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### **Award for modernisation plans for building complex in Stuttgart: POLIS Immobilien receives silver quality seal for sustainable construction**

**Munich/Berlin, 7 October 2009** – At the Expo Real exhibition in Munich, POLIS Immobilien AG [ISIN: DE0006913304] was awarded the silver pre-certification by “Deutsche Gesellschaft für Nachhaltiges Bauen” (DGNB – German Sustainable Building Council) for the planned modernisation of a building complex in Stuttgart’s “Hospitalviertel”. DGNB awards the pre-certification to exemplary projects that are still at the planning or implementation stage.

The measures planned by POLIS to modernise the property at Büchsenstraße 26 in Stuttgart convinced the jury. Dating back to the 1950s, the building is currently being modernised in accordance with sustainable construction standards. “The project shows how existing buildings can be optimised to meet environmental protection requirements,” said Dr. Alan Cadmus, CEO of POLIS. “Energy efficiency and sustainability have nothing to do with the age of a property.”

The office building at Büchsenstraße 26 is part of a complex that consists of five buildings and extends over several streets. As part of the modernisation, the building will be insulated to the latest standards. Thanks to a modern heating and air-conditioning concept, it will consume far less heating energy than is permissible under applicable laws. The top storey will be torn down and be replaced with a recessed storey. A fifth floor will be added to the building. The ground floor will house restaurants and retail stores. Covered bicycle parking, change rooms for cyclists, a barrier-free entrance and partly disabled-friendly facilities make the office units attractive to many. Thanks to the harmonious integration of the property into the surroundings, its planted roof and green courtyard, the building also performs important sustainability functions for the urban environment.

**POLIS Immobilien AG** is a listed real estate company, founded in Berlin in 1998, which buys, refurbishes and manages office properties in prime central business districts in the leading German cities. The company acquires properties which are either renovated and have a high occupancy rate, thus generating a stable cash flow over time, or office buildings which are in need of refurbishment and present an opportunity for a meaningful appreciation in value. Following renovation or refurbishment, the company seeks to generate additional returns for its shareholders with a moderate degree of property sales. POLIS currently owns and manages 34 investment properties with a fair market value of approximately EUR 280 million. The company’s real estate portfolio was awarded a rating of “A” (=very good) by Feri EuroRating Services AG as of December 31, 2008. POLIS shares are listed on the regulated market (Prime Standard) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. For further information on POLIS please visit [www.polis.de](http://www.polis.de).



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