

Deloitte Slovakia since yesterday in Petržalka Digital Park II

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In the new offices on the 6th and 7th floor of Digital Park II in Einsteinova Street began Deloitte its work symbolically yesterday - the first day of the new school year. „We are sure of that the excellent location and the high quality project guarantees prestigious address,“ said the Penta Group project director Juraj Šaštinský, disclosing his joy over the fact that Deloitte decided just to Digital Park.

The goal is inspiring and motivating work environment

This information does not contain at first sight anything that would differentiate it from a number of similar reports without the initial value added. This time, however, this is not a stereotype! Digital Park II is a truly unique modern building: the original outdoors design (deliberately and unconventionally provoking by its „grim“ black hue), number of rest areas and greenery predetermined the design of the interior. This - in the spirit of most extravagant world-wide trends - designed famous British interior architect Seville Peach together with her studio Sevil Peach Architecture + Design (SP). Let's look more closely at the priorities of her design in terms of its impact on working environment.

„The architect goal was to create a pleasant and human work environment, which is both inspiring and motivating,“ said Deloitte in its press release. As Deloitte adds the innovative layout of offices allows completely different style of work with greater emphasis on interactivity, open communication and teamwork. Multi-space offices offer number of conceptions of workplaces, rest and relaxation zones. During the day, for example, we can work in different areas - whether at own workplace, in quiet offices intended for individual work or conference calls, at tables designed for less formal meetings, as well as relax in the so-called soft seating areas or in the social area.

The winner is greater capacity and flexibility of spaces

Moving into the Digital Park-II recognizes Vladimír Masár, the president of the Deloitte Slovakia, as a significant milestone in the 18-year history of the company. "The decision to move, the selection of new premises, as well as the choice of an appropriate term was not easy. This is a long-term plan and our company after careful consideration of all pros and cons has decided. "The new offices offer not only cliché benefits such as a site with strategic location and excellent accessibility. Won also the improved capacity of the premises, the wider possibilities of expansion, but also a chance to change radically the environment, which is the optimum choice for the tenant.

„The new offices will provide our employees more efficient and flexible work environment with an emphasis on team work, which allow us to realize our ambitious targets for further expansion of business and provide an improved service to our portfolio of clients,“ Masár specified its expectations.

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Europe: prospectively dominant offices

Transactions made in Slovakia must, of course, reflect traces of currently leading trends in the European continent. According to the recent report by consultancy firm Cushman & Wakefield the largest portion in the increased activity had office spaces. Compared to the first quarter volumes rose by 30 percent, while retail spaces remained unchanged and industrial properties fell by 26 percent. Foreign merchants had 32.5-percent portion on the total activity, which is 43-percent decline compared to 2008, but compared to the 1st quarter of 2009 in turn 28.7-percent increase.

In the rental sector the diminishing supply and growing demand reached "erosion of rent, while the total decline from July 2008 achieved 6.9 percent. Most markets and sectors, however, recorded slowdown of decline compared to the beginning of this year - rentals in the 2nd quarter fell by 1.9 percent from 3.8 percent in 1st quarter. At the forefront of this trend stand again rents for office spaces - decrease of rents in the first quarter achieved 10.9 percent per annum, while in the retail sector was 5.6 percent and in industrial only 4.4 percent.

Looking ahead real estate offices will remain dominant, according to David Hutching, the head of European research of Cushman & Wakefield. Given the amount of investor aversion to risk, however, we can be witness the growth of activity in a relatively more stable retail sector, if such an offer would remain there, considered Hutchings.

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