



Press release

ATENOR LAUNCHES A COMPETITION FOR THE LAST PHASE OF CITY DOX

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With the first phase already completed, a second under construction and a third phase for which the competition was successfully concluded last summer, ATENOR is now launching the final tender phase for its CITY DOX project at Biestebroek. This call concerns the submission of a detailed architectural and functional study for a mixed block combining a higher secondary school, retail and housing.

The plot is located in an urban enterprise zone (ZEMU) and within the scope of the Canal Plan and the local land use plan (PPAS) for Biestebroek. It is also the subject of an allotment permit and an application for planning permission for the construction of all the public spaces on the site. For this last piece of the puzzle, the question is complex and multidimensional, it requires a specific and innovative answer.

This contract is divided into a definite part (lot 7.1) and a conditional part (lot 7.2) regarding the construction of a school. However, in order to ensure urban and architectural coherence and to encourage shared use and the harmonious coexistence between the programmes, we stress the importance of a common design for the two lots. Particular attention will be paid to exemplary sustainability credentials. The project will have to be approached with due consideration for shared use and reversibility.

With a concern for architectural quality and excellence, ATENOR wishes to appoint an architect, or a group of architects, for a full architectural project for lot 7.1.

The *Bouwmeester chief architect* is supporting the project and will attend the advisory committee for the selection and awarding of the contract.

Ideally located at the gateway to the city and along the Canal, the development of the new CITY DOX district extends over nearly 5 ha. CITY DOX aims to promote harmonious co-habitation, with an optimal combination of functions and a balance between private, communal and public spaces.

This development is perfectly in line with the Region's desire to make the canal area a pleasant and sustainable living and working environment.

Confident in this district's potential and faithful to its values, ATENOR intends to make CITY DOX a forerunner, which will have a total of approximately 155,000 m² of development, in which everything possible has been done to facilitate social exchange and harmony and enhance quality of life: soft mobility, smart waste management, playgrounds, vegetable patches, community gardens and a public park.

ATENOR is an urban real estate development company with European expertise listed on the Euronext Brussels market. Through our urban planning and architectural approach, we aim to provide appropriate responses to the new requirements being imposed by developments in urban and professional life. Within this framework, ATENOR is investing in large-scale property projects which meet strict criteria in terms of location, economic efficiency and respect for the environment.

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