



The access to the museum is done both from the square and the E Street, sheltered by the building, marked by inflection of the glass facade. The atrium, a place defined by the skylight, is a vertical space where one realizes the contrast between the orientation of the interior and the exterior scales. This is so because the exterior of the building leads us to its horizontality while its interior leads us to its verticality.

Multifunctional space, permeable and open to the city, it is meant as a meeting and welcoming place for visitors, establishing itself as the core of the building, anchoring its whole programme.

From here, and at the same elevation, there is access to the Children's Museum, the Architectural Centre, the ECC, the shop and to the coffee room and to the remaining floors: exhibition areas on floor 1 and 2, library and restaurant on the 2nd floor and auditorium, workshops, restrooms and toilets on 4.

The atrium is also characterized by the presence of the staircase that gives access to the floor 1. Its importance is due not only to the fact that it is a fundamental access to the exhibition areas, but also because its design is built as an informal emblematic.

A second staircase smaller in dimension, guarantees the access to the atrium at the lower level. Four educational workshops, with the possibility of becoming a single space, open up to this area. From here, a foyer facilitates the access to the lecture room, to both the exhibition spaces and to the classrooms and rest rooms.

On the eastern side of the atrium and in active relationship to it is the **Children's Museum** limited by glass which draws the interior and exterior borders of the museum. The access, also here, marked by the inflection of the glass, is located some way in the middle. An L-shaped corner embraces the central nucleus of spaces such as the storage room, restrooms and daycare, and distributes the different functions of the programme, ending in the educators' room.

Next to the entrance, the multipurpose room and the House of Experiments open up to the atrium. Two movable walls allow the three rooms of the day care center to become into a single one, enclosing its relation and of the atrium with the garden of the house to see.

With direct access from the square or from the UGM atrium, the **Architectural Centre** is composed essentially by a large exhibition room open at its both ends to the Square and to E Street. In there is located the remaining programme. The office is situated north, and the storage room and toilets next to the entrance from the Square.

As in the UGM, the **CC** building rises up from the ground, establishing by its absence the void of a relation between E Street and the Garden, and the permeability between two.

The cube and the **CC** multipurpose room stand in this void, on the platform, both volumes transparent and open to the city. The **CC** building is organized in three floors with an independent access from E street. On the ground floor, the access, multipurpose room and storage room, in the two remaining floors, the studios. The building is ordered from the nucleus of accesses in the eastern tip. The nucleus contains the vertical accesses, the lift and the staircase, the photostory room, and the sanitary facilities. From here a corridor to the south side distributes to the studios. In the north, a balcony leaning over the garden allows the extension to the outside of the studios' working areas. Next to the emergency staircase, the terrace overlooks the garden.

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