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Milestone: topping-out ceremony at the Promulins care home

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The renewal of the care home in Samedan is progressing as planned. Construction began in mid-April, and a small group has now raised a glass to mark the topping-out.

Fully scaffolded between the Inn and Samedan station: So that the replacement building for 60 residents in single rooms can soon go up next door, the existing building from 1992 first has to be extended with an additional storey. The topping-out marks an important milestone. Timber modules prefabricated by Schönauer AG, each comprising an entire resident's room in the Engadin interior style, were lifted onto the existing building over one and a half storeys and covered with roof elements. Despite adversity caused by heavy rainfall and delivery difficulties with building materials, the target date was met thanks to the tireless efforts of everyone involved.

On this occasion, Jakob Stieger, President of the Board of Directors of Promulins AG, invited guests to a small aperitif followed by a site tour. Municipal representatives from the downstream Engadin municipalities and members of the board of directors of Promulins AG took a close look at the extension elements. They were joined by representatives of the Stiftung Gesundheitsversorgung Oberengadin, the construction companies involved (Fanzun as client representative), the architecture firms and the building committee. In her speech, Marion Barandun, Head of Care and Support at the care home, expressed her enthusiasm for the results so far: «The residents and employees more than deserve it, as the renovation is taking place while the home remains in operation.»

Reto Maurizio, the architect of the extension to the existing building, said in his speech that the topping-out is essentially the halfway point. Planning began in 2018, the building application was submitted in August 2019, and the topping-out followed two years later. Completion of the entire renovation is planned for August 2024.

To meet this date, the resilience already shown must be maintained. After the interior fit-out and furnishing of the extension, the move from the 1979 building into the finished, cosy extension will follow at the end of the year. Demolition work and construction of the new building come next and are expected to take around two years.

The municipal presidents were satisfied with the halfway result. The drink for the toast was admittedly something other than half-time tea, but everyone goes into the second half refreshed and motivated.

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