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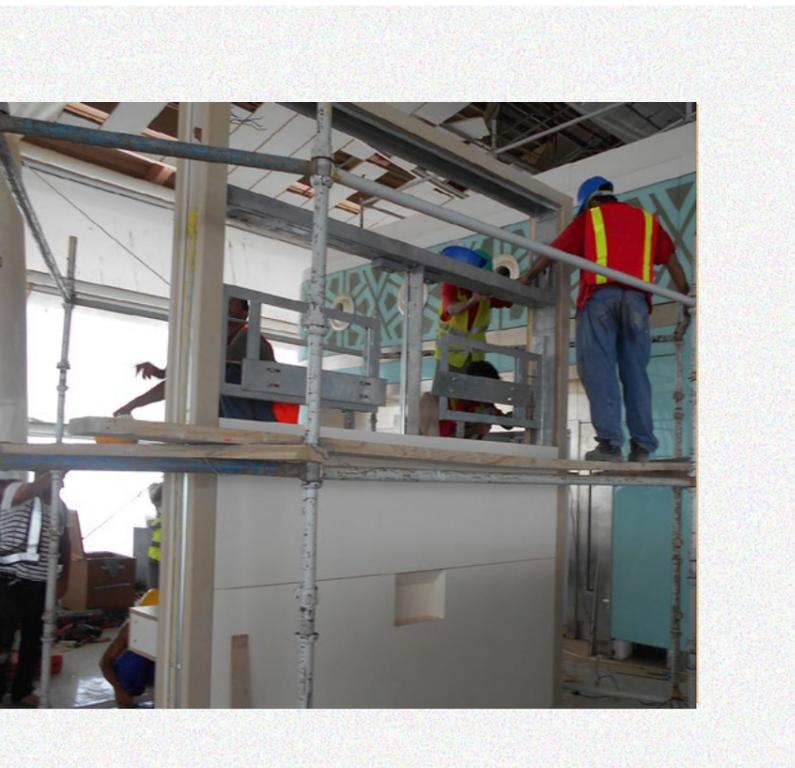
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Architectural design, procurement , general contracting and fit out services



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PROFILE

Established in 1981, Roots Group Arabia is a group of companies with integrated Distribution, Manufacturing, Design and Build Services. A leading presence in the construction sector, RGA provides customers in 26 markets across the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, and Nigeria with supply and distribution of building materials and construction equipment, manufacturing of architectural finishes and sanitary-ware, power generation solutions, fit-out design and contracting services. Roots Group Arabia carries over 60 of the world's best building materials, construction equipment and power tool brands. Our 12 plants in KSA and Egypt manufacture over 3,000 construction related products, covering ceiling systems, bathroom products, architectural metal and wood finishes, furniture and fit-outs, metal structures and façades, specialized doors, waterproofing products, and commercial paints. RGA's UK-based Areen Group of specialized interior design firms have designed some of the world's most recognizable airports, hotels and residences. MIMAR International KSA and MIMAR Projects Qatar are RGA's contracting subsidiaries and have executed projects in aviation, hospitality, education, residential and healthcare.

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BUILT FOR GOOD LIVING

Villa clusters in a vibrant setting

'Living street' layout favors pedestrians over motorists, assuring each neighborhood a communal and safe environment.

WADI QORTUBA

MIMAR INTERNATIONAL

Situated in the northeastern part of Riyadh, Wadi Qortuba is a contemporary low-rise compound designed for expatriate residents. A mix of villas and apartments set in lushly landscaped surroundings, it is named after the water-filled transversal park that runs through its center.

Designed to reflect Riyadh's rapidly rising profile, the development is set to attract a diverse mix of Arab and Western expatriates who reside in the capital with their families. It also addresses the growing demand for smaller apartments catering to young professionals.

Blending a variety of modern typologies, Wadi Qortuba is designed around the Wadi's spine in a transversal configuration of apartment buildings standing on two sides of the development's perimeter surrounding clusters of villas. Wadi Qortuba creates a vibrant community of modern living where residents enjoy neighborhood life, gather in playgrounds and around pools, and exercise and meet in the central clubhouse. The club house offers a variety of sports and leisure activities including a café, a restaurant, a screening room, and billiards. Adjacent to the compound is the retail strip providing a full range of lifestyle services and retail stores.

Qortuba's functional and easy lifestyle is typical of Solidere International's projects known for their timeless designs and fine lifestyle experiences reflected in quality of work and uncompromising standards.



*Wadi Qortuba
A SOLIDERE INTERNATIONAL
PROJECT*

CONTRACTING

RIYADH, KSA

New project

Mimar International, RGA contracting

MIMAR International, RGA's general and fit out contracting arm in KSA, has been selected for construction and completion works of the Wadi Qortuba Retail Strip. MIMAR, one of RGA oldest subsidiaries established in 1991, has built a solid experience working on some of the Kingdom's most iconic projects. "We are very excited to be part of Wadi Qortuba. It is a highly needed project that is designed with young families in mind answering their requirements for community living, modern amenities and privacy," says Walid Maalouf MIMAR International's Managing Director, "We have been part of multi-national consortiums

and have worked as independent contractors, for over 25 years. What makes our strengthen is that we offer developers and contractors for both large and small projects full scalability and contracting solutions."

