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HAMBURG'S STUDIO GMP

Founded in 1965 by architects Meinhard von Gerkan and Volkwin Marg, both professors of architecture at the Universities of Braunschweig and Aachen, the GMP von Gerkan, Marg + Partner architecture studio has become internationally famous for designing large works throughout the world. GMP now has five partners, employs a staff of 280, has its main premises in Hamburg and branches in Berlin, Aachen and Frankfurt. Offices were recently opened in Beijing, Shanghai and Hanoi.

GMP's expertise ranges from large-scale town planning projects, such as the new city of Luchao, currently being built near Shanghai, large infrastructure projects and single buildings, as well as ornamental and furnishing items.

GMP's signature projects include Berlin, Stuttgart and Hamburg airports, the European HQ of the Patent Board in Munich, Leipzig Expo Centre with adjacent conference centre, and the expo halls at Hanover and Düsseldorf trade fairs.

Shenzen and Nanning expo and conference centres were recently opened in China.

Also in China, GMP, one of the fifteen major contemporary town-planning "names" that took part in contests organized by the capital for the design of new buildings, has realized the new wing of the National Museum.

The last Soccer World Championship in Germany saw Studio GMP engaged in restructuring of the Berlin Olympiastadion, the venue that hosted the finals between Italy and France. Moreover, GMP also designed the new stadium in Cologne and completely restructured the one in Frankfurt. They were involved in the design of a sports arena in China, for the 2008 Olympic games, and of the Dubai Sports City, with four facilities: one for football, one for cricket, a sports centre and an arena.

In the field of railway architecture, GMP designed Spandau station and Berlin's recently inaugurated "Lehrter Bahnhof", set to become the German capital's main station.

In 2001, with the new Rimini Fiera expo centre project, under the direction of Professor Volkwin Marg and in collaboration with architect Clemens Kusch, Studio GMP designed its first important work in Italy.

In recent years, after the Rimini Expo Centre, other work has been carried out in Italy, including Ancona airport, Verona hospital, extensions to Verona and Arezzo expo centres, and now the new Rimini conference centre.

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