Aizenay General and Technological High School

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New Construction

Primary energy need :
24.6  kWhep/m².an
(Calculation method : RT 2012)

ENERGY CONSUMPTION

| Building Type | School, college, university |
| Construction Year | 2022 |
| Delivery year | 2022 |
| Address 1 - street | 8 rue Albert Camus 85190 AIZENAY, France |
| Climate zone | [Cfb] Marine Mild Winter, warm summer, no dry season |

| Net Floor Area | 8 867 m² Autre type de surface nette |
| Construction/refurbishment cost | 20 232 621 € |
| Number of Pupil | 620 Pupil |
| Cost/m² | 2329.07 €/m² |

Certifications :

General information

For its general and technological high school in Aizenay in Vendée, the Pays de la Loire Region has chosen to build an unprecedented low-carbon structure.

Biosourced materials, architectural sobriety, respect for biodiversity, promotion and creation of short circuits... So many assets that reflect a real strong social, economic and environmental commitment of an entire construction industry in Pays de la Loire.

The target values of the various "low carbon" labels have been achieved: level 3 of the biosourced building label, E3C2 label and NF HQE Sustainable Building certification at the "Excellent" level for the design phase.

The establishment, with a capacity of 620 students with the possibility of extending to 830 students, has a day school for general and technological education, an administration, school life premises, a catering service for 840 rations, a gymnasium and 5 staff accommodation.
Architectural sobriety

- Simple architectural forms
- 100% wood frame resting on a concrete base
- Large interior street serving three levels
- Large interior street heated and ventilated naturally, dressed in wood
- Zinc cladding with standing seam to the South and West and wood cladding to the East and North
- 200-seat multipurpose room that can operate independently of the high school
- Collective kitchen for 840 rations/day and dining room open to the landscape thanks to a terrace
- Technical sobriety, DF ventilation (attic rooms, wood/gas boiler room, LED lighting without dimming)

Short circuits/biosourced materials

- 12,000 bales of straw for insulation obtained with the help of the Collectif Paille Armoricain, 9 Vendée farmers via the company Profibres (85).
- 90 kg of biosourced materials per m² (instead of 38 kg/m² to reach level 3 of the biosourced building label).
- Hemp-based interior wall insulation manufactured by the Vendée agricultural cooperative La CAVAC (Biofib).
- Algo paint produced in Brittany from 100% natural algae.
- Low-carbon concrete from Vendée, Hoffmann Green Cement Technologies, for the wall in the duty room.
- Prefabricated wooden structure by the Vendée company LCA with machined wood at Piveteau Bois (85).

Biodiversity/outdoor spaces

- Pond of the three mills valued in an educational and ecological interest.
- Planting of 60 trees, 350 shrubs, perennial beds, natural meadows.
- Bocage hedges created or recreated with rustic and local species.
- Landscaped retention basin for rainwater planned on the West side.
- League for the Protection of Birds associated with the project: Nesting boxes, nests and lodgings installed for the preservation of small fauna and different species of birds.
- Establishment of differentiated management to provide a refuge for local wildlife.

If you had to do it again?

Further reflection would be carried out on re-use materials and recycling.
Natural light in the interior street would also be better studied.

See more details about this project


BIM approach

The Pays de la Loire Region is currently in charge of a heritage of more than 2 million square meters, consisting mainly of high schools and administrative buildings. To help it in the management of its assets and to promote the use of these new methods, the Region asked for the construction project of the new high school of Aizenay the realization of a “CWF (completed works file) BIM”, articulated around a dematerialized Executed Works File and digital models of each building. Some data expected by the Region, such as details on the materials used or data specific to the Direction du Patrimoine Immobilière de la Région for its internal management of the estate, have also been integrated into the objects of the digital models. For the large technical equipment of the project, more complete and structured information was expected to link with their maintenance management software.

During the design studies, each design office produced a model of the trades under its responsibility (architecture, structure, HVAC and plumbing, electricity and kitchen). On site, in line with the basic missions of the market, the companies of the structural lots (the structural work and the wooden frame) as well as the technical lots (HVAC and plumbing, electricity and kitchen) took over the modeling and the information of the data expected. For the secondary lots, the architect kept control of the creation of the digital model.

