

Press information

HOCHTIEF wins initial part-order to plan new city in Qatar

Lusail City due to be built on Gulf coast by 2020 - HOCHTIEF ViCon to provide 4D model for this forward-looking project

HOCHTIEF is involved in one of the world's largest urban planning projects. Group subsidiary HOCHTIEF ViCon will coordinate the deployment of 3D technologies in the development of "Lusail City". This new city of around 200,000 inhabitants is due to be implemented in Qatar by 2020. The owner and client is Qatari Diar, a state real estate investor and urban developer. The contract, which initially runs until 2011, is worth a single-digit million sum and represents a major business success for this relatively new HOCHTIEF subsidiary.

Lusail City will rise out of the desert sands on the Gulf coast north of Doha, the capital of Qatar. Ten urban quarters with residential areas, shopping streets, leisure facilities, schools, medical centers and two harbors are to be built on an area of around 37 square kilometers. Numerous companies around the world have been commissioned to plan the infrastructure and supply channels. HOCHTIEF ViCon will be working on behalf of the client to coordinate these planning measures with the assistance of its internally developed 3D model, which will facilitate liaison among the project participants. In a second stage, HOCHTIEF ViCon will extend the model to include a time schedule (the 4th dimension as it were) for the construction of Lusail City. The model will then serve to coordinate the construction companies involved, enabling them to agree the course of construction and document construction progress. In addition, experts of HOCHTIEF Construction will provide consultancy during overall project management. HOCHTIEF ViCon is also involved in other HOCHTIEF projects in the Gulf region, such as the construction of Barwa Commercial Avenue, an eight-kilometer long shopping center in Doha/Qatar.

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