



Technical information

Client:
USI - Accademia di architettura
Architect:
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Concept

The building called "Vignetta" is a building built at the beginning of the century, is located in the center of the Campus of the Mendrisio Academy of Architecture and was purchased in 2015 by USI - University of Italian Switzerland. The ground floor housed a tavern called Vignetta, closed for some years but which, for a long time, has been frequented by students and professors of the Academy of architecture.

The ISOS detection plan aims to safeguard and conserve the substance of all buildings, parts of the plant and free spaces. The lot in which the building that houses the Osteria Vignetta is built is narrow and elongated (13.90 x 85.5 m), delimited on three sides by high walls and by the building overlooking Via Turconi. The internal space is accessed from the street through a passage (gallery) which can be closed with a wooden door.

The project involves the maintenance of the ancient bowling green, the arrangement of the context and the exteriors, the renovation and expansion of the existing premises. In the back wall that delimits the lot, an ancient passage that had been walled was reopened, creating a new pedestrian path that crosses the entire area longitudinally.



