

## Artelia acquires heritage building experts, Austin Newport

**Global project management, engineering and consultancy business, Artelia, has expanded into Birmingham.**

**Artelia has bought quantity surveying practice Austin Newport Group, which specialises in the recovery of damaged historic buildings.**

Austin Newport has worked on more than 1,000 complex heritage building projects in the last 30 years, ranging in value from £250,000 to £20 million. It was recently appointed to work on extensive projects at St. Bart's Hospital, Blenheim Palace and the Houses of Parliament.

The transaction brings more technically skilled people into Artelia and broadens its existing capability in the areas of project, programme, cost and asset management.

Mark Day, Managing Director, Artelia UK, said: *"Austin Newport Group is a hugely respected and well-established business within what is a highly complex and specialised field. The company has developed a strong client portfolio, built largely on its reputation for service excellence and the experience, knowledge and capability of its people. This acquisition will enable Artelia UK to integrate a full range of professional services in the historic sector, with a Birmingham office giving us access to untapped markets in the Midlands and the North."*

Gary Newport, founder and Managing Director, Austin Newport Group, said: *"We are very pleased to have concluded a deal with Artelia Group. To be part of a much larger international business is an exciting opportunity, with a shared culture and ethos that offers enhanced career opportunities to our people. Artelia is a recognised global brand that will enhance our credibility and depth, and provide an improved service offering to our clients. A London base will ensure that we are in close proximity to major loss adjusters, insurers and other important clients and provides a stronger platform from which to grow."*

Artelia has been involved in UK and international projects that have re-imagined many of the world's major cities and regions. The company, headquartered in Paris, is 100% owned by its employees and operates in over 30 countries worldwide. It recorded a turnover of €632<sup>1</sup> million in 2018. Artelia UK is based at High Holborn House in London and employs 105 staff.

Originally formed as a chartered quantity surveying practice by John Austin and Gary Newport in 1986, Austin Newport Group has since grown to deliver large-scale restoration, refurbishment and development projects at some of the UK's most famous buildings, including, the Tower of London and Hampton Court Palace. The Birmingham-based firm is comprised of three core divisions, offering chartered quantity surveying, management contracting and insurance recovery services and employs 25 staff.

<sup>1</sup> Artelia acquired Danish engineering consultancy, MOE, in December 2019. €632m is the combined turnover of Artelia and MOE in 2018.

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## **About Artelia Group**

*Artelia is an international multidisciplinary consultancy, engineering and project management group specialising in the sectors of building construction, infrastructure, water, industry and the environment. With 5,900 employees and a turnover of €632m in 2018 (Artelia and MOE combined turnover), Artelia is one of France's leading groups in the sector. Internationally, the group has offices in more than 30 countries in Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and the Americas. Artelia is 100% owned by its managers and employees. In the UK, Artelia specialises in project, programme, cost and asset management, working across both the public and private sectors. It has a long track record in the heritage, arts and museums sector working with clients that include Canterbury Cathedral, V&A and the National Museum of the Royal Navy.*

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