

## Press information

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### **ATP office opens in Berlin**

### **Dual leadership under Elmar Rottkamp & Thomas Herter**

**In June 2017 ATP architects engineers opened a further German integrated design office in Berlin and – in addition to Munich and Frankfurt am Main – is now also present in the Federal capital.**

The establishment of [ATP Berlin](#) occurred in connection with an expanding order book in Northern Germany. The ATP studios on Kurfürstendamm will be led by a management duo consisting of the German architect **Elmar Rottkamp** and the German building services specialist and ATP Board Member **Thomas Herter**.

#### **Elmar Rottkamp, Managing Director, ATP Berlin**

The German architect and urban planner, who studied in Paderborn and Dortmund, most recently spent five years as an Associate Director of the British engineering company Arup Associates in London. At the same time he carried out research into urban development at Kingston University.

The architect and trained real estate economist is happy to be working back in the German market with ATP. In developing the new office Elmar Rottkamp intends to make very targeted use of the advantages of integrated design, which have transformed ATP into one of Europe's leading offices, coupled with his international project experience: *"All design work at ATP is interdisciplinary and supported by the latest digital methods. The result of this is that we ensure both higher quality and certainty in terms of cost and scheduling than our classically structured competitors."*

Elmar Rottkamp has almost 30 years of international professional experience as well as qualifications as a real estate economist in EBS and Real Estate Investment Management from the European Business School and in Strategies for Sustainability from York University, Toronto as well as an MBA from Northwestern University Chicago and WHU Koblenz. He is a member of the Bund Deutscher Architekten BDA, the Architektenkammer Berlin, and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors MRICS.

Elmar Rottkamp's references include a series of office buildings and concepts in London such as the refurbishment of a listed office building and the neighboring construction of a 70,000-square-meter sustainable office tower, a tennis stadium in Doha, a new facility at Blackfriars Pier in London, the CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral SKY TV Academy (which is the UK's largest

wooden commercial building), the development of a district center on a former military site in Potsdam and the new building of Potsdam University of Applied Sciences.

*Westwind Real Estate Search GmbH from Berlin was successfully involved in the role of human resources consultant in the appointment of Elmar Rottkamp.*

### **Thomas Herter, Managing Director, ATP Berlin and ATP Board Member**

Born in Heidelberg, Thomas Herter studied Energy and Process Engineering, with a focus on heating and air-conditioning technology, at Berlin University of Technology and spent a number of years in Germany and abroad working in the field of building services design. Prior to moving to ATP Thomas Herter was Managing Director of the Arup Group in Germany which employs around 150 specialists in three locations in the areas of building services and structural engineering, project management, façade design, building physics, and fire protection. Thomas Herter has been a board member of ATP since 2016. [More ...](#)

With over 650 employees **ATP architects engineers** is one of Europe's leading integrated design offices. Established as an architectural office in Innsbruck in 1951 ATP has been developing an interdisciplinary partnership which supports clients by providing all necessary architectural and engineering services from a single source since 1976. Interdisciplinary teams at nine European offices design integrated solutions for complex buildings. The offices in the DACH Region are located in Vienna, Innsbruck, Munich, Frankfurt, Berlin, and Zurich. ATP Headquarters are in Innsbruck. The expansion into Northern Germany ensures that ATP architects engineers has consolidated its presence across the country.

#### **Questions:**

ATP architects engineers

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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.