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## Berlin Hyp's B-One project awarded a DGNB Certificate in Platinum for Building Deconstruction

**Berlin Hyp has received a Certificate in Platinum for Building Deconstruction from the German Sustainable Building Council (DGNB) for its B-One project, which involves the deconstruction of the Bank's old office building at Budapester Strasse 1 in Berlin-Tiergarten. The real estate bank achieved an overall performance rating of 83.6 per cent in the pre-certification process in June 2021. The bank will receive the final certificate after the deconstruction process has been completed. This is the second project in Germany to receive the DGNB award.**

The Bank received very high performance ratings in the categories of Ecology, Economy and Sociocultural and Functional Quality in particular. The pre-certificate for the project was recently handed over to Sascha Klaus, Chair of the Board of Management of Berlin Hyp, at the Budapester Strasse construction site. "We are employing a modern and sustainable concept for the construction of our new corporate headquarters", Klaus explained. "The building will therefore meet the highest sustainability standards. Our project also includes the deconstruction of our old building, whereby we want to serve as a role model here by setting an example within the real estate sector. It's important to send a message that resource conservation is crucial these days", he adds.

When demolishing the old building, the real estate bank will take care to recycle and dispose of the materials in an environmentally friendly manner. The majority of small office furniture, materials and equipment from the building that are no longer needed have been donated or auctioned off and were therefore put to further use. All proceeds from the auction will also be passed on to charitable organisations and associations.

The DGNB's certification process is designed to create incentives for increasing the sustainability of deconstruction projects in a holistic manner. The focus here is on ensuring more responsible utilisation of resources in the construction and real estate industry – in particular by supporting processes that promote the establishment of a circular economy in all relevant areas.

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Berlin Hyp specialises in large-volume real estate financing for professional investors and housing companies, for whom the Bank develops individual financing solutions. As an enterprise forming a Group together with the German savings banks, it also makes an extensive spectrum of products and services available to these institutions. Berlin Hyp is not only at the forefront as the issuer of the first Green Pfandbrief; the Bank also supports the financing of sustainable real estate. Berlin Hyp's clear focus, 150 years of experience and the ability to actively shape digital transformation in the real estate sector characterise the Bank as a leading German real estate and Pfandbrief bank.