TAKENAKA



We design and build spaces
where people and nature flourish.

Trust Builds Tomorrow

We contribute to society by passing on the best works to future generations.

01

→ **Tokyo Tower** Tallest freestanding structure in the world at the time of completion in 1958



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TAKENAKA Corporation

The Tōryō Spirit: 400 Years of Building with Purpose

For more than four centuries, TAKENAKA has devoted itself to the art and responsibility of building. Beginning in 1610 as tōryō – Japanese master builder – and now a privately held corporation in its 17th generation, our philosophy and mission remain: "Contribute to society by passing on the best works to future generations." From sacred temples to the modern city, this commitment has shaped everything we build.

Japanese master builder - tōryō

The tōryō oversees every aspect of a project from design through to completion. From its beginnings Takenaka has practiced this integrated approach: design and construction under single responsibility. While our methods have evolved, this principle endures. Today, specialized teams work as one under unified leadership, preserving the tōryō spirit from the first idea to reality.

At TAKENAKA we are planners, architects, engineers and contractors.



Left Mr. Toichi Takenaka, Honorary Chairman of the Board
Right Mr. Masato Sasaki, Chairman of the Board

Master Builder Since
1610

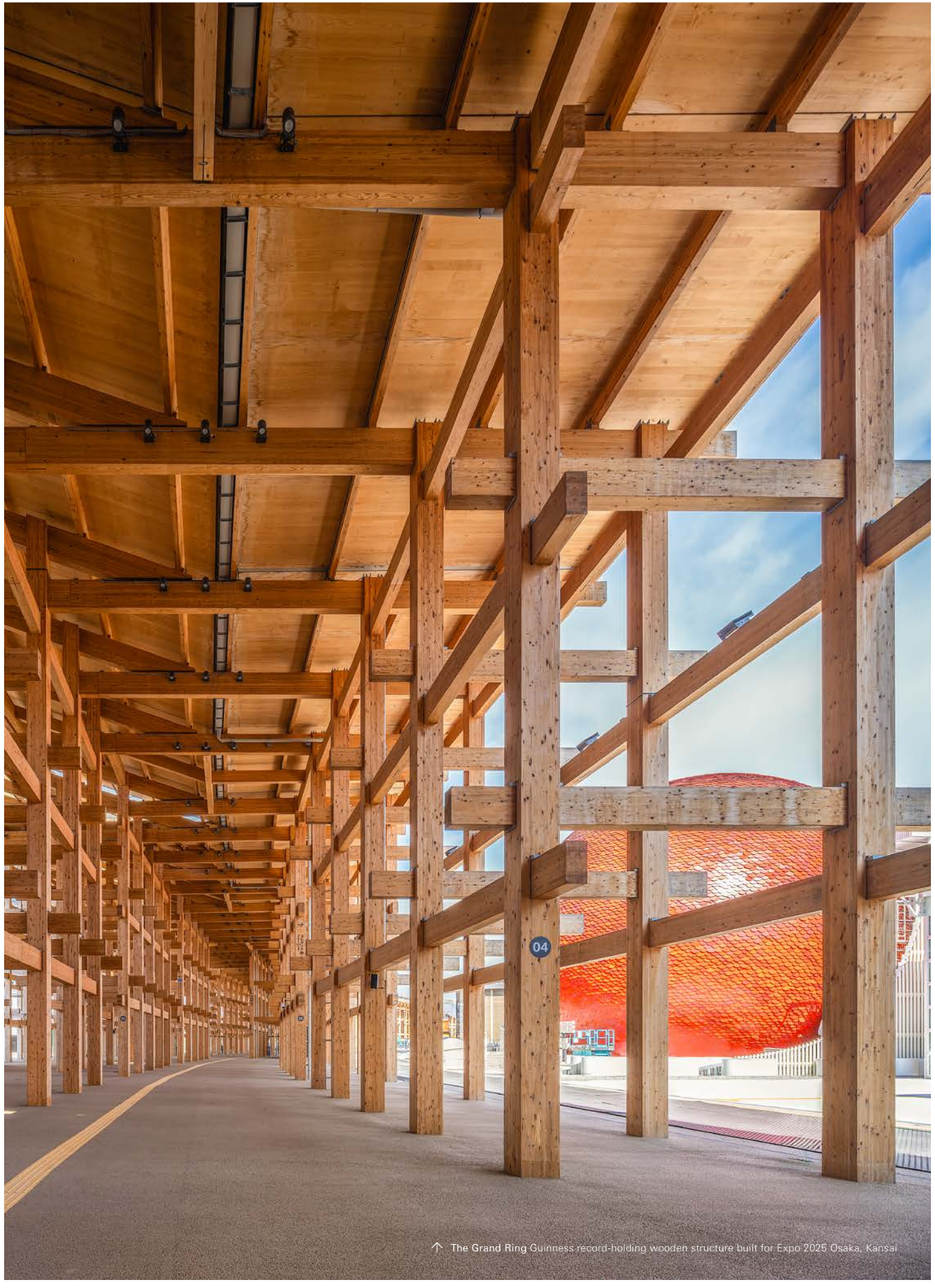
Corporation Since
1899

Employees Globally
13.000+

Licensed Professional Engineers
200+

Licensed First Class Architects
2.400+

Licensed First Class Construction Managers
2.400+



The Grand Ring Guinness record-holding wooden structure built for Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai

TAKENAKA's Expertise Spans the Globe

24 Global Overseas Countries

Europe
- Belgium
- Czech Republic
- France
- Germany
- Hungary
- Italy
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Romania
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- Spain
- United Kingdom

Asia
- China
- India
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Malaysia
- Myanmar
- Philippines
- Singapore
- Thailand
- Vietnam

North America
- U.S.A.

A Legacy of Iconic Global Architecture

