

Redevelopment of the listed  
Lok Werk Orenstein & Koppel  
to office and administration

Site: Potsdam  
Client: Paradome GmbH & Co. KG  
Services: HOAI 3/5  
Duration: 2021-2024  
Cost: 38,5 Mio. €  
Visualization: LOOMN



**No Circus at Customs**

Once bustling with busy locomotives, the halls of Potsdam's Main Customs Office will soon be filled employees strolling to work. Currently, the historic locomotive assembly hall in Potsdam-Babelsberg, known as the „Loco Circus,“ is being transformed and modernized into an office and administrative building. The 20-meter-high dome of the building is the centerpiece of the locomotive assembly hall, which has been vacant since 1992. It will be preserved, spanning its 48-meter width over the new single-story building underneath. Its roof, made of reinforced concrete, echoes the historical form and effortlessly reinterprets it. With facade openings, the office spaces on three split-level floors are naturally illuminated, creating a pleasant, calming working atmosphere. The unique character of the building is preserved while simultaneously creating modern and high-quality office spaces.

