

Kaba opens the doors to the Stade de Suisse

While footballers fight for the ball on the field of the Stade de Suisse Wankdorf in the evening, the shopping center in the lower section of the stadium has already calmed down after a busy day. The newly opened football arena in Berne relies on safe Kaba access systems.



In late July 2005, the Stade de Suisse Wankdorf was opened as the largest Swiss sports stadium. The multifunctional structure offers a wide-ranging usage concept for all kinds of sports and mass-spectator events. The lower section of the stadium accommodates over 30 specialty shops as well as offices and schools.

After the approval of the new Wankdorf in a referendum, Marazzi Generalunternehmung AG was commissioned with the project planning work. The responsibility for construction was entrusted to the architectural teams Luscher Architectes SA, Lausanne, Schwaar und Partner AG, Berne, and Rebmann, Zurich. After four years of construction, the Stade de Suisse was festively inaugurated.

While players on the field spare no effort to prevent access to their goals, the turnstiles developed by Kaba let the football fans swiftly enter the stadium. Sliding doors merge gracefully with the glass façade and provide barrier-free passage in all parts of the building complex.

Sport connects people – Kaba provides spectators with access to their passion, football. □

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For those who still remember the old Wankdorf stadium, internationally famous for the legendary World Cup final between Hungary and Germany in 1954, the stage of the erstwhile “miracle of Berne” will soon be a mere memory.

It has given way to a unique new football arena with 32,000 covered seats. In 2008, the Stade de Suisse will be one of the venues of the UEFA European Football Championships.

Multiple utilization, one single partner: Kaba turnstiles provide controlled access to the Stade de Suisse while sliding doors assure barrier-free passage inside the building complex.

Kaba abre las puertas al Stade de Suisse | El estadio Wankdorf, conocido internacionalmente gracias a la legendaria final del Mundial de Fútbol entre Hungría y Alemania en el año 1954, se ha convertido, tras cuatro años de reconstrucción, en el mayor estadio deportivo de Suiza. El Stade de Suisse Wankdorf ofrece múltiples posibilidades de uso para grandes acontecimientos deportivos o de otro tipo (32.000 asientos cubiertos). En los locales de alquiler se han instalado más de 30 tiendas, además de oficinas y escuelas. Las puertas corredizas de Kaba garantizan el paso sin obstáculos, mientras que los torniquetes permiten un acceso rápido de los aficionados al interior del estadio.