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

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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