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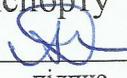
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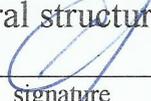
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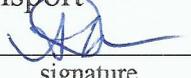
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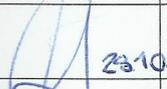
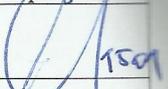
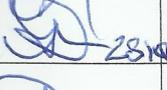
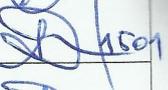
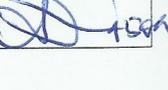
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9	Робота над ескізом, пояснювальною запискою. Виконання розрахунків. Виконання та затвердження відповідних розділів проєкту консультантами. Перевірка на плагіат пояснювальної записки.	28.12.2025 – 05.01.2025	
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GENERAL PROVISIONS

This qualification work is developed for obtaining the degree of higher education "Master" in specialty 191 "Architecture and Urban Planning" (educational program "Architecture of Buildings and Structures"). It follows the requirements of the academic and professional program "Architecture of Buildings and Structures" and the relevant methodological guidelines for the implementation and design of the master's qualification work in specialty 191 "Architecture and Urban Planning" for students studying in the educational program "Architecture of Buildings and Structures" of the second (master's) level of full-time higher education [1].

Relevance of the topic. The adoption of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in 1992 [2] demonstrated the seriousness of the problem of climate change and its awareness by all mankind. The development of “green” architecture, focused on reducing energy consumption, is today an integral part of achieving the UN’s sustainable development goals [3]. The energy efficiency problem is especially relevant for large buildings, most of which are multifunctional complexes today. These circumstances determine the relevance of the topic of the master’s qualification work “Green Architecture of Multifunctional Complexes (on the Example of Düsseldorf, Germany)”.

Research purpose. Determination of techniques aimed at implementing the principles of green architecture in the formation of multifunctional complexes in the conditions of the Federal Republic of Germany based on the design of office centers in modern conditions of Ukraine based on the analysis of world experience in this area.

Research main objectives: identification of historical prerequisites for the emergence of the concept of green architecture; analysis of world experience in the design and construction of green architecture objects; identification of features of multifunctional complexes that affect their energy efficiency; development of models of principles and methods for creating modern multifunctional complexes, the architecture of which contributes to achieving sustainable development goals.

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1. RESEARCH PART

1.1. Development of green architecture concept

Currently, “green architecture” is mainly perceived as a concept, the key components of which are the placement of a building taking into account its impact on the environment, the use of renewable energy sources, increasing the energy efficiency of buildings, the reuse of building materials and their environmental safety at all stages of production, use and disposal [4]. In parallel, the term "ecological architecture" (or “environmental-friendly”) is also used with a similar meaning [5].

In the middle of the 20th century. one of the arguments in favor of the development of neo-vernacular architecture was the attempt to create buildings that would not require much energy and resources for their construction, would be adapted to the natural and climatic conditions of a particular region and would use natural, environmentally friendly and relatively affordable building materials. Traditional folk architecture fully met these requirements, especially in regions with a warm and hot climate, where buildings did not require heating, and therefore – enhanced thermal insulation using modern effective insulation materials. The famous Egyptian architect Hassan Fathi (1900 – 1989) was one of the first who, back in the 1930s, turned to folk architecture in search of ecological design solutions, determined by the use of local natural building materials, traditional technologies and spatial planning solutions. The largest example of the implementation of these ideas was the development of the village of New Gurna (the relocated village of Sheikh Abd El Gurna) (1945–1948).

Italian architect Paolo Soleri (1919–2013) developed an urban planning concept called “arcology” in the late 1960s, which was a synthesis of architecture and ecology. This concept was embodied in the Arcosanti eco-village project near Phoenix, Arizona (beginning in 1970). Arcosanti was the architect’s minimum arcological unit of settlement, with an estimated population of 3,000.

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– in the socio-cultural aspect – creation of a safe, healthy and comfortable environment, achievement of high functionality of objects [8].

An ecological building today is designed to provide healthy and safe conditions for people inside it, while minimizing the harmful impact on the natural environment outside. The characteristic features of ecological architecture are the use of innovative technologies for aesthetic expressiveness and for the rational use of natural resources.

The main principles of ecological construction today are:

minimization of energy consumption and CO₂ emissions throughout the entire life cycle of the building (which includes: the production of building materials, structures, and parts; construction process; operation of the building during the estimated period; dismantling and disposal of building structures after the completion of its life cycle);

– ecological cleanliness (i.e. safety for humans and the natural environment) of building materials during their production and operation;

– taking into account the natural and climatic features of the construction region;

– use of alternative energy sources;

– bioclimaticity – creating favourable conditions for human life inside the building, as close as possible to the natural conditions of the relevant region;

– proper waste disposal and use of closed recirculation systems;

– minimizing the negative impact of the facility on the natural environment.

Green architecture is not a separate style. It is the architecture of the future, and its principles are gradually becoming mandatory for all new buildings. Accordingly, in any of the current architectural styles and trends, objects are being created that can be attributed to ecological architecture.

That is why the leaders of the ecological trend have not been determined: all famous masters of architecture, in whatever styles they work, consistently implement the principles of ecological architecture in their latest works.

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buildings under design. The basis of "green standards" is the LCA (Life Cycle Assessment) method – an assessment of environmental, economic, and social impacts on the environment at all stages of the product life cycle, including its production, operation, and disposal.

Not only individual buildings, structures and their complexes, but also building materials, products, and structures are subject to environmental certification.

One of the methods of such certification is environmental labeling, introduced in Ukraine since 2003 in accordance with the DSTU ISO 14024 standard [12]. The main goal of environmental labeling is to create conditions for expanding demand for products and services by providing reliable information about the environmental characteristics of products and services and to promote the introduction of products and services in the architectural and construction industry that have the least environmental impact.

Ecolabels are divided into three groups:

- signs to indicate improved environmental characteristics of goods in general at all stages of their life cycle or their individual properties (for example, “Green Crane”, Ukraine; “Ecolabel” or “Flower”, EU; “Blue Angel”, Germany, etc.);
- signs indicating certain environmental characteristics (for example, “Content of recycled material”, “Suitable for recycling”, “Suitable for composting”, “Demountable structure”, “Green dot”, Germany);
- signs indicating danger to people and the environment (for example, “Dangerous for the environment”).

These signs are used for various groups of goods, including building materials and products, equipment, machinery, and furniture. Providing such information is of great importance for the possibility of conscious choice of ecological materials and services in the design, construction, and operation of buildings.

In world practice, some definitions have been formed regarding the characteristics of energy-efficient buildings depending on the amount of energy used.

The main ones are:

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– “Low-energy buildings” – annual energy consumption in which is up to 70 kWh/m²;

– “Zero energy buildings” – Zero net energy (ZNE) building, Nearly zero energy building (NZEB), Net zero building (NZB)) – these are buildings with a zero energy balance during the year, which can be achieved by seasonal accumulation and redistribution of energy using various architectural and engineering methods. The zero annual balance during the year is determined by calculating the amount of energy received and consumed, CO₂ emissions, cost, etc.;

– “Plus energy buildings” – those in which more energy is received than is consumed during the year. For this purpose, a complex of engineering equipment can be used, in particular, solar collectors, heat pumps, wind generators, etc.

