

Two new towers in Polish Manhattan

Construction works were completed on two 22-storey *Platinum Towers* at ul. Grzybowska in Warsaw. The buildings will have 387 apartments with the area from 37 to 100 sq m and two-level penthouses (147 sq m and 216 sq m). At the groundfloor joint for both buildings there will be 2,300 sq m of retail and service space and underground – 3-storey parking. *Atlas Estates* is the investor and Hochtief Polska – the general contractor. According to the investor, 85% apartments and one

penthouse have already their owners and first occupiers will move in this autumn.

Platinum Towers are advertised as the highest apartment and retail building in the capital, but they will not hold for long time this honourable title. Nearby, higher constructions will be raised soon, e.g. similar 90-meter high *Pirelli Pekao RE* project, *Impexmetal* tower over 100-meter high (between ul. Łucka and ul. Prosta), or a multi-functional complex

Grupo Prasa. Attractive view may be marred by another tower in the complex, a 167-meter office building planned by *Atlas Estates*.

In the construction of towers, modern technology of prepressed ceiling plates was used. This method consists in reinforcing the plates with steel cords instead of traditional reinforcement. This technology not only accelerates construction, but also allows building bigger rooms. ■