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**The superstructure of Praga Studios is successfully completed, a topping out flag flutters on the top floor of the new Karlín administrative building**

***Praga Studios, the new Karlín office building by Skanska, has progressed significantly on its way to completion. In October 2018, the builders placed a topping out flag (so called “glajcha”) on the site of the future roof terrace to symbolise the successful completion of the superstructure. The building, with a total area of almost 12 000 m2, will be completed in the second quarter of 2019.***

The Praga Studios administrative building is rising between Pernerova and Křižíkova streets in Prague 8, close to the Křižíkova metro station. The developer of the project is Skanska. Upon its completion in the second quarter of 2019, Praga Studios will offer almost 12 000 m2 of premium administrative space.

**Praga Studios combines business with art**

The architectural design from the ADNS architekti studio, merges the industrial tradition of Prague’s Karlín district with timeless Skanska design.

*“The motto of the Praga Studios project is the joining of art and business. We don’t just build premium offices, but also offer a space for art. There is an atrium in the ground floor of Praga Studios, where concerts, theatre performance or exhibitions can be organised. The atypical staircase can be used to seat audiences. The atrium will be open to the public, to demonstrate that modern office buildings have much greater potential, exceeding their current use,”* says Žofia Voda, Project Manager, adding that: *“We will place a beautiful piano in the atrium, which the people who work or merely visit Praga Studios can play.”*

**Modern and healthy work environment**

LEED Platinum environmental certification is a Skanska standard. Even in the building of Praga Studios, preference was given to materials from local sources, partly recycled and with a low carbon footprint during transport. The building will be economic in terms of energy and drinking water consumption. Thanks to the glass façade, 75% of the workspaces will have maximum access to daylight. There will be a terrace on the roof of the building with a beautiful view of the Prague panorama, which tenants can use to relax.

Skanska has created a special Praga Studios mobile application for the project, which presents the building and its surroundings in detail (the app can be downloaded from the App Store under Praga Studios). Once the building is completed and put into operation, the app will be available to the tenants, who can access and enjoy all the services available in the building and its vicinity via the app.

Skanska is also striving to obtain a WELL certificate, which focuses on assessing the building interior and appraising the high-quality and healthy work environment and evaluating its impact on the building’s users.

**First tenants at Praga Studios**

The building currently has 2 tenants and the developer is negotiating with others. The office section will house Scott & Weber, providers of virtual and shared office, and there will be a restaurant on the ground floor.

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