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Press release

Eiffage Aménagement has started a new phase of development of the Grand Canal Plaine Sud project with the demolition of the Pentagone Plaza Tower in Clamart

The demolition of the Pentagone Plaza Tower, a former tertiary building of close to 20,000 m² with 15 floors - located on avenue du Général de Gaulle in Clamart, is a major step in the urban renewal project for the town of Clamart (92) and the development of the new Grand Canal - Plaine Sud district by Eiffage Aménagement.

The demolition, which was carried out on Sunday 23 August at 10.00 am by a group headed by Eiffage Démolition, marks the start of a new phase in the development project by freeing up space for the construction of 300 new housing units as well as retail and business properties.

Eiffage Démolition and Avenir Déconstruction, together with explosive expert IDEA, demolished the Pentagone Plaza using explosives. The demolition of this 40,000-tonne concrete 55-metre high skyscraper required specific and complex dismantling owing to its atypical structure.

The relatively isolated location of the building meant the so-called slow-fire method could be used with the explosion of charges over several seconds, significantly reducing disturbance and enabling optimum preparation of materials for future full on-site recovery. This is the first time in 13 years that explosives have been used for a demolition in the Île-de-France region.

In 2014, the mayor of Clamart, Jean-Didier Berger, decided to requalify an area on the decline in the south of the town to create a mixed district offering not only housing but also restaurants, public facilities, green spaces and a canal. The arrival of line 6 of the tramway and the development of a departmental road bordering the sector played a major role in this transformation.

The Grand Canal - Plaine Sud district, with a total of 1,500 new housing units, of which 20% are social housing units, should be completed by end-2024. With 190 housing units already delivered, the district welcomed its first inhabitants in spring and the Plaine Sud school group, which focuses on languages and digital technology, will be inaugurated on Monday, 31 August and will open its doors for the new school year in September.

About Eiffage Aménagement

Eiffage Aménagement, a subsidiary of Eiffage Construction, takes charge of complex urban development projects carried out by the Eiffage Group, from the design stage to completion, all over France. Backed by more than 35 years' experience, the firm brings urban players together and helps local and regional authorities restructure city centres and build new districts. It works in close collaboration with urban planners, architects and landscapers as well as with project owners and international investors to ensure the successful completion of its projects.

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