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Press conference on Siemens' palace headquarters

Facts and figures: Ludwig Ferdinand Palais

History

- 1825 Approval of construction plans drafted by Leo von Klenze for a "mansion at 1 Fürstenstrasse"
- 1868 Expansion of the front on Wittelsbacherplatz from 9 to 12 axes Construction of new wing on the west side. Addition of a balcony on the south side
- 1877 Ludwig Ferdinand of Bavaria acquires the palace for 640,571 marks, 43 pfennigs.
- 1938 The City of Munich lists the palace as a protected building.
- 1944 Considerable damage during World War II: the entire roof truss and interior construction, the Wittelsbacherplatz front and the whole wing are destroyed.
- 1947 Rubble removal / reconstruction plans. Rebuilt to according to contemporary building standards
- 1949 Siemens AG leases the building.
- 1957 Siemens Grundstücksgesellschaft purchases the building.
- 1968 External flight of steps built on the south side of the building (architect: Hans Maurer)
- 1978 Wittelsbacherplatz is converted into a pedestrian zone.

Renovation milestones

2008 09/2012 10/2012	Renovation of roof and windows The building is emptied and demolition of some of the old buildings begins. Approval of building permit for Wittelsbacherplatz 4 (west wing of palace)
	Approval of building permit for Wittelsbacherplatz 2
	Extensive analyses of the structural components (ceiling loads, supporting
	structure), material (drill cores), building physics, noise protection require- ments, thermal insulation, harmful substances; archeological examination (of
	the basement) begin and are currently still in progress in the empty building.
10/ 2013	Plans for the restoration of the building structure are submitted for approval
	along with plans for new construction.
02/2014	Transplantation of the Globe Norway maple trees on the south side of the
	palace
03/ 2014	Beginning of structural work (removal of interior plaster, sealing of the ex-
	terior basement walls with injection solutions, reinforcement of the ceiling
	above the fourth floor, opening in the roof for commencement of ceiling re-
	moval in the northwest corner to make room for the new stairwell)
Until 03/2015	Replacement of the ceilings above the ground floor, second floor and third
	floor using the alternating sequential method
2015	Completion of the interior construction work
2016	Opening of the new company headquarters

Figures

- Total palace area: about 4,500 m² (about 48,400 sq. ft)
- Between 20 and 65 tradespeople are currently involved in the refurbishment project.
- Live load: Will be increased from 3 to 5 kilonewtons (metric tons per square meter).

- To date about 3,000 cubic meters of rubble; another 1,000 m³ will be produced during the rest of the year.
- End result: ultramodern conference rooms and catering over an area of 1,500 m² (about 16,150 sq. ft)