Green Light for Areim’s Stockholm Project

**SWEDEN** The Board of the City Planning Office in Stockholm has approved the zoning plan for the Brädstapeln block, commonly known as the Trygg Hansa-building, at Kungsholmen. The proposal has been developed by Manuelle Gautrand architects and Swedish architects Equator in close collaboration with the City Planning Office.

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"We welcome this decision and we would like to thank the city for the fruitful cooperation. This decision allows us to realize our vision of a more inclusive and accessible block, creating a connection between the city centre and Kungsholmen. We are confident that the new block will be a landmark and something we, our tenants and investors as well as the city as a whole, can be proud of," says Therese Rattik, CEO of Areim.

“This has been a democratic process. We now have the opportunity to increase the block’s availability and develop modern offices fit for the purpose and demands of modern companies,” says Lars-Eric Andersson, Portfolio Manager at Gamla Livförsäkrings AB SEB Trygg Liv (Gamla Liv).

The new extension on the roof of the block, developed by French architect Manuelle Gautrand in collaboration with Swedish architects Equator, is inspired by the paper-folding technique origami. This allows for a light and airy construction thanks to the many folds between the new extension and the existing roof. The block’s strong cultural heritage and best-in-class Swedish brutalist architecture has served as a foundation when developing the block.

The development of the Brädstapeln block is a cooperation between Areim, who’s fund Areim Fund II owns the property Brädstapeln 16, and Gamla Liv who owns the property Brädstapeln 13. The project has been developed in close collaboration with the Stockholm City Planning Office.

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