1610
Temples and Shrines



1 The *tōryō* (master builder) was responsible for quality from *ita-zu* (board drawings) to *fushin* (construction).

1958
Tokyo Tower

2 At the time the world's tallest freestanding tower (333 m). Inspired by the Eiffel Tower, used for broadcasting and tourism.



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1988
Tokyo Dome

3 Japan's first domed stadium is renowned for its pioneering air-inflated roof — an engineering landmark that creates a vast, lightweight structure defining its iconic architectural silhouette.



2014
Abeno Harukas



4 Japan's tallest building (300 m) at the time of completion. A vertical city with retail, offices, hotel, museum, and observatory.

"Do not try to be the biggest, but rather simply try to be the best."

Touemon Takenaka
14th generation, 1964



2025
Expo Osaka, Kansai

5 Recognised by Guinness World Records (March 2025) as the world's largest timber structure, The Grand Ring spans 2 km and stands as a landmark of sustainable design and innovation.

Hokkaido Facility Management Center

Sapporo, Japan (2021)

The Hokkaido Facility Management Center explores timber construction in subarctic climates, featuring a translucent façade and a double-timber structure that creates a controlled interior microclimate.

From Craft Heritage



← **Takenaka Carpentry Tools Museum**
Kobe, Japan – established 1984,
current facility since 2020

Takenaka Carpentry Tools Museum Since 1984

Our roots lie in centuries of Japanese carpentry tradition. The Takenaka Carpentry Tools Museum in Kobe preserves the tools, techniques, and spirit of master builders, celebrating a heritage that continues to shape our values today.

Explore more at
https://en.dougukan.jp

↓ **Entrance** of Takenaka Carpentry Tools Museum





This commitment to craftsmanship extends into the future through innovation.

Established in 1953, Takenaka's Research & Development Institute is the world's largest center dedicated to architecture, engineering, and urban planning. More than 200 experts develop advanced solutions in construction technology, materials, earthquake resilience, energy efficiency, and sustainability.

In Europe, we draw on this heritage and innovation.