A special type of energy-efficient house is the “Passive House”, for which clear quantitative indicators of energy consumption are established to achieve a favorable microclimate in the house and ensure energy needs for its functioning. One of the main criteria for defining a passive house is the use of no more than 15 kWh/(m² per year) for heating. Modern categories of passive houses, which take into account primary energy consumption and energy generation from alternative sources, are:

– “Passive House Classic” – consumes 60 kWh/(m² per year);

– “Passive House Plus” – consumes 45 kWh/(m² per year) and generates 60 kWh/(m² per year);

– “Passive House Premium” – consumes 30 kWh/(m² per year) and generates 120 kWh/(m² per year).

Based on the passive house concept, the Saint-Gobain corporation proposed a type of "Multicomfort House", which, in addition to meeting energy standards, provides for achieving a high level of comfort.

Along with energy efficiency, the name of a building type can indicate its environmental friendliness, such as: "zero-emission building", which has minimal impact on the environment; "active house", which uses alternative energy sources; "green building", designed according to "Green Building" standards; "ecological building", which complies with the principles of sustainable architecture.

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1.3. Analysis of practical experience in implementing green architecture ideas

Proclaimed in 1992, the concept of sustainable development quickly found ardent supporters among architects, such as the French Françoise-Hélène Jourda (1955–2015). Among her most famous projects is the Botanical Garden Museum in Bordeaux (2006) (Fig. 1.5).



Fig. 1.5. Botanical Garden Museum in Bordeaux, France (2006). Architect Françoise-Hélène Jourda

The Rio de Janeiro conference was a testament to the world community's concern about the environmental situation and at the same time influenced the agenda of many events, in particular, the International Exhibition EXPO-92 in Seville (Spain). Therefore, during the creation of the exhibition building complex, the problem of a regulated environment became one of the main ones.

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The main task was to neutralize the Spanish summer heat by consuming less energy. Among the many climate control strategies demonstrated at the exhibition, the water wall of the British Pavilion, designed by the British architect Nicholas Grimshaw (born 1939), stood out. From the upper part of the glass screen on the eastern facade, water flowed down in a thin film, then broke off from the lower edge of the screen, turning into “rain” in front of the glass panels of the first floor, and fell into a pool, from where it was again pumped to the upper part of the screen. The western side of the pavilion was protected from overheating by an awning stretched over steel structures [13].

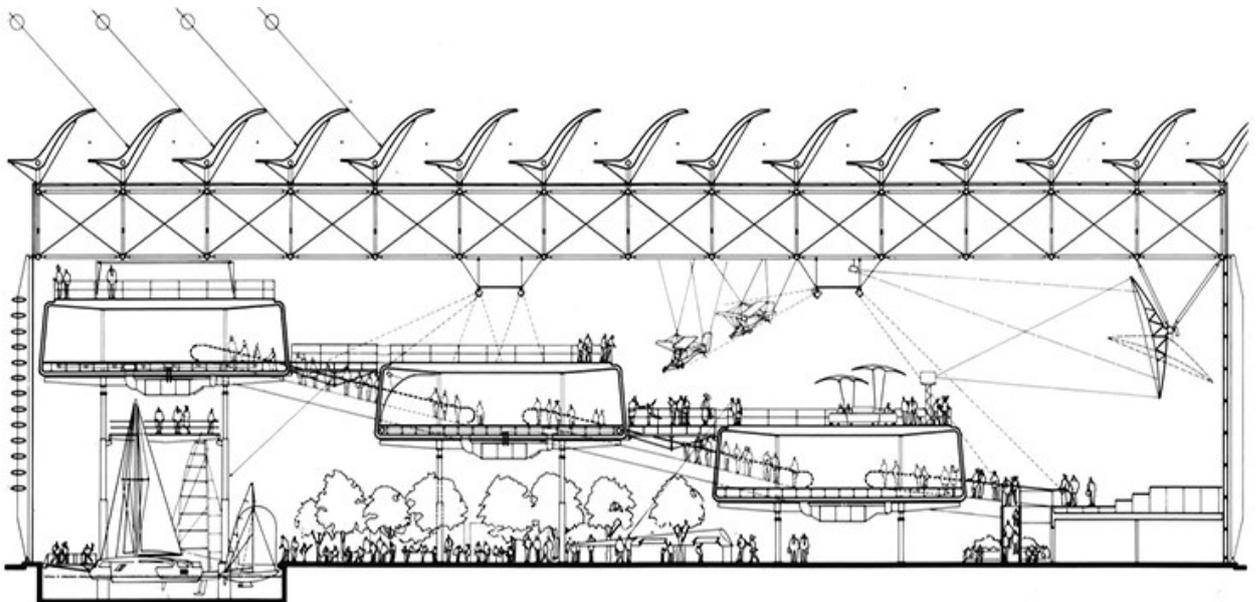


Fig. 1.6. British Pavilion Expo 1992 Seville, Spain. Architect N. Grimshaw. The longitudinal section, the “water wall” on the southern façade [13]

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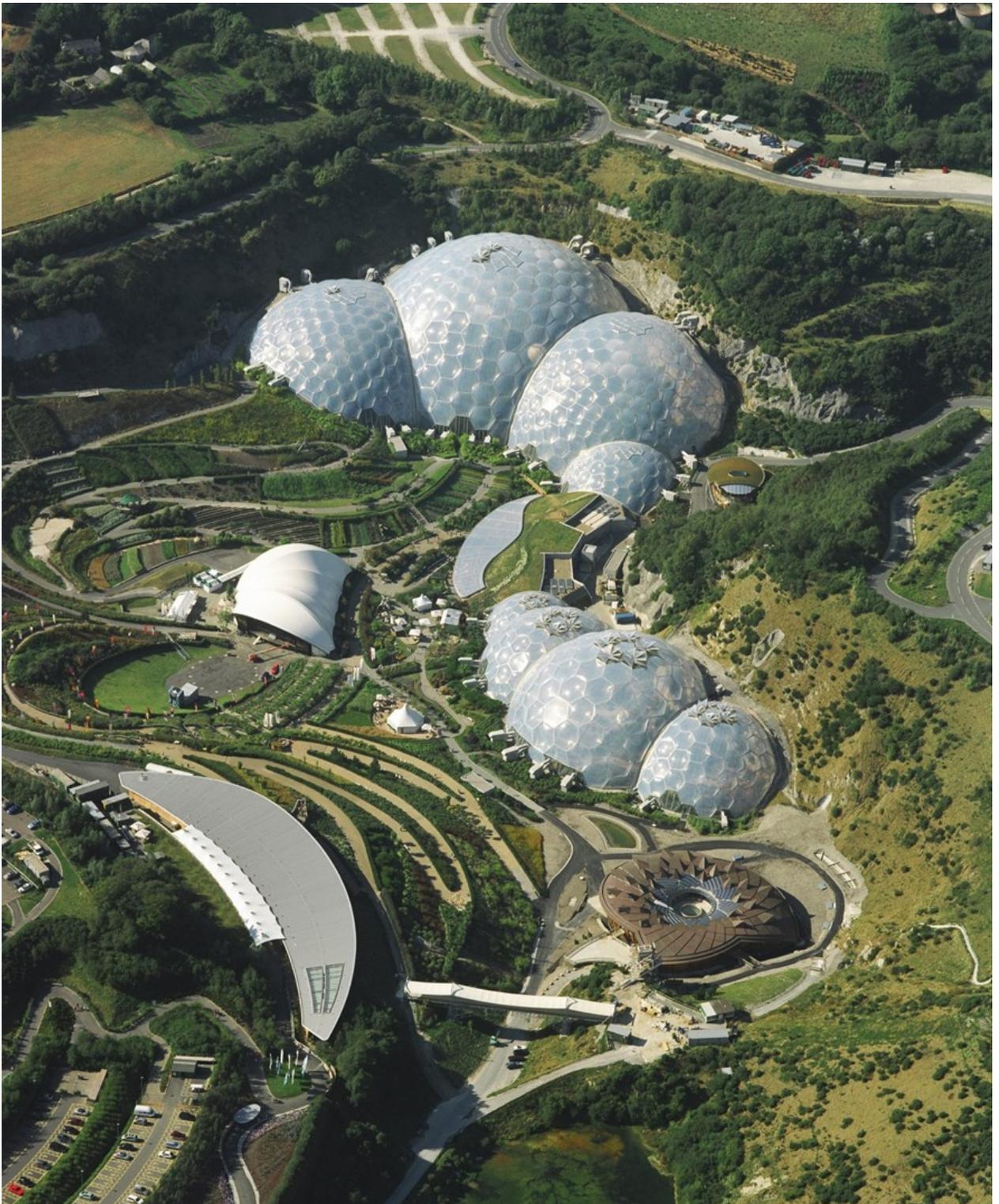


