

# Retirement apartments, Breitenegg, Kölliken

2018, 1. Rang

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The former mansion of the industrialist family Matter in Kölliken, Aargau, is being replaced. Together with *k a t h r i n s i m m e n* Architekten ETH SIA, Zurich, we win 1st prize in the study commission "Retirement apartments Areal Breitenegg".

The new structure for the retirement apartments is understood as a solitary double villa in the park, surrounded by the tree plantation. The staggered figure takes into account the tree population and leaves sufficient space for the large park trees. The offset of the volume interlocks the urban axes of the neighboring buildings - residential buildings in the north, retirement home in the south - and fits in with the size of the buildings accompanying the railroad tracks. Six apartments form a central hub as a distribution and meeting space at the heart of the building: people meet, and washrooms, a guest room, a communal kitchen, and rentable flex rooms are attached here floor by floor. The basic type of the apartments is based on a 3.5 room apartment. The apartment has no access areas.

What the meeting space represents on the scale of the house is the large, central living space as the heart of the apartment. The new building consists of a combination of skeleton and frame construction in wood. This fully exploits the advantages of each type of construction.

Competition: Prequalification 2018, 1st prize

Execution: 2019 - 2022

Costs: 10.4 Mio (rough cost estimate BKP 2 & 4)

Energy label: Minergie-P

Client: Municipality of Kölliken

- *k a t h r i n s i m m e n* Architects ETH SIA, Zurich  
- von Pechmann Landscape Architects, Zurich  
- Timbatec Holzbauingenieure AG, Berne