

Annex 1: The fourth written report on the construction of the permanent building

EU Regulation 2018/1718, which amends the regulation establishing the European Medicines Agency (EMA) as regards the location of its seat, requires the quarterly submission of written reports on the progress of alterations to the temporary premises and the construction of the permanent building. This is the fourth such report.

Progress of the EMA building's construction

Work on the new premises is progressing steadily. The building is wind- and watertight everywhere except where construction hoists are still set up against the building's façade.

The first lifts inside the building are now in service. The 60-metre-tall living wall and the roof garden are nearly complete.

All floors are in the final stages of completion. Workspaces and meeting rooms on the lowest office floors are already furnished.

The conference centre is also gradually taking shape. Rows of fixed conference tables have been installed. The installation of all audiovisual equipment (screens, microphones, etc.) has also begun.

Other building services are also nearing completion, and initial system tests have begun. The building already has electricity, air conditioning and heating, supplied using the permanent generation technologies, and technical rooms have been made available to EMA to get their network up and running on time.

EMA is closely involved in the completion of the building. In this spirit, an EMA delegation visited a floor where a model work space has been set up.

Work on the grounds, including the main entrance and the transport yard, and on the logistics centre is under way. The municipality of Amsterdam is also busy landscaping the public space around the building.

Progress and timetable

The construction of the permanent premises is on schedule. The building is planned to be fully functional by 15 November.

In the weeks after 15th of November, EMA and the Dutch authorities will get the building fully ready for use and move EMA in. In line with the schedule, starting on 6 January 2020, EMA will begin phasing in staff to work in the new building.

More information

For more information and for pictures of the EMA's new premises in the Netherlands, please visit www.relocatema.nl or <https://english.relocatema.nl/>. On the website you'll also find factsheets on EMA's relocation to the Netherlands, the new building, the temporary location and support for EMA staff. The next report is due to appear on 15 November.