Montaudran Aérospase - Toulouse, France

THE RUNWAY - SPINE OF A NEW DISTRICT

Covering 56 hectares and forming part of the «Plaine Campus» urban project, the Toulouse Montaudran Aérospase designated development area (ZAC) is located to the south-east of Toulouse’s city centre in the Montaudran district. The overall site is designed around a large central plateau laid out to either side of the former runway. This becomes a major pedestrian space, a large horizontal monument and a setting for a range of events such as parades and flea markets, as well as offering an area to stroll around. A staggered urban system provides architectures that are open on all four faces and oriented in such a way as to provide noise protection from the A 620 motorway, as well as good natural lighting and visuals along the runway and the garden-parks.

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