

Infrastructure

BCGE – The Bank modernises its head office

Geneva, 28 June 2022 – The Banque Cantonale de Genève (BCGE) has begun work to modernise its head office on the Quai de l'Ile in the heart of Geneva. As part of its energy transition, the bank is undertaking extensive renovation work to bring the building up to the highest ecological and ergonomic standards. The work is expected to take two years.

A first phase already completed thanks to GeniLac®

BCGE's historic head office was inaugurated in 1991 and has not undergone any major modification since then. The bank has opted for a two-phase project to adapt the building to current standards. The first phase was to optimise the building's energy supply by connecting it to the GeniLac® ecological thermal network for cooling and heating. This first phase of the work has now been completed and BCGE was awarded the "Renewable Thermal" trophy for it by SIG.

An optimised thermal envelope

The second phase of the work begins today and aims to improve the efficiency of the building's thermal envelope, the objective being to obtain the HPE (High Energy Performance) label. In order to preserve the unique and distinctive style of the building, as few changes as possible will be made to the exterior structure and façade. The interior of the building, on the other hand, will be completely renovated. In addition to significant energy savings, this will also make it possible to modernise the infrastructure, optimise the client reception areas and reorganise the staff's working areas. To make this project possible, almost 300 employees had to be relocated They will return to their workplace in the spring of 2024.

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