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# Pedestrian subway under the freeway by BB Centrum decorated by a mosaic

**The previously dreary pedestrian subway under the freeway by the GAMMA building in Prague’s BB Centrum is now decorated by an original mosaic by Jan Lukeš, created as part of the Shards of Joy (Střepy radosti) project. Around 50,000 hand-cut tile pieces were used for the mosaic with motifs of the undersea and terrestrial worlds, which made this site more colourful and far more cheerful. The actual implementation lasted more than 10 months. PASSERINVEST GROUP, the developer of the multifunctional BB Centrum complex in Prague 4, invested 550 000 crowns in the overall modifications to the pedestrian subway, including the new lighting.**

Pedestrian subways tend to be unsightly and some people are even afraid to walk through them alone. Until recently the pedestrian subway under the freeway in Prague 4 leading to the Kačerov metro station or to Budějovická Street was one of these. Thanks to the mosaic, this space has been transformed into a work of art, which will make the daily trip home or to work more pleasant for everyone who passes through. An underwater world with various types of fish is on one side of the subway, and the terrestrial world with all the beauties of nature on the other side. Both of the seemingly opposite worlds are joined by the colour blue, representing water and air, supported by the element of bubbles. Works by Jan Lukeš, primarily known thanks to the [Free Mozaik](http://freemozaik.com/) project, can be seen more and more frequently on the streets of Prague. The mosaics on Chorvatská Street in Prague 10 or the playground in Heroldovy Sady are worth mentioning.

The reconstruction of the pedestrian subway under the freeway is another of the public-interest activities by PASSERINVEST GROUP, which invested more than 100 million crowns this year (without any subsidies) in the public space of Prague 4. In BB Centrum it built a new pedestrian overpass, it opened an athletic stadium for the public and it created a new public space, Brumlovka Square, with an interesting fountain and water jets, which are surrounded by families with children in the summer months.

Jan Lukeš’ mosaic in the pedestrian subway by the GAMMA Building in BB Centrum



The undersea part of the mosaic in Prague’s BB Centrum

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**About the developer**

**PASSERINVEST GROUP**, a. s., is a purely Czech development and investment company, whose name is primarily connected with the realisation of the multifunctional **BB Centrum** complex in Prague 4 – Michle. The company, established by Radim Passer in 1991, built a very good reputation both on a local and international level with this, the most successful and extensive project of its kind in Central Europe. This is not only to the credit of the quality of the realised projects and the high level of the provided services, but also due to the sense of fair play, an accommodating relationship to the buildings’ tenants/users and responsibility to the society and the environment. **PASSERINVEST GROUP** also has other interesting development projects in its portfolio.