

## **Wrightstyle in London Olympic Team**

A UK company that supplies its specialist systems worldwide is completing two prestigious contracts for the Olympic Games in London next year.

Wrightstyle's glass and steel glazing systems are designed to protect buildings against a range of threats, most commonly fire, with recent overseas contracts in the Lebanon, United Arab Emirates, Malta and the US.

The Devizes-based company is supplying fire-rated and acoustic door and curtain wall systems for the VIP concourse area of the Olympic main stadium, and curtain walling and fire-rated unlatched doors for the ArcelorMittal Orbit, the 115m high observation tower under construction in the Olympic Park.

The complex structure, which will be the UK's largest piece of public art, will allow visitors to view the whole area from two observation platforms and is expected to be completed by the end of this year.

The Orbit is a key component in legacy planning for the Olympic Park and for the regeneration of the wider area.

Wrightstyle was also involved on legacy planning for the last Olympic Games in Athens, helping to transform its 41,000m<sup>2</sup> media hub into one of Greece's foremost retail centres.

The company's systems can also be found in the 70,000-seat Moses Mabhida Stadium in Durban, South Africa, built as a venue for the 2010 FIFA World Cup. Wrightstyle also supplied to the 2006 Doha Asian Games.

Wrightstyle's fire, ballistic and blast systems have also recently been installed in the Dubai Metro and the nationally-important US Marines Chapel in Virginia. The company is also currently involved in a major regenerative project in Beirut, the Lebanese capital.

"Steel glazing systems are an important component in modern architecture, combining the inherent strength of steel with transparency that only glass can provide," said Kim Kempster, Wrightstyle's managing director.

"However, building in fire protection, or protection against other threats, has become a highly specialist business - and one for which we are recognised worldwide. We are extremely pleased to be working on projects for the London games," he said.