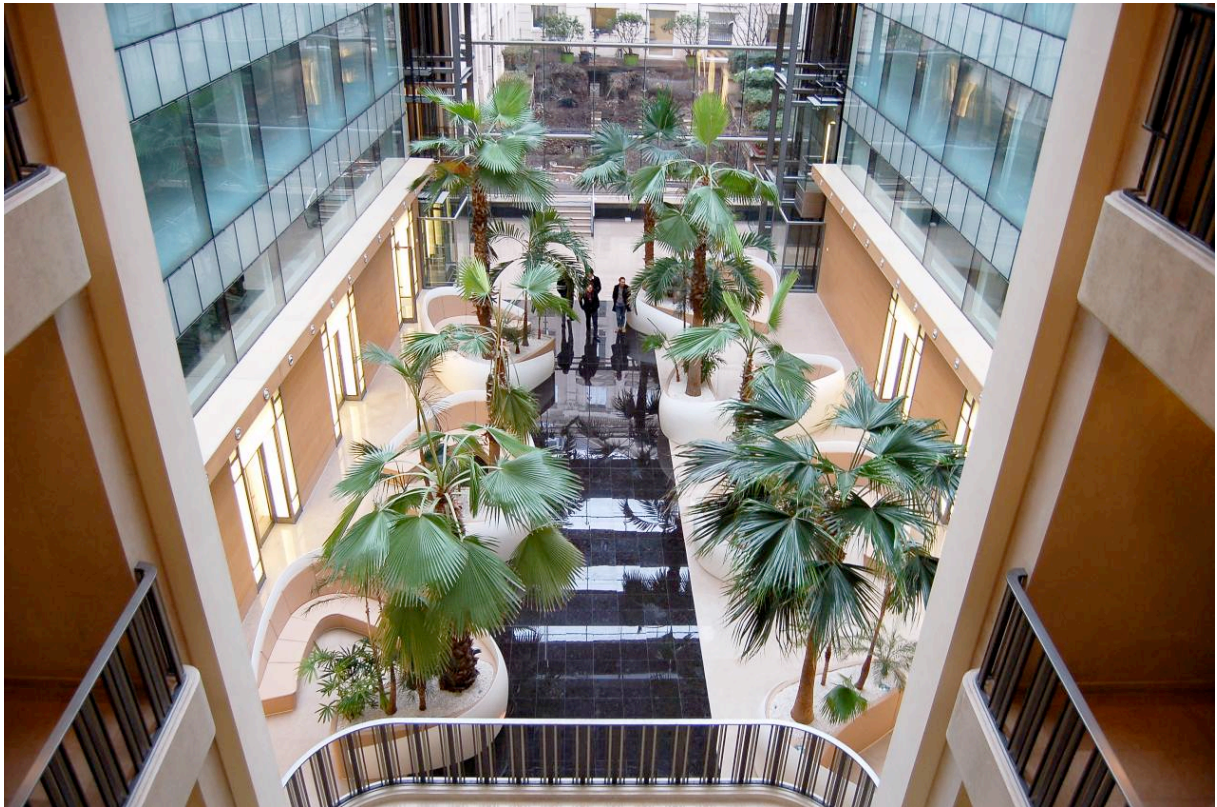


**HI-MACS®, a high quality material
for the refurbishment of the Reuters headquarters
in Paris**



Situated in Paris, in a splendid Haussmann building, the Reuters headquarters has undergone full refurbishment of its lobby, reception, board room, cafeteria, restaurant and central indoor garden, which was carried out by the French studio 16k architectes.

Specialising in the outfitting, refurbishing and conversion of office spaces, head offices and company restaurants, this group of architects aimed here at creating high-performance communal areas, with the use of long-lasting, hard-wearing materials, particularly resistant to fire, but also innovative, in terms of their pliability and styling.

A must-have for architects and interior designers, HI-MACS® was once again the choice material for the implementation of this prestigious Parisian project. This material in fact boasts a host of qualities, both aesthetic and technical and it was therefore used here to create the reception desk and the pods making up the waiting area.

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A high quality material



One of the main requirements for this project was the use of durable material which was especially fire resistant, in order to comply with the applicable safety regulations. HI-MACS® and its M1 classification – non flammable – complied with this requirement perfectly.

The architects were also taken with its thermoformability and therefore its ability to create the most original shapes. The pods feature voluptuous and soft shapes, all rounded, giving the waiting area a sense of conviviality.

Indeed, HI-MACS® is ideal for a lobby or waiting room where one is forced to pass the time, since it is a warm and silky smooth material, which is extremely pleasant to touch and hence highly appealing.