Fig. 1.8. The Eden Project in Cornwall, UK (1996–2001), Architect N. Grimshaw.
The aerial view

It is worth noting that the criterion for classifying a certain object as ecological architecture can be not only its functional and structural features but also its ideological content. The Eden project is an example of such an object.

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The structure, partially sunk into the ground, is formed by two L-shaped volumes, between which is located an equally L-shaped fragment of the natural landscape (Fig. 1.13). The cultural center clearly illustrates the architect's desire to create architecture that, in his words, is "simultaneously present and absent."

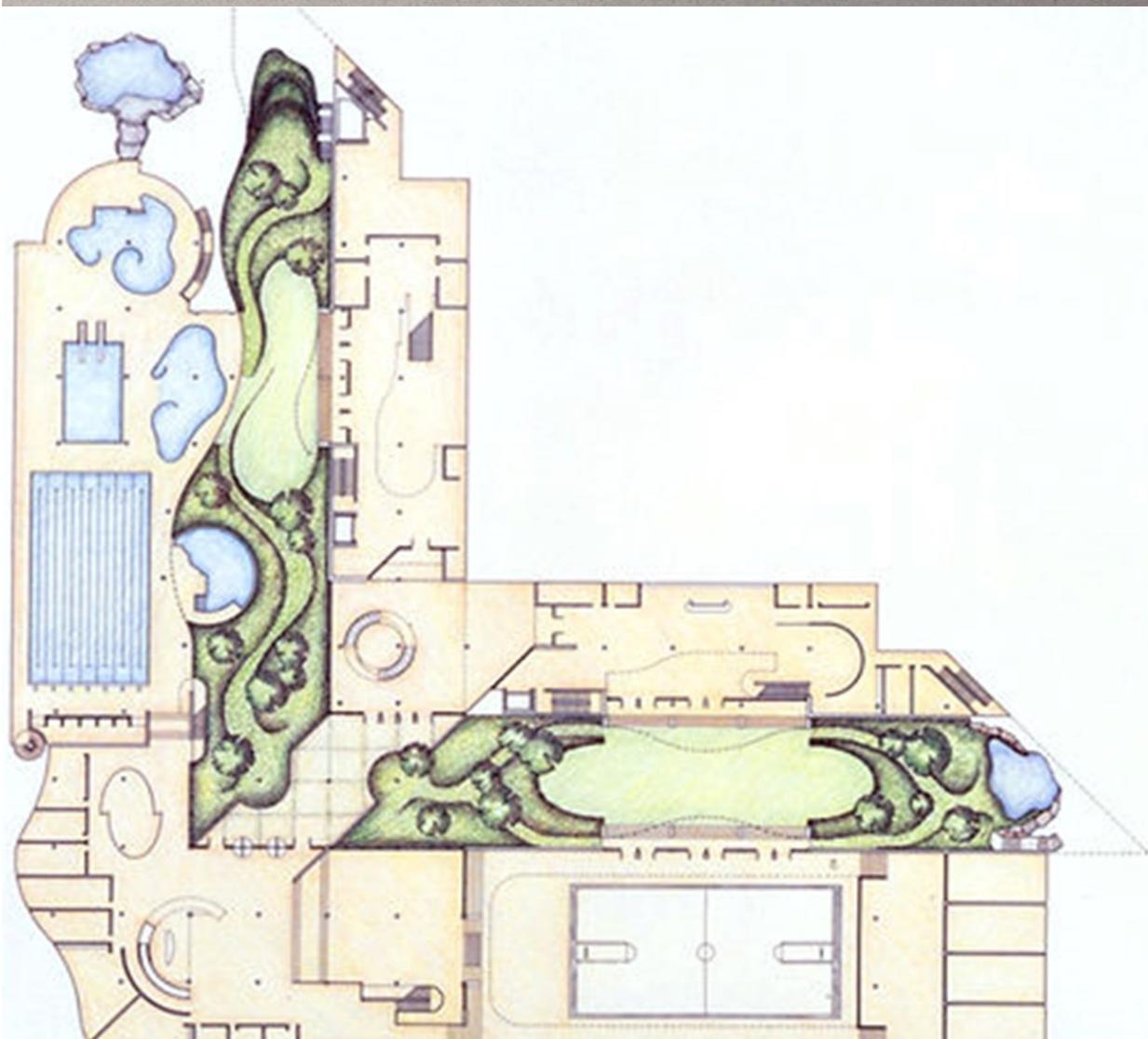


Fig. 1.13. The Mikal Cultural Center in Shin-Sanda, Japan (1994) by E. Ambasz. Section, the ground floor plan

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The so-called House of Spiritual Rest, created by E. Ambasz near Sierra Morena (2005), is more reminiscent of a theatrical set – two perpendicular walls on the outside of the corner resemble a real house, but on the inside – a theatrical set on the reverse side, where two staircases converge in the corner opposite the opening that leads to a kind of “bay window” on the “outer” side of the object (Fig.1.14).