The MIMAR strength includes factory direct execution of all wood finishes and metal works in RGA's own manufacturing facilities in Bahra, in addition to full procurement services including tracking, storage and transport of all FF&E and OS&E items, securing construction premises during execution, and fitting out interiors.

MIMAR will also work with retail tenants for the execution of all their retail interiors.



.....PROUD TO BE PART”
.....OF WADI QORTUBA”

THE ARCHITECT'S NARRATIVE

Situated towards the north east of Riyadh, Wadi Qortuba is a contemporary low-rise compound for expatriates offering several types of residential accommodation.

An ample range of apartment buildings and villa types were studied to offer a set of valuable combinations of living arrangements within overall harmonious vision for Qortuba, while at the same time focusing on the individual elements and their details. The target was to develop a pertinent and economical set of buildings that work together seamlessly. The different apartment and villa typologies, configurations and combination were studied to fulfill the program, ensure the long term success of the project while avoiding the functional drawbacks and esthetic limitations of a repetitive design.

Apartment buildings are based on different configuration of the same 3 apartment modules (80m² 100, and 120 m²). While in the villas, the 6 identified types cater for all the assigned plots.

Wadi Qortuba is a green design with intelligent facades, carefully sized openings, sun protection, cross ventilation, and wind towers, patios, creation of a micro environment in every building.

Materials and colors optimized for the minimal heat absorption.

Electro-mechanical systems contribute to the green design with an active strategy such as optimization for sustainable mechanical systems, electrical supply saving (solar energy where possible and lighting etc...), water use optimization and supply (city water, water reserve, recycling for irrigation etc...)

Source : Nabil Gholam Architects



Land Area
270,350 m²

Pedestrian Walkway
4 km

No. of Neighborhoods
11

Built-up Area
30,000 m²



Work rapidly progressing, hardscape and pavement work

HOME TO THE BEST

BRANDS IN CONSTRUCTION

SOMECO INTERNATIONAL

Construction Equipment and Building Material

A new showroom in Beirut

Same people, same after sales services.

It called for a celebration

Thanking all who made our opening a success.

We couldn't fit anymore. So we moved

DISTRIBUTION

Beirut, Lebanon

New Showroom

Over 200 guests joined the Roots Group Family on Wednesday October 11th for the official opening of Someco International's new showroom. Present for the occasion was Ms. Nadine Nehme who in her speech on behalf of the Lebanese Minister of Trade and Commerce Mr. Raed Khoury saw this event as a sign of trust and renewed vigor in the Lebanese economy. Also on hand were Sweden's Ambassador to Lebanon Mr. Jörgen Lindström, South Korean Consul Mr. In-Mook Lim, the Conseiller Export –Agrotech at the French Embassy Ms. Jamileh Annan, Italian Trade Commissioner Ms. Francesca Zadro and Trade Analyst at the Italian Embassy Ms. Aya Hinedi all attending in support of the long lasting trading relationships Roots Group and Someco International have maintained with some of their respective countries' major manufacturer of construction equipment and heavy building machinery.

Representing Someco's strategic brands were Ms. Nadia Yacoub and Arthur Danelian for Haulotte Middle East, Mr. Nadir Ekiiz for CHN, Mr. Marco Franza, Mr. Steve Ryder, and Ms. Ann Frank from Case Construction, Mr. Robert Koeck and Mr. Samer Baninasser for Atlas Copco, Mr. Frederic Neri for Silia and Mr. Angelo D'souza for ITW. "We are growing as a group and we are investing in Lebanon because we believe in the future and we believe that a healthy construction sector is a sign of a prosperous economy," said Director of Business Development and Managing Director for Levant and Central Africa Mr. Fadi Chehab in his speech

In 2017 Someco International moved into a new showroom located in the Quarantina Industrial Area 5-km north of Beirut Central District on the Beirut-Tripoli southboundbound Highway, next to the Sukleen Headquarter. Someco takes up

the two retail spaces at the street entrance of Medawar 1200, a 13-floor 3-basement new office tower. The new 1000-m² showroom is divided up in two separate retail spaces each with its own mezzanine. They are located on either sides of the building's main entrance and benefit from a secluded courtyard in the back. "We wanted two separate spaces for our earth moving, power, and lift equipment lines configured to make it easy for our sales people and our clients to work towards each order in a timely and focused manner. Our sales and after sales personnel are fully dedicated to accomodate clients near and far. "With cross delearships in KSA, Jordan, Nigeria, and Egypt, we have one of the largest in-house inventories for Case Construction, Jungheinrich, Haulotte, Atlas Copco and Chicago Pneumatic than any other dealer covering Africa, the Levant, and the Commonwealth of Independent States," says Fadi Chehab, Roots Director for Business Development and Managing Director for the Levant and Central Africa.



