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PRESENTS

EM2N

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On the Toni-Areal; a former milk-processing factory transformed into a platform for education, culture and living. Within the urban development of the district and within the transition of Switzerland's university landscape the Toni-Areal represents a central building block. We assume that this is primarily an urban planning and a programmatic problem. Our design proposes tackling this sizable project – a built structure almost the size of an entire neighbourhood – with a kind of inner urbanism. On the outside the existing system of ramps is read as a vertical boulevard and reinterpreted as the main circulation. Inside, inner addresses are created that locate individual functions like buildings in the city. To create an open framework we work with different degrees of precision, scales and tonalities and with a range extending from huge public spaces to intimate private ones. The building as city, the city as building.

Daniel Niggli (*1970) studied architecture at ETH Zurich. He was visiting professor at the EPFL and ETH Zurich, as well as member of the construction committees in Berlin and Zurich. EM2N with Mathias Müller and Daniel Niggli, established in 1997 and based in Zurich and Berlin, has 70 collaborators working on construction and competition projects in Switzerland and abroad. In addition to a number of awards (incl. 'Umsicht-Regards-Sguardi', 'Auszeichnung Guter Bauten') they received the 'Swiss Art Awards' in Architecture in 2004.

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