



Case study

Wooninc. Housing Corporation

Location
Philips Lighting

Eindhoven, the Netherlands
PowerBalance, LuxSpace



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Project info

Customer

Wooninc. Housing Corporation

Location

Eindhoven, the Netherlands

Installer

Mansveld Projecten & Services

Philips products

PowerBalance, LuxSpace

Philips account manager

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Philips Lighting Designer

Fred Dorgelo, Maikel Brummer

Background

Wooninc. owns around 7,500 rental properties and focuses on housing for young people and seniors in Eindhoven and the surrounding areas. The housing corporation knows all about moving from its own experience. In April 2012, 75 staff made the move to De Grijsse Generaal, a building in the heart of Woensel. This building is smaller than the previous one and new ways of working have to be found, as the staff all work in a large room together.

The challenge

Because of the open-plan layout, we had to really think about a suitable lighting solution," says Hans Metten, Project Manager from Mansveld Projecten and Services. "Wooninc. wanted a sustainable, energy-efficient solution. However we believed that LED lighting wasn't suitable and that it wouldn't fit in with the budget. TL5 fixtures were initially included in the specifications." Further investigation showed that LEDs would in fact be possible. Metten: "In the old building Philips and other manufacturers came together to make a test setup. Philips showed itself to be by far the best option. Our staff found the light more pleasant and user friendly. They also had a good feeling about the Philips brand. It also came to light that LED operating costs were lower than conventional lighting in the longer term and for this reason Wooninc. was totally convinced."

The solution

In close consultation with the Wooninc New Build Project Team, two proven office solutions were chosen: LuxSpace and PowerBalance. "The LuxSpace delivers a constant, stable lighting level, ensures a more even distribution of colours and is known for its longevity," says Marleen Donders, New Build Project Leader on behalf of Wooninc. "Above all the fixtures fit perfectly into our hull ceilings. The installation was very simple. Just like the PowerBalance fixtures that are easily adjusted through a standard dim function and are therefore super energy efficient and easy to maintain. The time when we needed to fetch a ladder to change bulbs is now over."

Benefits

And Donders can see even more benefits. "The combination of LuxSpace and PowerBalance creates a light that is easy on the eye. Our staff have responded very positively. They find the lighting very attractive. It was a large investment but it ultimately pays back twice over. At Wooninc. we're not just sustainable on paper, we also put it into practice." "This is typical, a project that surpasses all of our expectations," adds Metten. Due to the good cooperation within the construction team and the expertise of Philips, Wooninc. have received the solution that best meets their needs and sustainable requirements. Ultimately this is a better lighting solution than we could have expected."



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