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**Object:** George Best Belfast City Airport, Ireland

**Architect:** BDP

**Product:** norament® 926 strada, 1,600 m<sup>2</sup>

**Application areas:** Departure and retail areas

**Installation:** 2010

**Photos:** © Gordon McAvoy

## George Best Belfast City Airport, Ireland

# Rolling out a new flooring to meet passenger demand

First opened for commercial use in the early 1980s, the airport is one of the main gateways to Belfast and has become a busy hub for domestic and international flights. In 2010, the catering and retail areas were expanded and reorganised as part of modernisation work to meet the demands of increasing passenger numbers. The airport installed nora floorings in line with the re-development's goals of increasing durability and functionality. Over 1,600 square metres of norament® 926 strada was installed in the departure and retail areas. This product is renowned as being highly durable, extremely slip resistant and economic to clean.





## The Hague Airport, Rotterdam, Netherlands

# An appealing design for arrivals

In spring 2016, the new arrivals hall of The Hague Airport in Rotterdam was officially opened. The flooring had to look modern and top-class while blending in with the rest of the airport environment. The floor also had to withstand a high level of passenger traffic – after all, thousands of passengers make their way through the arrivals hall with their luggage every day. The appealing design and high functionality of nora rubber floorings makes them ideally suited to these challenges.



**Object:** The Hague Airport, Rotterdam, Netherlands  
**Architect:** Noorderlicht Architekten, Delft, Netherlands  
**Product:** norament® 926 serra, 1,200 m<sup>2</sup>  
**Application areas:** Arrival hall  
**Installation:** 2016  
**Photos:** © Studio Beeldwerken





## YYC Calgary International Airport, Canada

# Welcome to Canada

In 2015, YYC Calgary International Airport doubled in size. The airport authority wanted to create an environment that provided a sense of comfort for travellers and so it chose premium rubber flooring from nora systems. More than 37,000 square metres of norament 926 grano and noraplan sentica were installed in various parts of the airport terminal and its new connections corridor. The combination of patterns and colours provided both an essential orientation guide and a point of visual interest for travellers. The floor is easy to clean, which keeps it looking good at all times, while its durable surface stands up to millions of travellers each year.



**Object:** YYC Calgary International Airport, Canada  
**Architect:** Dialog Design – Calgary, AB, Canada  
**Product:** norament® 926 grano, noraplan® sentica, 37,000 m<sup>2</sup>  
**Application areas:** Terminal, corridors  
**Installation:** 2015  
**Photos:** © Courtesy of Calgary Airport Authority





## Vienna International Airport, Austria

# Extraordinary architecture and a flooring to match

Vienna Airport's Terminal 3 features high-quality building materials and impressive architecture. The design of the new building focused on openness and transparency, and so the plan was for the terminal flooring to match the stylish ambience. The flooring also had to withstand considerable loads – several thousand passengers pass through the terminal every day. The solution was provided by using rubber flooring from nora systems. The long-term elasticity of this flooring could endure the high footfall and also significantly reduced noise levels compared to hard surfaces. Another argument in favour of this solution is that it is safe in the event of fire. nora floorings do not include PVC or other halogenated polymers.



