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Germany

Too many new apartments?



The plan by the new German government led by the Social Democrats to soften the housing crisis by constructing around 400,000 new apartments annually- 100,000 of them in the affordable subsidized sector – is now facing opposition from an unexpected side: the Green Party who are part of the national coalition. The Greens criticize the impact of such a big construction program on greenhouse gas emissions contradicting the coalition’s climate protection efforts. The Greens suggest shifting the emphasis from new construction to refurbishment or conversion

of existing buildings. “Grey emissions” caused by production and transport of construction material could thus be reduced by almost 50 per cent, according to Karlsruhe based KIT(Karlsruher Institut für Technologie und Management im Baubetrieb)

For more info see: www.kit.edu

New York

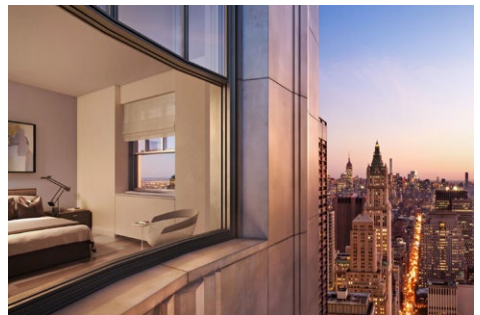
Office to Residential Development

With the banking sector changing to online, more and more companies introducing home working, and the demand for urban housing increasing more former office buildings are now being converted for residential use. Thus, even one of the most prestigious New York City office towers, 1 Wall Street, a 1931 fifty story art deco building, is now changing its function. It represents a striking example of inner-city conversion. Planned by New York based real estate developer Harry Macklowe this landmark building will offer 566 high-end condos ranging from studios to stunning triplex penthouses. Residents will also profit from the Red Room Lounge, one of New York City's architectural gems.

For more info see:

<https://onewallstreet.com/>

<https://mackloweproperties.com/currentProjects/projects-One-WallStreet.html>



PUSH: A Talk with Berkeley

On April 14, 2022 Priyanka Mohanty from the University of California, Berkeley organized an online talk with Wolfgang Förster from Push-Consulting on the experiences with Vienna's social housing program, concentrating on questions of affordability, social mixing, sustainable financing, and green building. This exchange of know how is expected to continue with more specific emphasis on the transferability to the US context.

Vienna Model Exhibition in Madrid



THE VIENNA MODEL 2

COAM (Colegio Oficial de Arquitectos de Madrid)
Calle de Sta. Brígida, 14
28004 Madrid

After a successful exhibit in Barcelona our exhibition The Vienna model II is now moving to Madrid. The opening is scheduled for the evening of May 5th and the exhibition will be on display until the end of May at:
COAM (Colegio Oficial de Arquitectos de Madrid)
Calle de Sta. Brígida, 14
28004 Madrid

Recommended Reading

Paone Fabrizio, Sampieri Angelo: **ReHab – Living, Inhabitants Houses**

With the beginning of the economic crisis in 2007, housing became a central commodity in the short-circuit system of mortgages granted to private individuals and businesses. In the aftermath of the crisis, and in the wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic, housing— as a right, in its most radical form— re-emerged due to local housing, migration, and health emergencies. In light of an eclipse of a general discourse on housing, a new secular and international ethics arose, both foreign and superior to nation states. This book returns to a broader notion of housing: using metaphors of sanitary and salvific reinstatement, it retrieves case studies from the 1950s for re-conceptualizing the housing question in contemporary architecture and visual arts. It may well contribute to a new global discourse on housing as a human right.

ReHab, Berlin 2021 (Jovis Editors),
English only ISBN78386859716-
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details/product/rehab.html](https://www.jovis.de/de/buecher/details/product/rehab.html)

