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Dutch Green Building Council awarded the first BREEAM certificates for existing buildings in
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The Dutch Green Building Council (DGBC) announced today at the kick-off of the Dutch Green Building Week (ICDubo Rotterdam) the first BREEAM Existing Building and Using certificates issued to AA, SER, ING Real Estate, DWA and Kennedy Wilson / Bank of Ireland Private Banking. The certificates were presented by Jaap Gillis, Chairman and COO of DGBC Redevco.

Since 'BREEAM Existing Buildings and Uses' in June 2011 on real estate fair PROVADA officially launched, it can warm interest. The need for an all-in 'sustainability certification for existing buildings is strongly felt in the real estate owners and managers of the Netherlands. Because this second label of DGBC assesses not only the building itself, but also the management and use, it is especially relevant for building managers.

Not only physical characteristics

With BREEAM Existing Building and Using the sustainability performance of an existing building shall be determined and then continuously updated. The owner, administrator or user (or a combination of course) to us through a self-assessment provides a baseline and begin a preservation process. Then he continues to monitor this year with new assessments.

Jaap Gillis says: "This is an approach that does justice to the fact that the true sustainability of a building depends not only on physical characteristics, but also the way it is managed and how the final deal with them." It looks at three areas: Asset Management and Use. 'Asset' is the building itself. Its operation falls within the "Administration" and the way the building users manage their activities in the building, is assessed under 'Use'.

Financial benefits

Gillis: "How sustainable is your property, affects the identity of the building and that of your entire company. The financial advantages are mainly in the increased valuation of your property in the eyes of tenants, employees, business relationships, and so on. For them sustainability is simply the wish list because they present you. "

SER Headquarters in The Hague

Yvette Quak, SER services department: "The SER is pleased with the award of BREEAM certification for existing buildings and uses. BREEAM uses a qualitative weighting to nine categories. This is more than just BREEAM eco-labeling, and welcomes the increased SER. Sustainability is more than just environmental, it is also about the users of the building, efficient management and respect for the environment. The SER sees the certificate as an incentive for sustainable management efforts continue. The SER hopes that the certificate other managers of existing buildings will encourage the use and management is increasingly more sustainable so that current and future users are always fun to work and reside.

AA Headquarters in The Hague

Paul Bonnema, senior technical management AA: "The ANWB has included in its vision as a



social organization that are relevant to its purpose and wants to go into current developments. The promotion of sustainable development is about. This applies not only to our products but also for our buildings. The BREEAM certificate is an excellent tool to determine how structured our buildings and the use of performance in this area and to find ways to improve performance. This is the AA that they radiate sustainability seriously, for herself but for her members. "

Thermo-Staete in Bodegraven

Jaap Dijkgraaf, DWA CEO: "Our office was between 2000 and 2008, the most sustainable offices in the Netherlands. It is therefore logical that we should participate directly with this label. It's also good to experience how the method works and self-experience to our clients best possible advice in evaluating their own property. BREEAM Existing Building and Use is an important tool since it has various aspects and integral balances but also building the management and use count in the score. "

Market Square Building (Bijlmerplein) in Amsterdam South-East

Michael Pettibone, asset manager at Kennedy Wilson / Bank of Ireland Private Banking, Market Square building owner: "We are very proud to receive this certification. As owners and managers of commercial real estate around the world we take our social responsibility and we recognize the need to assess the impact of our property to understand and improve the environment. We are pleased to an increased focus on sustainability and environmental issues to see if comes to the development of new buildings in the world, but we must not forget that most of the buildings in the world and is already in use was. This certification is the first step to understand the impact our building on the environment and what can our ecological footprint. We are proud to be part of the vanguard of leading property owners in the Netherlands in taking this first and crucial step. We want our tenants, the city of Amsterdam, thanks for sharing our vision of sustainability. Without their continued support we would not be here. We would also like our sustainability consultant, Ecofys and our local manager, Cushman & Wakefield, to thank for their support and assistance throughout the process. "

WTC Amsterdam, Tower E

Anne de Jong, portfolio manager of the ING Dutch Office Fund: "Sustainability is a logical consequence of our investment strategy focuses on high quality office buildings in prime locations. We will continue in the coming years to further sustainability of the portfolio. Of course we like to see the results, to further improve them. A ruler as BREEAM Existing Buildings and Uses is useful precisely because it takes all aspects of sustainability in the assessment. WTC Amsterdam acts for us as a testing ground for new sustainability initiatives. Of course we are very proud that our team here WTC both good rental and sustainability produce results! "