The Atlas Copco showroom

500 m² showcasing Atlas Copco's industrial tools and solutions, air compressors and industrial gasses, and vacuum solutions.

A Grand Opening Event

Catching the sights at Someco's sunset grand opening event





International
SOMECO

The writing is on the wall
The logos of Someco's main construction equipment brands

SOMECO International was awarded CASE Pinnacle Dealer status for the 2016. Pinnacle is a partnership program launched by CASE Construction in 2014 that aims to work with selected dealers to achieve the highest standards in customer service in the industry. Someco International has been evaluated on strict criteria on all aspects concerning sales, logistics, training, service, after sales, and marketing.



Someco is Lebanon's country dealer for the following brands



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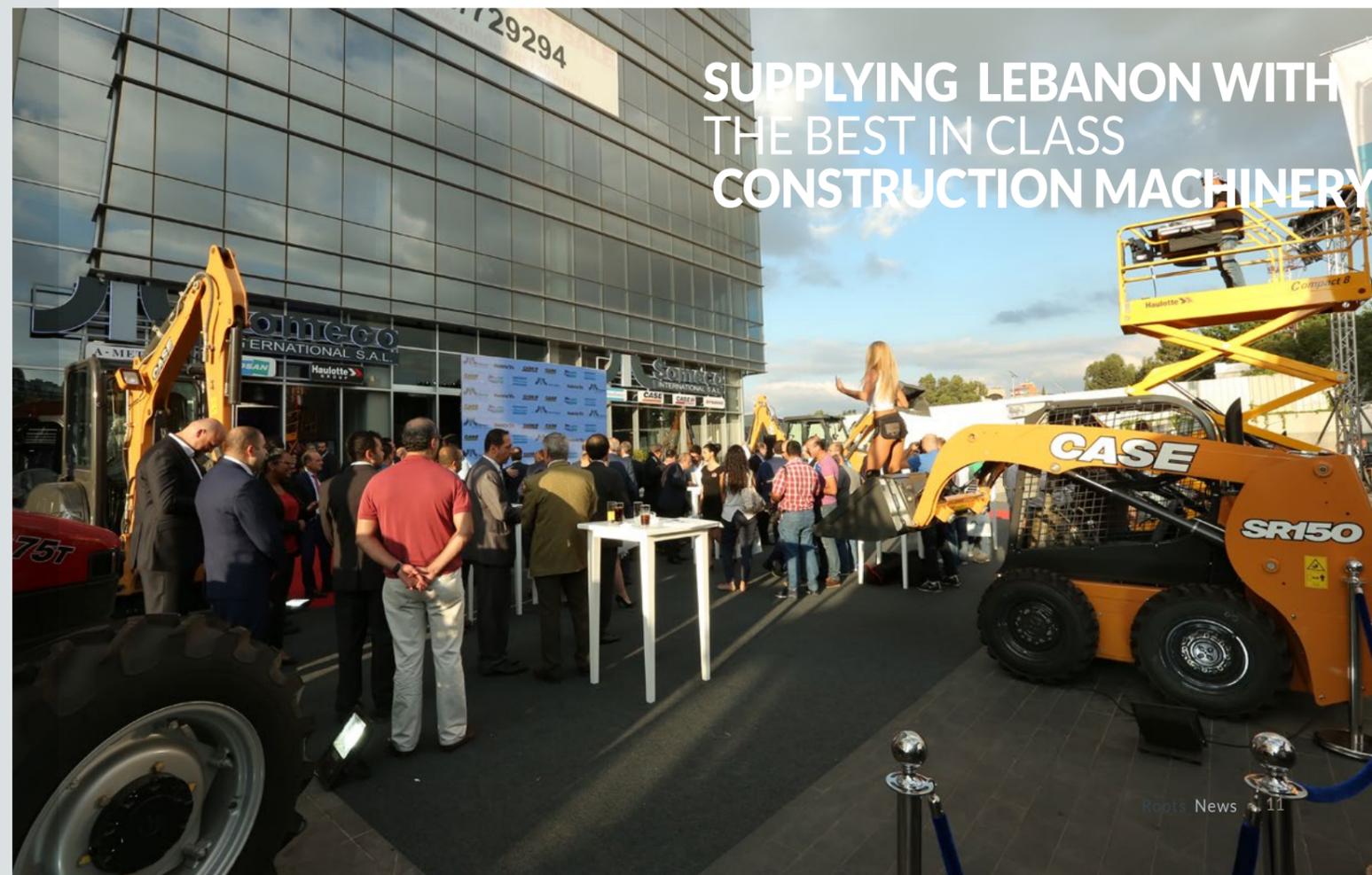
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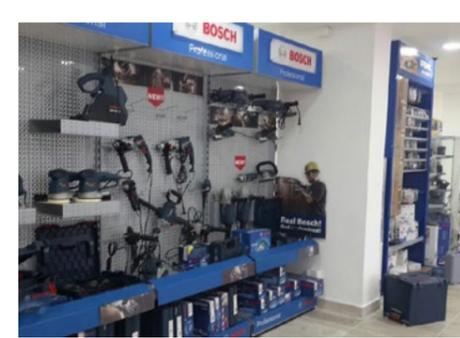
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ROOTS JORDAN
BIGGER AND BETTER NEW LOCATION



Roots Jordan have settled into their new showroom and service center on Al Huriya Street. Roots Jordan whose performance in 2016 exceeded expectations is appointed Bosch, Atlas Copco, Dynapac, Dremel, and Roots Group's own A-Metal products.

