

## **Finland**

## Martinlaakson Ostari shopping centre received LEED certificate

The Citycon owned and developed Martinlaakson Ostari shopping centre was awarded the second highest, gold level LEED certificate. Opened at the beginning of December 2011, the new Martinlaakson Ostari focuses on local, everyday services. It is located right next to Martinlaakso's railway and bus station in the heart of the growing and densifying Martinlaakso district.

In the LEED certificate criterion Martinlaakson Ostari received thanks especially from sustainable land use: its location at the reach of excellent transportation services and in the middle of existing city infrastructure. In addition the centre has a better than average efficiency in water use and energy consumption. Martinlaakson Ostari uses for example Green electricity. The high quality indoor air was given extra credit. The surface materials chosen for the centre admit as little as possible chemical compounds into the air.

Sustainability is a central part of Citycon's operations and the company strategy. Citycon executes all of its development projects in accordance with environmental certificates. Of Citycon's centres Trio in Lahti, Rocca al Mare in Tallinn and Liljeholmstorget Galleria in Stockholm already have LEED certificates.

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