

Press release

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Foster + Partners led team wins Stockholm Central Station design competition

The integrated team led by Foster + Partners in collaboration with Marge Arkitekter has been revealed as winners of the competition for the development of Stockholm Central Station in Stockholm today. The winning design, put forward by the team which includes LAND Arkitektur, Thornton Tomasetti, Ramboll, Wenanders and TAM Group, will bring several modes of transport together in a single integrated transport hub, while prioritising pedestrian flows and creating a new mixed-use urban district.

Luke Fox, Head of Studio, Foster + Partners, said: "We're delighted to have won the design competition to reimagine the future of Stockholm Central Station. As the world's collective focus shifts to more sustainable ways of living, working and travelling, it is vital that we enhance and redevelop our transport nodes and repair and connect the urban fabric around them. We look forward to developing these proposals with Jernhusen, Trafikverket and the City of Stockholm over the coming months."

Located at the heart of the city, Stockholm Central Station is Sweden's largest transportation hub. Originally opened in 1871, the historic station now caters to more passengers than it was originally designed for. Future plans to increase the number of trains coming into the city are set to catalyse the reinvention of Stockholm's central heart. The new district, largely built over the existing tracks, will re-link the surrounding streets to create an active, friendly, and safe public realm that will stitch together the east and

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west sides of the city, improving passenger connections across Stockholm, without impacting the historic skyline.

The masterplan will create a brand-new public square, allowing the new station precinct to become a natural part of the urban fabric. Inspired by the scale and colours of the Klara blocks, the design builds on the existing streetscape of the city to create a dynamic district for a range of mixed-use functions. It also offers an active public realm and better connectivity with clear wayfinding. The design recreates the historic Station Railway Park on the southern tip. With spectacular views over the old town of Gamla stan, Södermalm and the City Hall, it will be a new green meeting place in the city centre.

By narrowing Klarabergsgatan Viaduct and reducing traffic flow, the proposals create a natural extension of the historic central waiting hall. The entrance hall will combine the new and historic parts of the station, linking the central station platforms, City Terminal Buses and Arlanda Express Trains.

The proposals also seek to realign the new central tunnel with Klarabergsgatan to create a subterranean east-west link across the site. The design allows for the possibility of extending the tunnel to provide a below ground connection through to the Citybanan in the future. The tunnel will then connect the extended platforms of the Central Station, Arlanda Express and the Bus Station in the City Terminal, bringing together four modes of transport to create a single intermodal station. A new centralised Logistics Centre could also be positioned to the west of the tracks, where goods and refuse can be serviced directly, without disturbing the public realm above.

Angus Campbell, Senior Partner, Foster + Partners, added: "This is a historic undertaking. We are incredibly honoured to be tasked with developing our proposals further.

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Stockholm is a unique city with historic city silhouettes. We believe our proposals can form meaningful connections between the city and the central station area, while creating green urban spaces for people to meet, as well as a central focus for sustainable travel at the heart of Stockholm.”

Pye Aurell Ehrström from Marge Arkitekter, said: “It is fantastic to be involved in redefining Central Station's role at the heart for Stockholm, while at the same time providing new additions that reference the surrounding streetscape of traditional Klara block architecture, which respects the cultural values of the city.”

The project, which involves covering the track area and doubling passenger capacity in Sweden's most central location, is scheduled for planning consultations in 2023.

View the new proposals.

About the team

Foster + Partners

Foster + Partners is a global studio for architecture, urbanism and design, rooted in sustainability, which was founded over fifty years ago in 1967 by Norman Foster. Since then, he and the team around him have established an international practice with a worldwide reputation for thoughtful and pioneering design, working as a single studio that is both ethnically and culturally diverse. The studio integrates the skills of architecture with engineering, both structural and environmental, urbanism, interior and industrial design, model and film making, aeronautics and many more – our collegiate working environment is similar to a compact university. These diverse skills make us

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capable of tackling a wide range of projects, particularly those of considerable complexity and scale. Design is at the core of everything that we do. We design buildings, spaces and cities; we listen, we question, and we innovate. www.fosterandpartners.com

Marge Arkitekter

Marge Arkitekter was established in 2002 by Pye Aurell Ehrström, Katarina Grundsell, Louise Masreliez and Susanne Ramel. The firm rapidly became recognised as one of the young firms representing a contemporary development of architecture in Sweden and today has an extensive portfolio including private, commercial and public projects. Marge Arkitekter has received publicity in the national and international press and has exhibited in Sweden and around Europe.

Marge Arkitekter works in architecture on every scale - from urban development, building- and interior design to product design. Common to the projects is a spatially exploratory architecture that is characterised by a social approach towards space and innovative use of texture and materials. www.marge.se

LAND Arkitektur

LAND Arkitektur was established in 2008 in Stockholm by Anders Kling, Sofia Nylén and Alf Orvesten. We are trained landscape architects with 20 years of experience that work at multiple scales, ranging from urban planning and large-scale landscape projects to the design of small-scale spaces in the city. LAND works with idea-based architecture

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according to our studio's specific design methodology. Strong ideas guide our projects throughout the process and manifest in the finished design. In each project we want to highlight those little extras; the qualities that make each project unique. It may involve refining an idea in the design or running an interesting process in collaboration with a client. www.landarkitektur.se

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Wenanders

Wenanders was established by Vicki Wenander in 2008. The guiding star for the company is that working with our cultural heritage involves both responsibilities and possibilities. There is an art giving culturally significant buildings, parks, gardens, landscapes and built-up areas the care they deserve, whilst enabling their use of in our own time. This is the challenge undertaken by Wenanders Byrå in its assignments, wherein the cultural value and inherent qualities of the object at hand form the self-evident starting point of any project. www.wenanders.se

TAM Group

Since the beginning in 2009, TAM has been a leading, appreciated advisor and partner in place making and property development in Sweden. Managing the process from initial review and concept development to completed projects, TAM increase asset value by creating attractive, sustainable places and neighborhoods. The starting point is always the individual location with a focus on the human perspective, striking a balance between the needs of the tenants, customers and of the property owner. TAM specializes in concept development with emphasis on city development and establishment of new commercial locations and developing existing ones.

TAM assists property owners such as Alecta, Scandia Fastigheter, Vasakronan, Swedavia, Jernhusen, ICA Fastigheter, ADIA, Castellum, Carlyle, Bonnier Fastigheter,

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