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ROOTS GROUP ARABIA

Construction

Blaise Diagne International Airport

Dakkar, Senegal

With annual economic growth set around 6.5% in 2017, Senegal is leading the pack of West African countries experiencing strong and sustained growth. "Tourism and services are important sector to us, and Senegal is looking to attract private investment to support its emergent Senegal Plan (PSE) and promote what the country has to offer," says Minister for Tourism Maimouna Ndoeye Seck. Looking to implement an ambition plan Senegal is well on its way to become a multi-service tourist and business hub in the region. The completion of the long-awaited Blaise Diagne International Airport (AIBD) along with its MRO centre and cargo village, the development and re-opening of smaller regional airports and the regeneration of a strong national airline are sure to play a major role in Senegal plans for economic growth.

The Senegalese capital, Dakar, comprises 3% of the territory, 25% of the population and 80% of the economic activity of the country and the new airport is designed to allow both enhanced management of the territory and the creation of a new economic focus. It will also be a pillar for the development of tourism and exports, especially fresh produce. AIBD is also close to the country's major tourist centers like the seaside resort of Saly Portudal, the new high-end integrated tourist areas in Mbodiène and Joal Finio, and the new marina of Pointe Sarène.

The growing good health of commercial air transport has also seen the launch of Air Sénégal, a new airline carrier, created after a comprehensive study supporting its success and long term viability including air routes with high potential, domestic, international and with Senegal's neighboring countries continue to form a natural market.

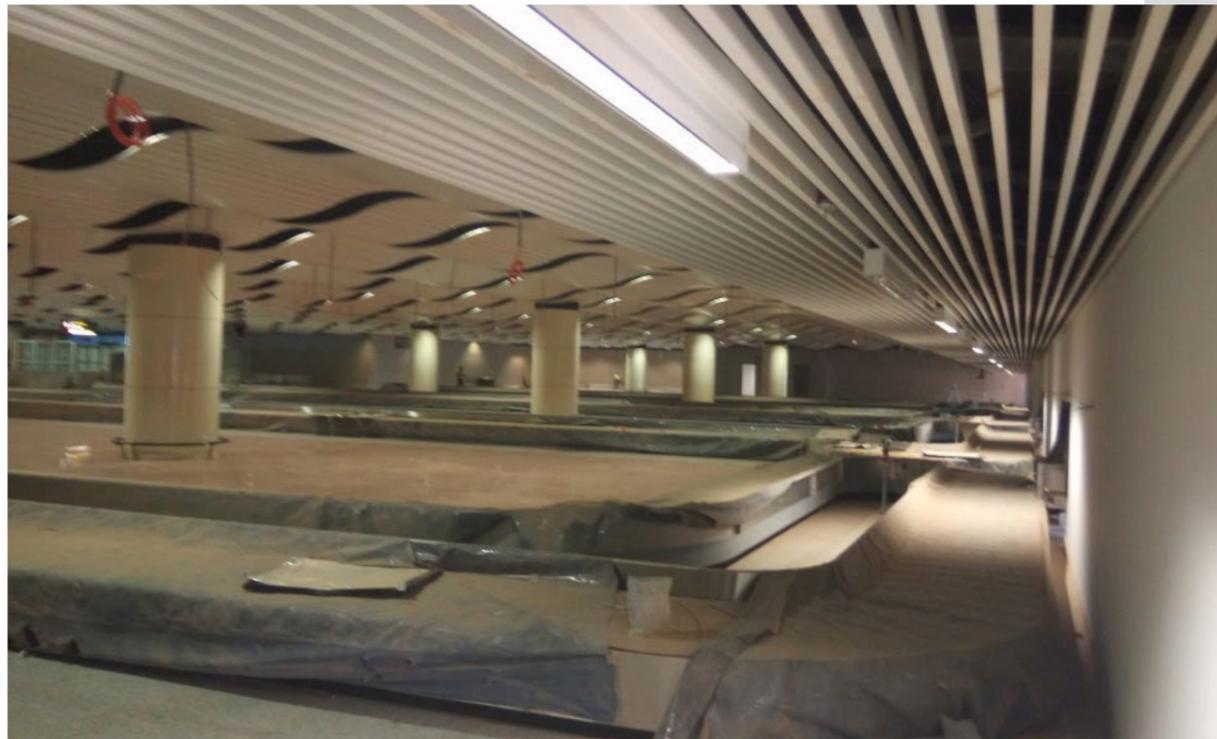
The launch of Senegal's Blaise Diagne International Airport (AIBD) officially took place on December 8th, 2017. AIBD, a Roots Group Arabia construction execution project, covers an area of 4,500 hectares of which around half has been utilized so far. It features a main terminal of 4,200m² on two levels with a three million passengers per year capacity, increasing to 10 million by 2035. A second terminal, specifically for freight operations, will have an annual capacity of 50,000 tons. A third terminal will be used for the transport of Hajj pilgrims. The airport has a 3,500mx75m main runway designed to accommodate long-haul aircraft. The airport's infrastructure is capable of dealing simultaneously with 50 airliners including 26 wide-bodies, six single-aisle and 18 GA.

