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## Planting of courtyard greenery begins at Siemens' new corporate headquarters

- **A total of 12 trees to be planted at the new corporate headquarters**
- **Grand opening to take place this summer as planned**

The planting of greenery began at the construction site of the new Siemens corporate headquarters in Munich. With the aid of a truck-mounted crane and a telehandler, seven trees will be hoisted into the facility's inner courtyards. Five additional trees will be planted in the existing green space along the adjacent ring road (Altstadtring). Following the grand opening of the new complex in the summer of 2016, the ground level – with its green inner courtyards, a cafe, a restaurant and a water feature – will be freely accessible. For Munich residents and visitors to the Bavarian capital, this passageway will provide a new pedestrian corridor connecting Munich's city center and its Museum District.

Different kinds of trees have been selected for each of the inner courtyards. Reddish copper beech trees will be planted in the courtyard closest to Wittelsbacherplatz. Sycamore maple has been chosen for the central courtyard, while fern-leaf beech trees will adorn the courtyard immediately adjacent to the Altstadtring. The tree crowns are to form a green canopy that creates an inviting place to stroll.

“The planting of the publicly accessible courtyards at the new Siemens corporate headquarters underscores the aspect of openness, which is important to us,” noted Thomas Braun, General Manager of the construction project. “Residents of Munich, customers, visitors and employees will meet and feel welcome here.

In parallel with the planting of courtyard greenery, work to complete the other outdoor areas is currently in full swing. The public green space along the Altstadtring

is currently being carefully landscaped in close coordination with the city of Munich. Not only will the existing trees, which enjoy special protection, be preserved; after completion, this area will boast more trees than before. In addition, the eight Globosum Norway maple trees that were formerly located in front of the Ludwig Ferdinand Palace will be returned to their former location on the south side of Wittelsbacherplatz this spring.

The landscaping of the courtyards and grounds marks the beginning of the final phase of construction for Siemens' new corporate headquarters. Every day, more than 600 workers are now working to complete the interior construction. Once these measures have been concluded, work spaces will be set up for a total of about 1,200 employees, who will then move into the new building in stages. The grand opening is planned for this summer.

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