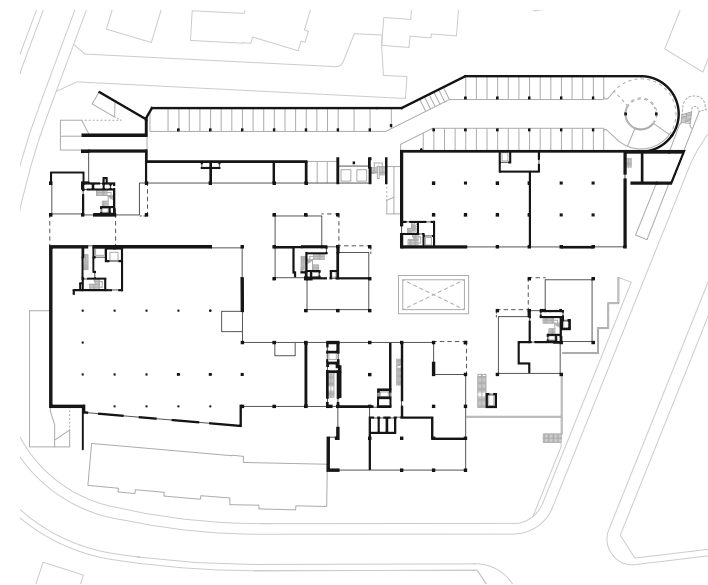


Renovation

Zentrum Witikon, Zurich

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Zentrum Witikon was constructed from 1968 – 1970 by the architect association Eidenbenz Bosshard Meier as a new village centre for the rapidly growing community. The complex consists of three multi-unit buildings (mainly offices and practices), three low-rise buildings with retail spaces and a restaurant, and a central square, all built on a continuous 7.5 m grid. The facility went through a lacklustre expansion in the 80s, and has not been renovated since the turn of the century. In 2013, the Zentrum Witikon was added to the Swiss register of listed buildings as an early representative of structuralism and a pioneer of the centre concept. The long-term tenant and current owner Migros wants to use the renovation to revitalise the ageing centre. The project aims to reconstruct the original architecture, characterised by a raw concrete aesthetic, to the greatest extent possible.

The extension of the northern low-rise building towards the square will be dismantled, and a new connecting hall will be built in its place. Original components, such as the guide rails for the fabric blinds, will be restored and reused as much as possible. Any additions will be developed in keeping with the original design. For example, the shed roofs for the new connecting hall are derived from the existing sheds of the adjoining low-rise building, so the current and new structures will form a unified whole. The renovation will be carried out in stages in order to affect the local retailers as little as possible

Commission type: direct order
Client: Migros Cooperative, Zurich
Location: Witikonstrasse 279–299, 8053 Zurich
Budget in CHF (BKP 1-9): 60 Mio.
SIA 102: 58.5 %
Gross floor area: 25 740 m²
Room arrangement: office and 6400 m² retail space
Planning phase: September 2013 – October 2016
Construction phase: July 2017 – September 2019

Architecture: Stücheli Architekten, Zurich
General constructor: Sulzer + Buzzi Baumanagement, Winterthur
Structural Engineering: Freihofer & Partner, Zurich
HVAC Engineering: RMB Engineering, Zurich
Façade planning: Bardak, Schaffhausen
Landscape: Balliana Schubert Landschaftsarchitekten, Zurich

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Plans: Situation, ground floor, cross section