

## Press Release

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### **Intelligent water management and a stainless steel design make public toilets an aesthetic joy to use**

#### **A touch of luxury in Public toilets**

It is always important to have the best sanitary facilities that are used by the public. Unfortunately, frequently these public toilets are usually quite unpleasant. The need for hygiene, cleanliness and comfort at these locations place great demands on sanitary facilities. By working with sanitary specialists Franke, two German cities have provided facilities in Berlin and Dortmund shows that such interiors can be quite appealing to the eye.

The public toilet provider invested 750,000 Euros in the renovation of an old underground toilet facility at one of the most frequented locations of the city – Breitscheidplatz in Berlin.

Stainless steel material and matt, backlit safety glass now provide an elegant environment. Experience shows that the use of high quality materials and a clean environment are amongst the best methods of reducing vandalism. This example is a good illustration of the use of Franke's sanitary modules and sanitary products made from stainless steel.

The company developed a compact sanitary module that provides hand washing and drying in the same unit. These modules can be connected together in a row and the system allows for the complete integration of various washing unit combinations in the floor-to-ceiling installation elements. All control and

fitting components can be integrated into an "all-in-one" module as required, with options for water and soap, water and hand drier or water, soap and hand drier. No technical components are visible because they are located behind a hinged mirror that can only be opened by authorised personnel and are so not accessible to the users. Only the water taps and electronic sensors for water, soap and air can be seen by the user to give a totally Touch Free washing environment.

The six urinal facilities for the stadium in Dortmund are another example of washrooms have a high level of function and design. To provide optimum washing comfort and ease during and after the sports events, the futuristic glass constructions were equipped with the all-in-one sanitary module from Franke. The aesthetic effect of the material combinations of stainless steel and back-lit safety glass also impressed the designers of both facilities. "I am happy when a design idea can be put into practice so well, as the case is here," says Julius Baasner from ion-design. In his opinion, the projects clearly show that quality and luxury are not necessarily foreign words in the field of public sanitary facilities

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