

Ceiling Systems for the New SRF Campus in Leutschenbach

Zurich, Switzerland

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Project Description

The new campus of Swiss Radio and Television in Leutschenbach brings together editorial offices, production, and technical infrastructure within a single building, creating clear, interconnected workflows for media production. The structure is designed to support collaboration and rapid coordination, while flexible spatial concepts enable a range of working methods. The new build is complemented by an underground car park and the usable roof area as a “media garden”.

On the ground floor, the television studios form a central component of the building. They are directly connected to areas for broadcast technology, visitors, and catering. On the upper floors, an open-plan working landscape unfolds, including the newsroom, editorial departments, and broadcast operations. Flexible spatial structures with meeting islands, coffee points, and glazed breakout and meeting rooms support different ways of working. A multi-storey atrium visually and functionally connects the newsroom with adjacent areas and strengthens internal communication.

A particular highlight is the staircase in the foyer, whose spiral form and inclined soffit create a dynamic spatial effect.

Integrated ceiling systems for acoustics, climate control and design

The open-plan working areas and high level of technical complexity required a solution that regulates indoor climate, services, and acoustics directly via the ceiling. For this purpose, Lindner Group developed baffle heated and chilled ceilings in combination with acoustically effective

elements.

The baffle ceilings perform several functions simultaneously: they integrate temperature control, allow access to building services, and visually structure large surface areas. Their open construction ensures that the technical infrastructure above the ceiling remains accessible, facilitating maintenance and adjustments.

The execution was realised in two variants of baffle ceiling systems. The first variant is implemented as a suspended, clearly structured grid system and provides even climate control across large areas. The second variant uses up to three-metre-long, upward-oriented baffles. This solution keeps the ceiling zone visually open and is particularly suitable for areas where height and transparency are to be preserved. Both systems are modular in design and integrated into the structural frame.

Acoustic quality in open-plan working environments

The open spatial structures increase the demands on acoustics. To reduce disturbances caused by reverberation and sound transmission, additional absorbers were installed above the lamellae.

The fabric-wrapped acoustic elements in a subtle grey specifically improve sound absorption and reduce the spread of noise within the working areas. In combination with the baffle ceilings, this creates an acoustically controlled environment that supports both focused work and communication.

Sustainable system solutions within the building context

The ceiling systems used are made of aluminium and are designed for reusability. Their modular integration into the structural framework allows the elements to be adapted to changing usage requirements, thereby supporting the long-term flexibility of the spatial concepts. At the same time, the heating and cooling ceilings enable energy-efficient climate control of the interior spaces, in line with the high technical demands of a modern media building.

General

Building Type	Film and Recording Studios, Office Buildings
Company Division	Lindner SE Arnstorf Branch Opfikon
Completion	2018 - 2019
Client	SRG SSR Schweizerische Radio- und Fernsehgesellschaft, Bern
Architect	Penzel Valier AG

Completed Works

- **Ceilings**
 - Convection Elements
 - Project-Related Solutions