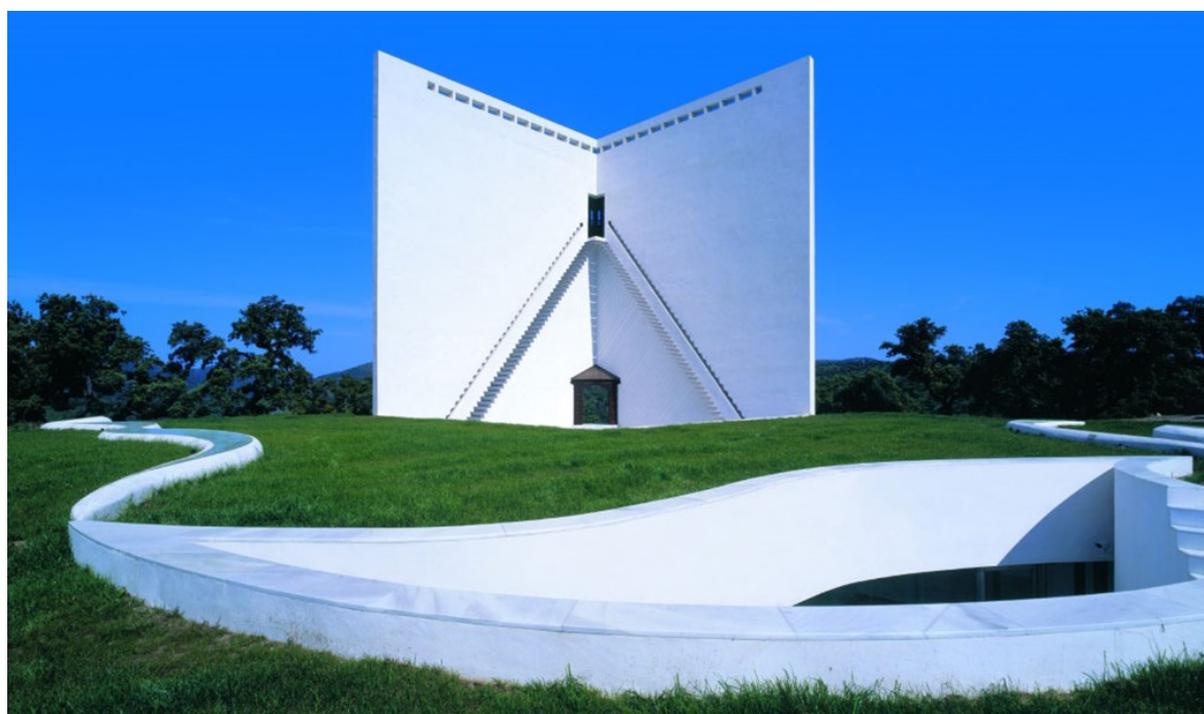


Fig. 1.14. The House of Spiritual Rest, near Sierra Morena (2005), Spain. Architect E. Ambasz. Outside (top) and inside (bottom)

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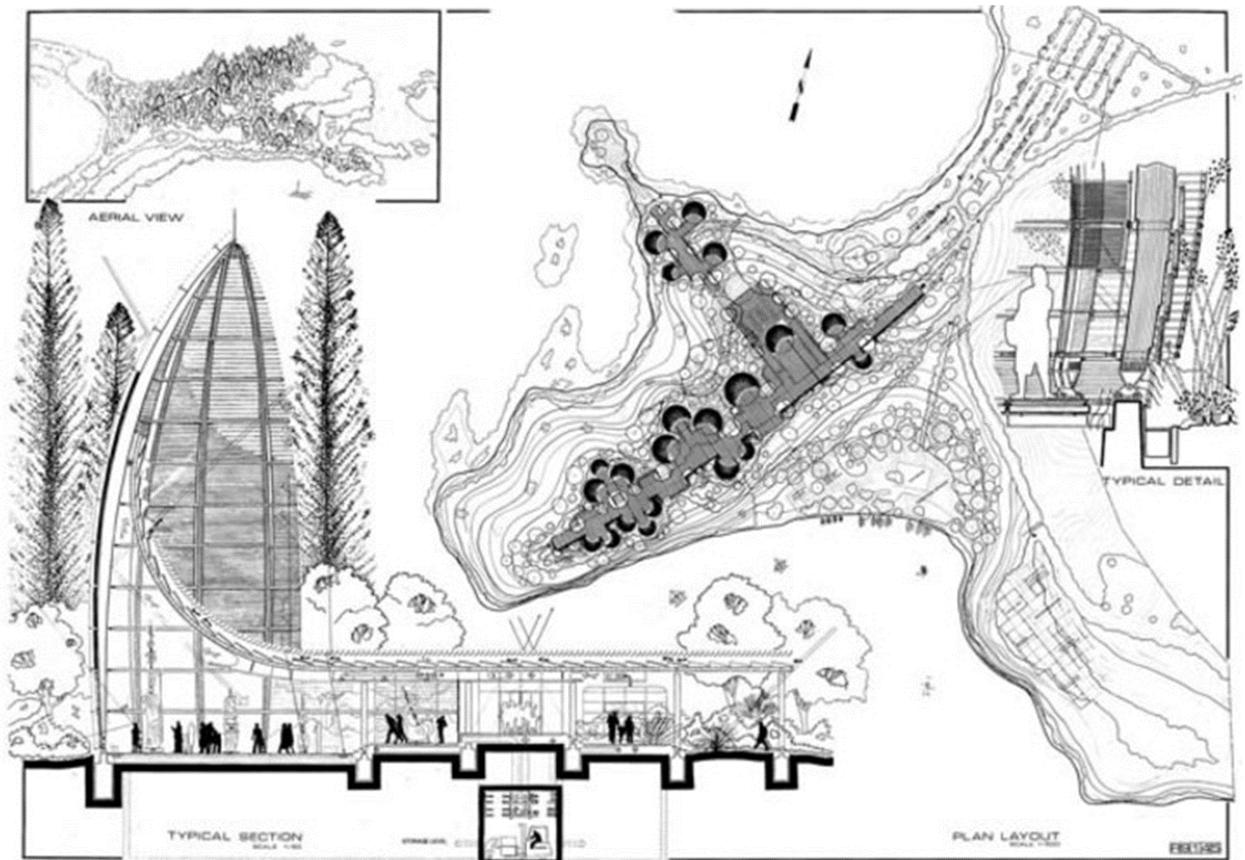


Fig. 1.17. Jean-Marie Tjibau Cultural Center in Nouméa, New Caledonia, 1998.
Architect R. Piano

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The California Academy of Sciences Museum in San Francisco, California (2001–2009), designed by R. Piano, is a part of the park raised above the ground, beneath which, within a rectangular volume, are located the Planetarium, Aquarium, and Museum of Natural History (Fig. 1.18).



Fig. 1.18. The California Academy of Sciences Museum in San Francisco, California (2001–2009). Architect R. Piano

In the 1990s, other high-tech architects turned to environmental issues, such as the British architect Michael Hopkins (born 1935), who built the Nottingham Tax Centre between 1992 and 1994. Six office buildings, L-shaped and square with a courtyard, with rounded corners and cylindrical towers, are grouped around a spectacular public services building (Fig. 1.19).

