



Pilkington **Profilit™**  
Profiled glass with system



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NSG Group Flat Glass Business

## Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> - Profiled glass a system that enriches architecture

### **Function, aesthetics and cost-effectiveness**

Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> is an alkali cast glass in U-shape, produced according to DIN EN 572, Part 7, using the machine rolling process. Behind this matter-of-fact technical description lies an amazingly versatile construction product that thanks to ongoing development activities and intensive technical application support has constantly opened up new applications in the areas of facades and interior construction in recent years.

Taking national and international standards and guidelines into consideration, the range of applications now extends from purely functional buildings to architecturally sophisticated reference objects. What all applications have in common is the unique combination of function, aesthetics and cost-effectiveness that distinguish construction with the Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> profiled glass with system.

### **German production - global application**

The Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> profiled glass with system is traditionally developed by Pilkington Bauglasindustrie (BGI) based in Schmelz, Germany and produced for customers worldwide.

As a member of the globally present Pilkington Group, which is in turn part of the NSG Group, Bauglasindustrie GmbH contributes the entire product-related know-how for profiled glass. The production facilities in Schmelz are constantly modernised and expanded in keeping with the latest production and environmental technology findings and requirements - most recently with a highly productive manufacturing plant for the thermally toughened Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> T.





Bauglasindustrie GmbH,  
Schmelz



## Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> - from versatile construction material to intelligent system



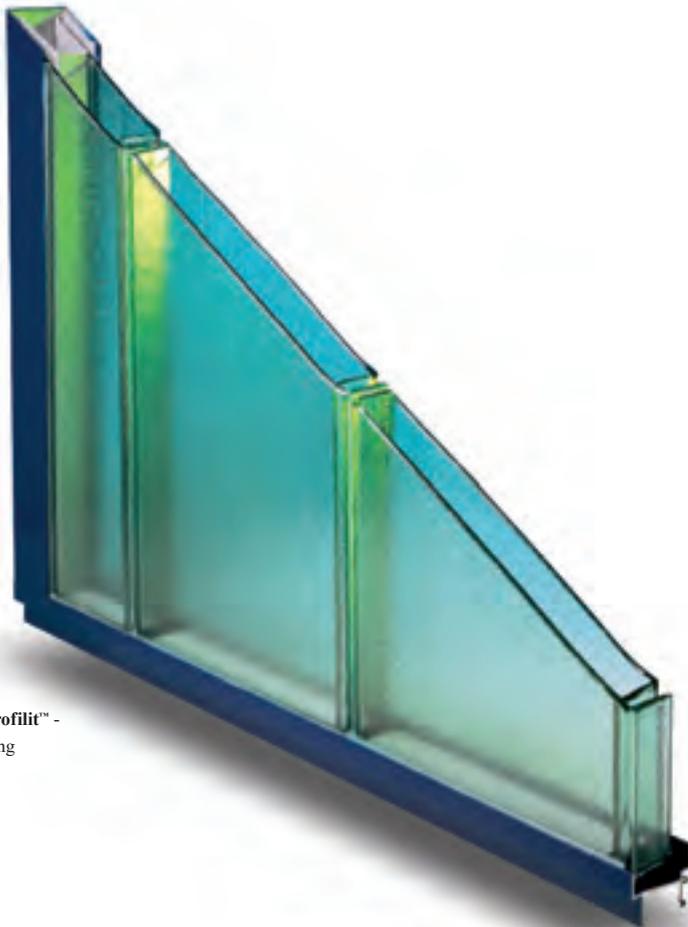
Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> -  
Profiled glass

### For sustainable architecture

Whether an industrial building, sports arena, office building, parking building or museum - today larger construction projects are characterised by an environment of building law and technical regulations that places continually increasing demands on building materials.

Buildings are viewed holistically taking into account all relevant physical and structural considerations.

Under the aspects of thermal insulation, sound insulation and structural safety this is intended to ensure a maximum of ecology, economy, sustainability and comfort.



Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> -  
Sample glazing



Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> - System components

In the canon of modern materials that allow such “sustainable” construction, glass has meanwhile firmly established itself because of its combination of transparency and functional versatility. In addition to the transparent functional glasses for the building sector, the translucent profiled

glass with system Pilkington **Profilit**<sup>™</sup> shares responsibility for the fact that today architecture is not only economically and energetically sensible and safe, but at the same time full of light and user-friendly.

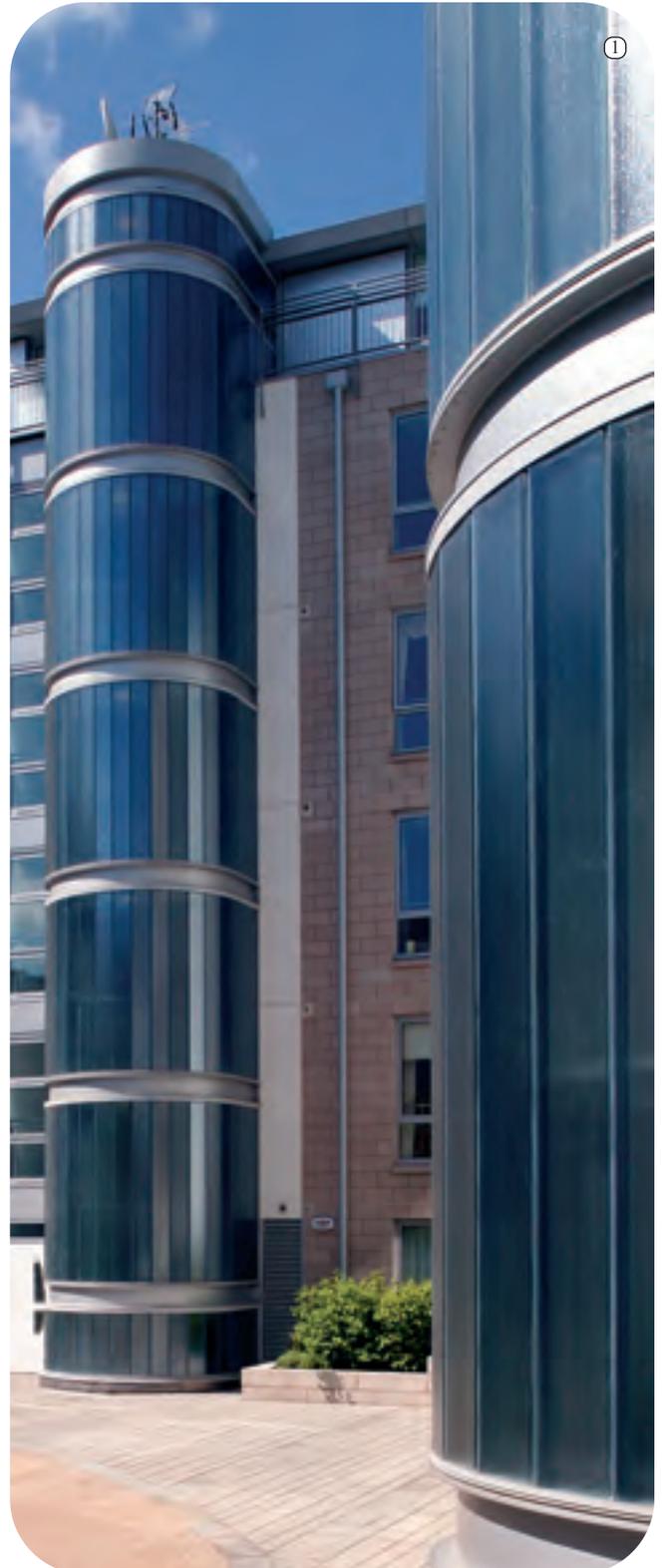


### In dialogue with modern building materials

In modern architecture, design often results from a creative interplay between e.g. steel/aluminium, natural stone, concrete, wood and glass. Only those materials that also ensure compatibility at system level in addition to their good structural and optical properties can participate in this dialogue of puristic building materials.