All of this work enabled us to provide the contracting authority with a model of each tradesman as well as a model compiled of the whole for each building, in accordance with its expectations and “as built”. Finally, the large technical equipment as well as their characteristics present in the digital models will make it possible to link the data with their internal asset management solutions and thus have the continuous updating of this one.

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Stakeholders

Contractor

Name : Région des Pays de la Loire
Contact : Pascal Dublaneau
Construction Manager

Name: CRR Architecture
Contact: Jihen Jallouli
https://crr-architecture.com

Stakeholders

Function: Other consultancy agency
EGIS
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structure, fluids, economy, external works consultancy agency

Function: Assistance to the Contracting Authority
Collectif Paille Armoricain
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Construction manager assistant - straw

Function: Assistance to the Contracting Authority
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Construction manager assistant - environment

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Jihen Jallouli
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Function: Designer
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Vincent Hervieu
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BIM management, architecture, landscape

Function: Structures calculist
Salto Ingénierie
Kevin Marpeau
http://www.salto-ingenierie.com
Acoustic

Type of market

Global performance contract

Energy

Energy consumption

Primary energy need: 24.60 kWhpe/m².an
Calculation method: RT 2012
Breakdown for energy consumption:
- Heating: 2.5
Real final energy consumption

Final Energy: 139.20 kWh/m².an

Envelope performance

More information:
Exterior walls (R=8.5 m² K/W): cladding + rain barrier + Farmacell + MOB straw + Biofib insulation + BA13
Low floors (R=3.8 m² K/W): BA + PS slab
Roof (R=6.5 m² K/W): steel sheet + rock wool.
Windows (Uw = 1.4 W/K m²): wood/aluminium

Building Compactness Coefficient: 0.80
Indicator: EN 13829 - q50 = (en m³/h.m³)
Air Tightness Value: 1.00

More information

The re-entry of the occupants took place in September 2022, we do not yet have information on actual consumption and performance.

Renewables & systems

Systems

Heating system:
- Individual gas boiler
- Water radiator
- Wood boiler

Hot water system:
- Individual gas boiler
- Wood boiler

Cooling system:
- No cooling system

Ventilation system:
- Single flow
- Double flow heat exchanger

Renewable systems:
- Wood boiler

Renewable energy production: 7.00%

Other information on HVAC:
The heating and the HDW function by a boiler wood + gas.

Smart Building

BMS:
A BMS is set up for the management of technical equipment.

Environment

Biodiversity approach

The design teams worked on the landscaped areas to reduce the visual impact of the volumes built and give great consideration to biodiversity. The pond of the three mills, already present on the site to the north of the plot, has been enhanced in an educational and ecological interest.
- Plantation of 60 trees, 350 shrubs, perennial beds, natural meadows
- Bocage hedges created or recreated with rustic and local species
- Landscaped retention basin for rainwater planned on the West side
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**Mitigation actions on soil and biodiversity :**
- Preservation of the pond
- Replanting of a bocage hedge to replace the destroyed one
- Permeable exterior covering (walkways, student playground)
- Installation of nesting boxes and shelters for insects

**Risks**

**Hazards to which the building is exposed :**
- Wind / Cyclone
- Heatwave

**Risks measures put in place :**
- Strong insulation with biosourced materials (straw + hemp) known for their thermal phase shift.
- Loggia effect to protect exterior joinery.
- Students' courtyard protected from the prevailing westerly winds.
- Natural ventilation by the interior street.
- Free cooling possible by air handling units

**Urban environment**

The site is located in the northwest of the territory of the municipality of Aizenay at a place called "Les Trois Moulins". The Nantes road defines the eastern limit of the land, on an area at the head of the slope, slope descending to the west, towards the D978, concretizing the western limit of the land, at the foot of the slope. It is therefore bounded from east to west by the departmental roads D978 and D2978. It is bordered on the southern limit by an Medical-educational institute project and a service road to a dwelling.