Christoph Ingenhoven (born 1960) is considered one of Germany's leading eco-architects. When Ingenhoven, along with Frei Otto, took part in the competition for the reconstruction of Stuttgart's railway junction – Stuttgart 21 – in 1997, he could hardly have foreseen the challenges that awaited this large-scale project. Construction only began in 2007, sparked massive public protests in 2010–2011, and only in 2023 was the last cup-shaped column completed, which supports the

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green cover above the railway tracks and passenger platforms. After the project is completed, a real park will appear above the railway station, interspersed with skylights, through which the interior of the railway station will receive natural light and aeration. (Fig. 1.20)



Fig. 1.19. Nottingham Tax Centre, UK, (1992 – 1994) by M. Hopkins



Fig. 1.20. Reconstruction of Stuttgart's railway junction – Stuttgart 21 (began 2007) by Christoph Ingenhoven

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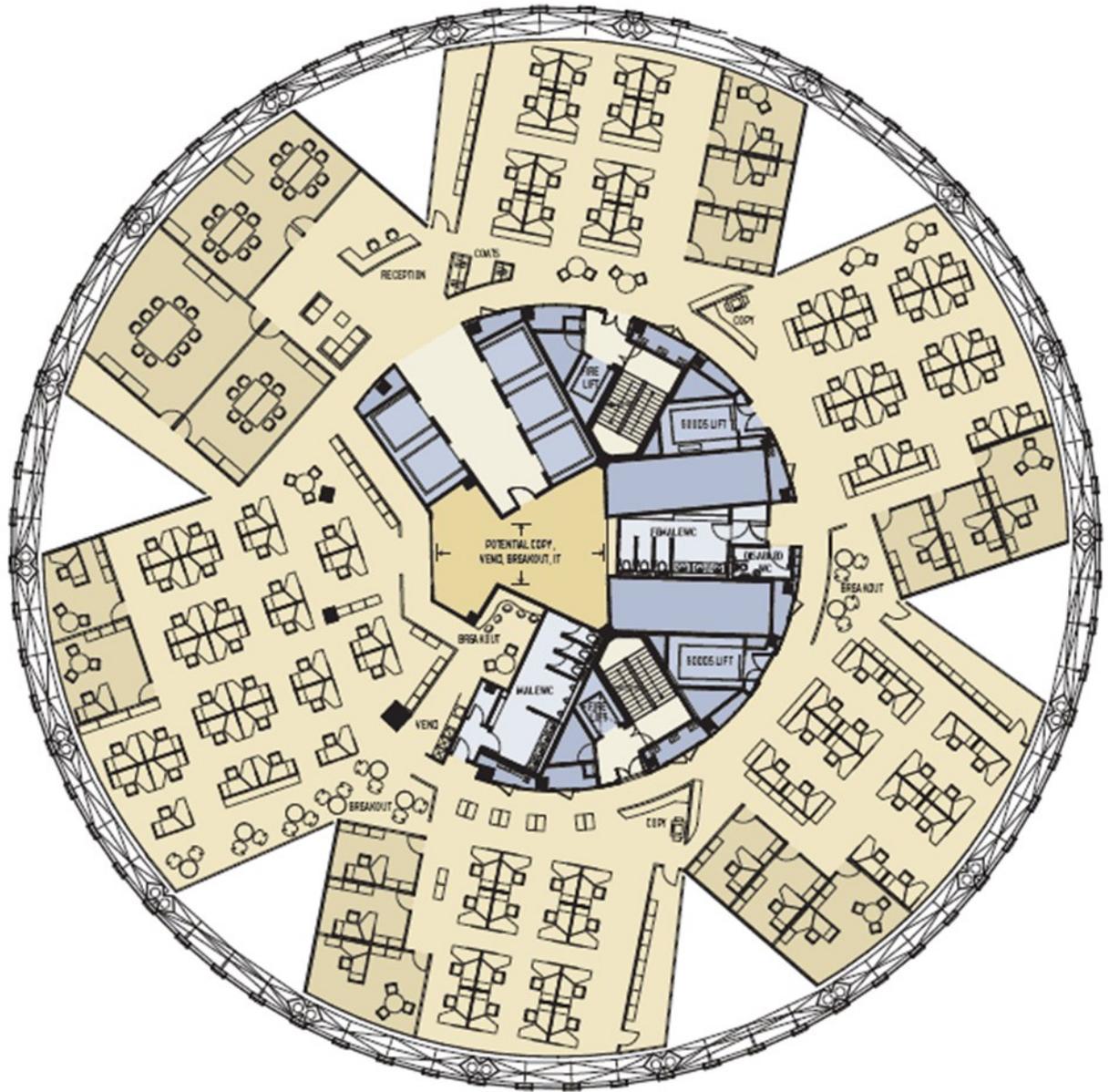


Fig. 1.25. The London office of Swiss Re (1996–2002), designed by N. Foster. The typical floor plan

An example of the influence of form on the energy efficiency of a building is the headquarters of the Hearst Media Corporation in New York (2003–2006), also designed by N. Foster. Hearst Tower is the first skyscraper without vertical steel frame elements; instead, a lattice shell made of triangular cells made of steel beams was used, which made it possible to save about 20% of steel, a material that is extremely energy-intensive to manufacture. The energy consumption of this building is 22% lower than that of similar projects, and the need for technical water is completely met by using atmospheric precipitation.

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Fig. 1.26. The Hearst Tower, New York, USA (2003 – 2006) by N. Foster

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The British architectural firm Atkins & Partners has implemented its most significant projects in the “oil monarchies” of the Persian Gulf. Among them is the World Trade Center in Manama (2008, architect Shauna Killa). The energy independence of the building is ensured by three giant wind turbines with a total capacity of 1,100 MW/h, ingeniously incorporated into the structure of the building. The shape of the skyscraper is designed to create high-speed air flows, directing them to the giant turbine blades.



Fig. 1.27. World Trade Center in Manama (2008, architect Shauna Killa)

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One of the leading eco-architects in the United States is Chad Oppenheim (born 1971). His company designed a 25-story mixed-use building in Miami (completed in 2008). The building's layout is standard, but its originality is given by a perforated "case" with round openings (which provide sun protection and ventilation in the space between the outer perforated and inner glass shells) and built-in wind turbines located at the top of the building. The building was once called the first "green" high-rise building in Miami.



Fig. 1.28. 25-story mixed-use building in Miami (completed in 2008) by Chad Oppenheim. General view (left), the typical floor plan (right)

1.4. Recommendations for designing modern green buildings

In modern architectural practice, a number of architectural and planning techniques have been developed and successfully implemented that ensure increased energy efficiency of the building as a whole. These include: architectural and planning and spatial solutions aimed at obtaining solar energy and its accumulation in the cold season; protecting the building from overheating, using sun protection in the hot season; reducing heat loss by the building due to the compactness of the

As part of the Raumwerk D initiative, the municipality of Düsseldorf was asked to develop different options for city development strategies for the period up to 20230 (2030 Vision). Figure 2.5 shows the option developed by Reicher Haase Assoziierte (RHA) in collaboration with MIC-HUB and LAND. According to this proposal, the design area falls into one of the city's priority development zones.



Fig.2.5. The Düsseldorf City Vision 2030 by RHA in collaboration with MIC-HUB and LAND

The design area is bounded to the north by the Südring motorway at the junction with Volklingen Straße on the north side (Fig. 2.6). The visual axis of Volklingen Straße abuts the design area. This indicates the possibility of erecting a high-rise building here, which will close the perspective of Volklingen Straße and create a compositional accent, marking this important urban planning node (Fig. 2.7).

2.2. Solution of site's master plan

The multifunctional complex site is rectangular in shape, close to a square. It is bounded to the north by the red line of the Südring motorway, and to the west, south, and east by local roads.

