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Spice Shopping Centre is about 5 kilometres from the centre of Riga. It was opened in 2001 and is now one of the most popular shopping venues in Riga, attracting approximately 8 million visitors a year.

The complex is in two parts: Spice and Spice Home, with around 200 shops and restaurants. The combined area of both would be about the same size as eleven mid-size football pitches.

Ruukki Smart Roof means savings for facility maintenance. The system sends an alert when, for safety reasons, it is time to remove snow from the roof. Savings arise since snow does not need to be removed from the roof unnecessarily. Snow is often snow is removed unnecessarily because the weight of the snow is not known.

“Smart Roof is also cost effective; it can be installed for the areas of highest risk. In the case of Spice, the locations for sensors was designed together with structural engineering’s and Ruukki’s experts,” said Andris Stankevičs, Technical Director at real estate company E.L.L. Kinnisvara.

Ruukki Smart Roof was the smartest solution for Spice even from the structural point of view.

“It would have been almost impossible to reinforce the roof trusses in a cramped space full of cables. That would have resulted in having to close the entire shopping centre, or at least part, while the work was being carried out,” said Stankevičs.



