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Meridiaan College, Amersfoort, Netherlands

Perfectly tiled with rubber floors

This beautiful national monument offers students a peaceful environment and thus ensures a good educational climate. Size and location contribute to a safe learning environment. Inside the building, rubber floor coverings in stone look create a calm and timeless ambience. As well as the modern classic look, the floor coverings are extremely durable and have very good acoustics with a footfall sound absorption improvement of 10 dB. Reducing the noise level has a positive effect on the ability to concentrate and the well-being of students and teachers. The high slip resistance of the norament 926 arago rubber tiles further enhances its practicality.

Object: Meridiaan College, Amersfoort, Netherlands

Architect: Bureau Q2, Nijkerkerveen

Product: norament® 926 arago, 1,800 m²

Application areas: Corridors, classrooms

Installation: 2017

Photos: © Studio Beeldwerken





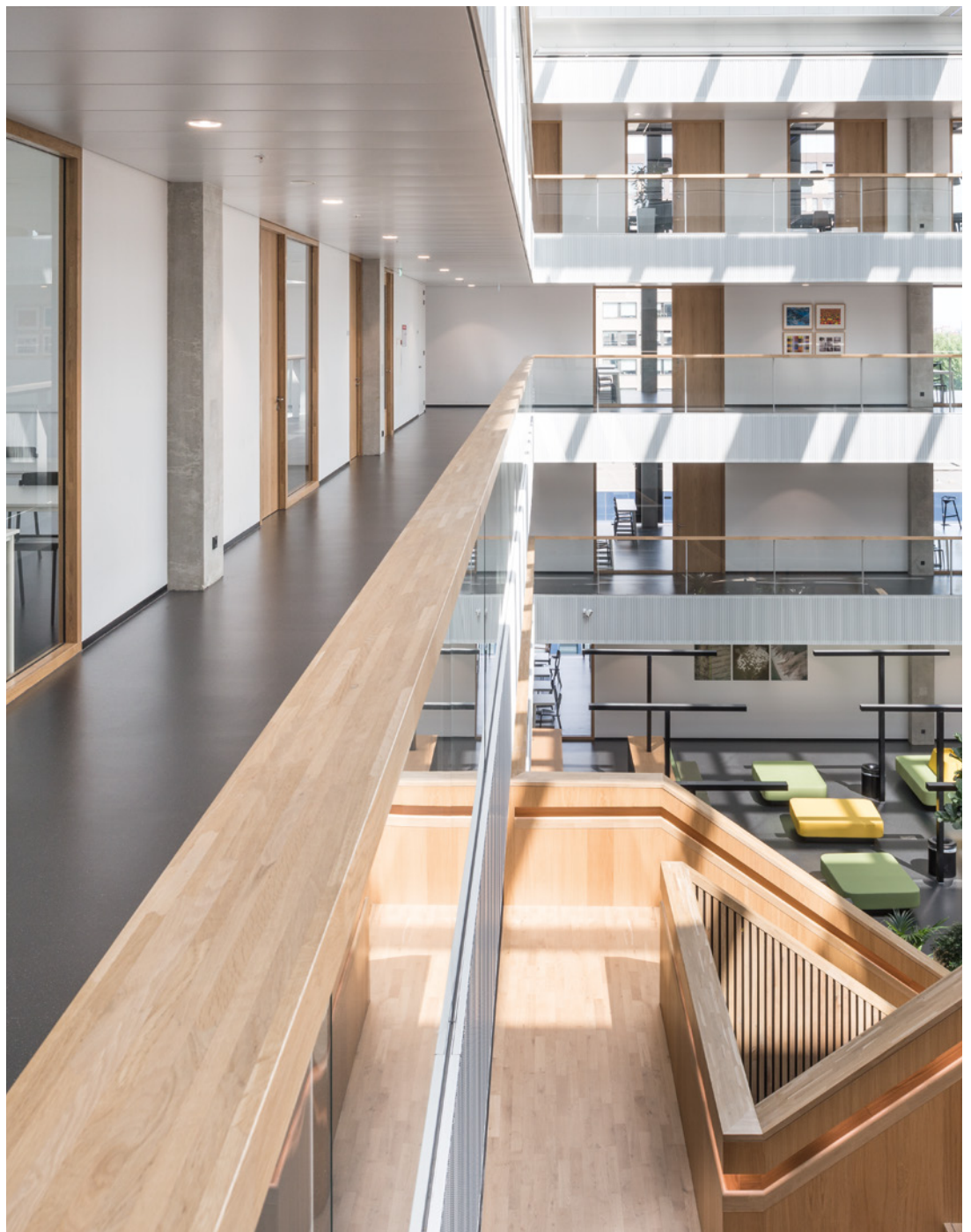
Objekt: Rotterdam Business School, Netherlands
Architect: Paul de Ruiter Architects, Amsterdam
Product: noraplan unita, 11,300 m²
Application areas: Corridors, classrooms, offices
Installation: 2017
Photos: © Studio Beeldwerken



Rotterdam Business School, Netherlands

Future-oriented education in a sustainable building

The new educational building of the Rotterdam Business School, which opened in March 2017, was designed with sustainable materials to meet the requirements of the BREEAM-NL Excellent certificate. This requires not only energy efficiency measures but also natural materials that have a positive effect on the indoor climate. nora rubber floor coverings met the desired requirements – and so more than 11,300 square metres of noraplan units have been installed to form a single-coloured floor covering with embedded real granite chips.