In order to allow and highlight the most diverse applications possible, at an early stage already Pilkington Bauglasindustrie pursued the system idea with Pilkington **Profilit**™. Whether facades, window bands or internal partitions - using the system the application is always covered in its entire complexity and reproduced at product level following the modular principle.

In this way, individual energetic and structural requirements can be taken into consideration as can component connections, the integration of transparent and ventilation elements or the legally required safety properties.

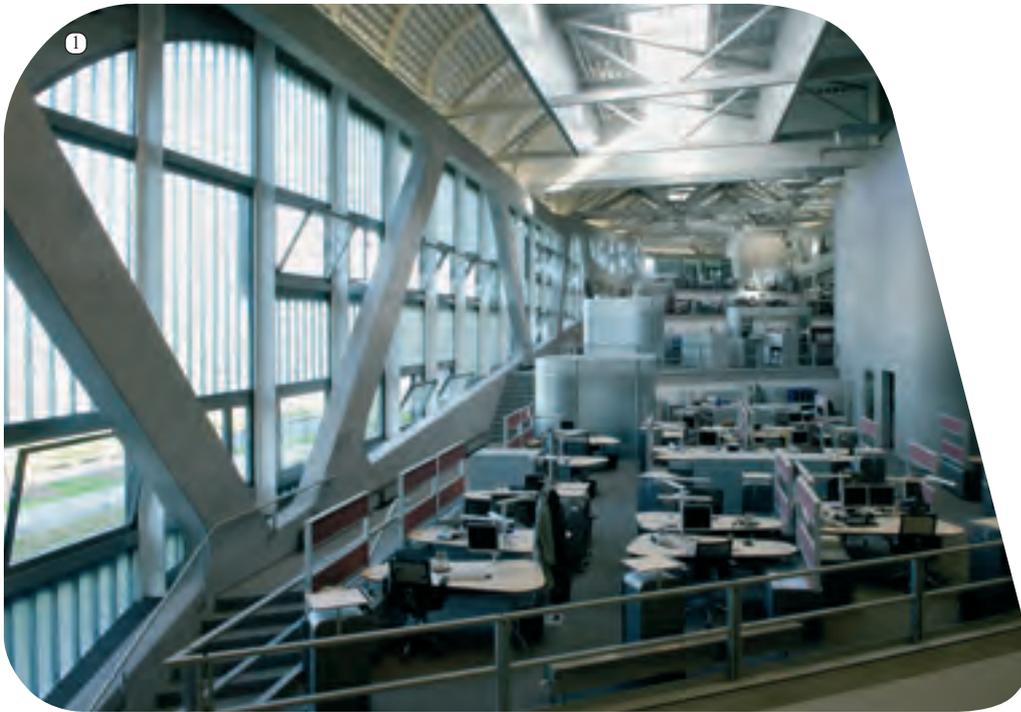


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Citymark Apartments, Edinburgh  
Architect: Michael Laird Architects  
Photographer: Paul Zanre Photography

A photograph of a modern building with a blue corrugated metal facade and a glass-enclosed staircase. The building is set against a clear blue sky. The foreground shows some greenery and a paved area.