In the center of the site, there is a multifunctional complex, which consists of a low-rise part in the form of the upper part of a sphere with four lateral cylindrical cutouts, where the shopping mall is located, and a centrally located, circular in plan, high-rise part, in which the office center is located (Fig. 2.8).

Accordingly, in the plan, the multifunctional complex resembles the letter X or an oblique cross. The cutouts in the stylobate part of the complex are used to organize areas in front of three entrances – from the parking lot from the west, from the Südring from the north, and from the park from the south.

The loading of the shopping mall is carried out from the local road located from the east. Parking spaces are provided on the west side, where part of the former parking lot, located outside the object area, continues to be used for its previous purpose.



Fig. 2.8. Site of the multifunctional complex. Aerial view

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2.3. Architectural and planning solution of multifunctional complex

The main functional blocks of the multifunctional complex are a shopping mall located in the low-rise part and an office center located in the high-rise part. Офісний центр відноситься до класу А (за класифікацією Building Owners and Managers Association International [22]).

Given the limited space and the complex configuration of the shopping mall plan, there are no traditional mall anchors (retail or service enterprises that attract large flows of visitors), such as supermarkets. Largely focused on office center employees and park visitors, the shopping center consists of relatively small stores that do not require daily delivery of goods and catering establishments.

The shopping center is designed in the configuration of a closed mall and does not belong to any of the types defined by the ICSC (International Council of Shopping Centers) classification [23]. Toilets are also provided (including those accessible to people with reduced mobility).

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The floors of the office part, located above the first floor, have generally the same layout. The differences in the floor plans are explained by the inclination of the high-rise part of the multifunctional complex to the ground surface, at an angle other than 90°.

This inclination is formed due to the variable length of the cantilever extension of the slabs from the vertically arranged load-bearing columns. Located in the center of the high-rise part, the elevators with the elevator hall, stairwells, toilets and other auxiliary rooms form a vertical core.

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There is free space along the perimeter, which can be organized both according to the open plan office principle and divided into separate offices.

One of the staircases of type N4 (according to classification [24]) leads to the roof of the high-rise part of the multifunctional complex, thus providing access to the roof for maintenance and repair, as well as for firefighters to extinguish the fire.

The spatial planning and architectural compositional solution of the multifunctional complex was largely dictated by its location at the closure of the visual axis of Volklingen Straße and the proximity of the park and the natural environment (Fig. 2.9).

The composition in the form of a glass tower on a green hill creates a dynamic accent with a bright individuality near an important transport interchange and at the end of the perspective of the main avenue of a large park and at the same time fits well into the natural environment. The decoration of the building of the multifunctional complex uses mirror glass, which reflects the sky and greenery, as well as the green lawn of the roof of the low-rise part – the shopping mall.



Fig. 2.9. General view of the multifunctional complex

3.2.4. Curtain walls

The use of curtain walls as external building enclosures is a common solution for modern high-tech office buildings. Such a facade is aesthetically attractive, weatherproof and durable. However, it also has certain disadvantages, including overheating (especially of the western facades of buildings) in the warm season, significantly lower thermal inertia and heat-conducting qualities than those that can be achieved with proper thermal insulation of traditional blind walls.

In general, the thermal insulation properties of a curtain wall are inferior to those of a conventional wall [32, 33]. However, there are several techniques to increase the energy efficiency of this structure while reducing its environmental impact, which were applied in this project. These include triple glazing, the use of fritted glass, low-iron glass, integrated photovoltaic systems, and metal panels [34].

The main elements of a curtain wall, the load-bearing elements of which are attached directly to the floors, are shown in Fig. 3.4. However, the key element on which the thermal insulation qualities of the wall depend remains the glazing, the design of which is shown in detail in Fig. 3.5.

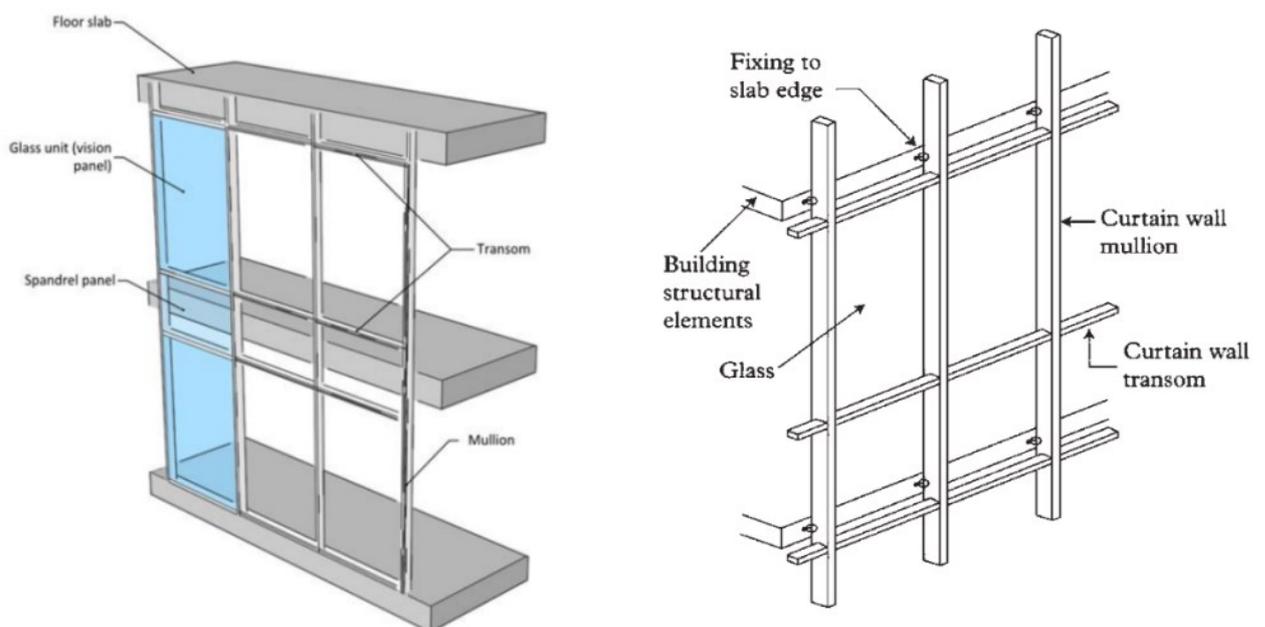


Fig. 3.4. Main elements of curtain wall [35]

4. ENGINEERING IMPROVEMENTS AND TRANSPORT

The site of the designed multifunctional complex is located in the western part of the city of Düsseldorf in a well-developed and landscaped area. The task of vertical planning, drainage in general has already been solved before the start of the design. The territory is currently occupied by a parking lot, and therefore does not require additional engineering protection measures, the construction of retaining walls, drainage trays. That is, after the completion of the construction of the facility, the site will require minor measures of vertical planning in order to organize drainage from its territory.

The vertical planning of the site is carried out according to the so-called urban principle, when atmospheric precipitation is drained from the surface of lawns and solid paving from paving slabs to the driveways located below them in level, and from the driveways – into the city storm sewer system.

