



**winning entry: Low2No, Helsinki**  
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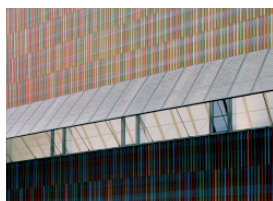
Sauerbruch Hutton together with Arup, Experientia and Galley Eco Capital has won an international competition for the design of a prototypical block within Finland's first carbon neutral district that will be established on the peninsular of Jätkäsaari in Helsinki.

The competition was run by the Finnish innovation fund Sitra who commissioned 5 international teams from 74 applications. Their aim was to encourage decision-makers, developers, designers and contractors to seriously consider the effects of climate change. Sitra's intention is that innovative strategies of the scheme will be replicated throughout the whole development. Further, it is anticipated that Sitra will relocate their own headquarters to the Low2No site.

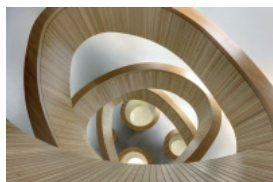
Sauerbruch Hutton's winning proposal 'c\_life – City as Living Factory of Ecology' comprised specific recommendations for the Low2No block, as well as further initiatives for the immediate surroundings and for Helsinki as a whole. A crucial part of the team's holistic and interdisciplinary approach is an architecture that reduces the buildings' environmental impact together with the inhabitants' footprints by passive and active strategies. The use of renewable, low-carbon building materials, a high flexibility of the structure to allow for future changes, a maximised use of daylight and natural ventilation, the provision of life-and-work typologies as well as that of pocket greenhouses and attractive communal gardens have all been integrated into an urban setting of short distances and mix of uses.

The Low2No site, together with some further lots that form the first phase of the overall development, is due to be completed by 2012. The entire district of Jätkäsaari, some 100 hectares, will be constructed by 2023, whilst already by 2021 the area is expected to be carbon negative on a yearly basis.

#### more news



museum brandhorst, munich



jessop west, sheffield

In May this year Sauerbruch Hutton's Museum Brandhorst was opened. After only two months the museum has already received more than 100.000 visitors. The building was shortlisted for the 2009 Lubetkin Prize.

Earlier this year, the Jessop West building for Sheffield University, the Municipal Savings Bank in Oberhausen, as well as the refurbishment and roof extension of Sauerbruch Hutton's own offices in Berlin have been successfully finished.

Sauerbruch Hutton have recently won the first prize for the ecological refurbishment and extension of Munich Re offices in Munich, as well as the first prize for a small church and parish hall in Cologne.

2010 will see the completion of the collaborative Türkentor project with artist Walter de Maria in Munich as well as projects in Milan, Frankfurt and Cologne. Projects under construction or on the drawing board include the St. Georges Centre in Geneva, the masterplan for Het Laar in Tilburg and the headquarters for the ADAC in Munich and two buildings in the Paris, one of which is within the area of the former Renault factory in Boulogne Billancourt.

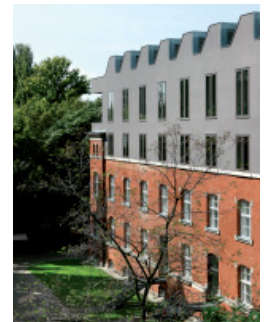
## selected recent and ongoing projects



offices for the KfW banking group, frankfurt



cologne oval offices, cologne



L57 office extension, berlin



adac headquarters, munich



'het laar', tilburg,

## current and forthcoming exhibitions

until 4th October 2009

The Invention of the European Tower, Pavillon d'Arsenal, Paris  
GSW headquarters Berlin is exhibited

until 15th October 2009

ADACH platform for Visual Arts in Venice

Sauerbruch Hutton designed the exhibition pavilion for Abu Dhabi on the 53rd Biennale di Venezia

5th - 22nd November 2009

Building For The 2000 Watt Society - The Current Situation,

Bauen für die 2000 Watt Gesellschaft - Der Stand der Dinge, EWZ-Unterwerk, Zurich.

The exhibition features the KfW Headquarters as a model for 'Compacity as a Chance'

October 31st until 6th December 2009

Cidade para todos. City for All, São Paulo

Sauerbruch Hutton is exhibiting within the German contribution to São Paulo's 8th International Architecture Biennial.

until 18th December 2009

Green Architecture for the Future, Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Denmark.

Sauerbruch Hutton is represented by their prize winning entry of a zero carbon office building for Langelinie in Copenhagen, as well as by the KfW Headquarters

## office profile

Sauerbruch Hutton is an international agency for architecture, urbanism and design, founded in 1989. The practice currently employs about 80 staff and is engaged in a number of projects throughout Europe. Their work has become recognized internationally for its serious engagement with issues of sustainability in architecture and urbanism, at the same time as for the creation of sensual spaces and signature facades.

Sauerbruch Hutton are best known for the GSW Headquarters building in Berlin (1999), the Federal Environmental Agency in Dessau (2005) as well as the recently opened Museum Brandhorst in Munich.

Louisa Hutton and Matthias Sauerbruch have been awarded a number of international prizes. The architecture of the office has been the subject of numerous exhibitions and publications worldwide. Further to their work as practising architects, Hutton and Sauerbruch give lectures and participate in symposia at many international institutions. Since 2008 they continue their studio at Harvard's Graduate School of Design, where they are pursuing their ongoing research into the Language of Sustainability.

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