

## **Matexi Polska**

As a housing developer of Belgian origin operating in Poland, our company leverages the experience of its Belgian subsidiary by introducing sustainability principles and proven innovations to Polish projects. Caring for the environment, local communities and neighborhoods is embedded in our company's DNA. Our motto "Welcome to the neighborhood" reflects our commitment to creating sustainable communities where residents feel at home and connected to their surroundings. When planning each project, we follow the Matexi Sustainability Matrix, ensuring we address key sustainability issues, plan ecological solutions in buildings, and create spaces for neighborhood integration. In addition, we use the expertise of cooperating architectural firms, general contractors and others business partners to introduce innovations and the latest technologies into our projects.

We incorporate green solutions in every project. For instance, we have solar panels in projects Na Okrzei, Żelazna 54, Sady Żoliborz, XYZ Place, Kameralny Prokocim II and our newest project Splot Wola. In our latest projects, we planned also water management systems e.g. in Splot Wola infiltration boxes, and rainwater will be used for watering of greenery and flushing toilets. We also have water management systems in the Sady Żoliborz, XYZ Place and Apartamenty Portowa projects. In the Sokratesa 11 A project we introduced a recuperation system that reduces heating costs by 35%. Our investments always include numerous bicycle racks, and we ensure the availability of charging stations for electric cars.

A significant part of our environmental efforts is good landscaping. Our projects feature houses for insect and birds. In the Żelazna 54 project, we have planned a roof garden for residents, which includes a greenhouse for growing vegetables. In the Splot Wola project, we have planned rain gardens to improve water retention. Additionally, a park near to Wolska Street will be implemented in the next phases of the investment. In the Kameralny Prokocim II and Sokratesa 11A projects we have pocket parks.

We also carry out activities to support the environment together with external organizations. For example, we are a patron of the Klonujemy campaign in Cracow, thanks to which more trees will be planted in the city in locations indicated by residents.

Supporting social relations and local communities and initiatives, are also a crucial part of our Welcome to the neighborhood philosophy. With each project, we establish a dialogue with local communities, e.g., through cooperation with district offices. In the Bielany district, where we have completed several housing projects, we have long-term cooperation with Bielańska Akademia Umiejętności and Dar Sztuki Foundation. In Praga, we cooperate with Serduszko dla Pragi Foundation, and are currently implementing a mural to enhance the district's aesthetic and cultural value. In Wola, we have supported the Janusz Korczak Children's Home for many years. In Cracow, our Klonujemy action focuses on planting trees where the community needs them most. We also plan common

playgrounds, outdoor gyms, and rooftop gardens to foster neighborhood integration on a micro-scale.

We actively foster the exchange of expertise between Polish and Belgian entities. Through partnership with our Belgian colleagues at Matexi Group, we have implemented best practices and innovative solutions that have tangibly improved our business growth. We have adopted not only the slogan Welcome to the neighbourhood from the Belgians, but also the philosophy behind it. This approach has shaped our vision of creating unique places and spaces that offer a comfortable lifestyle and engage with the vibrant life of the city. We create places to live, not just to reside in. In addition, through partnerships with other organizations, we can share the knowledge of our Belgian colleagues and implement these solutions more widely than just in the Polish branch of the company, for example, through the creation of a the Good Practices Code within our PZFD membership.

All these activities undoubtedly support the development of our business. After all, a product that is refined to the last detail and responds to customer needs is the key to success. Nowadays, we are also observing a great interest in environmental protection among our customers, and such issues are already an integral part of project planning. At Matexi, we are aware that as we build homes for present and future generations, we are also responsible for their future and must build responsibly.