

Project architects for Dom-Römer

Frankfurt, 2012 – 2018

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In March 1944, bombing raids and the subsequent fires destroyed Frankfurt's old town, decimating what had been one of the largest intact city centres in Germany. The winding alleys and picturesque half-timbered buildings that once occupied the area between the Römer Square and St. Bartholomäus Cathedral were replaced by post-war reconstruction, with an awkward attempt at combining building styles – on one hand modern, on the other a partial imitative reconstruction of what had been lost – brought about by traditionalists battling the proponents of modernism.

But now the heart of Frankfurt – on a site located between the Cathedral and the Römer Square previously occupied by the city planning offices – is in the process of being fundamentally restructured. With the demolition of the city planning offices, post-war modernism has now given way to small-scale urban fabric, based on historical precedent. A “new old town” image is embodied in 15 elaborately reconstructed buildings, plus 20 new structures, each erected over the pre-war footprint of the buildings that used to occupy the site. The entire area encompasses 7,000 m², and in 2018, 200 residents will occupy 80 apartments, with some 30 businesses setting up restaurants and shops in commercial premises at street level.



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Technical details:

Typology: Urban design, Commercial buildings,

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Procurement documentation: Freelance services

procurement procedure (VOF)

Service phases (HOAI): 1-8

Client: DomRömer GmbH

Project architect: Till Schneider, Joachim Wendt

Project manager: Miriam Baake

Lead construction manager: Thomas Geipel

Land size: 7.000 m²

Gross floor area: 25.000 m²

