

A Hot New Address

In Northwestern Switzerland, Aesch North, or Aesch Nord in local parlance, a site of about 100,000 sqm is currently being developed into a business park. Aesch Nord offers remarkably attractive conditions to companies of the service sector. Some first and important companies have already entered into building leases.



Basel is the third largest town of Switzerland and the center of an international conurbation of about 700,000 people in Switzerland, Germany and France. This international industrial, service and cultural location also is the center of the economic area of Northwestern Switzerland. Due to this special constellation, the concentration of internationally active enterprises is particularly high in this part of Switzerland. Leading companies of the pharmaceutical, biotechnical, chemical, financial, industrial, logistics industries and the fair and cultural sectors have chosen this important growth area in Central Europe for their headquarters. The ideally located, highly developed and easily accessible site of Aesch Nord with its 100,000 sqm is situated in the very midst of this region, a scant 10 kilometers from the center of Basel.

A site with a future

Aesch is a fascinating and attractive suburb of Basel. This independent village with its 10,000 inhabitants has an identity all its own while being situated in the midst of a region offering a lovely countryside as well as a large range of cultural events and sites. "We make every effort to ensure that people feel welcome and at home in Aesch," Council Leader Marianne Holliger em-

phasizes. "It is this feeling of belonging that we want to convey to the companies deciding to settle in our area." That's why the Community of Aesch puts high-quality infrastructures and services at the disposal of such companies, along with tailor-made individual support and management facilities and, thus, is a flexible, innovative, and reliable partner of trade and industry. This policy of openness combined with an optimum development based on a direct access to the express-highway and convenient public-transport systems turn Aesch Nord into an ideal site for companies of the most diverse kinds.

Service, research, consumer goods, trade

Aesch Nord is divided into three large, separately developed sites that may continue to be developed in stages depending on demand. "Industrial sites up to 41,000 sqm are available," Jost L. Goebel of GOEBL Real Estate explains who is conducting negotiations with interested companies on behalf of the owner of the real estate, Immobilien Basel-Stadt. The applicable zoning restrictions allow a broad scope of possible uses for service, commercial, industrial companies and enterprises attrac-

tive to the public. "With 1,050 students and 160 teachers, ISB, the Basel International School, one of the ten most important international schools in Europe, has begun regular school operations in the western part of the site," Goebel says and also reveals that building leases with two additional and attractive companies have already been concluded. "In the summer of 2008, the Nikles Group, a globally active manufacturer of top-range shower fittings for kitchens and bathrooms, will establish its company domicile in Aesch Nord. And in 2009, Techno AG, which manufactures and sells consumables for garages, body shops, construction, industries and crafts, will move its business activities to Aesch Nord."

First come, first served...

Aesch Nord, www.aeschnord.ch is "an ideal site with a promising future – in the midst of things." The first few companies have already taken their pick of the site; additional ones are sure to follow. No doubt: first come, first built... ■





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