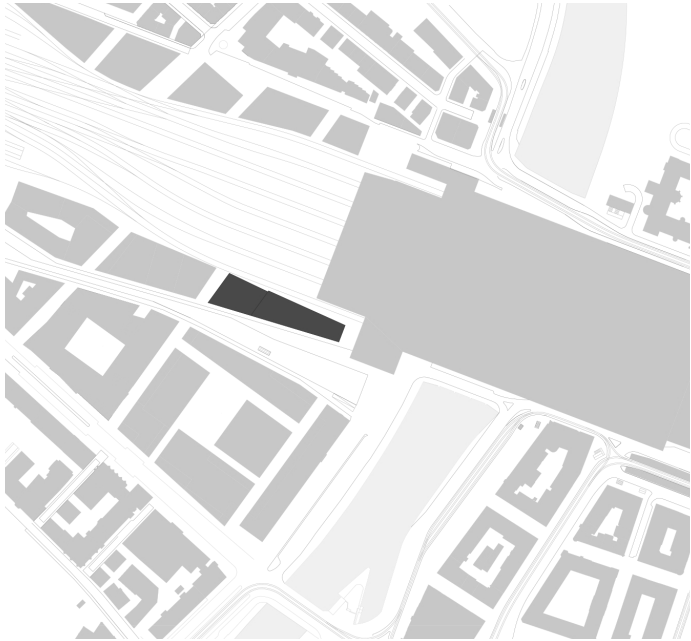


New building

Europaallee building plat B, Zurich

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The office/commercial building enjoys a central location by Zurich's main railway station, forming the start of the new Europaallee district together with the Zurich University of Teacher Education. Situated on a narrow, trapezoidal plot between the track field and the Europa-platz, the building comprises a two-storey base and seven-storey tower.

On the narrow side along Europaplatz, the building rises into a ten-storey frontage structure, making it a high-rise. The look is primarily derived from the structure of the building. The façade has been constructed to be highly repetitive, with a dynamic grid pattern on the transition to the glazed base storeys, where heavy-duty girders absorb the weight of the upper stories. The only purely formal elements are the complementary displacements of the three sections of the building, which allow the construction to react to its environment. This accentuates the open character of the shop and restaurant spaces on the ground floor on the side of the building facing Europa-platz, while the side facing the track mimics a signal box.



Images: Entrance to Europaallee, office floor
Plans: cross-section, ground floor and 2nd-6th floor

The façade is made from Swedish black granite, the frames of the wooden windows from chromed steel, and the sun protection on the upper floors from glossy stainless steel micro-slats. As a complete object, the building hovers between urban order and artwork, between purpose and opulence.

Type of commission: Competition, 1st price (2012)
Client: SBB Immobilien Development Europaallee, Zurich
Location: Europaplatz 4/8/12, 8004 Zurich
Budget in CHF (BKP 2): 53 Mio.
SIA 102: 65.0 %
Gross floor area: 19 000 m²
Gross area: Office spaces on 9 storeys (13500m²), Restaurants and shops (1200m²) on the ground floor
Planning phase: June 2012 — December 2014
Construction phase: January 2015 — September 2019
Sustainability: DGNB Platinum Certificate 2023

Architecture: Stücheli Architekten, Zurich
General contractor: PORR Suisse, Zurich
Structural Engineering: ARGE Bänziger Partner/Pini Swiss Engineers, Zurich
Façade planning: Bardak Planungsbüro, Schaffhausen
HVAC Engineering: 3-Plan Haustechnik, Winterthur

