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ATP Partner Matthias Wehrle

The number of ATP shareholders has been increased to eight.

The architect Matthias Wehrle, an associate partner of ATP architects engineers and Managing Director of ATP Zürich, became a partner (and shareholder) of ATP at the end of July.

From a young team architect to a partner of a 650-person office: Matthias Wehrle can look back on a classic ATP career. Born in 1967 and educated at Darmstadt University of Technology, the German architect has learnt all the key functions of integrated design at ATP during the course of that professional trajectory.

Matthias Wehrle: *“I am delighted that, after 17 years at ATP, I am now able to experience and to perfect the corporate integrated design culture as a partner. Following the change of name to ATP Zurich I see this as a further step towards the successful integration of our Swiss office into the ATP Group.”*

After completing his studies and gaining his first professional experience, which included four years with SIAT in Munich, Matthias Wehrle joined ATP Innsbruck in 1998 as a team architect with a focus on Industrial Building/Microelectronics. He became an Associate and Group Leader as early as 2001. The first microchip plant that he realized as a Lead Project Manager was “ams” near Graz. Further projects by the experienced designer of sustainable industrial buildings followed for Sandoz, GWM, Hilti, Darbo, Rexam and GE Jenbacher. The much-decorated Hilti P4plus was the first ÖGNI-certified production building in Austria. It is a remarkable fact that in 2010, when the first certification was being carried out, the building had already been completed.

Ten years after joining ATP, the architect, who understands Swiss German as a result of having grown up on Lake Constance, moved to Zurich as Associate Partner and Group Leader. With a commission for BMG MIS – as an arrival present for his Zurich colleagues – in his pocket he began to work alongside Alfred Wegmann, and with the help of know-how transfer from ATP Innsbruck, on the creation of a Swiss integrated design office in line with the ATP standard. Having been named Managing Director in 2014 Wehrle has led the growing ATP office alongside Michael Gräfensteiner since Wegmann’s retirement in 2016.

A change of name for ATP Zürich

With around 40 architects and engineers ATP Zürich is one of nine independent ATP design offices and is principally active in Switzerland and Southern Germany. Developed out of the well-known Zurich office “Kuhn Fischer Partner,” the office became a full integrated design office following its integration as “ATP kfp Architekten und Ingenieure Zürich AG” in 2010. Since 2017 the office has been known as “ATP architekten ingenieure, Zürich AG”. It designs complex high-rise buildings and revitalizations and refurbishments in the areas of industry/logistics/research, housing, health, and retail.

ATP Partnership

The ATP Partnership was founded in 1990. The model shares corporate responsibility – and corporate success - with a large number of employees. Eight Partners, 32 Associate Partners, and 71 Associates embody ATP’s corporate culture. This means that around 20 % of all employees are currently members of the ATP Partnership.

As a result of the well above average length of service of this broad management team (ø13 years), the know-how acquired remains within the entire team despite ATP’s constant growth.

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corporate profile

architects and engineers for excellent buildings

ATP architects engineers is Europe's leading integrated design company and has a team of around 650 employees. With a headquarters in Innsbruck (AT) and the support of its own research and consulting subsidiaries, ATP carries out design work at eight European offices located across the DACH and CEE Regions.

Core Competence

With 40 years' experience of interdisciplinary planning ATP is the market leader in the Integrated Design (ID) of lifecycle-oriented buildings. This culture of cooperation requires an efficient organization and clear rules. This process of integrated design at ATP has been ISO certified since 2014. The "Design Process Leader" – who has overall responsibility for a project and is a single point of contact for the client – leads an interdisciplinary ATP team of architects, structural and building services engineers and site supervisors from the initial idea through the entire design and construction process to the handover to the facility management. In this process the team makes full use of the synergy potential of interdisciplinary knowledge while avoiding the information deficits of the traditional consecutive planning process.

ATP has a **user-oriented** approach. Prior to the detailed design process ATP's consulting companies support potential clients in such sectors as food, health, housing and tourism to evaluate how a potential building project could best support their core processes.

Only after the client's corporate vision has been transformed into a realizable project strategy is the detailed brief defined on the basis of documented strategic and feasibility planning. This is followed by either the preparation of a planning competition or the direct commissioning of ATP to deliver lifecycle-oriented, BIM-supported integrated design processes which are geared towards a sustainable use period.

Innovation Leader in the DACH Region with BIM (Building Information Modeling)

The global trend towards digitalization is transforming the construction sector in a way that is also strongly changing the design process. Due to its cooperative design culture, ATP is ideally positioned to make full use of the advantages of BIM.

The BIM standard which has been developed by ATP over many years was incorporated into the Austrian BIM Norm ([ÖNORM A 6241](#)) which came into effect in 2015 and is shared with all market participants via the knowledge platform BIM Pedia. BIM has been used throughout ATP since 2014. The virtual data model of every building is transformed into a "digital twin" that is handed over "as built" to the facility management upon completion.

Design, Research, Sustainability

The output from ATP's D&R Studios and the research company ATP sustain ensure that the latest systemic and technological developments are incorporated into the design process. ATP is also intensely involved in scientific research in the area of integrated design through its cooperation with Vienna University of Technology (TU Wien).

ATP is a founder member of the DGNB e. V. and the ÖGNI and a founder and board member of IG Lebenszyklus Hochbau.

The ATP Partnership (since 1990) enables a large number of employees to share corporate responsibility and participate in corporate success. Partners, Associate Partners and Associates embody ATP's corporate culture. Members of the partnership are notable for their entrepreneurial and professional skill and their level of interdisciplinary commitment in such areas as the ATP Academy, ATP's in-house knowledge management system, the empowerment of women and the support of the family life of our employees.

Due to the above-average length of service of this broadly based leadership team (an average of 13 years) ATP is able to retain the knowledge generated by its work, despite its constant growth.

In 2017 ATP has eight partners (shareholders), 32 associate partners and 71 associates. This means that around 20 % of all employees belong to the ATP partnership.

Vision:

We want to change our world for the better through excellent buildings.

- **Established:** 1951
Pioneer of Integrated Design in Continental Europe: since 1976
- **Employees:** approx. 650

- **Partners** (Shareholders):
Christoph M. Achammer
Ulf Bambach
Gerald Hulka
Werner Kahr
Robert Kelca
Horst Reiner
Dario Travas
Matthias Wehrle

9 European offices for Integrated Design:

Innsbruck
Wien
München
Frankfurt
Berlin
Zürich
Zagreb
Budapest
Moskau

- **Design sectors:**
Production and logistics
Retail and entertainment
Offices and administration
Health
Education and research
Tourism
Housing
Multifunctional buildings
Urban planning

Research: ATP sustain D&R Studios

Consulting companies:

- **redserve**
real estate development services
- **conviva**
Consulting company for participative and cooperative building
- **foodfab**
Consultant to the food industry (process and buildings)
- **lifeline**
organizational planning in the health sector
- **plandata**
IT services

- **Vienna University of Technology:**
Professor Christoph M. Achammer has headed the Department for Industrial Building and Interdisciplinary Construction Process Management of Vienna University of Technology since 2001.