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## Swissmetal's Architectural Bronze to Decorate the Sydney Opera House

Swissmetal was awarded a contract to equip the internationally renowned, architecturally prominent Opera House of Sydney with architectural bronze. The building, designed over 30 years ago by the Danish architect Jorn Utzorn and distinguished as a world heritage site of the UNESCO, will be undergoing renovations involving the replacement of the aged hand railings, window and doorframe elements. For Swissmetal this means one more architectural project in the Australian economic area.

Swissmetal's experience and knowledge in the area of metallurgy and pressed profiles were decisive for the award of contract. To be able to exactly replicate the existing material surfaces, Swissmetal will use rare copper alloys. This will reproduce the colour of the old components as accurately as possible. With this contract, Swissmetal is affirming its ability to meet individual architectural demands in material and design making it attractive for further projects in the architectural sector.

To get more information about Swissmetal and our experience with architectural bronze visit [www.swissmetal.com/fileadmin/user\\_upload/downloads/Swissmetal\\_Bronze\\_e.pdf](http://www.swissmetal.com/fileadmin/user_upload/downloads/Swissmetal_Bronze_e.pdf).

Swissmetal produces and sells worldwide high-quality special products made of copper and copper alloys which are mainly used in the electronics, telecommunications, air travel, petroleum, automobile, stationery and watch/clock industries and in the architectural sector. In financial year 2007, Swissmetal achieved turnover of CHF 407.0 million. As at end of November 2008, the company had 702 full time-employees. Swissmetal, with its registered office in Dornach (Switzerland) is quoted on the SWX Swiss Exchange as Swissmetal Holding AG.

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Annex

Swissmetal's List of References regarding architectural bronze

## Reference list architectural bronze:

- **2005**  
School Weid, Pfäffikon
- **2004**  
Neuer Wall, Hamburg D
- **2003**  
Royal Palace, Amman JORD  
World Squares, London GB  
Churchill Place RT4, London GB
- **2002**  
Landeszentralbank, Chemnitz D  
National Museum, Vaduz FL  
Domplatz, Magdeburg D
- **2000**  
Old National Gallery, Berlin D  
Swiss Embassy, Berlin D  
Unter den Linden 80, Berlin D  
Swiss Re, Rüslikon CH
- **1999**  
Foreign Office, Berlin D  
Bayerische Vereinsbank, Munich D  
Landeszentralbank, Meiningen D  
Daimler and Debis A1, Berlin D
- **1998**  
Carlton Gardens, London GB  
Unter den Linden 78, Berlin D  
Main Tower II, Francfort D  
HSR Hochschule für Technik,  
Rapperswil CH
- **1997**  
School, Paspels CH  
Dresdner Bank, Berlin D  
New Parliamentary Building, London GB
- **1996**  
Allianz Versicherung, Hamburg D
- **1994**  
Bewag Shellhaus, Berlin D  
Education center UBS, Basel CH  
Stockerhof, Zurich CH
- **1993**  
Friedrichstadtpassagen, Berlin D  
Winterthur Versicherung, Vienna A
- **1992**  
Bank Sarasin, Basel CH  
Picassoplatz, Basel CH  
Bawag-Bank, Bregenz A
- **1991**  
Iduna Versicherungen, Hamburg D  
Bracken House, London GB
- **1990**  
Landeszentralbank, Kiel D
- **1989**  
Banque Hypothécaire du Canton,  
Geneva CH  
Nederland'sche Bank, Amsterdam NL
- **1987**  
Transport Ministry, Bonn