

STRABAG transforms former coal mine in Katowice into a modern technology hub

Facts & Figures

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STRABAG Sp. z o.o.

CONTRACT VALUE:
approx. € 135 million (PLN 577.2 million)

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- **Revitalisation of the disused Wieczorek coal mine in Poland to create a modern technology hub**
- **Climate-friendly building technologies based on renewable energy**
- **Contract value: approx. € 135 million (PLN 577.2 million)**

Vienna, 7 August 2025 STRABAG Sp. z o.o., the Polish subsidiary of STRABAG SE, was awarded the contract on 1 August 2025 for the first construction phase to convert the former Wieczorek coal mine in Katowice. The aim is to create a sustainable technology hub. The project is considered a lighthouse initiative in Katowice's transformation from an industrial to an innovation location. The contract value is approximately € 135 million, with a construction period of 32 months from contract signing.

Industrial heritage meets modern urban development

The Wieczorek coal mine, which has stood for over 100 years, is being restored and ushered into a modern future. The redevelopment will see the creation of modern infrastructure and sustainable energy systems aimed at attracting technology-oriented businesses – particularly in the fields of e-sports and future technologies such as artificial intelligence. A public park is also planned.

The revitalised buildings will provide space for research and development laboratories as well as multifunctional demonstration areas. These will be supplemented by educational and innovation programmes in cooperation with regional educational institutions – including interactive formats using virtual and augmented reality. The former mining site will become a centre for knowledge transfer, technological innovation and sustainable urban development.

“As part of our Strategy 2030, we are specifically focusing on future fields such as reconstruction, conversion and refurbishment, as well as technological leadership,” said Stefan Kratochwill, CEO of STRABAG SE. “This project demonstrates what we are capable of – and shows that we are the right partner for sustainable building revitalisation.”

The project forms part of Katowice's urban development strategy to transform former industrial sites into future-oriented innovation hubs and create attractive conditions for businesses. STRABAG is also involved in the redevelopment of former industrial areas in nearby Dąbrowa Górnicza city centre. A multifunctional urban development complex called the Living Factory is currently under construction here on the site of the former Desum machine tool plant. The derelict site is being transformed into a sustainable development offering workplaces, cultural activities, dining options and green traffic-calmed public spaces.

STRABAG SE is a European-based technology group for construction services, a leader in innovation and financial strength. Our activities span all areas of the construction industry and cover the entire construction value chain. We create added value for our clients by taking an end-to-end view of construction over the entire life cycle – from planning and design to construction, operation and facility management to redevelopment or demolition. In all of our work, we accept responsibility for people and the environment: We are shaping the future of construction and are making significant investments in our portfolio of more than 250 innovation and 400 sustainability projects. Through the hard work and dedication of our approximately 86,000 employees, we generate an annual output volume of around € 19 billion.

Our dense network of subsidiaries in various European countries and on other continents extends our area of operation far beyond the borders of Austria and Germany. Working together with strong partners, we are pursuing a clear goal: to design, build and operate construction projects in a way that protects the climate and conserves resources. More information is available at www.strabag.com.

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Rendering of the revitalised Wieczorek coal mine as a technology hub
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