

project : *kindergarten* for 75 children in Hannover / Germany 1996

kinder- **garden** as the ideal space



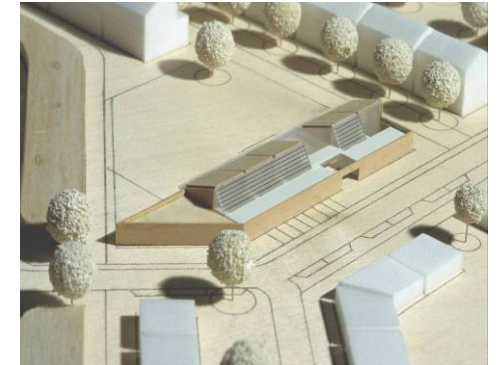
building securing the garden



building as simple as the enclosure of the garden



form as transition space from public to private





Kindergarden-
with
Youth-Care-
Facility

Building Owner:
Union-
Boden
GmbH
Osterstr. 42
30159
Hannover
BGF 900 m²
HNF 700 m²
Building Costs
11.4 Mio Euro



This kindergarden with youth-care facility is sited within an atmospheric urban hillside in the suburbia of Hannover/ Germany. Besides concise framing through the edge of the city / countryside and a rectangularly connected new housing area, the local determination of the building is marked by openness to the garden and protective closure towards the street. Avoiding any fencing, the building additionally serves as a communicative gathering focal-point in the neighborhood. The design-concept itself - synonymously to the shaping of childish consciousness - questions and answers specific internal and external references. The building core incorporates a steel skeleton, which gives the building a sculptural variability and adaptability to possible future differences in usage from sheltering a community center up to a supermarket.



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