

GLINT building transformed into a site for artistic reflection

The exhibition "Standard International #4 Spatial Clearings" showcases a landmark location in central Berlin in a whole new light

Berlin, 18 September 2017 – The real estate developer and investor COPRO is pleased to announce a new exhibition being held in the neoclassical GLINT building, located on the corner of Glinka and Tauben Streets in Berlin. The exhibition "Standard International #4 Spatial Clearings" brings new life to the building with a sophisticated concept uniting art and light. Featuring 25 well-known Berlin-based artists, the exhibition fosters dialogue between architecture and art in public spaces. Artists include Beate Terfloth, Philipp Geist, Fred Rubin and Gerhard Mantz. The exhibition is being curated by Rüdiger Lange, well known for his pioneering use of art in temporary locations and it takes place from 23 August to 14 October 2017.

In the exhibition, the artists interpret and represent the notion of light in an array of forms, ranging from refracted light created by projections and reflections to targeted use of lamps. Light itself also plays a role, whether as daylight, shadow, electric or indirect light. The first-floor space, measuring about 450 square metres, was staged by the artists to focus on the unique interplay between architecture and light.

Art: An ideal medium for pioneering uses

In line with the mission of COPRO, the exhibition strives to foster dialogue between the arts and architecture: "The interdisciplinary approach revitalises this historic building in a fascinating way, transforming the property into a sort of cultural time machine," explains Marc F. Kimmich, who is both a patron of the arts as well as the founder and managing director of COPRO. The exhibition "#4 Spatial Clearings" follows on the heels of "Standard International #1" and "Standard International #2" at the Geisberg property in Berlin's Schöneberg district, as well as "Standard International #3" in GLINT. All of the exhibitions were spearheaded by COPRO in cooperation with Rüdiger Lange. "With this exhibition, we offer a counterpoint to and commentary on the site's architectural vision. The neo-classical surroundings offer the perfect setting to contrast contemporary light art," concludes Lange.



Exhibition artists:

David Amber, Kerstin Ergenzinger, Till Exit, Anne Gathmann, Philipp Geist, Robert Hoffmann, Johanna Jaeger, Hazal Kara/Carol Neumann, Achim Kobe, Franz Küsters, Gerhard Mantz, Julia Münstermann, Elva Olafsdottir, Nina Rhode, Roman Roth, Fred Rubin, Juan Pablo Garcia Sossa, Max Sudhues, Beate Terfloth, Gösta Wellmer, Moritz Wermelskirch, Sinta Werner, Markus Wüste, Marc von der Hocht

Curator: Rüdiger Lange

During the whole exhibition, Rüdiger Lange will be available for guided tours.

Exhibition dates: Wed. - Sat., 14 - 18 p.m.

Glinkastraße 17

10117 Berlin

Further information about the exhibition and artists can be found at: http://www.standard-international.de/Standard-International-4-Spatial-Clearings

GLINT: About 72 commercial and residential units

In June 2016, COPRO and vB Housing GmbH purchased the property located at Glinkastraße 17–21 and the corner of Taubenstraße 51–53. Measuring 1,500 square metres, the property offers a mix of residential and commercial spaces spread over four buildings. Constructed between 1873 and 1886, GLINT is just a stone's throw away from landmark areas like Gendarmenmarkt, Brandenburg Gate and Potsdamer Platz. One section of the property abuts the headquarters of its developer COPRO. GLINT is historically protected as it is part of the historical building complex in Mauerstraße.

In 2018, GLINT will be renovated in close collaboration with the Historic Preservation Agency in order to maintain the building's historical character; to name one example, the building's original façades will be preserved. The overarching goal is to create a spacious residential quarter with dedicated areas that serve to foster new values while maintaining old.

More information about GLINT can be found at: glint-berlin.de



About COPRO

<u>COPRO</u> is an independent real estate developer and investor with projects primarily in Berlin and Stuttgart.

Independent and managed by its founder Marc F. Kimmich, the company was started in Berlin in 1993 and specialises in complex property development projects and renovating exceptional residential and commercial properties, many of which are historically protected buildings. With expertise in project development, sales and services, renting and property management, COPRO services span the entire life cycle of a property. The company always strives to unleash the individual potential of each space, while balancing user, resident and public interests.

The company's growing real estate portfolio currently comprises 20 properties, measuring over 75,000 square metres in total. Of that, about two-thirds are commercial spaces and one-third residential. The company has a number of prestige projects, such as Geisberg Berlin. Measuring 15,000 square metres and located in a historical post office in the Schöneberg section of Berlin, the development represents a brand new kind of community-based residential project. Other highlights include Kaiserbau am Stuttgarter Marienplatz, built in 1911, while COPRO is also transforming the historical complex of buildings known as GLINT in the Mitte district of Berlin into a residential and business space with about 72 flats as well as five commercial units. Finally, with the project Urbane Mitte am Gleisdreieck, the company is developing a 4.3 hectares property with a total area 119,000 square metres. Located in the northern section of the Kreuzberg district and just a stone's throw away form Potsdamer Platz, the area is slated to be revitalised as a dynamic, modern urban district.

As a responsible developer, COPRO takes a holistic approach to every property. The company demonstrates its commitment to community through a variety of social and cultural projects connected to the company and property locations.

About von Bothmer Architekten

For over twenty years, the experienced creative team at von Bothmer Architekten has designed and executed prestigious architectural project all over Berlin. Regardless of complexity, projects both large and small strive to foster an appropriate, compelling and sustainable architectural concept suitable for each location.

The firm specialises in thoughtful renovation and expansion projects, often of landmark residential and/or historically protected buildings. The company owners Anastasia v. Bothmer-Papageorgiou and Christopher v. Bothmer frequently invest in



 $$\sf COPRO$$ high-profile properties through the affiliate company vB Housing GmbH, paying attention in particular to fiscal aspects of architectural projects.