

Press release

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First Austrian Green Planet Building® Technology Award 2023 for Stadshus Växjö

The city hall and railway station building in Sweden is a timber construction "made in Austria".

In 1991, Växjö was the first city in Europe to decide to become climate neutral by 2050. The new town hall and train station building is committed to this goal. The Austrian company Binderholz Bausysteme supplied columns, supporting structure and the ceiling elements for it - a total of over 4,200 m³ of wood.

The station on the ground floor features stores, restaurants and a public space called "Växjö's Living Room." The town hall comprises two additional floors with around 600 workplaces. Low energy consumption was the focus for the construction as well as the entire life cycle of the building. With the help of a construction tent, it was possible to keep the construction time short by processing the material quickly. District heating and cooling, a photovoltaic system and the pitched roof permanently reduce total energy consumption and thus CO₂ emissions.

Energy efficiency and renewable energy supply are the focus of the **Austrian Green Planet Building®** (AGPB) Award. This transfers the criteria of the national climate protection initiative **klimaaktiv** for the building and real estate industry to the international environment. The outstanding achievements of Austrian planning offices, consultants, construction companies and production plants abroad in the field of sustainable building - AGPB awards them.

AGPB is an initiative of the Federal Ministry for Climate Protection, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology (BMK) and ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA.

**Stadshus Växjö receives the Austrian Green Planet Building® Technology Award:
Binderholz processed over 4,200 m³ of timber building elements into an attractive and
energy-efficient landmark for the "greenest city in Europe".**

Project description, photos, video, factsheet and press release:

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