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Project

Visitors Center, Museum Kalkriese, Osnabrück, Germany

Added later to the Archaeological Museum and Park Kalkriese, the visitors center now marks its entrance. The ground floor houses the reception desk, museum shop, and a children's museum, while a multifunctional hall upstairs can be used as a large exhibition gallery or subdivided into smaller spaces by means of mobile partitions for use as meeting or conference facilities. Large windows on both sides offer views outdoors. The building is clad all around in facing bricks. The previous farmstead and the new building are united into a coherent ensemble by the material nature of their façades and together form an inviting courtyard.

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Credits

Project:	Visitors Center, Museum Kalkriese, Osnabrück, Germany
Address:	Museum and Park Kalkriese Venner Strasse 69 49565 Bramsche-Kalkriese, Germany
Spatial Programme:	New entrance building to the archaeological museum park Kalkriese; foyer with museum's shop and museum for children; exhibition space with flexible use for events and seminars with up to 7 separable rooms; storage spaces and a kitchen for catering.
Competition:	August 2005 – November 2005, 1st Prize
Planning/Construction:	June 2006 – May 2009
Client:	Varusschlacht im Osnabrücker Land gGmbH Museum und Park Kalkriese, Germany
Architecture:	Annette Gigon / Mike Guyer, Architects, Zurich Collaborators: Competition: Volker Mencke Planning/Construction: Michael Winklmann (Team Manager), Christoph Justies (Project Manager)
Construction Management/ Costing:	Planning/Construction as 'Consortium (ARGE) Besucherzentrum Kalkriese' with pbr Rohling AG, Osnabrück, for work stages 6-8 general management Consortium (ARGE) and site management by Gigon/Guyer
Gross Floor Area (SIA 416):	1'778 m2 (net building area DIN 277)
Structural Engineer:	Competition: Dr. Lüchinger + Meyer Bauingenieure AG, Zurich Planning/Construction: pbr Planungsbüro Rohling AG, Osnabrück, Germany
Electrical Engineer:	Jacobi + Richter Elektro- und Fördertechnik, Osnabrück, Germany
Building Services Engineer:	pbr Planungsbüro Rohling AG, Osnabrück, Germany
Building Physics Engineer:	Ingenieurbüro für angewandte Bauphysik, Osnabrück, Germany
Exhibition Design:	neo.studio, Berlin, Germany
Photography:	Klemens Ortmeyer, Hamburg, Germany