



ask-re unites KLM Royal Dutch Airlines and Air France

ASK-RE SERVICE DELIVERED

ask-re Smartspace completed the fit-out of the combined head offices at Plesman House, near Heathrow. The fit-out of the 18,000 sq ft building, formerly part occupied by Alitalia, was completed in two, seven week phases. Smartspace was involved in all aspects of the scheme from the detailed design stage to completion. Services included:

- Detailed design and specification preparation
- Budgetary advice
- Furniture audit
- Procurement advice
- Production of tender documentation and tender action
- Planning supervision
- Contract administration
- Valuations and negotiation of final account

Reflecting the success of the project, the refurbished Plesman House was officially jointly opened by the French and Dutch ambassadors.

ISSUE/SOLUTION/BENEFITS

Following the merger of Air France and KLM, ask-re Smartspace was commissioned to implement a full scale fit-out to consolidate the UK and Ireland head offices of both companies and consequently achieve economies, as well as further developing their partnership by residing under one roof.

The project had to be delivered within budgetary constraints and a key requirement was to

sequence the work, allowing KLM to remain in the building and operate at full capacity throughout the duration of the work. The client was keen to re-use its existing furniture and the space plan was developed to enable this to be integrated into the new layout to best effect.

CLIENT TESTIMONIAL

"This was a very important project for the integration of the UK commercial operations of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines and Air France, and ask-re Smartspace fulfilled a crucial role in its success. The project was completed on time and to budget and in a manner that enabled the operational use of the building to continue unhindered during the course of the works. The ask-re Smartspace team achieved detailed understanding of our requirements and delivered a very effective solution."

Kees van Schaick – Financial Controller, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines

ASK-RE SMARTSPACE SERVICE

ask-re has launched a new business-line branded ask-re Smartspace which specialises in office fit-out work. ask-re's expertise in commercial property enables ask-re Smartspace to design, procure and deliver solutions that are tailored to the occupier's particular requirements.

The dedicated team of project managers, designers and building surveyors are supported by the broader commercial property expertise of ask-re to ensure that its clients receive the best property advice coupled with innovative cost effective and efficient solutions.

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ask-re is one of the UK's leading property consultancies. For more than 15 years we have provided business-driven real estate consultancy and service delivery to a range of clients throughout the UK providing national reach, transferable skills and local delivery.

Our unique approach combines strategic property and business knowledge, all designed to add value or reduce the cost of commercial property occupation and ownership. As such, our client facing team is made up of a blend of property and business specialists all focused on delivering excellence through creative and effective advice, underpinned by the utmost integrity and the strongest professional relationships.

CRES

Corporate real estate services (cres) is a special skill set for corporate occupiers of commercial properties. We match our skill sets to occupier issues and needs, producing bespoke solutions driven purely by individual needs and limited only by what the property tenure and market conditions allow us to achieve.

Our skills are particularly valuable and relevant during periods of change whether downsizing or growing, whether disposing or acquiring, whether refinancing or releasing embedded assets. In addition to these more generalised scenarios, we offer specialist advice in matters such as capital allowances, lease restructuring and corporate finance either directly or with partners.

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