

Landsbankinn - competition



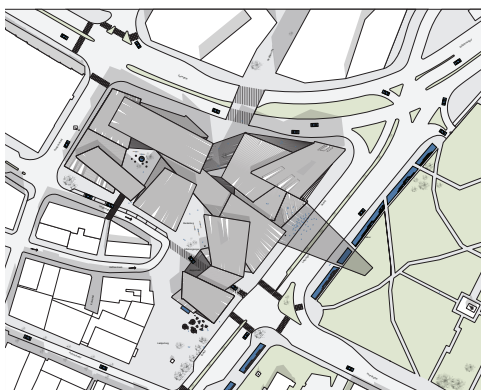
Project description

BATTERÍÐ PLACES SECOND IN THE INTERNATIONAL DESIGN COMPETITION FOR THE NATIONAL BANK OF ICELAND'S HEADQUARTERS.

The competition was an invitational starting with 21 international architecture firms and was divided into a two stage idea competition, 5 firms were selected to continue in the final stage.

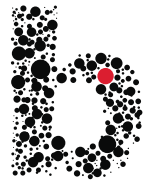


The design perimeters for the new National Bank headquarters in Iceland were to connect the newest part of Austurhöfn (east harbour) with Reykjavík city center as an attractive backdrop for the new music hall and conference centre. It was important for the bank building to be a unique design as well as service a wide range of services in the near future. The design needed to be symbolic as well as to mark a new beginning in the bank's history.

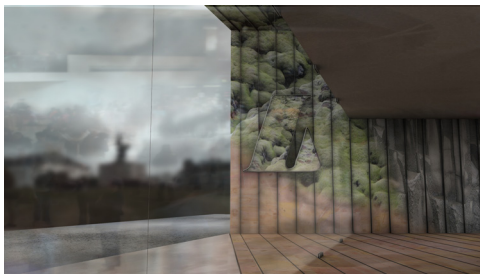


The goal of the project was to create an exciting city landscape while it respected the scale of the existing city center and worked to connect the older small scale buildings to the larger scale of the new music hall, conference centre and hotels. The building was to have a strong relationship with the exterior spaces such as walkways, open plazas and gardens for the dense surroundings residences and businesses. The building had to use the site economically, be well accessible, flexible and be designed to consider the climate.



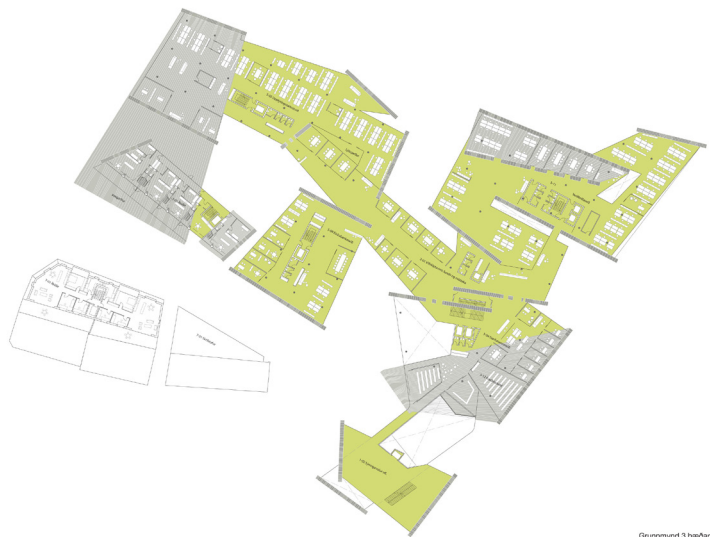


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Project information

Project name	0739-Landsbankinn-samkeppni
Address	Lækjargata, Reykjavík
Client	Landsbanki Íslands hf
Architect	Batteríð Architects
Consultants	Mannvit ehf
Size m2	Total 33.000 m2: Landsbankinn 20.000 m2, Apartments, shops and offices 13.000 m2
Completed	2007



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