



PRESS RELEASE

Design for new Kiel Passenger Terminal unveiled

KSP-Architekten win competition for Schwedenkai Terminal Design

Kiel, December 21, 2007: Architects KSP Engel und Zimmermann in Brunswick have won a competition launched by the Port of Kiel to seek the best design for a new passenger terminal on the port's Schwedenkai. The second and third prizes went to designs from architects petersen pörksen partner and hage + griesenberg. Dirk Claus, MD of the Port of Kiel (SEEHAFEN KIEL GmbH & Co KG), said "the new passenger terminal on the Schwedenkai will be a visiting card for Kiel and a trade mark for the Stena Line in Germany. The architectural designs were presented to the Port Supervisory Board on December 20th and that body has decided that planning will now move ahead. A final decision on the construction of the terminal will be made as soon as economic framework conditions have been established.

The winning architectural design for the new Schwedenkai Terminal is impressive because of its artistic filigree form and in the exemplary manner in which it combines functional utilisation. The building unites services for passengers and cargo on its lower levels with administrative functions on the office levels above.

Commented Dirk Claus: "this spectacular design completely won over all nine judges. The building has been tailor-made exactly to the needs both of the port and the shipping company". The new building is to be erected south of the existing Schwedenkai and in alignment with the Hafenstrasse and the Holstenbrücke, thus optically opening up the Kiel City Centre to the waters of the Bay of Kiel.

Nearly EUR 16 million are being invested in the new Schwedenkai Terminal. Construction is expected to start in early summer next year and completion is planned for Autumn 2009. "The new Schwedenkai will further increase our ability to compete in ferry traffic to West Sweden as well as in the cruise shipping sector", said Dirk Claus. Stena Line's biggest ferry ships, in service between Kiel and Gothenburg, already berth at the Schwedenkai. During the summer season, the terminal also serves passengers of the cruise ships which are now berthing at the Bollhörnkai-Nord in ever increasing numbers.

The Port of Kiel operates Kiel's commercial port on behalf of the Schleswig Holstein state capital of Kiel and is a 100% subsidiary company of the City. The port has three modern passenger terminals in the city's attractive inner harbour



– the Norwegenkai, the Schwedenkai and the Ostseekai - and can handle cruise ships of any size there. About five million tons of cargo and more than 1.6 million passengers are handled annually at the port's facilities. Kiel is the gateway to Norway as well as West Sweden and has also become Germany's most popular cruise ship port of call.

This press release, along with pictures, can also be found at www.port-of-kiel.com