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## Nova Property Fund Management is expanding and opening a branch in Lausanne

Nova Property Fund Management AG is opening a new branch in Lausanne on 1 September 2022 whilst simultaneously expanding its team of local real estate experts. By doing so, the company is highlighting the investment potential and importance of French-speaking Switzerland in the Swiss real estate market.

With its centrally located office at Avenue de la Gare 41 in Lausanne, Nova Property Fund Management AG is strengthening its partnerships and activities in French-speaking Switzerland. The office is led by Michel Burgunder, Managing Director and Co-Head of Transactions, an experienced real estate expert who is very well connected in French-speaking Switzerland. Michel Burgunder is responsible for acquisitions in the region, and the local team is complemented by Alexandre Sizonenko as asset manager and Philippe Munch as project manager for construction projects.

Alexandre Sizonenko is a profound expert on the real estate market in French-speaking Switzerland and has excellent professional know-how in view of his recognised real estate expertise, his extensive professional network and his many years of successful experience. He has been working for Nova Property Fund Management AG since 2021. In his previous posts, he was a Directeur at M3 Groupe (2020-2021) and Directeur General Adjoint at Comptoir Immobilier SA (2005-2020). Philippe Munch is a proven real estate project and construction manager who can look back on 20 years' experience in this sector. In the capacity of project manager and head of real estate development, he worked for various subsidiaries of the Bouygues Group (2013-2022); prior to that, he was commercial manager at CKD Claude Kesser Développement AG (2001-2013).

For Marcel Denner, COO of Nova Property Fund Management AG, the new location in Lausanne and the expansion of a local team are key to the company's success in French-speaking Switzerland: "Our team has a very extensive network in French-speaking Switzerland, and is familiar with the local conditions and customer requirements in this region. The opening of the new location is an important milestone for us in the consistent implementation of our growth strategy."

Nova Property Fund Management AG is already well positioned in French-speaking Switzerland. It currently manages a portfolio of 20 properties with a total market value of around CHF 430 million in the cantons of Geneva (40%), Vaud (40%), Valais (19%) and Neuchâtel (1%) in its own real estate fund and via other property investment companies and investment foundations to which it provides investment advice.

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## **Nova Property Fund Management AG**

Nova Property Fund Management AG was authorised by the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA as a fund management company domiciled in Zurich on 5 November 2018 and has been active in fund management since then. This includes the establishment, management and administration of collective investment schemes under Swiss law and the distribution of the self-managed funds. In addition, the company provides investment advice to real estate investment companies and investment foundations with a focus on real estate.

With its five portfolios, the owner-managed fund management company currently covers the entire Swiss real estate market for residential and commercial properties. These portfolios include Novavest Real Estate AG (SIX Swiss Exchange: NREN), SenioResidenz AG (BX Swiss AG: SENIO), Swiss Central City Real Estate Fund (SIX Swiss Exchange: CITY), 1291 Die Schweizer Anlagestiftung (KGAST member) and Central Real Estate Holding AG (including its subsidiary Rhystadt AG), which together hold well over CHF 2.5 billion in Swiss real estate assets.