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Supreme Court, Tirana AL

Tirana Albania Type: Public Building Location: Tirana, Albania Year: 2015 Client: Municipality of Tirana, Atelier Albania Cost: 12.000.000 euro Surface: 11.500 m2 Phase: Competition Team: SdARCH Trivelli&Associati. X-Plan Studio

The site project is located in the south of the city of Tirana in the park", the access is from the street "Rruga General Nikolos" which is mainly pedestrian street with limited car traffic.

The curvilinear building was not reflected the emphasis of the monumental public buildings of Italian design of the rationalist era, the same porch while being symmetrical stems an asymmetrical plan.

Adding extensions built today would confirm this contradiction.

Characterization and use of this historic building has assigned to the same precise connotation: a building for education.

We took the opportunity to confirm the intended use of the building completely redefining the functional diagram, confirming the historical memory of what it was delivered to us. The project proposes a more significant degree of conservation oriented not so much the subject material itself but to the preservation of the historical memory of the use of the building.

The memory of the user, and citizens; thus defining an intervention strategy:

- keep the school in the current building for education, renovating it;

- design a new building that has the new contemporary features to accommodate the Supreme Court. The two structures form a new node of the network city-park.

This approach has enabled us to provide high efficiency at both planimetric features and delivering an architectural image, already congruent, to the two buildings that dialogue by establishing a joint relationship between them and in the relationships with the landscape.

The new Supreme Court building is a new building that solves all the problems and complexities of internal spatial distribution of a building of its kind presenting itself as a repeatable diagram.

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