

Government District of Mianyang

Design of the new government and administration district for city of Mianyang, P.R. China
International competition, 2009



Location	Mianyang Sichuan Province P.R. China
Client	Sichuan Mianyang City Construction Bureau No. 76 Fucheng Road Mianyang CN-621000 Mianyang, P.R. China
Architect	Pysall Ruge Architekten
Project partner	DBH Stadtplanungs GmbH, Hangzhou
Brief	Urban design planning including varied departments, library, conference center and main government building, traffic and landscape planning, design of the main government building, energy concept
Scope of Services	Analysis, conception, master plan, government building design planning, concept design charter
Size	Plot: 156.000 sqm, GFA: 320.250 sqm
Duration	2009



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The site of the new administration and government district is situated north-west from the centre of Mianyang. The location is characterised by the second green belt of our strategy concept. For this reason the design should be reflected in shape by the landscape strategy of our master plan „Rose of Mianyang“ and become a part of the defined green area.

The concept reflects the special topographical situation of the place through the position of the new main government building on top of the mountain, the axial landscape situation in strong North-South orientation, metamorphosis of the existing contour lines to new administration buildings, and also the inclusion of a water fountain on top of the library symbolising the transfer of knowledge into the city of Mianyang.

The main elements of our design include:

- consideration of our urban design strategies
- prototype of European garden design referencing „Sanssouci“ in Potsdam
- Design of the administration buildings take up the existing contour lines

The historical park (West Park) will be extended. The new landscape park is structured and designed through two axes. The first axis establishes a dramatic perspective along the North-South orientation and leads to the new main government building. The second existing axis runs from the existing buildings (police and court) to the intersection of both main roads in Mianyang. The point of the axes intersection is highlighted by a fountain on the site.

The shape of buildings follows the existing contour lines. The building along the hillside are a modest four storeys in height, with a natural stone basement that leans against the landscape. The gate is a key symbol in China for the definition between inside and outside. Two main gates have been positioned on the axes. The first gate marks the entrance to the new government district and secures the site. The second gate marks the entrance to the courtyard of the new main government building.

Developing of ecological and sustainable urban design and architecture is integral to the proposed concept.

Parking zones are set up in the West (for the administration buildings in South-West and for the government building in North-West). Visitors of the recreation park have additional parking zones in the South. The program is distributed across 12 buildings.

The central building is the main government building, the home of the national congress CCPC and of the municipal and subsidiary authorities. The different functions are separated in four building parts which are connected with all functions are arranged around an inner courtyard.

The landscape concept is comprised of eight gardens of different forms, Da Yu Park, Justice Peak, Mountain Terraces, Sun Plaza, Roof Top Gardens, Rose Gardens, Knowledge Bassin, Peoples' Park.