Explore more at
https://www.takenaka.co.jp/takenaka_e/rd

to Future Innovation

Takenaka R&D Institute Since 1953



→ **Takenaka Research & Development Institute** in Chiba, Japan – established 1953, current facility since 1993

Foresting Architecture
A Building That Becomes a Forest

Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai

Built on a former landfill for the 2025 Expo, Foresting Architecture is designed to return to nature. The 3D-printed biodegradable wood-based structure is clad in handmade „seed paper." As its seeds sprout, the building becomes a living forest.

Photo Credit: Yoshiro Masuda

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02
Europe Operations



↗ **Jaguar Land Rover Office** in Nitra, Slovakia (2018)

TAKENAKA Europe

Bringing Japanese Expertise to Europe

Since 1973, we have been bringing TAKENAKA's spirit of craftsmanship and responsibility to Europe. Every project we undertake reflects our commitment to quality, innovation, and thoughtful design.

In Europe, we combine our Japanese heritage with a deep understanding of local needs, creating spaces that are not only functional and inspiring but also leave a positive mark for the generations to come.

Europe Operations Key Facts

1973
Established in Germany

13
European Branches

650+
Employees

1.600+
Projects in Major Industries

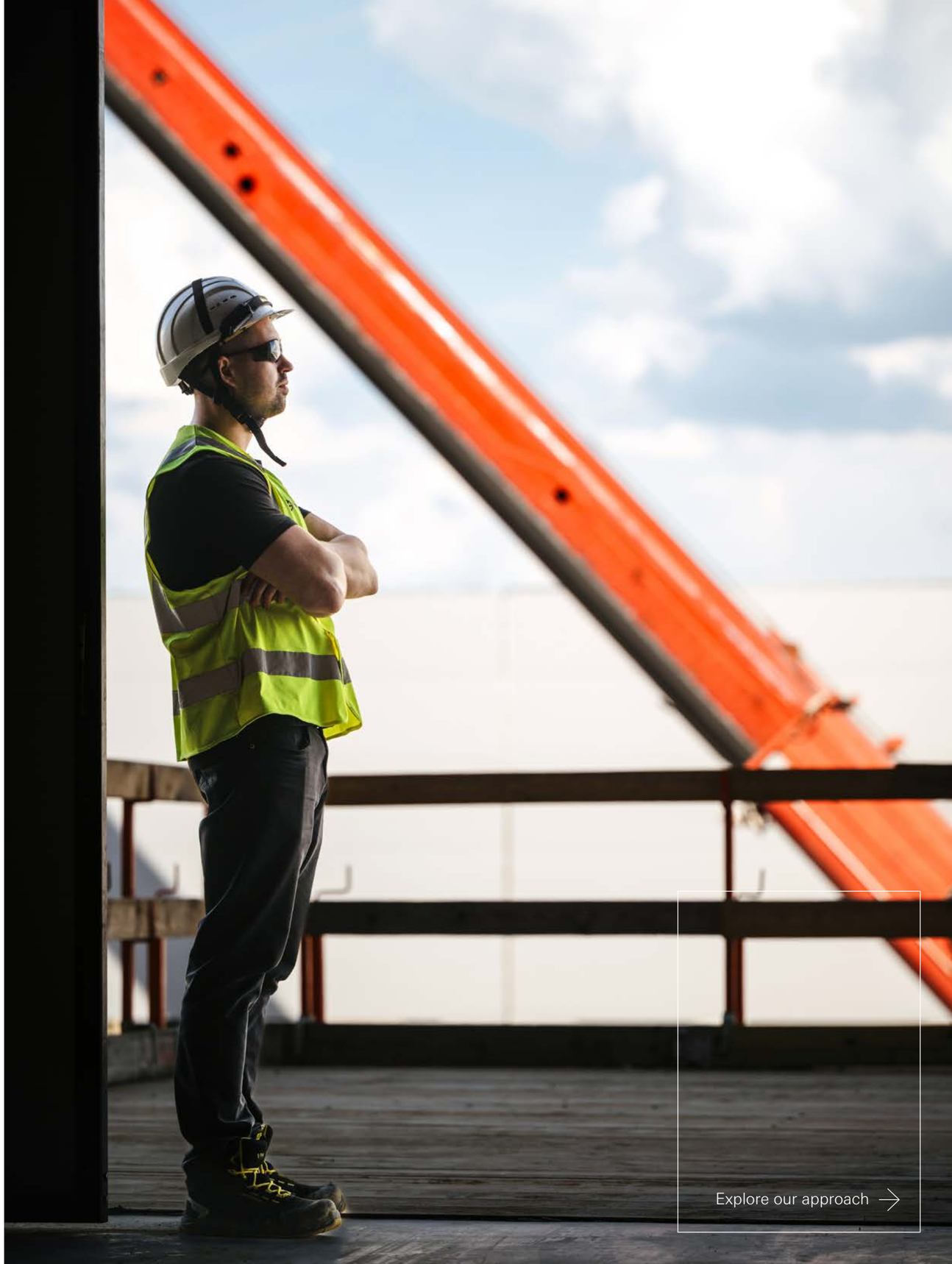
> 50%
Percentage of Design-Build Projects