It should be taken into account that the paving slab coating (with the exception of a 1.8 m wide strip of paving around the perimeter of the building with hidden waterproofing) allows most of the precipitation to pass into the drainage layer underneath, and then the water gradually seeps into the soil. Shrubs and trees with a developed root system extract this water from the underlying soil layers and evaporate it, preventing excessive moisture in the underlying soil.

The entire hard surface of the site is made with a top layer of 8 cm thick concrete paving slabs, which allows not only pedestrians but also trucks and fire engines to move along it, thus making its multipurpose use possible (Fig. 4.1).

A 1.8 m wide strip of paving with hidden waterproofing was installed along the perimeter of the multifunctional complex building to prevent the soil under the foundation from getting wet and to divert precipitation away from the building (Fig. 4.2).

In front of all entrances and ramps, warning tactile strips made of special concrete flagstones measuring 0.4x0.4 m with a surface made of truncated cones have been installed (Fig. 4.3). The same warning tactile strips are placed in front of pedestrian crossings across local thoroughfares.

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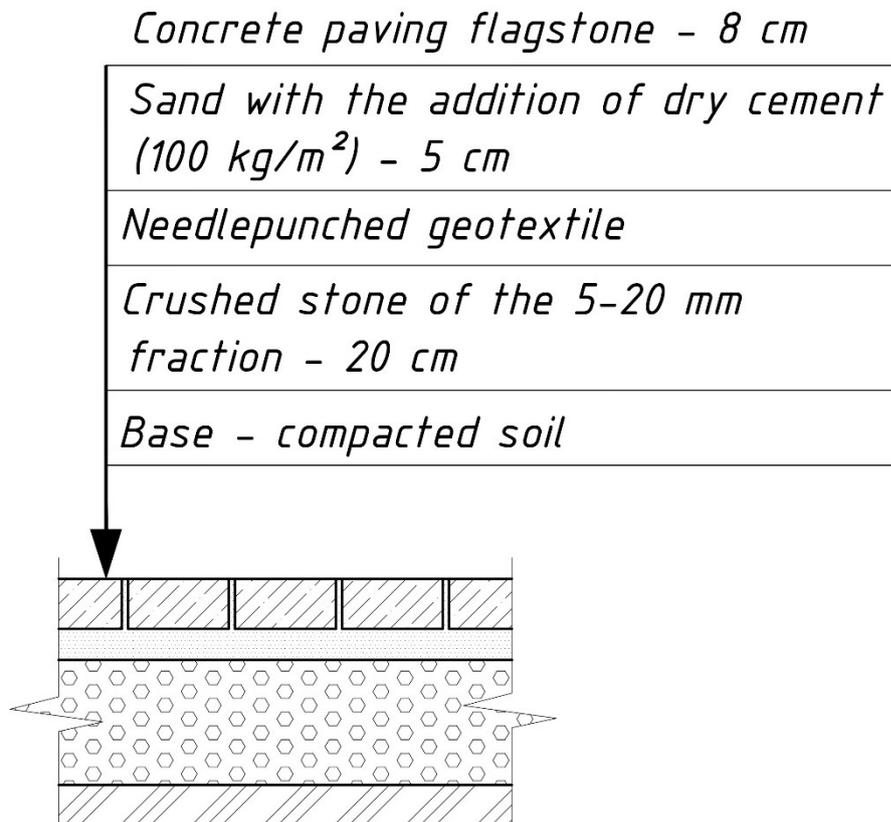


Fig. 4.1. Paving construction made of paving flagstones, suitable for the passage of trucks and fire trucks

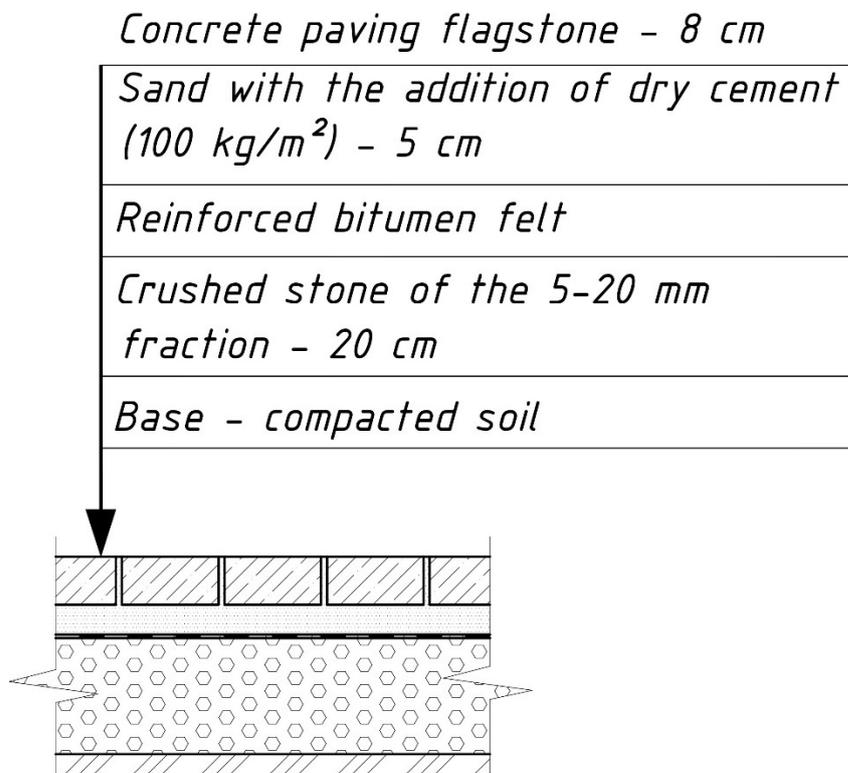


Fig. 4.2. Design of a warning tactile strip in front of the entrance to the building of a multifunctional complex

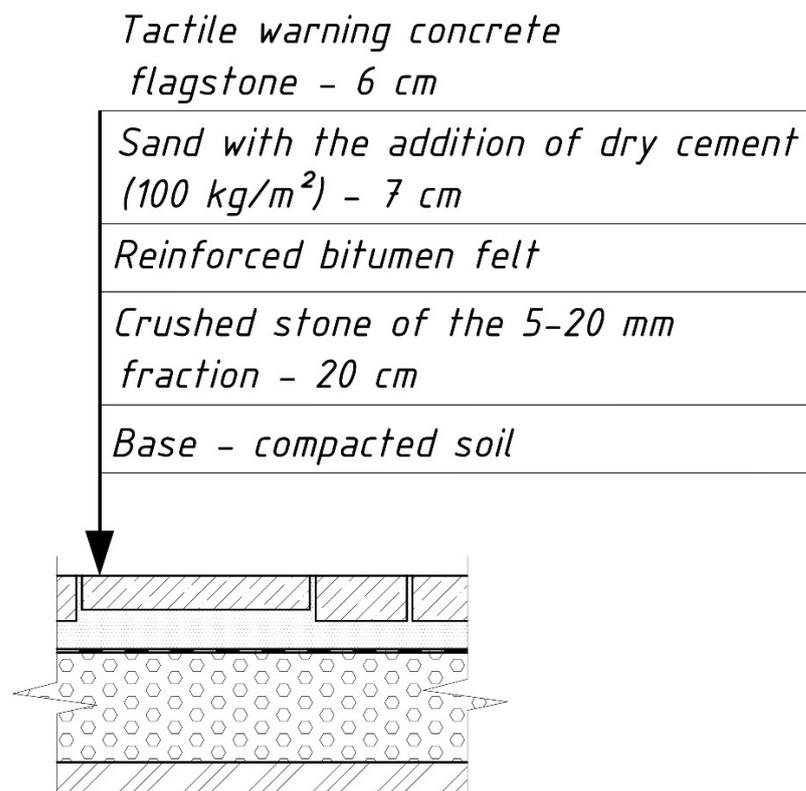


Fig. 4.3. Design of a warning tactile strip in front of the entrance to the building

