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Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach-Foundation: Long-term promotion of visual arts and photography

Essen, 7 May 2015 – Since its foundation in 1968, the Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach-Foundation has been committed to the promotion of the fine arts, in accordance with the mission defined in its statute. In terms of contents and theme, one of its main emphases is on photography.

An institution that has particularly benefited from the foundation's commitment is Museum Folkwang; from the very beginning, its photographic collection has been developed and expanded with the support of the Krupp Foundation. The initial founding of the museum's photographic collection in 1978 was owed to the foundation's acquisition of the Otto Steinert photographic collection.

Below is a summary of some of the larger acquisitions made by Museum Folkwang with the support of the Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach-Foundation:

1978	Otto Steinert photographic collection
1980	„Citizens of the 20th Century“ by August Sander
1987	Photographs from the estate of Otto Steinert
1993	Photograms of Lázló Moholy-Nagy

The foundation supplied the entire funds required for Museum Folkwang's new building, designed by David Chipperfield and opened in January 2010. Considerable financial support was also given towards the renovation of the original building from 1960, which houses the museum's permanent collection.

Olaf Nicolai, one of the artists featured in the German Pavilion at the 56th Venice Biennale, was awarded the foundation's sponsorship prize "Catalogues for Young Artists" in 1994. He is one of the 11 artists who, having won this award at an early stage in their careers, were later invited to take part in the Biennale. He thus stands in a tradition of artists such as Felix Droese, Rosemarie Trockel, Gregor Schneider, Isa Genzken or Liam Gillick.

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