500+
Staff in Architecture, Engineering, Construction



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03
Our Approach



TAKENAKA Integration

The Modern Tōryō

The tōryō principle that guided our work in Japan for centuries now shapes how we deliver projects across Europe. Where conventional projects separate design from construction, we integrate them from the start. Our architects, engineers, and construction managers work as one team under shared responsibility – so design ambition and construction reality move as one.

"Like the saying, 'There is no wisdom like honesty,' the real path is to lead a life of integrity."

Touemon Takenaka
14th generation, 1964







↑ **Volvo construction site** in Košice, Slovakia (2025)

"As buildings are the face of a company, it will be obvious by looking at them whether that company is healthy, its spirit is clouded or it is only pursuing profits."

Renichi Takenaka
15th generation, 1988

TAKENAKA Quality

Total Quality Management – the TAKENAKA Way

At TAKENAKA, quality is the promise behind every project. It is the foundation of how we work, ensuring consistency and value for our clients worldwide.

With centuries of craftsmanship tradition, this consistency has evolved into a company-wide culture of refinement. In 1979, TAKENAKA became the first non-manufacturing organization to receive the Deming Prize for Total Quality Control, followed by the Japan Quality Control Award in 1992. This legacy continues to guide how we build today.

01 – Our Philosophy

We believe quality builds lasting relationships. As a privately owned company, quality guides how we work – it's fundamental to who we are. We focus on long-term value, not short-term gains.

02 – Partnership That Matters

We take responsibility for navigating complexity: regulatory requirements, technical challenges, and stakeholder coordination. We work alongside our clients, ensuring predictable and efficient delivery.

03 – Local Expertise, Global Standards

Our local experts understand the regulations and requirements of each market. Behind them stands a global standard of quality and performance – consistent across every project we deliver.

04 – Certified Commitment

We maintain ISO 9001 certification across all European branches. Many projects also operate under ISO 14001 and ISO 45001 system certification. This reflects our commitment to quality, safety, and environmental responsibility.



How We Work

TAKENAKA Delivery

From Your First Idea to Reality

Complete Project Support - Our Services

Our integrated team guides your project from the very beginning – land search, feasibility, design, construction, BIM coordination, and after service. With shared responsibility across every phase, we deliver with the clarity and commitment of the modern tōryō.