Handing over and certification were underway all through August to november , enabling all flights to be transferred from the existing Leopold-Sédar-Senghor facility. In December of 2016, work officially started on the Regional Express Train that will link Dakar to the new Blaise Diagne International Airport in less than 50 minutes. Works on the first section linking Dakar to Diamniadio (36 km) are expected to last 26 months. The second 19 km section linking Diamniadio to the international airport will take 15 months to complete. Running on the new line that will connect the centre of Dakar to the new AIBD in Diass, the trains will serve 14 stations over a distance of 57 km.





**BLAISE DIAGNE
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**



Left to right
 Baggage claim level
 Ceiling design at departure gates
 Arrival area, wayfind
 VIP lounge



AIRPORT DESIGN, WORKPLACE DESIGN

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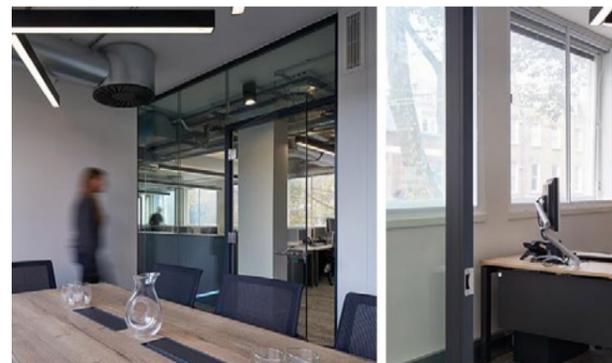
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News from around the group

PASCALL+WATSON

**Eamon Nolan, Pascall+Watson
Project Director**

“Working with the National Union of Journalists to develop their exciting new headquarters has been a great privilege and a pleasure. We are all very proud of their new home.”



The National Union of Journalists Fugia London headquarters has recently re-opened after an extensive refurbishment and fit-out, bringing their seven storey, 1950s office building back to life. The innovative design has transformed the space to deliver a dynamic and contemporary workplace, including a commissioned piece by an up-and-coming street-work artist and artisan metalwork installations in the new restaurant.

Pascall+Watson were appointed from project inception through to completion, working closely with the client to produce a tailored branding and interior design concept. The finished 1,900m² design consists of vibrant and versatile office space, an ‘open to the public’ restaurant, specialist seminar and presentation areas and new sub-let office space. The working floors were completely re-imagined to create flexible team environments supported by shared collaboration zones.

The successful scheme, delivered to high quality standards and improved commercial viability, allows for future growth and evolving needs, surpassing the client’s expectations.

A consultation programme was undertaken to establish the project aims, brief requirements, specification and project management protocols. Improved efficiencies and maximisation on commercial return were key briefing points. The highly bespoke design and interior detail was carefully considered to provide innovative design concepts, including the commissioned piece by an up-and-coming street-work artist. The design evolved to provide an adaptable and versatile workplace, which allows for future growth, within a dynamic and creative environment.

DESIGN

TATOUAN, MOROCCO

New Project
RGA Design

Areen Design was selected earlier this year to craft the interiors of the forthcoming JW Marriott in Tetouan, Morocco. Located alongside the Marina Smir yacht harbor, the 242,188-square-foot, 5-Star property will mark the brand's debut in the country. Marina Smir is 10 miles from the straits of Gibraltar Morocco's first yacht harbour an increasingly popular destination for travelers in the Southern Mediterranean. Housing 194 guestrooms, three restaurants, and a spa, the hotel's design features soft colors and fabrics with hand tufted rugs accenting public spaces



areen design

AREEN HOSPITALITY

Areen Group expert procurement services under the spotlight with new senior appointment



