

Press Release

pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank Foundation awards Architecture Prize for exemplary commercial buildings

- Works by *JSWD Architekten*, *Ackermann und Partner* as well as *Wortmann Architekten* awarded prizes
- Six recommendations also awarded

Munich, 30 October 2012 – For the 11th time, the pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank Foundation has awarded an Architecture Prize for exemplary buildings. Under the patronage of the German Minister for Transport, Building and Urban Affairs and the President of the Association of German Architects (BDA), a prize of € 5000 was awarded to each of the following:

- *Ackermann und Partner*, Munich, for an aerodynamic testing centre (Wind canal centre) at the BMW Group in Munich
- *JSWD Architekten*, Cologne, for a transfer centre for adaptronics at the Fraunhofer Institute in Darmstadt
- *Wortmann Architekten*, Dülmen-Rorup, for a high-bay warehouse at the company *Ernsting's family* in Coesfeld-Lette

The Chairman of the Jury, **Prof. Eckhard Gerber (Dipl.-Ing.)**, said: „The three winners of this year's Architecture Prize have all created buildings of an extremely high architectural and aesthetic quality. They have created new work spaces improving the quality of the work place. The entries submitted for the Architecture Prize showed, that both large and small commercial buildings can satisfy this high requirement and that this standard can also be met within a lower budget and for a smaller area.”

In addition to the three main prizes, the jury awarded the following six entries a highly recommended:

- *aib agiplan integrale bauplanung GmbH* for the Factory Gates West at the company *Ferrero oHG* in Stadtlendorf
- *a.ml und partner* for an office building with underground parking in Nürnberg
- *hiendl_schneis architektenpartnerschaft* for a production and administration complex for the company *heinle energie- und automationstechnik GmbH* in Nördlingen
- *kadawittfeldarchitektur* for the building „*adidas Laces*“ in Herzogenaurach.
- *Lattkearchitekten* for the building „*Typografica*“ in Friedberg
- *UTArchitects* for an office space provided for gardeners employed by the District of Steglitz-Zehlendorf in Berlin

Manuela Better, Chairman of the Board of the pbb Foundation and Chairman of pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank, added: „With the Architecture Prize, the pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank Foundation raises awareness for the realisation of sustainable and aesthetically creative commercial buildings outside city centres and representative spaces. We continue to see ourselves committed to this goal in the future.”

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