

VK is Building Two 1,000+ Bed Hospitals at Once in Vietnam



VK Architects & Engineers is involved in various large-scale hospital projects as designer or co-designer. The two largest projects however are situated in Vietnam: the construction sites of Bach Mai II and Viet Duc II are in full speed, with just a kilometer in between them. Both hospitals each offer 1,000 beds in 2017.

The portfolio of VK Architects & Engineers contains quite some hospital projects, in varying stages. Delta GH (Roeselare, Belgium) and Sint-Maarten GH (Mechelen, Belgium) are in an advanced construction phase, two years removed from completion. Construction on the Grand Hôpital de Charleroi (co-design with Réservoir A) and on ZNA Cadix (Antwerp, co-design with Robbrecht en Daem architecten) recently started and will continue for a couple of years to come. Construction on New Erasme (Brussels, co-design with Assar and MA2) and University Hospital Brussels still has to start.

Meanwhile in Vietnam, at about 60 kilometers from Hanoi, in Phu Ly City, two hospitals rise from the ground simultaneously. Nearby a crossing of brand new motorways and merely a kilometer apart, Bach Mai II and Viet Duc II are in full construction. Works on these two hospitals, of the five new and largest public hospitals in the country, started last year. Respectively a general hospital with a very large ambulant department (approx. 5,000 consultations per day) and a surgical hospital with no less than 40 operating rooms, each hospital with 1,000 beds. Both are a branch of existing and overcrowded Hanoi hospitals. The Vietnamese Ministry of Health, who commissioned both hospitals, has stated the ambition to offer advanced medicine shortly in Vietnam, a country fully in development with regard to medical care and infrastructure.

Both buildings will be put into service in phases, from 2017 onwards. A very short runthrough by European standards, as VK was assigned as designer less than two years ago, in August 2014.

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