With a degree in Hotel Management and over 15 years of hospitality design and procurement experience, Geoff Van Wijk has joined the Areen Group to expand current offerings and build more awareness of the Group's specialist procurement resources and expertise. Geoff brings with him a wealth of knowledge of hospitality procurement having worked on projects including The Park Hyatt Dubai, The Anantara Abu Dhabi, One Aldwych London, One & Only Dubai, Kanuhura Maldives, Shangri-La Abu Dhabi, Arison Maritime Center, and many more. Trevor Cotterell, Managing Director of Areen Design comments: "Geoff is exceptionally talented and we are delighted to welcome him on board. His knowledge and experience add considerable value to our offer, especially within the hospitality sector. The time is right to broaden our client base, refine our offer and apply the same purchasing scale benefits to clients in other sectors." Geoff will report directly to Trevor Cotterell and his remit includes responsibility to bring the procurement agent model to more hospitality customers, as well as applying Areen's sourcing, quality management and production 'know-how' to help more industries roll out their brand experience.

alongside richly detailed screens. Locally sourced marble and timber will complement geometric Arabic patterns highlighted in the floor and wall finishes. "Inspiration for the design of the interiors is drawn from traditional Moroccan patterns, materials, and heritage. Alongside respecting these values, we wanted to provide an elegant and sophisticated interior offering a warm welcome to all hotel guests," says Eugenia Rolando, an associate at Areen Hospitality. The development will have 194 guestrooms including VIP suites, a spa and three restaurants.

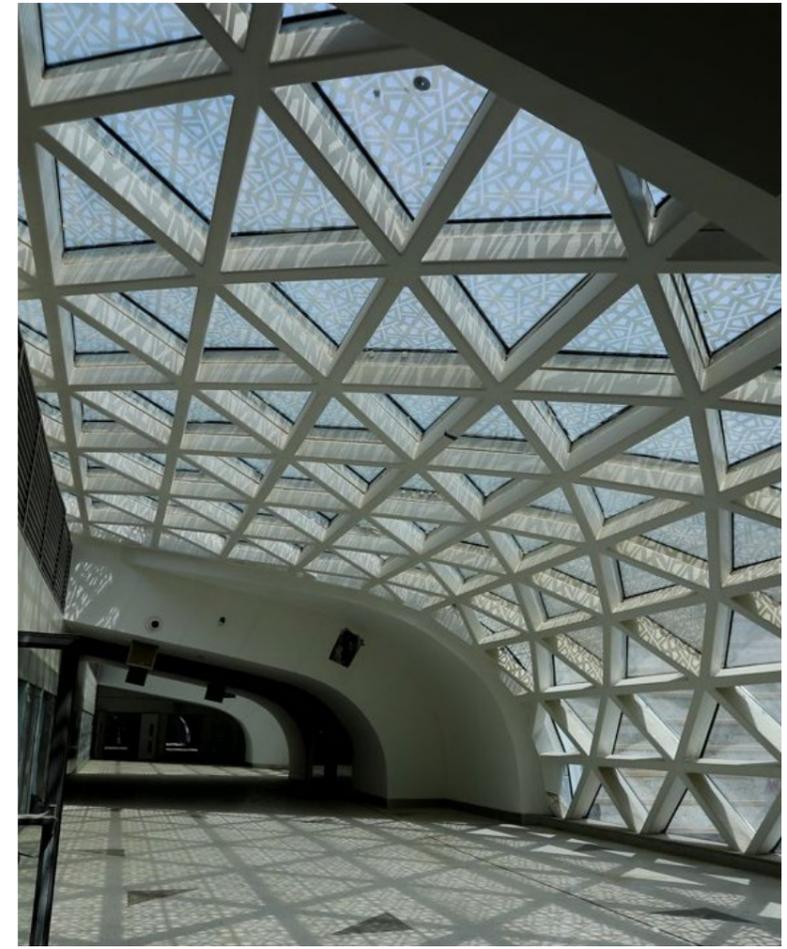
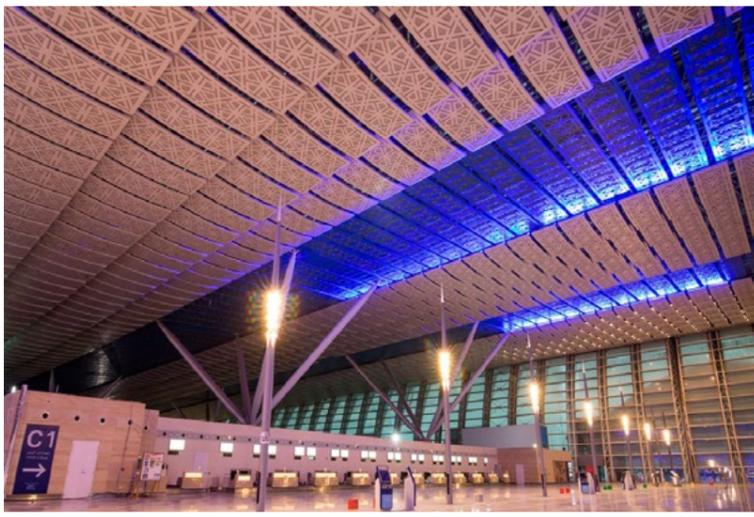


WESTIN PALACE Madrid, Spain Project spotlight

Size: 296,000sqft / 27,500m2 (over 6 floors)
Scope: Guestfloor Renovation;
Interior Design and Procurement
of FF&E
Client: Host Hotels and Resorts

This iconic hotel is undergoing renovations of all guest floors to be completed in 6 phases. The contemporary design of the guest rooms and corridors incorporates the Spanish identity by using locally inspired patterns in the carpeting and crafted, yet timeless, furniture. Areen Design was also appointed as procurement agents for this project.





