



La Grand Poste awarded "Best Coworking Space" 2022 at CBRE's Office Space of the Year competition

Liege, March 23, 2022 – Organized every year by CBRE in partnership with Vitra, the Office Space of the Year competition rewards companies and coworking spaces wishing to attract and retain the best talents by offering them a qualitative work environment. In 2022, three companies were awarded: Befimmo (Office Space of the Year), Phicap sprl (best small office) and La Grand Poste (best coworking space).

Best customer experience

It was with great pleasure that La Grand Poste was awarded "Best Coworking Space" on Wednesday, March 23, during the 3rd Belgian edition of the Office Space of the Year award. A competition organized by CBRE in partnership with Vitra, and for which 26 applications from all over Belgium were submitted and evaluated by a professional jury composed of Serge Fautré (Chief Executive Officer, AG Real Estate), Renaud Chevalier (Partner & Managing Director, ASSAR Architects), Frédérique Masquelier (Editor-in-Chief, La Libre Immo), Johan Claes (Employer Branding & Sourcing Manager, STIB/MIVB), Sébastien Laporte (Head of Organization Effectiveness, Ethias) and Maxime Kumpen (CEO, CBRE Belgium & Luxembourg).

An outstanding recognition from professionals in the real estate industry and an acknowledgment of La Grand Poste's influence, the prize coming in addition to the *Prix du Patrimoine et du Matrimoine de Liège* received in December, the RES Award obtained in February ("(semi-)public development" category) and the nomination at the MIPIM, category "Best Refurbished Building". This award is particularly important to the team as it recognises the living environment of La Grand Poste's users and the experience they are offered on a daily basis. The jury based its vote on several aspects that have an impact on employees in their daily work life: design and creativity, technology and innovation, and practical aspects such as accessibility and services offered to employees.

As for the 2022 edition, three projects were awarded by the jury. In addition to La Grand Poste, elected "best coworking space", the company Befimmo was awarded "Office Space of the Year" for its new headquarters called "Central" and won a €10,000 cheque worth of Vitra furniture, while Phicap sprl was awarded "best small office". The Silversquare "Europe" coworking space won the Public's Award, based on an Instagram competition.

A great place to work

Located in the heart of the city of Liège, La Grand Poste is home to a community of creatives and entrepreneurs with a focus on the digital, media and entertainment industries. La Grand Poste consists of five interconnected areas: an inspiring (co)working space with various formulas; a food market, a bar and a rooftop; an artisanal brewery; a place to host start-up support programs and the media campus of the University of Liège. A place to work, but also to meet, to network, to get information, to exchange, to train and to have fun.





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"This is an exceptional project that stands out for the innovative nature of the solutions implemented to meet the many challenges that arose throughout the project: modernizing the building while preserving its former soul, bringing together a variety of audiences with different needs, bringing together a creative offer of restaurants in an open and fast-paced format, attracting professionals while opening up to the general public, etc." – Frédéric Driessens, CEO of Noshq Immo

A place for all

Inaugurated in September 2021, La Grand Poste brings together more than 400 professionals, six street-food counters, a brewery with an annual production capacity of 1,000,000 liters, a dozen start-up support programs and 100 students. Imagined as the totem of Liege's creative district, it is a place of open emulation that aims to bring together and unite the city's energies. A space available to all.

"Our aim was to create a welcoming and relaxing atmosphere, prone to stimulate emulation and work, but also to meetings and sharing. To build an open space where it feels good to work, but not only. A modern space, driven by contemporary needs" - Gérôme Vanherf, CEO of La Grand Poste

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