**Object:** Vienna International Airport, Austria

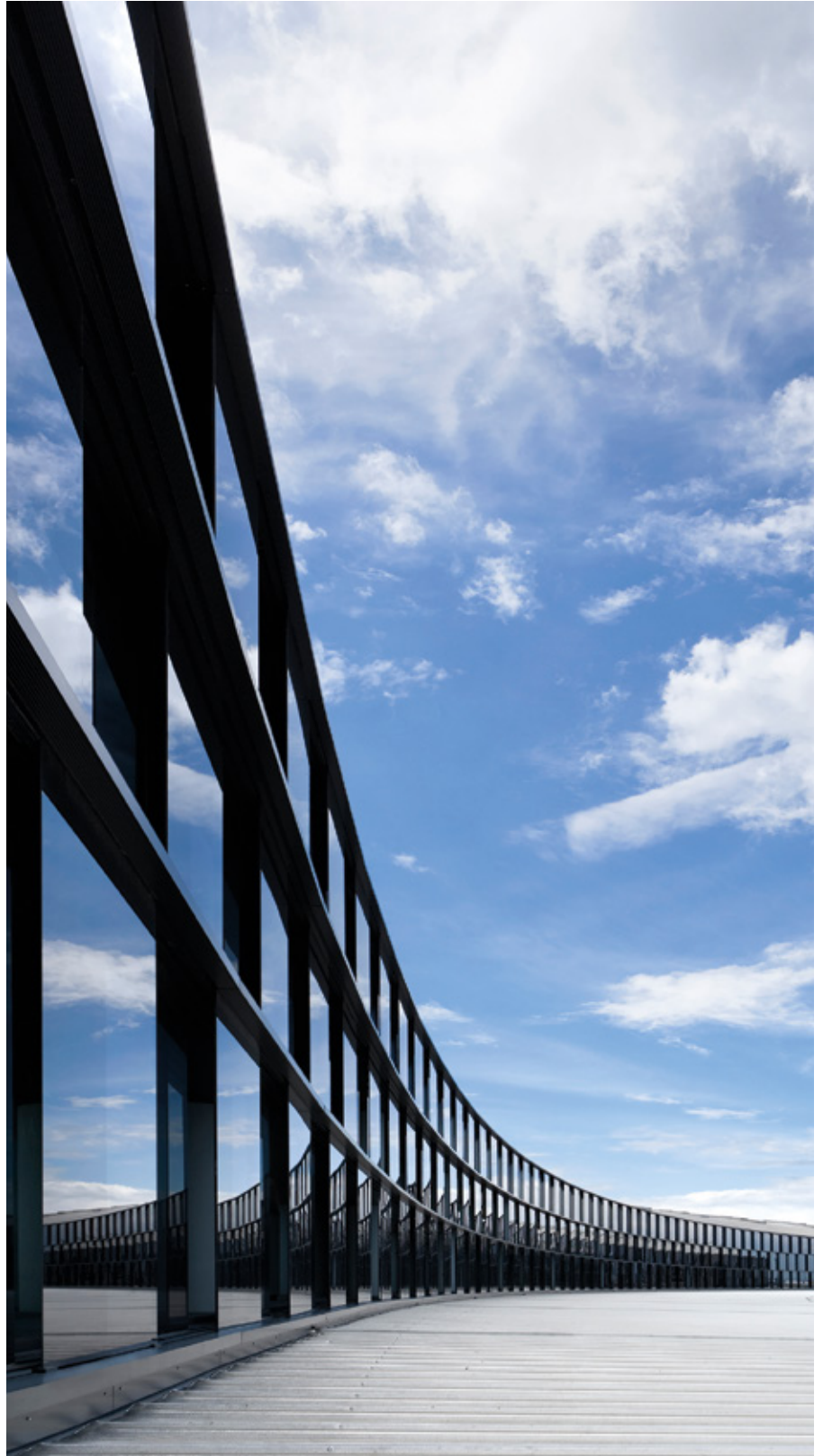
**Architect:** Baumschlager Eberle Architekten, Vienna, Austria  
Moser Architekten, Vienna, Austria

**Product:** norament® 925 und 926 grano, norament® 975 LL,  
norament 926 serra, 60.000 m<sup>2</sup>

**Application areas:** Arrivals area, shopping centre, Terminal 3 check-in area

**Installation:** 2010

**Photos:** © Flughafen Wien AG | Roman Boensch





## Ivalo Airport, Finland

# Bringing the sun indoors and onto the floor

Ivalo Airport is the northernmost airport in Finland and has an annual passenger volume of around 160,000. In 2015, a new terminal building was completed and the old building was renovated. The requirements for the flooring were that it had to be resistant to wear, easy to clean and insulate against noise. The option of using inlay patterns with nora rubber floorings was another big plus as this made it possible to decorate the floor of the departures and arrivals hall with the iconic Nordic midnight sun in a design by architect Seppo Koutaniemi.



