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Dear reader,

The Skyland Towers in Istanbul are the tallest buildings in Türkiye. Also on the Bosphorus are the two towers of Vakıf Bank with their highly efficient glass façades. In the centre of Baghdad, on the other hand, stands the 172-metre high Central Bank of Iraq building designed by Zaha Hadid. These are just three of the many major projects that our office in Istanbul has been involved in planning. We established our office in the metropolis on the Bosphorus in 2015 in order to be permanently available on site for our business partners and clients in the region.

Our team in Istanbul, which now consists of around 20 people, is led by Mustafa Alkan, who previously studied Civil Engineering in Karlsruhe. He then worked in our Frankfurt office for many years. Werner Sobek Istanbul thus combines the positive characteristics of German and Turkish culture. The exchange with our colleagues in Turkey is always exciting and enriching. We are proud to be involved in so many exciting projects in the region.

Have fun taking a look!

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P.S.: If you have any questions or comments about this newsletter, please feel free to write to us at socialmedia@wernersobek.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Werner Sobek Istanbul: Our Team

For engineers, Istanbul is like "a veritable open-air training centre", explains our office manager Mustafa Alkan... Many of his employees are also women.

Photo: Mustafa Alkan



Earthquake-Proof Hospitals

The hospitals in Şişli and Göztepe were pilot projects for the planning of earthquake-proof hospitals in Türkiye. Werner Sobek was responsible for the structural design.

Photo: Andreas Keller



Top-Class Facade: Vakif Bank Istanbul

In order to make Vakif Bank's market position visible at its Istanbul headquarters, a customised building complex was created. It consists of a five-storey base building and two high-rise buildings (153 and 221 metres high respectively). The building was designed by Tabanlıoğlu Architects. Werner Sobek was responsible for the facade planning from the preliminary design to the final design.

Photo: Andreas Keller



Textile-Clad Glass Facade

Two parallel, multi-storey blocks form the building complex of the car dealership for the BMW dealer



Extremely High Safety Standards

The three-dimensional UHPC cladding and glass facades of the Central Bank of Iraq meet extremely

Borusan Oto near Istanbul. Werner Sobek designed the new facades.

high safety standards. A look behind the scenes of a very special project.

Photo: Fatih Küçükçolak

Rendering: Zaha Hadid Architects



Open for Culture: The New AKM in Istanbul

Werner Sobek was responsible for the façade design of the new Atatürk Cultural Centre (AKM) in Istanbul by Murat Tabanlıoğlu. In addition to an opera and theatre hall, the AKM includes an art gallery and various multi-purpose rooms and is the largest cultural institution of its kind in Turkey.

Photo: Andreas Keller



Exemplary Sustainability and Innovation

Werner Sobek was responsible for sustainability consulting and the planning of the building services, supporting structure and facade at Garanti Bank Pendik Technology Campus.

Photo: Cemal Emden

Highly Efficient and Resource-Saving

Werner Sobek planned the facade of the Skyland Towers. The aim was to develop a highly efficient facade that is as economical and resource-efficient as possible.

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