# Industry, Functional Buildings, Sport Halls, Parking Garages, Staircases

ERCO  
Hochregallager P3, Lüdenscheid  
Architect: Schneider + Schumacher, Frankfurt



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 BMW AG  
 Central Building, Leipzig  
 Architect:  
 Zaha Hadid Architects, London  
 Photographer: Martin Klindtworth

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 EKZ-Alstertal (Shopping centre)  
 Parking garage,  
 Hamburg-Poppenbützel  
 Architect: Architekturbüro  
 Knut Jensen, Nordwalde

## Economical and functional: Pilkington **Profilit™** in industrial and functional buildings

### A constant in construction of industrial buildings

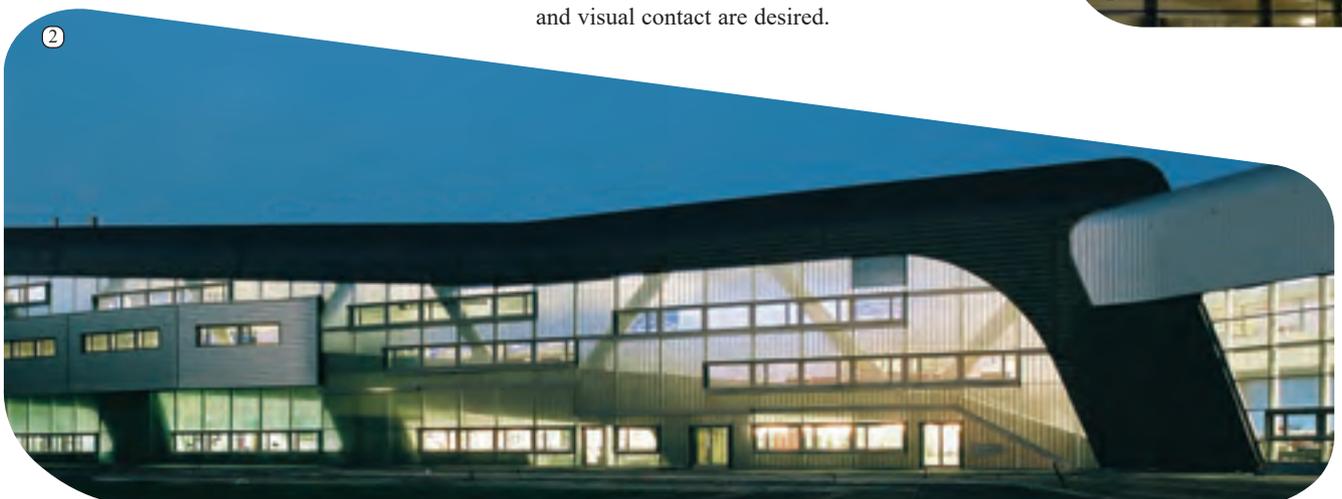
For over four decades Pilkington **Profilit™** has been able to maintain its outstanding role in the design of industrial and functional buildings. Originally construction of industrial buildings used the product under purely functional and economic aspects to allow light transmission across large areas in the most economical way possible.

Today even with purely functional buildings, an awareness of the aesthetic quality of the profiled glass system is noticeable - the design diversity of its use and the chosen combination with other facade building materials and systems are evidence of this.

### Large and continuous glass surfaces

With the both simple and yet technically sophisticated system components of the Pilkington **Profilit™** modular system, large-scale facade glazing for the natural lighting of buildings can be carried out in an optically continuous look.

Depending on the specific building's energy requirements, implementation as single- or double glazing is possible, if required even with sun and heat protection coated profile versions. The (frequent) vertical arrangement of the profiles can be varied by a horizontal arrangement if desired. Furthermore, within the system the integration of windows and transparent fix elements is possible, e.g. where ventilation is necessary or transparency and visual contact are desired.





## Economical and flexible: Pilkington Profilit™ in sports and assembly facilities

### Light, design and safety

Sports and assembly facilities, multifunction halls and parking garages are functional buildings, but because of the greater architectural sophistication and the object size are generally more complex technically than production halls and warehouses.

Here the subject of daylight penetration and design are generally coupled with the desire for larger installation lengths, ventilation options and increased safety demands placed on the profiled glass.

When planning and building such sophisticated functional buildings, architects can rely on the assured application technology know-how of Pilkington Bauglasindustrie.



