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## THE ROCKET TOWER IS ONCE AGAIN AWARDED THE BREEAM DE “VERY GOOD” RATING

**Berlin, 23 February 2024** – The building, which was constructed in 1960 and is located in the heart of Berlin with a rental area of 28,000 square metres, underwent a significant extension in 1999 (after winning the competition in 1991) under the direction of Sauerbruch Hutton, which gave it its current appearance with the iconic west façade. This architectural achievement was honoured with the prestigious BDA Prize Berlin. A comprehensive refurbishment programme was implemented in 2015 and 2016, which significantly increased the quality and functionality of the building.

*"We are extremely proud of the certification result. It underlines our firm belief that buildings of outstanding quality, regardless of their age, can be sustainable through active management. The Rocket Tower is therefore not only an architectural masterpiece, but also a role model for the integration of sustainability into the urban space. Overall, this award reflects our commitment to sustainability and environmental protection as well as our efforts to reduce our ecological footprint. It also recognises the first-class service provided by Sauerbruch Hutton at the time,"* explains **Claudia Austen, Head of Asset Management Germany at Sienna Investment Managers – Real Estate**, who is responsible for managing the building on behalf of a European asset manager.

The BREEAM audit was carried out by Cotecda GmbH, a company based in Frankfurt am Main that specialises in real estate and data. As a result, an overall degree of fulfilment of 57.89 percent was achieved. *"This resulted in a rating of four stars or "very good" for the Rocket Tower,"* adds **Alexander Rüb from TÜV SÜD**. As the national scheme operator (NSO), TÜV SÜD has been responsible for the adaption of BREEAM schemes, the BREEAM training for experts and the issuing of BREEAM certificates in the DACH region since 2016.

BREEAM DE Bestand certification is a prestigious award given to buildings that fulfil strict criteria in areas such as energy efficiency, environmental sustainability and social responsibility.

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