

ENGIE

Espace Tourbillon • Geneva

Client: Engie

Country: Switzerland

Execution time: From Oct. 1st to Dec. 11th 2020

Project size: 500 linear meters of combined solid and glazed partitions

ENGIE Switzerland deploys modular partition systems to create their agile Swiss headquarters

Global energy supplier Engie's new Swiss headquarters is part of the larger development project 'Espace Tourbillon' initiated by Swiss Prime Site. This new property development combines the benefits of being connected to a large logistic hub as well as offering prime real estate facilities for its corporate tenants.

As the flagship office for Engie in Switzerland, the site was thought as a reference, a blueprint for agile and future-proof offices to be replicated around the world for the group. Clestra was involved at the project inception when Engie was still looking for partners to plan and execute their future workspace. In line with their environmental and social goals, Engie teams were looking for innovative fit-out solutions to improve the wellbeing of their employees while preserving flexibility for premises in the long-run.

The Clestra Swiss team proposed our proprietary Metropolines I modular partition system, featuring high-end acoustic insulation and exceptional agility, combined with tailored services to perform future workspace reconfigurations for their office. This point in particular was very important to Engie's experienced project teams, as they were well-aware of the constraints of such transformations. Organizational changes that global companies like Engie regularly undergo can weigh heavily on their budgets and create operational bottlenecks, affect their workspaces occupancy rate and impact employees' productivity.

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Modular partitions were a key element in creating this agile workspace that Engie was aiming for and allowed their teams to meet tight project deadline. Our team emphasized how the unmatched installation speed of our prefabricated systems, supported by our french factory, smoothens the construction process and avoid bottlenecks during the project execution. As a fully integrated modular constructor, Clestra was able to bring certainty during critical phases of the project and effectively merge its processes with other contractors.

In the end, Engie's project team chose to rely on a true construction partner to take part in this exemplary project in collaboration with other stakeholders.

Clestra specifically addressed the following challenges for Engie:

- **Proposing a comprehensive construction solution to address site challenges and meet the project's technical specifications, including high-end acoustic insulation, performance tools integrations and modular flexible partitions for easy reconfigurations.**
- **Ensuring the project's tight deadlines were met through offsite manufacturing efficiency, control of the value chain and faster installation time of modular systems.**
- **Acting as a partner to Engie by providing long-term services and maintaining the quality of installations over the years.**

This successful project also demonstrated how modular construction can be the backbone of a construction project when its principles are applied from planification stages, and how a partnership model can generate value during and after the project completion.