University Library at Ruhr University Bochum, Germany

Classic norament design: stylish and indestructible

The University Library at Ruhr University in Bochum is one of the largest university libraries in Germany. Designed by the architect Bruno Lambert, it has been central to the university since its foundation in 1962. For the atrium and staircase, the centerpieces of the imposing structure, the architect deliberately chose an industrial flooring that was both indestructible and, thanks to its distinctive design, aesthetically striking: norament 926. Like the then relatively young architectural style of the building itself, the rubber flooring was a new product and featured an unusual "pastille" design. Even today, almost 50 years later, the same innovative flooring is still in use and still creates a striking visual effect, spread across around 1,500 square metres of the library's floor.



Object: University Library at Ruhr University Bochum, Germany

Architect: Bruno Lambert, Ratingen

Product: norament® 926, 1,500 m²

Application areas: Atrium, corridors, staircase

Installation: 1973

Photos: © Andreas Braun



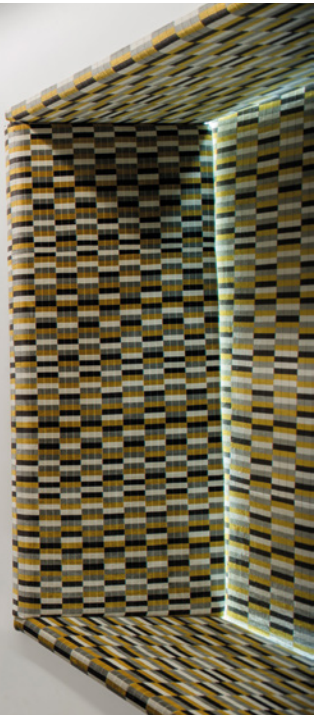
Object: Notting Hill Preparatory School, London, UK
Architect: Hanson Architects, London
Product: noraplan® sentica, noraplan® stone, 585.6 m²
Application areas: Corridors
Installation: 2018
Photos: © Davide Saibene



Notting Hill Preparatory School, London, UK

A school building that beats urban landscape challenges

The Notting Hill Preparatory School needed to be planned and built beneath a main road next to the nearby tube line. This was a worthy challenge for the renowned firm of Hanson Architects, especially in terms of the acoustics. After all, it was necessary to ensure a peaceful learning atmosphere in spite of the busy location. The look of the floor covering throughout the new building had to be modern and in keeping with the other school sites. With continual heavy footfall, the floor must offer high resistance, durability and functionality. noraplan sentica was the perfect choice as it is ideally tailored to all of these challenges. In addition, rubber inlays in grey and white were used to create a striking visual effect.





Karamzin School, Espoo, Finland

Quick installation with nora nTx

The Karamzin School is composed of two structural elements: the original buildings, dating from 1984, and a modern extension that was added in 2001. As the older part of the school had been struggling with indoor air problems for some time, it underwent an extensive renovation and was recommissioned in August 2019. During the renovation work, much attention was paid to the building materials with the goal of achieving the best possible result. In terms of the right floor covering, the planners opted for low-emission rubber floorings from nora. For the installation, the decision was made to use nora nTx, as this ensures fast and safe installation.

Object: Karamzin School, Espoo, Finland

Architect: Arkkitehdit Q4 Oy, Helsinki

Product: noraplan® lona nTx, norament® 926 arago nTx, 2,210 m²

Application areas: Corridors, classrooms

Installation: 2019

Photos: © nora systems





Hucky Bucky Daycare, Berlin, Germany

Adventure for children in the middle of the city

Activity areas and quiet zones that create both space for adventure and a sense of security – the children find all this in the bilingual daycare centre Hucky Bucky in Berlin. The focus of the interior design is the forest theme. Natural materials round off the near-natural ambience. For the floor, nora rubber floorings were chosen, some with inlays. The expressive floor design creates new spatial relationships and defines areas for activities, retreats and free play for the children. In addition to the attractive design, the health and environmental compatibility of the floor coverings were the main arguments in favour of nora rubber.



Object: Hucky Bucky Daycare, Berlin, Germany

Architect: baukind GmbH, Berlin

Product: noraplan® stone, noraplan® signa, 200 m²

Application areas: Corridors, classrooms

Installation: 2020

Photos: © HEJM, Architect: baukind, Berlin



Arcadia Preparatory School, Dubai, UAE

Sustainability-driven design

Opened in summer 2016 and located in Dubai's Jumeirah Village, the Arcadia Preparatory School accepts children from preschool to sixth grade. The state-of-the-art, purpose-built school aims to be both one of the leading primary schools in the region and one of the eco-friendliest, prompting a range of green building initiatives that affect the construction and operation of its school premises. Because the school was planned as an LEED project, administrators carefully selected building materials and finishes that would support sustainability goals. This conscientious selection process led them to nora premium rubber flooring – low-emission, anti-slip, comfortable underfoot and extremely easy to maintain.

Object: Arcadia Preparatory School, Dubai, UAE
Architect: Jodwin Austen Johnson, Dubai
Product: noraplan® stone, noraplan® sentica, noraplan® signa, 5,355 m²
Application areas: Corridors, classrooms, entrance hall
Installation: 2016
Photos: © Gerry O'Leary





Object: Qingdao Academy, Qingdao, China

Architect: No. 4 affiliate of Tongji Architectural Design (Group) Co., Ltd.

Product: noraplan® signa, noraplan® sentica, noraplan® eco, 120,000 m²

Application areas: Corridors, classrooms, entrance hall, offices, staircase

Installation: 2017

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Qingdao Academy, Qingdao, China

School construction in XL format

With its modern architecture and distinctive interior design, the Qingdao Academy features over 120,000 m² nora products. To help distinguish the specific areas, each floor is installed with nora flooring in a different colour. Besides their aesthetic appeal, the rubber floorings serve different functional requirements. For example, the special hygiene needs of the medical treatment room, the acoustic and ambience requirements of the music room, high levels of slip and wear resistance in the table tennis stadium, or the need of the laboratory floor to withstand regular cleaning with disinfectants and exposure to chemicals.



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