# The Sustainable Hollow Core



Flexibel comfort

CONSOLIS

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# Issues for sustainable buildings





### Sustainability Issues

### Management (MAN)



### **Energy (ENE)**



### Water (WAT)



• Fast and clean erection

- Aquifer thermal energy storage
- Use of heat pumps
- Energy efficient installations (elevators, lighting, other equipment)
- Reuse of rain-water for WCs & roof
- Water meters



### Sustainability Issues

### Health & Wellbeing (HEA)



- Flexibility of the structure
- Comfort aspects (temp, air, sound etc)

## Transport (TRA)



- Public transport connection; bicycle use
- Electric car charging stations

# Materials (MAT)



- FSC certified wood
- Materials from ISO 14001 certified suppliers
- Reduction of use of materials



### Sustainability Issues

### Waste (WAS)



• Waste free construction site

### **Pollution (POL)**



• Dangerous substances

#### Land Use & Ecology (LA)



• Ecological corridor for e.g. breeding birds









### The Edge Amsterdam



- Quick assembly: 7 work days per floor
- Material efficiency: less reinforcement and concrete
- Flexibility: column free 16,2m spans



# European Air Transport Command (EATC)



- Much light, spacious and flexible use
- Healthy indoor climate and fresh air
- Clever use of flooring mass

### Stadskantoor Utrecht



- Open floor layout for maximum flexibility
- Fast erection in busy urban setting
- Flexible structure for long life time of use

### Watercampus Leeuwarden



- Open floor layout for maximum flexibility
- Much light, spacious and flexible use
- Flexible structure for long lasting time of use



# First Rotterdam



- Open floor layout for maximum flexibility
- Fast erection in busy urban setting
- Flexible structure for long lifetime
- ISO 14001; secondary raw materials



## Heerema Group Leiden



- Open floor layout for maximum flexibility
- Flexible structure for long lasting time of use

VBI Hollow core floors were applied in these buildings!



BREEAM 4/5 stars Excellent/Outstanding.



# Case

# Sustainable Building for Sensata



Sensata

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BREEAM

- 5 storeys
- 9000 m<sup>2</sup> flooring for office and laboratory
- 2500 m<sup>2</sup> flooring for parking
- Ambition: BREE-AM Outstanding



- Long spans (maximize the flexibility in order to increase life time)
- Use of secondary materials
- Design for re-assembly
- Designed for vertical flexibility (floors (also roofs) are designed with same (high) live load)





- Hollow core slabs "VBI Green line"
- HC "Take Back" agreement
- HC with polymer concrete in part of roof

### Hollow Core Slabs: VBI Green line



- Blast Furnace Slag (CEM II/BS)
- >30% of secondary materials
- Third party secondary materials

### **Hollow Core Take Back Agreement**



After disassembly the HC's will be taken back by VBI for

- Re-using or
- Recycling



# Prototype HC slabs with geopolymer concrete (no portland clinker)



- Cooperation with Heidelberger / ENCI
- Patent pending
- Prototype; only 4 slabs in the roof
- Designed with over capacity







Reaction: polymerization Water plays no role in the reaction Reaction result: AluminiumSilicate (AS) Reaction: Hydration Reacts with water Reaction product: CalciumSilicateHydrates (CSH)





4 slabs with geopolymere concrete as prototype in the roof



# HC slabs with geopolymere concrete



- Not (yet) industrialized
- Research on long term effects
  - Research on production aspects





### Sustainability of concrete floors

#### **Global comparison**

#### CO2 Index



# Hollow Cores and Sustainable buildings: BIG OPPORTUNITIES







