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The old factory building gets a new life as loft apartment building. Skanska Oy renovated the building into 23 different size and type of apartments.

Project Facts:

Location	Completion
Helsinki, Finland	2008
Building Type	Product systems
Multi family homes	Radiant Heating & Cooling
Address Tapanila	Project Type Renovation

Partners

contractor Skanska Oy Suomi

Large windows, space and luxurious room heights are features for loft apartments. But they also means careful planning for heating system. In year 2008 were introduced a modern building with several loft apartments. All of the apartments has Uponor underfloor heating system.

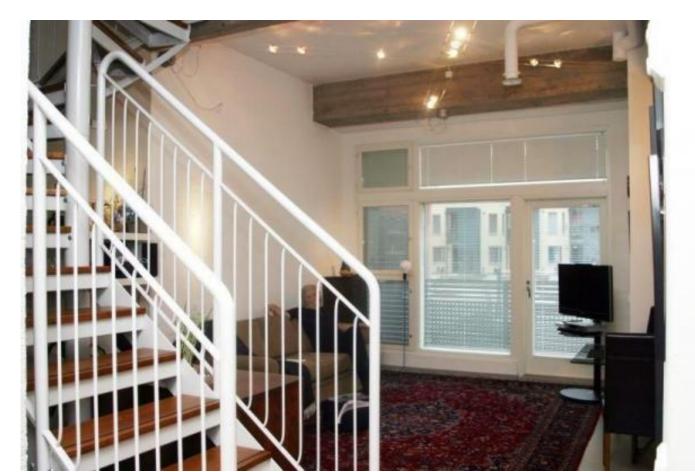
In the near centre of Helsinki city were built in 1936 Suomen Puhallintehdas Oy. The building was used until 1970 after that it has been empty and without any use. In 2008 Skanska Oy decided to change the building from manufactory to apartment building with 23 spacious loft apartments.

Family Oras bought a two story high apartment from the base floor. The family has now lived in their new home over the winter. Due to underfloor heating the family hasn't had to feel cold at any time though it has been quite low temperature occasionally.

- When we moved in it was necessary to keep the doors wide open therefore the loft apartment was cold as it can be. We adjusted the thermostat full heat situation leading after a while too hot, Patrick, the father, remembers. The right temperature was found rapidly and the thermostats were left alone. The general temperature is + 21 ° C which is optimal in environmental way but also for the children playing at the floor.

Family Oras is happy with their choices in their home. The underfloor heating has increased the comfort of their home but also enhanced the noise features. There is no need for pipe lead in walls etc. The interior decoration did not have to take into account any radiators allowing wall size windows.

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