



## New Smile Eyes subsidiary at Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße / Tegel Quartier

**SMILE EYES :)**

**Berlin, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022** – The eye clinic chain Smile Eyes is opening a new site on around 1.700 sqm at the first floor of the newly built pedestrian zone Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße / Tegel Quartier. The opening of the new eye laser center in Berlin-Tegel is planned for 2023.

Smile Eyes ranks among the leading and highly specialized players on the German market of eye care. The company stands for refractive eye laser and lens surgery at the highest medical level and offers a comprehensive range in the area of surgical and general ophthalmology in different metropolitan regions in Germany. Smile Eyes continuously invests in innovation and research in order to offer their customers the best available treatment methods.

“We are really happy that our new innovative tenant Smile Eyes has enriched and extended our diverse offer of local supply and services at Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße / Tegel Quartier in the field of health care with excellent eye care”, says Harald Gerome Huth, CEO and Managing Director of HGHI Holding GmbH.

### A shopping street reinvents itself: about the HGHI-project Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße / Tegel Quartier

The unparallel project throughout Germany stands for the extensive modernisation and enhancement of the around 250 m long pedestrian area Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße, including the former shopping center “Tegel-Center”, the former shopping center “Hertie” as well as the long-standing market hall “Markthalle Tegel”. The revitalisation of the Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße is one of the biggest projects in the history of HGHI and consists of four different construction phases in total. The architectural offices Max Dudler, Pechtold, Ortner & Ortner and Rautenbach were involved in designing the new Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße.

On a total floor area of around 90,000 sqm HGHI is building around 36,000 sqm retail space and 28,000 sqm office space. “More than 90% of all rental spaces is already leased, a significant success for the project”, says Huth. Common retailers like Galeria, REWE, P&C or dm as well as the office tenant Deutsche Rentenversicherung Bund are tenants of the future oriented pedestrian zone. In addition to the already existing brands, the new Fußgängerzone Gorkistraße / Tegel Quartier will offer a huge variety of shopping possibilities with more than 100 retail shops in total.

The shopping street is located in the north of Berlin, precisely the district Tegel, the lively center of the area Reinickendorf. The infrastructure links to Berlin transport network are excellent. In only 5 minutes by car you reach the motorway A111.

The projects own car park provides around 320 parking spaces. Due to its immediate vicinity (1 minute by foot) to the railway and metro as well as numerous bus lines, the shopping street has an outstanding connection to the public transport service. And as cycling in the city is getting more and more attractive, HGHI created a covered parking space for bicycles with over 200 spaces in the direct vicinity to the project.

In celebration of the partly finished project a soft opening already took place in July 2021 with the official inauguration and opening of some shops like REWE or dm. From autumn onwards this year customers will be able to go shopping in two thirds of all shops. The completion of the project is scheduled for 2022. The project development with its new and versatile shopping possibilities will increase the attractiveness of the entire northern part of Berlin.

For further information about the project please visit [www.gorkistrasse.de](http://www.gorkistrasse.de).

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