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HOUSE-OF-ONE-PAVILION BUILT ON PETRIPLATZ

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Today, the Foundation House of One celebrates the opening of a temporary pavilion on the Petriplatz in Berlin-Mitte, the future site of the *House of One – House for Prayer and Learning Berlin*. It will serve as a venue for events and information on the project.

For the pavilion, architect office Kuehn Malvezzi designed the central room of the future House of One in a wooden structure at almost 1:1 scale. The outer form follows the rhythm of the columns of the “City Loggia”. The pavilion already promoted the House of One at the “World exhibition Reformation” in Lutherstadt Wittenberg in 2017. In Berlin, the pavilion is now a heated event space and form the center of a garden that will let the future three sacred rooms become apparent.

The members of the Executive Board of the Foundation House of One, Priest Gregor Hohberg, Rabbi Prof. Dr. Andreas Nachama and Imam Kadir Sanci say: „We are grateful and happy that the future starts now at Berlins oldest square. With the pavilion, the House of One takes its first shape, and gains a fine information and event space, a laboratory. We are looking forward to many visitors who want to get to know our project and want to discuss with us on questions of a peaceful cooperation between people of different religions and origin.“

Bishop Dr. Dröge: „I am very excited that this extraordinary project is now taking another big step forward. It will be a special location for the three religions to meet under one roof to get into a conversation with each other. This happens without blending the religions as already visible form the architecture of the building: each religion has its own sacred space, and in the center will be the room for encounter. From here, signals of agreement, of the belief in God, but also of the belief in a peaceful and fruitful cooperation will be sent out and will be acknowledged far beyond Berlin. Already now, the international interest in the project is great – with good reason“.

At today’s opening, there will be speeches by Senator of Culture and Europe, Dr. Klaus Lederer, Bishop Dr. Markus Dröge and Prof. Dr. Hermann Parzinger, President of the Prussian Heritage Foundation.



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Until the start of construction, interested people can inform themselves about the project and participate in the event program.

The generous and constant support both, nationally and internationally, makes it possible to start with at least a first construction stage after the architectural planning will have been completed. Thus, the temporary use of the Petriplatz will end in 2019 with the start of construction of the House of One.

The Foundation House of One can already count on donations and funds of a total of 8,5 million Euro for the construction of the building.

The event schedule can be found on the website www.house-of-one.org.

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The House of One

Something that has been globally unprecedented until now is being established in Berlin: Jews, Christians and Muslims are working together to build a structure that will house a synagogue, a church and a mosque under one roof. A house of prayer and interdisciplinary teaching. A place of encounter, for meeting and exchange among people of different faiths. It is also a house for all of those who do not belong to a religious community.

The emerging sacral building of Berlin architect office Kuehn Malvezzi will give space to three sacral rooms, connected by a central room for encounter. The House of One is open to everyone. It respects and appreciates the differences of the religions. It pleads worldwide for a peaceful cooperation and supports the dialogue of religions and cultures.

The building is co-financed by private donors and multiple supporters from politics, economy and culture.