.

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Warbud SA is ranked among Poland's largest construction companies. The firm is a main contractor on the most prestigious environmental, industrial, specialist, volume construction and civil engineering projects. Over its 25 years of operation the company has completed more than 480 building projects. It employs a staff of 1100. Now it is building e.g. the Museum of World War II in Gdansk, University Hospital in Krakow-Prokocim, District Court in Nowy Sącz in the Private Finance Initiative formula, Wroclavia Shopping Centre and Forum Gdańsk, a multi-purpose city complex. The company's leading shareholder is VINCI Construction, a French company operating in the construction and public services sector. VINCI Construction, together with Warbud, is owned by one of the world's largest concerns in the construction and services sector – the VINCI Group.