Carried out by different actors, the Pays de la Loire region, the community of Aizenay, the high school and its gymnasium will eventually allow the implementation of a new service along the RD978, a new bus platform, a public car park with more than a hundred spaces and the creation of a set of 6 houses (future staff accommodation for the high school).

Bike room in continuity with the bike paths created by the City.

**Land plot area :** 37 724,00 m²
**Built-up area :** 46,00 %
**Green space :** 10 900,00

**Products**

**Product**

Straw insulation thanks to the Armorican straw collective via Profibres

Profibres

[https://www.profibres.fr](https://www.profibres.fr)
**Product category :** Second œuvre / Cloisons, isolation
**R =** 6,91 m²K/W

Hemp produced by the Vendée agricultural cooperative La CAVAC

La CAVAC

[https://www.coop-cavac.fr](https://www.coop-cavac.fr)
**Product category :** Second œuvre / Cloisons, isolation
**R =** 1,154 m²K/W

Algo Paint produced in Brittany from 100% natural algae.

Peinture Algo

[https://www.peinture-algo.fr](https://www.peinture-algo.fr)
Product category: Second œuvre / Peinture, revêtements muraux

Low-carbon concrete from Vendée Hoffmann Green Cement Technologies
Ciments Hoffmann
https://www.ciments-hoffmann.com

Product category: Gros œuvre / Structure, maçonnerie, façade

Nesting boxes, nests and lodgings installed for the preservation of small fauna
Valliance
valliance[a]outlook.fr

Costs

Construction and exploitation costs

Total cost of the building : 20 232 621 €

Energy bill

Forecasted energy bill/year : 100 000,00 €
Real energy cost/m² : 11.51
Real energy cost/Pupil : 161.29

Circular Economy

Social economy
Social economy and professional integration :
The installation of the straw bales in the walls was carried out by the integration company Batinsert from Treize Septiers (85).

Additional information (PDF documents)

Health and comfort

Water management
Consumption from water network : 1 000,00 m³
Consumption of harvested rainwater : 860,00 m³
Water Self Sufficiency Index : 0.46
Water Consumption/m² : 0.12
Water Consumption/Pupil : 1.61
A 30m³ tank set up to supply the common toilets for the students.

Indoor Air quality
All products put have an A+ label.

Comfort

Visual comfort :
An ALJ study was performed.

Quality of life and services

The interior street was designed to encourage meeting and exchange.

Carbon

General infos

As much as possible, the contracting authority and the prime contractor have favored biosourced materials and the territorial ecosystem, thus taking advantage of the multiple benefits for the environment, the economy and the revitalization of the territories. Straw, in particular, the flagship material for this project, was obtained with the help of the Collectif Paille Armoricain (35), nine Vendée farmers and the Profibres company for storage and packaging (85).

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- The hemp-based insulation produced by the Vendée Biofib
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Ic Energy

Ic Energy : 45.10 KgCO₂ /m²

Ic Construction

Ic Construction : 1 000.00 KgCO₂ /m²

Initiatives promoting low-carbon mobility

Creation of a bicycle and scooter room.

GHG emissions

GHG in use : 4.30 KgCO₂/m²/ann
Methodology used : Excel calculation carried out by the project management.
Building lifetime : 50.00 année(s)

Life Cycle Analysis

Regulatory calculation E+C- (labelling)

Material impact on GHG emissions :
Eges = 900 kg eq CO2/m2 SDP

Contest

Reasons for participating in the competition(s)

The Aizenay high school is the result of a demanding approach to environmental performance. As much as possible, the contracting authority and the prime contractor have favored biosourced materials and the territorial ecosystem, thus taking advantage of the multiple benefits for the environment, the economy and the revitalization of the territories.

This establishment is one of the most important buildings in Europe using this wood/straw construction process. It is also distinguished by its architectural sobriety as well as by its outdoor spaces valued in an educational and ecological interest.

Our candidacy aims to promote sustainable, concrete, reproducible solutions and more generally the commitment of an entire territory in favor of carbon neutrality.