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**Object:** Ivalo Airport, Finland  
**Architect:** Arkkitehtitoimisto Seppo Koutaniemi Ky, Kuusamo, Finland  
**Product:** norament® 926 grano, norament® 928 grano ed, 1,920 m<sup>2</sup>  
**Application areas:** Terminal, passenger area  
**Installation:** 2015



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**Object:** Shanghai Pudong International Airport, China  
**Architect:** East China Architectural Design & Research Institute  
**Product:** norament® 926 grano, norament® 926 lago, 200,000 m<sup>2</sup>  
**Application areas:** Satellite terminal, entrance and passenger area  
**Installation:** 2019  
**Photos:** © nora

## Pudong International Airport, China

# Airport construction XL

Shanghai Pudong International Airport is one of two international airports in China's biggest city. In 2019, passenger traffic was around 76 million, making it the second largest airport in China after Beijing. In the same year the airport completed work on the largest, most complex and most independent satellite terminal in the world. This huge project involved installing over 200,000 square metres of norament rubber flooring in a total of eight different colours to match the building and create a vibrant, modern look.





## Kansai International Airport, Japan

# Precision landing for nora

Built in 1994, Kansai International Airport is impressive in two regards: it was the first airport in the world to be constructed on a man-made island and its impressive terminal complex is the work of Italian master architect Renzo Piano. His splendid design curves elegantly alongside the runway to offer a spectacular welcome. Piano had originally planned to use his preferred stone tiles, but this was simply not feasible on an area 40,000 square metres: the weight of the flooring would have been too much for the island to bear. He agreed to compromise and asked for a lighter, more robust floor that looked identical to his original proposal. After around 18 months of constant development, Piano got what he wanted. norament special design 22 was based on norament deco and provided a perfect imitation of the terrazzo flooring that Piano had originally planned. He was satisfied with the result and the Japanese airport had a fantastic Italian look.



**Object:** Kansai International Airport, Japan

**Architect:** Renzo Piano

**Product:** norament® 986 deco, special design 22, 40,000 m<sup>2</sup>

**Application areas:** Passenger area

**Installation:** 1993/94

**Photos:** © nora





### **Xi'an Xianyang International Airport, China**

## **Matching modern architecture and a coordinated colour scheme**

Completed in 2003, Xi'an Xianyang International Airport serves a city of 6.2 million inhabitants. The building features modern airport architecture and nora floorings are an essential part of a consistently implemented grey and blue colour concept. Almost 11,500 square metres of norament® 925 lago, which features a hammerblow surface and distinct grain design, were used to make a real impression. Another 1,000 square metres of single-colour norament® 925 flooring were used to similarly striking effect. norament® design 27 provides powerful partitioning accentuations with its tone-on-tone aesthetic.

**Object:** Xi'an Xianyang International Airport, China

**Architect:** China Northwest Architectural Design & Research Institute

**Product:** norament® 925 lago, norament® 925, norament® design 27, 13,000 m<sup>2</sup>

**Application areas:** Terminal, passenger area

**Installation:** 2003

**Photos:** © nora





**Object:** Nanjing Lukou Airport, China

**Architect:** East China Architectural Design & Research Institute

**Product:** norament® 926 grano, 85,400 m<sup>2</sup>

**Application areas:** Terminal 2

**Installation:** 2014

**Photos:** © nora

### Nanjing Lukou International Airport, China

# Repeat orders for proven properties

Nanjing Lukou International Airport serves Nanjing, the capital of the province of Jiangsu, and is one of the busiest airports in China in terms of passenger traffic. nora floorings have been installed at the airport on three occasions, the most recent being an order of more than 85,000 square metres for Terminal 2 in 2014. nora floorings were chosen because of their slip-resistance and long-term elasticity, which make walking comfortable, and their sound insulation, which reduces the noise of footfall and baggage trolleys.



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