



IMAGES: Sebastian van Damme



“By combining a clear glass façade with natural materials and colours going in, the boundaries blur as if there is no distinction between inside and outside. Juxtaposing these elements with an interior of strong colours and soft textures generates an intimate indoor space with the comfort of a living room.”

THE TRAVELLER

A strikingly transparent culinary pavilion

THE IMPRESSIVE YET APPROACHABLE NEW SOCIAL HUB CELEBRATES THE INTERNATIONAL FLAVOURS OF AMSTERDAM'S MULTICULTURAL ZUIDOOST NEIGHBOURHOOD.



Located in the heart of the new Amsterdam innovation district Cumulus Park, in the up-and-coming Zuidooost area, The Traveller is a curvilinear glass pavilion designed by Powerhouse Company and developed by EDGE and G&S Vastgoed, in collaboration with ING. The new bold architectural statement helps to define the neighbourhood by bringing together ING employees, students, entrepreneurs, the local community and visitors for food and fun.

Strikingly transparent and with a welcoming organic form, The Traveller fits in beautifully with the green landscaped grounds and surrounding buildings, notably the new ING offices designed by Benthem Crouwel Architects. It houses a restaurant concept from the team behind successful Amsterdam eateries Visaandeschelde and The Roast Room. The restaurant is open

all day, offering light refreshments and a full menu of international dishes reflecting the neighbourhood's multicultural identity. There are versatile spaces for meetings and events upstairs.

"We designed the pavilion to be seamlessly integrated with its surroundings, creating a dynamic relationship between the interior and exterior," explained Powerhouse Company architect and partner Stijn Kemper. *"By combining a clear glass façade with natural materials and colours going in, the boundaries blur as if there is no distinction between inside and outside. Juxtaposing these elements with an interior of strong colours and soft textures generates an intimate indoor space with the comfort of a living room."* »

“This project is very much aligned with what we are trying to achieve at Powerhouse Company – the openness of the design combined with detailing and innovation, Hospitality projects become very personal to use as an extension of the service-minded approach we bring to our work.”



The pavilion owes its eye-catching appearance to a minimalist glass façade combined with a sculptural, freestanding wooden core. The separation of the wooden core and glass façade – at no point do they touch each other – creates an airy and flowing interior space. The wooden ceiling and abundant greenery bring nature inside.
“This project is very much aligned with what we are trying to achieve at

Powerhouse Company – the openness of the design combined with detailing and innovation,” said Kemper. “Hospitality projects become very personal to use as an extension of the service-minded approach we bring to our work.”
In order to realise the project, Powerhouse Company collaborated with Benthem Crouwel Architects, who designed the new ING office. Karres en Brands is the

landscape architect of the surrounding and Studio BvanB and Office RBGV worked on the interior design. The project real-estate developers were EDGE and G&S Vastgoed.
The innovation district Cumulus Park, an initiative of ING, has since become a collaboration between the City of Amsterdam, the Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences and Amsterdam Community College (ROC), among others. ■



FOR ALL YOUR PROJECTS WITH **SOLID WOOD**

Wood is a natural product that lives and breathes. As a raw material it is renewable and extremely environmentally friendly. With its authentic features and appearance, it is suitable for any building interior or exterior, where it naturally moves people to feel comfortable. All DERA KO systems are C2C Silver certified and contribute to obtaining credits in BREEAM and LEED.

- Great design freedom
- Technical support
- Invisible mounting
- Environmentally responsible

www.derako.com

