

METRO PROPERTIES AND REAL INVEST INTO STORE IN TRIER/GOTTBILLSTRASSE

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Düsseldorf, 19 November 2018 – METRO PROPERTIES and Real are investing into the hypermarket in Trier/Gottbillstrasse. After the acquisition of the property the next steps will involve modernising both the architectural appearance and the functionality of the location. Talks with new, attractive leaseholders from the hospitality and services sector regarding a reassignment of the lease space are already underway. Real invests extensively into the local hypermarket. Elements of Real's Markthalle concept will in future also inspire customers in Trier.

Visualisations of the refurbishment project are to be available by early 2019, at the latest. "The store on Gottbillstrasse is important for us. We see lots of potential for its further development so as to be able to meet the demands of our customers from Trier also going forward", says Christian Mielke, Director Region Germany METRO PROPERTIES. The modernisation will change the appearance of the location. The foyer including the projecting roof and also the façade will be completely remodelled.

Inside the Real store a comprehensive overhaul is planned. Experiences from the pilot store "Markthalle Krefeld" have shown that modern customers are looking for both, a great offer of home-made menus available for eating at the store and also "ready-to-cook" convenience products for preparation at home. That is why gastronomic elements of the Markthalle concept which has been successfully implemented in Braunschweig and Krefeld will be adopted also in Trier. Besides these conceptual changes the store will in addition also be modernised amongst other in technical terms with new refrigeration and lighting systems.

"We expressly welcome the acquisition of the store on Gottbillstrasse by our sister company METRO PROPERTIES. Our goal is to offer our customers the best shopping experience in town. The acquisition of the property creates the prerequisites for this. Our investment into the Trier hypermarket demonstrates a strong commitment to the region and to our responsibility for our employees", says Martin Laue, General Manager for the Region South at Real.

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