**THE ROOTS GROUP FIT OUT
EXPERTISE AT
KING ABDULAZIZ INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**



UNIMAR EGYPT

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At Unimar Egypt as in all Roots Group Arabia's equipment and machinery dealerships maintenance and repair is performed on two levels: *preventive* and *corrective*. Preventive maintenance services are performed either on site by our field units or in the workshop. The Unimar Egypt field units consist of a team of skilled technicians operating fully equipped trucks. They can visit any site to perform scheduled maintenance services and/or minor repairs with zero downtime to the machine. Unimar Egypt on-site service far exceeds the simple oil and filter change, the team works on a full checklist for each machine to ensure longer life and improved profitability.

The corrective maintenance repair is performed within Unimar Egypt's state-of-the-art maintenance workshops. The facility provides full maintenance and repair services for any Case or Jungheinrich machine purchased from Unimar or not in addition to providing full logistical assistance including transportation of machine from its current location to the facility. Each machine that enters the Unimar Egypt workshop is in the hands of a team of experts. They quickly takes action, first by assessing the severity of the damage, choosing the place of repair and then quickly proceeding. Clients could even benefit from a discount on rental to temporarily replace equipment under repair for continuous productivity. Technicians specialize in all Case Construction and Jungheinrich models that RGA carries. Everyone at Unimar receives constant training and updates on the dealership's products, and clients are always sure to receive factory services and parts. Should a Case or Jungheinrich equipment or machinery require a spare part, the Unimar Egypt inventory is fully stocked with all genuine parts. If we are missing a part for any reason, it will be available within 24 hours, either shipped from RGA's wide network of Case and Jungheinrich dealerships in the Levant, Central Africa or KSA or ordered directly from the manufacturer.

UNIMAR EGYPT IS GETTING BIGGER

Periodic and annual maintenance are a big success with our clients because they have the specific goal of optimizing productivity. RGA's periodic maintenance policy enables clients to prevent and reduce risks of breakdowns, increase equipment's lifecycle and avoid any time loss. They know that through Periodic maintenance they can work without interruption, with safe machines that are in good condition.





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QUIETER
SMARTER



THE STORY BEHIND AQUABLADE

JEBEL ALI, UAE
Manufacturing
Ideal Standard Gulf

Design is at the heart of everything Ideal Standard creates. This means each product is at the foremost edge of design thinking for both functionality and style.

“Our objective was to create a sleek, modern design that outperforms existing toilets on the market,” says Mike Heaton Product Development Manager Ceramics, EMEA. “We designed the bowl without the traditional overhanging rim to give a contemporary look and feel. This also reduces unhygienic areas which can harbour bacteria. In terms of the flush performance, we engineered the design to allow the water to wash from the very top of the bowl so that cleaning is optimised. The internal channel reduces turbulence to create a highly efficient, quieter flush with less splashing.”

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DEA TOILET AND THE NEW TONIC II TOILET
FEATURE AQUABLADE™ TECHNOLOGY



A photograph showing two men in business suits shaking hands in front of a large fleet of yellow Haulotte boom lifts. The lifts are arranged in rows, and the scene is set outdoors in front of a large industrial building. The man on the left is wearing a dark suit and sunglasses, while the man on the right is wearing a light grey suit and sunglasses. The Haulotte logo is visible on the side of the lifts.

