

## **Boost for central Berlin as a business location**

### **Union Investment signs lease with Amazon for 8,340 sq m in DomAquaree CityQuartier**

**Union Investment has signed a lease with Amazon for 8,340 square metres of space in the DomAquaree CityQuartier to be used as a new customer centre. DomAquaree is part of the portfolio of the Unilmmo: Deutschland open-ended real estate fund and is 92.2% let. The deal was brokered by CB Richard Ellis.**



With the arrival of Amazon as new main tenant, fellow office tenants such as YOC AG, Europe's leading mobile technology and media provider, the Bank of Scotland, one of the oldest banks in

Europe, and media agency KircherBurkhardt are in good company. “In recent years, DomAquaree has become a valued business location in downtown Berlin for new media and IT companies in particular, thanks to the mix of uses and tenant services which are typical of our CityQuartier developments,” says Dr. Frank Billand, a member of the management team at Union Investment Real Estate GmbH. “Our objective is to create vibrant, attractive urban quarters that significantly boost the attractiveness of our city centres. Acquiring Amazon as a tenant underlines both the commercial success of DomAquaree and the continuity of this strategy.”

“DomAquaree is an attractive location for us because of its position in downtown Berlin and excellent infrastructure,” said Tim Hickler, director of European customer services at Amazon, speaking in the presence of Mayor of Berlin Klaus Wowereit.

Union Investment commenced construction work on the DomAquaree CityQuartier in 2001 in accordance with plans drawn up by architects nps tchoban voss GbR. Since it opened in May 2004, the ensemble has become an international meeting point, with the Radisson Blu Hotel, the AquaDom and Sea Life Berlin, exclusive apartments, offices, and a wide range of restaurants, cafés and shops all under its roof. As a “city within a city”, it also holds events that attract the wider public as well as art enthusiasts and culture lovers.

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