

HEDQF Visit to LSE Centre Building

23rd June 2022



Despite a national rail strike, HEDQF welcomed forty delegates to a site reference visit and a Q+A session with the client, architect and contractor, at LSE's Centre Building.

Guided tours were provided by Julian Robinson (LSE), Tracy Meller (RHSP), Ken Kinsella (LSE) and Frank Connolly (Mace).

The Centre Building is the LSE's most sustainable building having achieved a BREEAM Outstanding rating with a score of 88.9%. It was awarded the BREEAM Public Sector Building of the Year in 2020.



The tour included the private 12th Floor roof terrace with incredible panoramic views over London. Faculty floors connected by a spectacular academic stair and teaching and social learning floors were visited, together with the unique LSE style Lecture Theatre.

Delegates then took their seats in the auditorium for a short presentation and a Q+A session. Particular emphasis was given to how the LSE briefed this building including the environmental sustainability aspirations, the design response and the construction challenges of achieving a BREEAM Outstanding rating on this very constrained site in the centre of London.

Copies of the presentations can be found [here](#).

We were especially pleased to have a number of students on the guest list and hope this will become a regular feature of future events, as passing on industry knowledge and a passion for design quality to the next generation is an essential part of the ethos of HEDQF. The Centre Building is the subject of a [HEDQF Building Case Study](#), which provides key data on the project and further details on the design and construction.

Following the Q+A guests then went to the 6th floor roof terrace to enjoy a summer drinks reception.



Thanks:

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