WHEN YOU DELIVER TO THE MIDDLE EAST'S LEADING PROVIDER OF POWERED ACCESS PLATFORMS

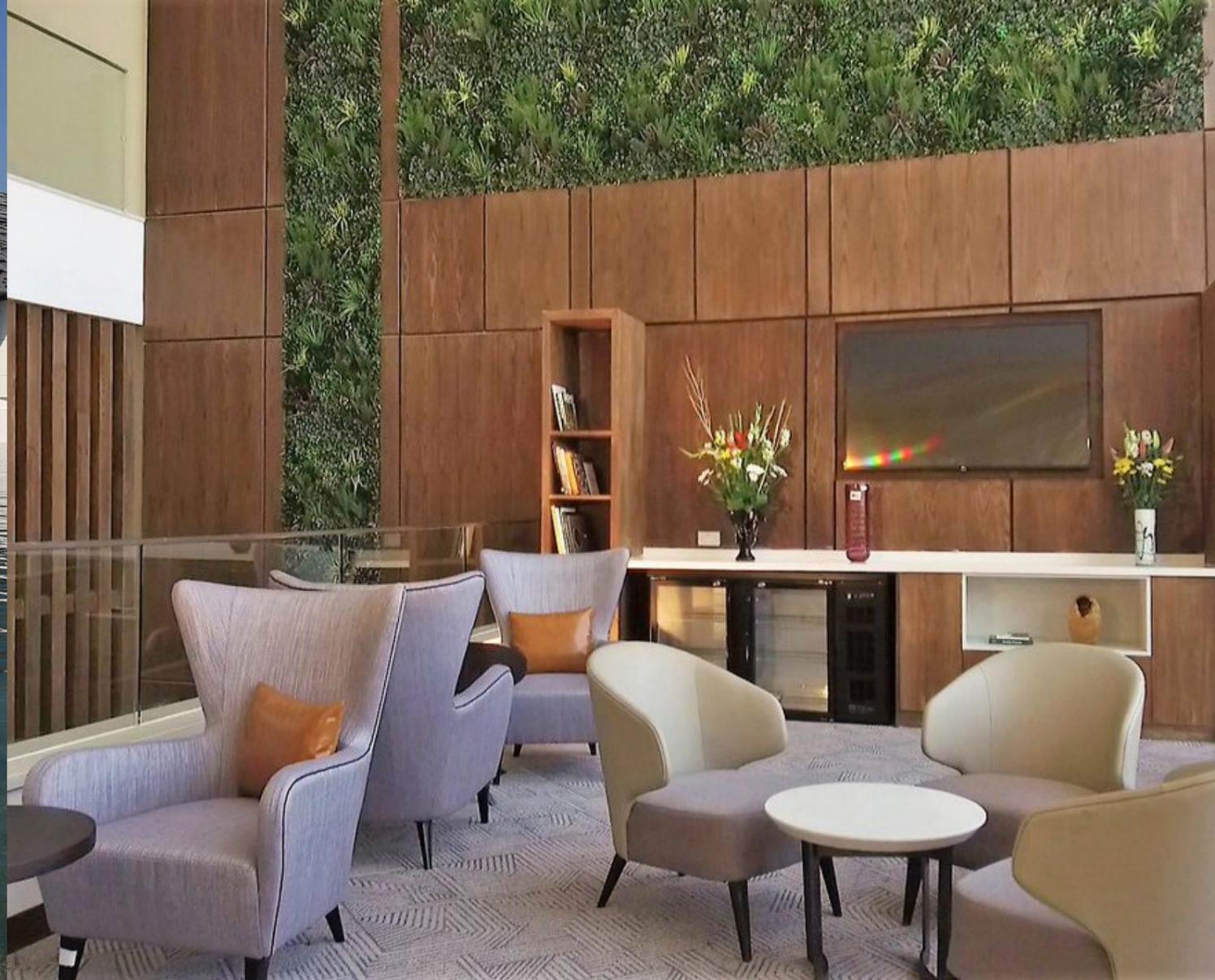
When the Middle East's leading provider of powered access platforms looks to replenish their inventory they turn to us. Rapid Access, a subsidiary of the world's largest specialist access hire and rental business, Lavendon Group plc, asked and we delivered.

- 20 machines rough terrain articulating boom HA20RX & HA 20RTJ
- 15 machines rough terrain articulating boom HA260PX
- 2 machines rough terrain articulating boom HA41PXNT
- 2 machines rough terrain telescopic boom HT43 RTJ PRO



PASCALL+WATSON COLLABORATE WITH ATELIERS JEAN NOUVEL TO BRING LOUVRE ABU DHABI TO LIFE

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PASCALL+WATSON HAVE COLLABORATED with Pritzker Prize winning French architect Jean Nouvel, to create the striking Louvre Abu Dhabi, which will open to the public on Saturday 11 November. As Executive Architects since 2009, the P+W Abu Dhabi and London teams have developed the detailed design, specifications for construction and the production of an intricate Revit 3D model used as a tool by the wider design and engineering teams. Louvre Abu Dhabi is one of a series of galleries and museums on Saadiyat Island and will house great artworks from around the world,

with a universal focus on shared human stories across civilisations and cultures. The design consists of a series of connected gallery spaces totalling 8,000m², surrounded by seawater and largely covered by a vast 180m diameter domed roof, supported on just four piers. The dome which is inspired by the cupola, a distinctive feature in Arabic architecture, has seemingly random geometric openings that cast fragmented light into the circulation spaces below, suggestive of dappled light filtering through a traditional interlaced palm leaf roof.

THE BUSINESS OF PRESERVING ORIGINAL DESIGN AND REIMAGINING NEW SPACES

The reopened Four Points by Sheraton Nairobi Airport is the second Four Points property designed by London-based Areen Design in the city. The 172-key hotel redesign makes highlights of a number of elements that constituted the charm of the old design within the new contemporary aesthetics. Some of the design features are the double-height feature wall installed in the reception area and a lobby café with a display that changes over the course of the day. "The hotel is yet another example of our conversion friendly strategy that highlights our ability to convert hotels successfully within a short period of time," Alex Kyriakidis, president and managing director, Middle East and Africa, Marriott International



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