

Challenge 5: Europastadt GörlitzZgorzelec GmbH – Sustainable energy solutions for the Görlitz town hall

About the Company

Opened in 1910, the Stadthalle Görlitz is a unique art nouveau concert hall. Built for the Silesian Music Festival, it has been a symbol of Görlitz's up-and-coming society since its opening and has established itself as the city's cultural memory. It has been closed since 2004 and has only been used occasionally.

Transformation Processes in Society

After the building was only given emergency repairs in recent years, it is now to be extensively renovated and modernized between 2025 and 2028. The aim is to create a modern cultural and congress center for a variety of uses. Components include a large hall with up to 1,400 seats, two halls for 250 guests and several rooms for smaller events - each equipped with state-of-the-art event technology. A modern extension will be built to complement the existing building. In addition to the revitalization of a historically significant location, this will open up new development opportunities for the tourism location in the area of events and conferences, an opening for new target groups and more internationalization.

Challenges in these Transformation Processes

The conversion and future operation of the culture and convention center will take place under the guidelines of sustainability. The biggest challenge is to find sustainable energy solutions that support the operation of Stadthalle Görlitz without increasing its carbon footprint. The listed status of the building poses particular challenges. Energy generation opportunities that have not yet been investigated and exploited lie in the direct proximity to the River Neisse. Other larger facilities such as the Parkhotel Görlitz and the campus of the Zittau/Görlitz University of Applied Sciences are located in the immediate vicinity of the Stadthalle. . We are particularly interested in projects that use energy from the River Neisse and can be integrated into the existing infrastructure.

Targeted Benefits

Successful implementation of sustainable energy solutions is expected to improve sustainability, provide economic benefits and increase energy efficiency.

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