Feasibility First

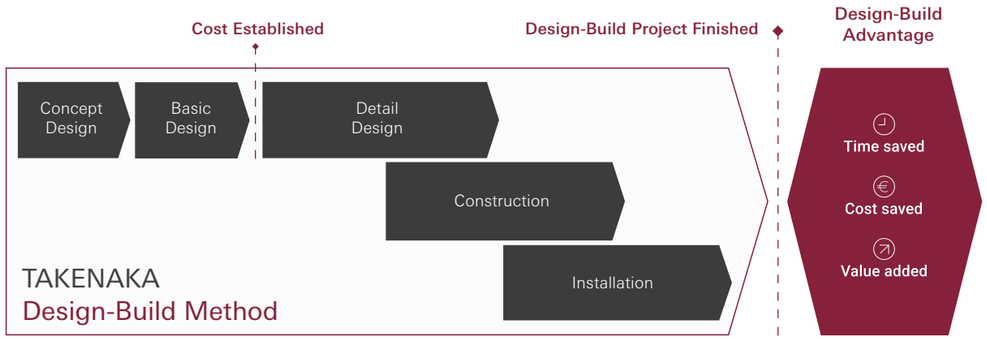
Before you commit, we conduct a thorough feasibility study and give you a clear picture of viability, preliminary costs, and realistic timelines. When you're ready, the team that understands your project best takes it further – through design, construction, or both.

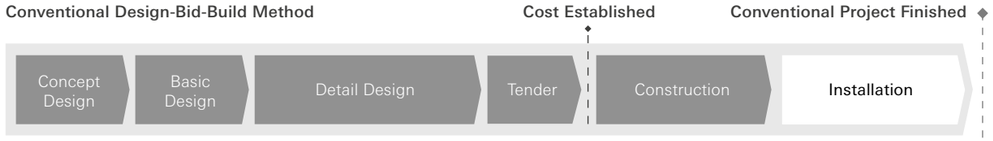
A feasibility study is the foundation for confident decision-making.



TAKENAKA Method

Design-Build – Rooted in the Tōryō Tradition





Single Point of Responsibility

Design-Build has been our approach for over 400 years. It's not a method we adopted – it's how the tōryō tradition works. Design and construction under one responsibility means vision and execution stay aligned from the start. This protects design intent and delivers cost certainty when decisions matter most.

Financial Clarity First

Our architects, engineers, and cost consultants collaborate to ensure early cost certainty and streamlined coordination. This unified approach reduces financial risk and maximizes value without compromising your goals.

That's Design-Build: your assurance of alignment, cost certainty, and quality from start to finish.



Driven by Precision and Commitment

Building Types – our Industry Strengths

Over the past 50 years in Europe, we have focused on delivering projects where our expertise adds the most value. While we serve many sectors, we specialize in providing tailored solutions in the following building types.

See more references at
www.takenaka.eu/en/references



1 Industrial & Manufacturing Buildings

Our strongest sector, where it all began - starting with electronics and expanding into automotive, EV battery, machinery, and biotechnology. We deliver specialized facilities tailored to complex industrial needs.

↑ **Toyo Tire factory** in Indija, Serbia (2023)



2 Research & Development Facilities

We design research spaces that balance technical precision with adaptability – supporting teams in testing ideas and accelerating innovation.

↑ **Daikin Europe R&D Center** in Ghent, Belgium (2025)



3 Office Buildings

We create inspiring, functional office spaces that foster collaboration and well-being - bringing people together in environments that work.

↑ **Block Karlín office** in Prague, Czech Republic (2023)



4 Residential Buildings

We apply our technical expertise to develop modern, high-quality living spaces that balance functionality and comfort.

↑ **Residence Brezový Háj** in Nitra, Slovakia (2021)



5 Logistics & Distribution Centers

From multi-storey logistics hubs to complex distribution centers, we deliver efficient, scalable solutions beyond the standard box.

↑ **Makita Warehouse** in Hamburg, Germany (2021)



6 Fit-Out & Other

From interior fit-outs to niche building types, we provide tailored solutions that meet unique client needs with precision and creativity.

↑ **Apparatus Fit Out** in London, UK (2022)

Explore references

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Europe References

↖ **Nexen Tire Europe** Technical Center in Kelkheim in Germany (2018)

Mercedes-Benz Manufacturing Poland

EV Battery Assembly Factory

Location	Jawor, Poland
Services	Design & Build
Size	44 400 m^2
Completion	2020

The Mercedes-Benz EV battery factory is the Mercedes-Benz Group's first emission-free production facility. Powered entirely by renewable energy from the nearby Taczalin wind farm and biomass heat, the factory exemplifies cutting-edge sustainable manufacturing in the automotive industry.



