

## ALTRO RESIN FLOORING OFFERS PERFECT SOLUTION FOR NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM EXPANSION

With over 3 million people expected to visit the newly opened Darwin Centre at the Natural History Museum in London, it was crucial that the flooring in the state of the art Cocoon experience was up to scratch and looked impressive.

The high footfall expected year on year and the unusual design of the Cocoon building offered a real challenge when choosing the right flooring product, but Altro's range of resin flooring provided the perfect solution.



Architect Ned Philips from At Large, specified AltroMultiscreed and Altro Pastelscreed throughout the Cocoon buildings walkways and exhibition areas. He said: "The sloping curved walkways featured a number of ramps and bridge links over different levels so we needed a flooring product that offered a seamless surface but was also extremely hardwearing and durable to cope with the constant flow of visitors."

"The look and feel of the flooring was also a consideration, the Cocoon has a very distinct ambience and it was important that the flooring felt like an integral part of the building. We've specified Altro resin flooring on smaller projects before but this was the first time we'd used it for such a large scale project and we've been extremely pleased with the result."



Surrey-based SurTech Ltd carried out the installation. Director, Andy James commented: "We've had a lot of experience using Altro's range of resin products and have always been very impressed so we knew they would be perfect for the job. Resin provides an attractive finish which is easy to keep in peak condition, providing a flooring solution that will stay looking great for years to come. The installation had some technical challenges but thanks to the quality of the products and the experience of the installers it all went very smoothly."

Louise King, Darwin Centre Project Manager, said: "The Darwin Centre is the most significant expansion at the museum since 1881 and the state of the art Cocoon building offers visitors a truly unique experience. It was vital that every aspect of the building combined great design with functionality and that's exactly the combination offered to us by the flooring products used. The finished installation looks great and everyone has been very impressed."

AltroMultiscreed and AltroPastelscreed are solvent-free epoxy resins designed to create a high strength, chemically resistant and decorative floor surface.

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A vast product range features traditional and contemporary, textured and smooth coverings, all in a wide palette of colours. Altro's customers operate in the education, healthcare, pharmaceuticals, retail, leisure, hospitality and food and drink sectors.

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