

Project: Češča Vas Pool Complex

Design Team: ENOTA

Size: 4770 m²

Location: Novo Mesto, SLOVENIA



Feature:

Project - Nestled into a sloping site, the Češča Vas complex ingeniously integrates rather than competes with its surroundings. Employing the natural topography, the design sinks the pool enclosure partially below ground while transforming the excavated banks into visitor seating. This move reduces the exposed facade area, boosting energy efficiency as well as cost savings that balance the increased dig. Capped by an expansive yet lightweight floating roof that frames the lush context beyond, the complex focuses activity underground.

Within, the roof structure minimizes columns through an innovative concealed beam system integrated into the partition walls. Continuous glazing around the perimeter infuses the interior with ample daylight and views. And the wood ceiling warms up the soaring space, finished concrete walls bring a refined tactility. While highly functional, the architecture celebrates both human activity and the verdant landscape with an elegant restraint. In form and material, the new complex pays subtle homage to local agrarian structures, forging links between community and environment for generations to come.

Design Team - Pioneering collective creativity since 1998, ENOTA embraces openness and collaboration in developing forward-thinking yet context-sensitive architecture. Led by founders Dean Lah and Milan Tomac, its expanding team of architects leverages in-depth research to create innovative spaces attuned to contemporary life. ENOTA's bespoke designs showcase a deep connection to nature and community, from formfinding algorithms emulating organic growth to public spaces facilitating social wellbeing.

Through their award-winning civic and residential projects realized across Europe, ENOTA manifests their commitment to sustainability and lasting quality. Their sensitive, community-

oriented approach allies both constraint and freedom to shape adaptive, inspiring built environments. ENOTA's dedication to elevating architecture's role in bettering society is evident in their prominent industry engagement and academic initiatives advancing the discourse.