

Awarded for the building's sustainability and environmental impact

## Fidelidade's office building internationally distinguished

*For the first time in Portugal, an office building gets a "Good" rating in the New Construction category in BREEAM certification*

**Lisbon, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021** - The Urbo Business Center, owned by the IMOFID Open Real Estate Fund, managed by Fidelidade Sociedade Gestora de Investimento Imobiliário, was awarded with a BREEAM (Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method) Certification, with a rating of "Good", in the "New Construction" category for Offices.

The Urbo Business Center is the first office building in Portugal to get a "Good" rating in the New Construction category.

The certification that distinguished the Urbo Business Center evaluated parameters such as Management, Health and Wellness, Energy, Transport, Water, Materials, Waste, Land Use and Ecology, Pollution, and Innovation. It is also noteworthy that in the "Transport" parameter the building obtained the maximum classification.

The Urbo Business Center is a 2019 office building with approximately 20,000 m<sup>2</sup> of gross floor area located in Matosinhos. The building is composed of a total of eight floors, six of which above ground, intended for services and retail business units, and the remaining two directed to parking with capacity for almost 200 spaces.

BREEAM certification was developed in the UK in the 1990s and is one of the main international certifications for the environmental and sustainability of buildings, whose main objective is to evaluate the performance of buildings in mitigating environmental impacts, locally and globally, and promoting the well-being of building users.

The BREEAM certification process was developed by the building's developer, dst real estate, with the advice of architect Luis Afonso Carvalho.

The Urbo Business Center was designed by architect Nuno Capa, and built by CARI, S.A., a partner company of the group that also involved the four dstgroup subsidiaries, namely dst,sa (tgeotecnia), dte, bysteel and bysteel fs.

This project stands out for its bold design and avant-garde architecture, the use of innovative materials and processes, such as the smart energy metering system, reflecting dstgroup's strong commitment to sustainability, innovation, and digitalization.

It is recalled that the building has already been awarded the Architecture MasterPrize Awards 2019, in the Architectural Design/Commercial Architecture category, and Blueprint Awards shortlist 2019, as the best commercial project of private scope, having also

received the Real Estate Expresso and SIC Notícias awards in 2019 - in the Offices category, and the SIL 2019, as the best Real Estate Development - winner in the Offices and Services category.

### **About Fidelidade**

Fidelidade Sociedade Gestora de Organismos de Investimento Imobiliário is owned by Fidelidade Companhia de Seguros, market leader in Portugal, both in life and non-life, currently recording a market share of about 30.7%. The company is present in the various business segments of insurance activity and benefits from the largest network in Portugal, with presence in several countries, namely Angola, Cape Verde, Mozambique, Spain, France, Macau, Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, and Chile.

Fidelidade operates based on a defined and continued "Customer Centric Approach" strategy, where customers effectively come first. The fact that it gives crucial importance to the quality of the service it provides and to the comprehensive and innovative offer it provides make Fidelidade one of the most awarded insurers in Portugal, as well as internationally. In 2014, Fidelidade was distinguished by the "Efma Accenture Innovation Awards", in the "sustainable business" category, with its 'WeCare' project, which aims to support the correct reintegration of people who have been victims of serious accidents that jeopardize their physical, economic, and social reintegration.

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