

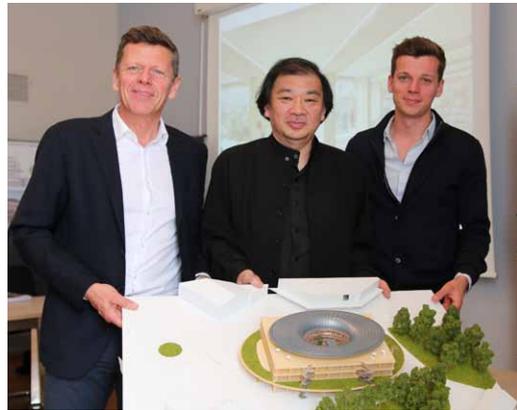
PRESS RELEASE

The vision is taking shape: The design by Japanese architect Shigeru Ban has won the competition for the new “TEAM 7 World”

The winner of the international competition for the construction of the new TEAM 7 headquarters in Ried is the Pritzker Prize-winning Shigeru Ban Architects. Ban, born in Tokyo, combines traditional Japanese building and construction methods with modern architecture and building technology in his work. He won over the jury with an innovative, energy-neutral wooden construction, which embodies TEAM 7's love of solid wood and vision for a modern, sustainable lifestyle to great effect. "The design by Shigeru Ban really speaks to the heart and soul of TEAM 7", says owner and Managing Director Dr Georg Emprechtlinger. "The concept transforms our many-faceted philosophy into a reality in every respect".

The building will span four stories, joined together centrally by an expansive, oval interior space. A spiral ramp, staircase, and a lift are there to convey visitors and employees in this transparent atrium from the exhibition floor, over two stories of open-plan offices, to the skybox on the fourth floor. Transparency and openness are the fundamental principles of the design, because the intelligent use of glass and shade enables the maximum use of daylight and the connection of interior and exterior. Sophisticated ventilation technology provides the rooms with perfect climate control. The use of wood and modern energy-efficient technologies means that the building will have a minimal environmental footprint and a favourable CO2 balance.

For years, TEAM 7 has been internationally renowned for its exceptional solid wood furniture and kitchens, and its sustainability. The brand combines nature, design, and technology with high-quality craftsmanship and innovative engineering. Shigeru Ban's



Dr Georg Emprechtlinger, Shigeru Ban and Stefan Emprechtlinger at the presentation of the new TEAM 7 World.

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winning architectural design for the company headquarters reflects the company's charisma, as well as its environmental, social, and economic responsibility in all areas. He envisions the new TEAM 7 World as a place of creativity, inspiration, and international encounter, in which the aesthetic of wood is the central focus.



The management of TEAM 7 – Dr Georg Emprechtinger, owner and Managing Director, and Hermann Pretzl – is presenting the construction of the new TEAM 7 headquarters designed by Shigeru Ban.

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This is how the new TEAM 7 World in Ried will look like.

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