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### **Implenia builds shell of Geneva University Hospital's new ward block | Second order for this major project | New contract worth CHF 19 million**

**Dietlikon, 4 June 2012** – The existing ward block at the Cantonal University Hospital in Geneva dates from 1960. It no longer fulfils modern requirements in terms of number of beds, size of rooms, technical installations or sanitary facilities. In 2009, therefore, Canton Geneva decided to commission the construction of a second ward block and then to renovate the existing one.

Implenia started on the excavation work in July 2011. It won this initial contract, worth CHF 9 million, thanks to its offer of a special foundation engineering option that had already been used successfully elsewhere. The new second order covers shell construction and conversion work worth CHF 19 million. This demanding project, involving a total floor area of 41,000 m<sup>2</sup> and a cubage of 20,000 m<sup>3</sup>, requires seamless coordination between Implenia's building construction, civil engineering and foundation engineering specialists. It provides Switzerland's leading construction and construction services company with another opportunity to demonstrate its interdisciplinary competence, true to its "One Company, One Goal, One Spirit" strategy.

Implenia plans to hand over the project to the client in summer 2013, and the new building should become operational at the start of 2016. The order value of the whole project comes to CHF 254 million, and Implenia's total share to CHF 28 million.

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From the start of 2016 the elegant new ward block at Geneva University Hospital will offer around 368 patient beds.

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