

Press release

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Environmentally friendly entrance

GEZE's automatic doors provided the perfect solution for a new building where environmentally friendly criteria was at the heart of its design.

When CABI needed a new home to replace the old school building they had been in for 33 years and now required a high level of maintenance they turned to international design practice Scott Brownrigg.

The challenge was to design an energy efficient, purpose-built headquarters for the not-for-profit organisation that was in keeping with their values of protecting the environment and enhancing bio-diversity, provided a workplace for up to 180 members of staff and was an impressive local landmark.

The new entrance had to meet this exacting vision.

A GEZE Slimdrive SCR automatic curved sliding door was chosen to provide a light and airy all-glass lobby entrance which blends seamlessly into the facade.

The circular entrance features two sets of automatic bi-parting curved glass sliding doors, creating a lobby that minimises heat loss or gain and so helps to contribute to the building's environmental credentials.

In addition the Slimdrive SCR combines high performance with unobtrusive operation – the drives are just 7cm in height and very discreet.

Situated in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and in keeping with CABI's values the building is topped with a living roof designed to attract insects and birds and enhance bio-diversity.



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GEZE UK national specification manager Richard Richardson-Derry said: 'Creating an environmentally friendly building was essential to CABI and we were delighted to work closely with Scott Brownrigg to play a part in achieving this. The Slimdrive SCR is perfect for providing an entrance that limits temperature variation'.

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Said Ed Hayden from Scott Brownrigg: 'We are extremely proud of the CABI Headquarters, it is an eye catching building yet stays true to the core values of the organisation. GEZE's solution of a lobby entrance fitted perfectly with what we wanted to achieve'.

The CABI headquarters were shortlisted for the ArchDaily Building of the Year 2021 Awards.

Additional information:

For more information about GEZE UK's comprehensive range of automatic and manual door closers call 01543 443000 or visit www.geze.co.uk

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Note to editors:

Founded in Germany in 1863, GEZE is one of the world's leading manufacturers of door and window control systems. Investing millions in research, development and manufacture of innovative solutions, GEZE sets the global standard for advanced door and window technology.

GEZE UK is the official company name and it originates from a German abbreviation, so should always be spelt in capital letters. The background: In 1901 Master locksmith Victor Gretsche joined the company and the business was renamed Gretsche & Co. GmbH. GRETSCHCO was abbreviated to **GE** for the German pronunciation of the letter G and **ZE** for the letter C.

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