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Sports Centre, Jaslo (Poland)  
Architect: Wojciech Kurzeja,  
Wawrzyniec Kuc



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Liebenau Sports Hall,  
Neckartaiflingen (D)  
Architect:  
Zoll Architects, Stuttgart



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 University of Iowa  
 Architect: Steven Holl, Lead Architect, New York  
 Photographer: Jerry Swanson Architectural Photography

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 Arsenal Emirates Stadium, Ashburton Grove (London)  
 Architect: HOK Sport



**Pilkington Profilit™ T**

**Pilkington Profilit™ T Color**

Specifically for the increased safety requirements within traffic areas of public buildings, Pilkington Bauglasindustrie offers thermally toughened Pilkington **Profilit™ T**, whose greater safety characteristics have been tested e.g. following the methodology of EN 12600.

This product variant, which is distinguished by greater mechanical strength, supports the creation of large surfaces open to light when safety requirements must additionally be met.

The colour coated Pilkington **Profilit™ T Color** lends itself to situations where, in addition to higher safety requirements, colour accentuations are desired.



The image shows a modern architectural structure, 'Das Silo', in Hamburg-Harburg. The building is characterized by a large, cantilevered upper section that extends over a central cylindrical tower. The tower has a textured, light-colored facade and several windows. The cantilevered section has a grid-like facade with many windows. The building is situated next to a canal, and a traditional white building is visible in the foreground. The sky is a clear blue.

# Architecture - New design opportunities

“Das Silo”, Hamburg-Harburg  
Architect: von Bassewitz  
Limbrock Partner, HH



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 Renault Track Office, Pero (Milan)  
 Architect: Alessia Garibaldi and  
 Giorgio Piliago-Garilab, Garilab Associati, Milan  
 Photographer: Andrea Martiradonna



## Sustainable and energy-efficient: Pilkington Profilit™ in facade design

### System and creativity

Pilkington **Profilit™** is used not only because of its cost-effectiveness for the exploitation of natural daylight, but at the same time is also included in the materials repertoire for the modern building shell as a striking stylistic device.

The applications in modern project architecture are also promoted by Pilkington Bauglasindustrie through intensive application technology activities, object consulting and product innovations.

As a result, new creative possibilities are available to architects and planners for the design of various facade systems, such as e.g. non-ventilated facades, rear ventilated facades, in the innovative area of translucent insulation material and there are even possibilities for passive solar energy generation.

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 Woong-Jin Think Big,  
 Pazu (Korea)  
 Architect: In-Chul Kim



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Soteg S.A.,  
Esch-sur-Alzette (L)  
Architect: Jim Clemes S.A.,  
Esch-sur-Alzette



### **Innovation-Sustainability-Efficiency**

The trend towards sustainability, energy efficiency and cost-conscious construction is supported by ongoing product developments that make it possible to use Pilkington **Profilit™** in facades almost without limitations.

Where, for example, improved thermal insulation values are required, these can be achieved in double-glazed installation and by using coated Pilkington **Profilit™** 'plus 1.7'.

Improved sun protection can in turn be achieved with coated Pilkington **Profilit™** 'Antisol'.

Optimum thermal installation, finally, can be realised in combination with translucent thermal insulation inserts, which are positioned in the inner space of the double-glazed profiled glass. In this way sustainably cost-effective energy concepts can be realised in harmony with the individual architecture.

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August Faller KG, Waldkirch (D)  
Architect: pfeifer roser kuhn  
Architects, Freiburg (D)  
Photographer: Ruedi Faller, Basle (CH)



## Versatile and multifunctional: Pilkington Profilit™ in object architecture

### Variation through type diversity

To allow facade design that is as individual and diverse as possible, Pilkington Bauglasindustrie offers its modular system with numerous product variations.

Different profile widths between 232 mm and 498 mm, flange heights of 41 mm and 60 mm and two glass thicknesses (6 mm and 7 mm) allow different façade surface structures with vertical, horizontal and also diagonal arrangement of the profiled glass sections.