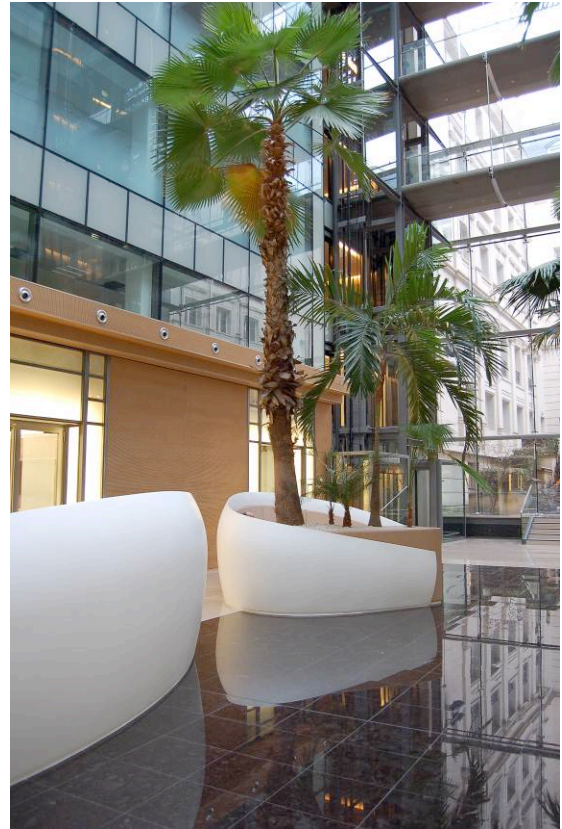
The architects picked the colour white offered by HI-MACS®, due to its light refraction quality, which makes the venue much brighter.

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1930s style for interiors filled with personality

These many qualities make this Solid Surface the ideal material for outfitting the sophisticated settings of this Haussmann building, specifically the reception lobby and transit zones. Featuring an Oriental and exotic style with 1930s inspiration, the vegetation is imposing here, with a large number of palm trees which form a single whole with the pods made of HI-MACS®. This makes for a genuine landscape effect which opens up new perspectives and new movements in space.



PROJECT INFORMATION

Project: Reuters HQ – Paris (France)

Architects: 16k architectes, France

Fabrication: Stone Steel & Wood (2SW)

Photographer: 2SW

Material: HI-MACS®

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WHAT IS HI-MACS[®] ?

A new generation acrylic stone, **HI-MACS[®]** is a material that is designed and produced by **LG HAUSYS**, a world leader in the technology sector, and distributed by **LG HAUSYS EUROPE**, based in Geneva (Switzerland).

Due to its thermoformable properties, its wide range of colours, its translucency and the invisible joins, HI-MACS[®] is able to provide an infinite number of designs and exclusive finishings. Moreover, this material can be worked as easily as wood as it is easy to handle and to cut.

As regards hygiene, HI-MACS[®] does not absorb humidity and is highly resistant to stains. Its smooth and non-porous surface means that it is not penetrated by liquids. Completely sterile, this material is easy to clean and to repair: small scratches can be removed simply by using a sponge or a soft cloth.

Unlike other similar materials on the market, HI-MACS[®] is the only Solid Surface to enjoy official **European Technical Approval (ETA) for façades** – for Alpine White S728 colour – which was awarded by the European Organisation for Technical Approvals (EOTA).

During the manufacturing process, HI-MACS[®] is heated to very high temperatures by means of an advanced firing heat treatment. This procedure makes HI-MACS[®] different from other types of acrylic stone, giving it better uniformity and making it more resistant to shocks and UV rays.

Acrylic stone provides infinite possibilities for personalised designs and inspires professionals from all over the world. **Zaha Hadid, Jean Nouvel, Rafael Moneo, Karim Rashid** and **David Chipperfield**, among others, have completed fabulous projects using HI-MACS[®], from kitchens to bathrooms, including decorative items, in hotels as well as in museums, shopping centres and on external façades.

HI-MACS[®] is available in around 100 different colours in various ranges; **Solids, Granite, Sand, Pearl & Quartz, Volcanics, Lucent, Eden, Galaxy** and **Marmo**, in different thicknesses of 3, 6, 9 and 12 mm, depending on the shade. HI-MACS[®] holds a number of international certifications with regard to the environment, hygiene and fire resistance, such as **ISO 9001** and **14001**, **Greenguard, NSF, LGA** and **IMO MED** certification (Modules B and D), among others.

HI-MACS[®] stands out for its excellent quality service, guaranteed by its **Quality Club** programme, consisting of a network of expert manufacturers and approved distributors across Europe. HI-MACS[®] offers the longest guarantee service on the market: 15 years.

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