↑ Truck docks and entrance

↓ Glass-walled entrance, side view



→ Open-plan office area with communication zone



Daikin Europe

R&D Center

Location	Ghent, Belgium
Services	General Contractor
Size	30 600 m^2
Completion	2024
Sustainability	BREEAM Excellent

The new eco-friendly and energy-neutral Daikin EMEA Development Centre includes a 14-floor office building with 2 underground parking levels. Laboratories and test chambers occupy 6 floors of the technical building. The facility supports advanced HVACR (heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration) research in a sustainable environment.



↑ Open-plan office area with glass-walled meeting room

↓ Entrance area with reception and lounge



→ Located in the Tech Lane Ghent Science Park

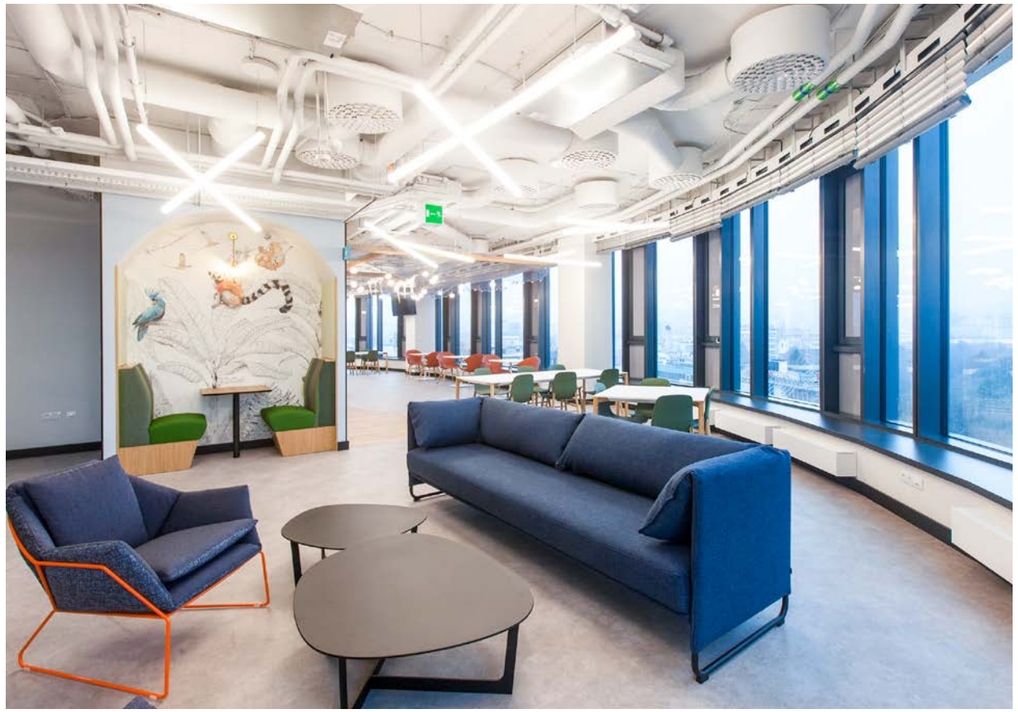


International Tech Giant

Interior Fit-Out

Location	Bratislava, Slovakia
Services	Fit-Out
Size	9 800 m^2
Completion	2020

The office interior offers a modern, collaborative environment with open-plan layouts, vibrant colors, flexible workspaces, and ergonomic furniture designed to enhance comfort and foster innovation and teamwork.



↑ Lounge area next to cantine

↓ Coffee kitchen with seating



→ Break Out, Touch & Go space



↗ **Jaguar Land Rover Office** in Nitra, Slovakia (2018)

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