Visual variation options are possible in addition to the standard appearance thanks to integrated wire inserts as well as a clear (without ornament 504) Pilkington Profilit™ version.

The translucent characteristic of the profiled glass is measured by the constantly high light transmission, which in case of single-glazed installation averages 86%, and with double-glazed installed profiles is around 75%.

### Determination of the installation lengths

An important planning criterion when using Pilkington Profilit™ is often the permissible installation length. It is dependent both on the type of installation (e.g. single- or double-glazed) and the glass type as well as the design wind load of the glazing, calculated for the location and the installation position. Taking these parameters into consideration, in individual cases installation lengths of 6 m are possible - fundamentally, because of the greater mechanical strength, greater installation lengths are achieved with the thermally toughened version Pilkington Profilit™ T than with the standard annealed types.

### Installation components and special solutions

In addition to horizontal and vertical standard glazing, the Pilkington Profilit™ modular system also encompasses the installation of transparent window elements and ventilation shutters as well as roof glazing in the form of vertical shed glazing.

Architects all around the world have proven that beyond this numerous individual solutions are possible with profiled glass. So if a special solution is desired that goes beyond the system spectrum offered, the application engineers at Pilkington Bauglasindustrie are always at the planner's side with help and advice.



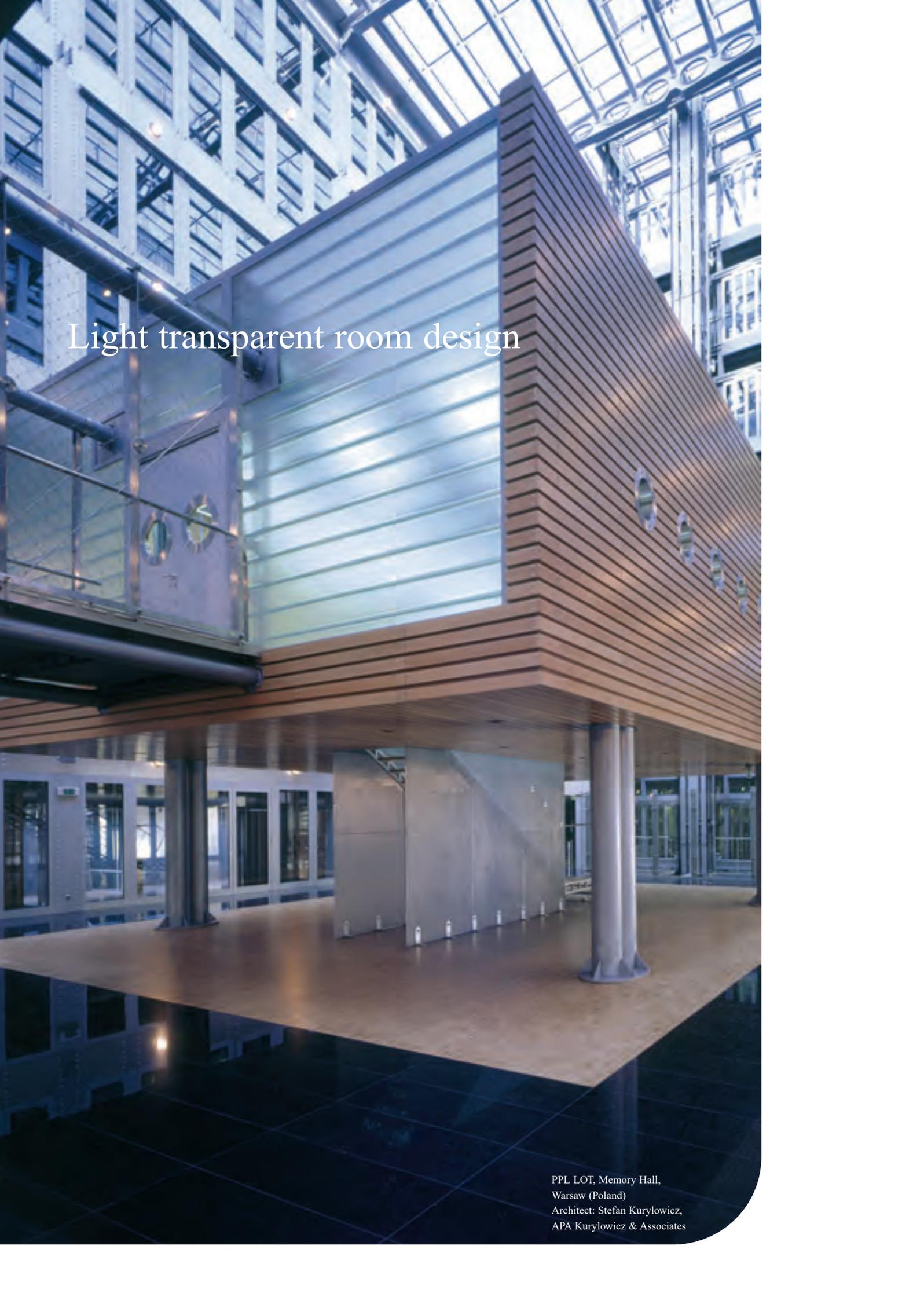
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Specialist Retailer  
Brüttisellerkreuz  
(Parking garage), Dietlikon (CH)  
Architect:  
Andrea A. Cambetti, Zürich