The loading of the shopping mall is carried out from the local road located from the east. Parking spaces are provided on the west side, where part of the former parking lot, located outside the object area, continues to be used for its previous purpose. Although parking lots are not part of the territory of the multifunctional complex, when determining the number of parking spaces, they were determined based on the retail area of the shopping mall (based on 3 – 4 parking spaces for every 100 m²), as well as the number of employees and visitors to the office centre (based on 5 – 10 parking spaces for every 100 visitors and employees of the office centre).

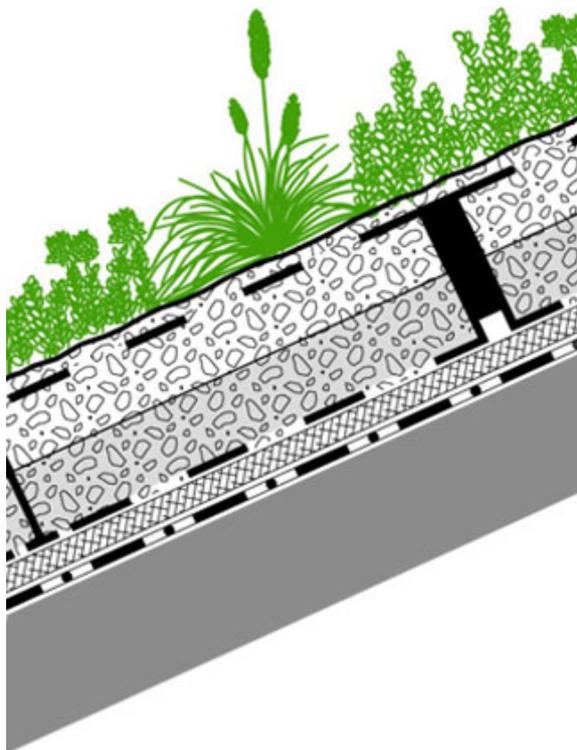
Parking lots shall provide at least 4 spaces for disabled vehicles for every 100 parking spaces. These parking spaces shall be located no more than 50 m from the main entrances to the building.

Ensuring conditions for fire extinguishing outside the building of a multifunctional complex is achieved by arranging a circular driveway for fire engines around the building with a width of at least 3.5 m at a distance of 5 – 7 m from the low-rise part of the complex and at a distance of 8 – 11 m from the high-rise part.

5. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

In general, the landscaping of the multifunctional center area is not much different in nature from the nearby city park. This was done specifically to create the impression of the multifunctional complex building "dissolving" in the natural environment. Local types of grasses, shrubs and trees were used for landscaping, which require minimal experience, are well adapted to local natural and climatic conditions, and are resistant to adverse factors inherent in the urban environment, such as car exhaust gases, etc.

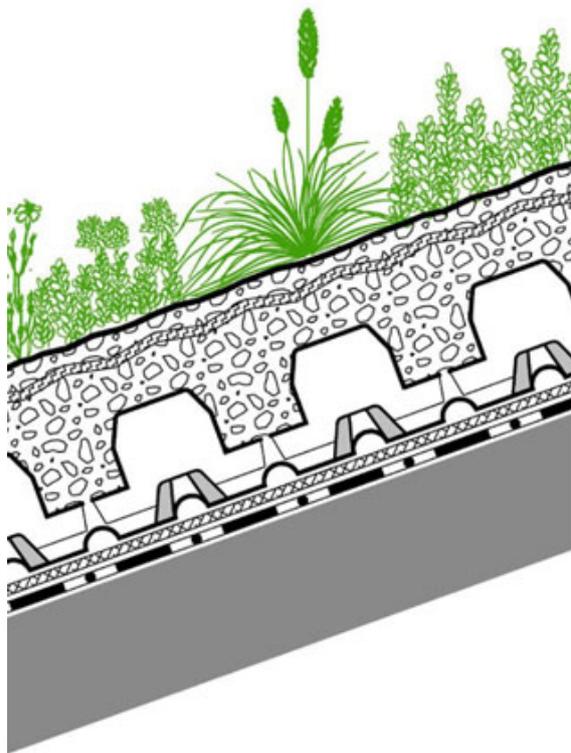
A completely different, much more difficult task is the landscaping of the surface of the green roof of the shopping mall located on the ground floor, which, according to the architectural design, should resemble a green hill. Vegetation on such a green roof is subject to a particularly strong influence of drought, frost and wind. A separate problem is the formation of the upper layer of soil, strengthened by plant roots, which can only hold on surfaces with a significant slope (Figs. 5.1, 5.2). In addition, such a coating must be resistant to visitors walking on it.



Dense planting in line with the plant list "Pitched/Steep Pitched Green Roof"; if roof pitch $\geq 30^\circ$: Vegetation Mat "Sedum Carpet"
 Infill with System Substrate "Heather with Lavender-Light" (ca. 10 mm above Georaster®-Elements)
 Georaster®-Elements
 Protection Mat WSM 150
 Roof construction with root resistant waterproofing

Fig. 5.1. Steep-pitched green roof up to 35° . System build-up [38]

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Plug plants according to plant list
"Pitched Roof"

Jute Anti-Erosion Net JEG, if required
System Substrate "Rockery Type Plants",
from 50 mm above the Floraset® elements
Floraset® FS 75

Protection Mat BSM 64
Roof construction with root resistant
waterproofing

Fig. 5.2. Steep-pitched green roof up to 25°. System build-up [39]

The green roof of the shopping mall is an extensive green roof that does not require special care. To form the correct plant layer, sedum mats were used, which were specially developed for cultivating plants on green roofs with a slope of up to 45°. The special feature of these sedum mats is that the sedum was planted on a special mat made of coconut fiber and/or on a specially developed growing medium. Plastic reinforcements above and below the coconut fiber provide additional stability and a particularly secure grip on steeply sloping roofs [40]. 7 plant species were selected for use in the sedum carpet: 3 from the stonecrop family (Crassulaceae) including yellow stonecrop (Fig. 5.3) and 4 from the houseleeks family – *S. tectorum* (common houseleek), *S. montanum* (mountain houseleek), *S. arachnoideum* (cobwebbed houseleek), and the limestone houseleek (*S. calcareum*) (Fig. 5.4).

These plant species not only provide a particularly beautiful appearance to the roof, giving it a resemblance to a natural hill covered with grass but also provide environmental benefits. The selected plant species are resistant to drought, frost and wind, can accumulate moisture in the upper soil layer and are unpretentious in caring for them.

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