INAUGURATION OF THE NEW HEADQUARTERS
OF THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT

IN MORE DETAIL:

International Council of Arbitration for Sport (ICAS)
The International Council of Arbitration for Sport (ICAS) is a Swiss foundation created in 1994 composed of twenty international judges, professors or lawyers active in the judiciary, international arbitration and/or sports administration. As the governing body of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), ICAS manages the administration and finances of the CAS.

Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS)
The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) is an independent institution that resolves legal disputes in the field of sport through arbitration and mediation. The CAS was created in 1984 and its jurisdiction is recognized by all Olympic sports federations and many non-Olympic federations. The CAS registers around 900 cases each year.

Any disputes directly or indirectly linked to sport may be submitted to the CAS. These may be disputes of a commercial nature (e.g. a sponsorship contract), or of a disciplinary nature following a decision by a sports organisation (e.g. a doping case). The CAS has its headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland. Additionally, the CAS operates ad hoc tribunals at the Olympic Games, the Asian Games, the Commonwealth Games and other similar world sporting events.

Beaulieu
Situated in the heart of Lausanne, the Beaulieu site is well known, within and beyond the local area, for its large exhibition and event spaces, as well as for its theatre and restaurant (currently undergoing renovation), and the recently created urban sports park. The purchase by ICAS of the south wing of the Palais de Beaulieu was a significant contribution to this important regeneration project that looks to ensure the continuity and viability of the site for future generations.

The CAS Headquarters
In undertaking this ambitious project, ICAS has provided a permanent home for the CAS. Until now, CAS has always been a tenant, but it now boasts its own state of the art facilities that will enable it to provide enhanced services and recruit additional staff.
Timeline:
- 1984 – Creation of CAS; its offices are located at the Villa Olympique, next to the current Olympic Museum in the South of Lausanne
- 1994 – CAS bases itself at the Villa de Centenaire (rented from the IOC), in the same area, on the other side of the Olympic Museum
- 2005 – CAS headquarters moves to the Château de Béthusy (rented from the City of Lausanne)
- 2019 - ICAS purchases the South Wing of the Palais de Beaulieu (January)
- 2019 - Demolition and preparatory works (April)
- 2019 - Construction work begins (August)
- 2019 - Foundation Stone laid (October)
- 2019 - Temporary office on Avenue de Rhodanie opens to increase capacity until new headquarters ready
- 2022 – Construction completed (February)
- 2022 – Temporary office on Avenue de Rhodanie closed (February)
- 2022 – CAS staff move into the new office at the South Wing of the Palais de Beaulieu (March)
- 2022 – Office at the Château de Béthusy closed (March)
- 2022 – First hearing held at the new headquarters at the Palais de Beaulieu (March)
- 2022 – Official Inauguration (27 June 2022)

In numbers:
Size: 6,000 m² over 5 levels, including a roof terrace, basement car park, storage areas and archives
3 hearing rooms, mediation room, 8 breakout rooms, media room, 92-seat auditorium, cafeteria, offices

Work places: 76 (currently 45 employees)

Cost of construction: CHF 37’176’629 (budget: CHF 42’000’000)

Financing:
- CAS equity: CHF 13’000’000
- Loan, Canton de Vaud: CHF 10’000’000
- Bank loan: CHF 14’176’629

Cost of furniture and equipment: CHF 2’789’017 (budget: CHF 3’891’165)

Grand total: CHF 39’965’646 (budget: CHF 45’891’165)