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OIP Interieur, Berkel en Rodenrijs (NL)  
Architect: OIP Interieur Architect  
Photographer: Awé Krijger Fotografie v.o.f., Schiedam (NL)



The image shows a multi-level interior space. The upper level features a large, light-transparent room with a wooden slat facade and a glass wall. The lower level is a dark, polished floor with a grid pattern, supported by several cylindrical columns. The overall design is modern and minimalist, with a focus on light and transparency.

## Light transparent room design

PPL LOT, Memory Hall,  
Warsaw (Poland)  
Architect: Stefan Kurylowicz,  
APA Kurylowicz & Associates



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North Hertfortshire College  
Architect: Dyer  
Photographer: David Barbour



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A-S House, Posillipo (Naples)  
Architect: Gianni Ranaulo,  
Light Architecture

## Innovative and creative: Pilkington **Profilit**™ in interior design

### Design and directed lighting

Whether as an “internal quotation” of a facade design with profiled glass or as a stand-alone design element - the use of Pilkington **Profilit**™ in interior design is possible in many ways.

As in the facade, the combination of aesthetics and function is also a major motivation for the use of Pilkington **Profilit**™ in interior design.

Internal partitions, light bands or backlit elements made of profiled glass fulfil their task of lighting and directing light, and thanks to their material represent an attractive design accent.

Used as flexible and translucent partitions, in addition to getting natural daylight, with Pilkington **Profilit**™ a discreet effect can be achieved.

### Coloured and structural variants

Through various gradations of the glass profiles in width, pattern and colour, additional design variants are possible.

Pilkington **Profilit**™ Amethyst and Pilkington **Profilit**™ clear (without ornament 504) are available with and without wire inserts as well, the product line Pilkington **Profilit**™ T Color - thermally toughened and coloured enamelled profiled glass in a wide range of RAL shades - adds striking colour accentuations to the range.

Thanks to the thermal toughening of the profiled glass, the product variants Pilkington **Profilit**™ T and Pilkington **Profilit**™ T Color can also be used where greater safety properties are required. Country-specific guidelines and building regulations, however, must be adhered to e.g. in the case of interior glazing in traffic areas.



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Van Ekeris (Furniture store),  
Veenendaal (NL)  
Architect: A12 Architects

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OIP Interieur,  
Berkel en Rodenrijs (NL)  
Architect: OIP Interieur Architect  
Photographer: Awé Krijger  
Fotografie v.o.f., Schiedam (NL)



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Offices, Helsinki

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