

Ibler Passage



Project number · 119

Project name · Ibler Passage

City · Zagreb

Country · Croatia

Type · public, business

Client · Braxea

Site area · 2875

Gross floor surface · 4469

Footprint · 2290

Project · 2005-2008

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3D · Freya



The Ibler Passage is located in one of Zagreb lower-town blocks. It owes its name to the renowned architect Drago Ibler who designed the buildings along the Passage between Vlaška and Martićeva streets. The first buildings in this area were built in the first quarter of the 20th century. Most of the buildings have been used for business and shopping purposes, but most of the premises have been deserted over time and left to deteriorate.

The new Ibler Passage design has been conceived as an urban catalyst intended to activate and redefine the lower-town context. By its new shape and content, but also by preserving the primary purpose, the space acquires a completely new, metropolitan character. Exclusive business and shopping facilities and cafés and restaurants have been located in the urban structure which is reminiscent of a pedestrian zone.

The Passage is also in line with the Zagreb tradition of shopping arcades like Oktogon. The public part of the street is partly a closed space (the existing building with a vault) and partly an open square with a trellis above the end of the passage. Along the part for public use, the existing facilities of varying sizes are intended for shopping purposes.

