

Project

FLANDRE - SOCIAL HOUSING, STORES AND TOWN SQUARE

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Programme

Construction of a mixed-use building : 8 passive social housing and 1 store

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About

The project is part of a large urban rehabilitation plan of Molenbeek, of which the one-off intervention follows the historic route of the Petite-Senne river.

The project responds to the local context by highlighting the existing urban axis, between the Brunfaut tower, the Place du Cheval Noir and the Place Communale. The urban angle is worked in such a way to respond to local and specific conditions of joint blindness, to pursue the street built-up front, but also to constitute an articulation in the district towards the communal house.

For this purpose, the project's volume creates a fold echoing the Petite-Senne route to widen the perspectives and connect the public space to the main artery without generating any backside. A new facade is thus designed vis-à-vis the communal house. It allows to create a square that extends the communal place between 2 urban marker buildings.

The volume is compact, striking but sober. The program specificities motivate the large openings in the volume. They address the housing scale to offer outdoor spaces and structure the living rooms and interact with the urban scale.

OTHER PROJECTS :

Viaduc nursery and cafeteria
- 2005 2009
- Bruxelles (Ixelles)

Dolez - Housing units
- 2005 2010
- Uccle

Aime-Dupont Nursery and Health Center
- 2016 2020
- Etterbeek

Charmille-Schuman
- 2011 2020
- Bruxelles

Typology

Housing (include mixed use)

Status

Built

Conception

2010-2018

Delivery

2016-2018

Client

Commune de Molenbeek-Saint-Jean

Total budget

2.374.534

Per square meters

1353

Area

2098

Stability

JZH & Partners

Special

MK Engineering

techniques

Acoustic

ASM Acoustics



North facade
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Building view from the communal square
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A new urban marker - a strong contemporary architecture
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View from a balcony
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A clear contrast with its context turn the building into a signal
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