# SynthLight Handbook Chapter 5: Case Studies

Part 3: Courtyard facade with heliostats in Karl-Scharnagl-Ring Street in Munich, Germany

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# <u>Project Title</u>: Courtyard facade with heliostats in Karl-Scharnagl-Ring Street in Munich

('Karl-Scharnagl-Ring München')

This project describes a group of three administration buildings situated at Altstadtring in the centre of Munich. Bartenbach LichtLabor were responsible for the design of both, daylighting and artificial lighting. All office spaces were equipped with state-of-the-art daylighting systems to provide shading as well as glare protection. The luminaires are low-glare CAT5 fittings. The glazed atrium covering the central courtyard is one of the features of the buildings.

Owing to the building's geometry, the 600m2 of office space located around the central atrium have a limited daylight availability. In order improve this situation, the use of direct sun light was taken into consideration. The impact of a heliostat system was investigated with a number of scale model experiments and computer simulations. The results of those investigations, both in their improved lighting quality and incread daylight availability, convinced the developer to give the go-ahead for this innovative project. The sunlight system consists of 7 heliostatic sun trackers which focus the direct sun light onto secondary mirrors situated above a highly transparent PVC roof. These mirrors redirect the sunlight onto individual reflector systems attached to the facade inside the courtyard of the buildings. The sunlight is directed onto the white, diffuse ceiling prividing glare-free natural lighting. This achieved optimum daylight in the offices overlooking the courtyard, along with an improvement to the working conditions of the inhabitants.

The innovative daylighting system installed into the property at Karl- Scharnagl-Ring is an investment which improved the rentability of the office space resulting in a better return of investment to the owner.

Type of building: administrative building (approx. 12.000 m^2 office area)

Completion: 2003

Builling owner: Bayerische Immobilien Management GmbH

Architect: Hilmer Sattler & Albrecht München

Heliostats: Bomin Solar



Figure 1: Initial architectural drawings

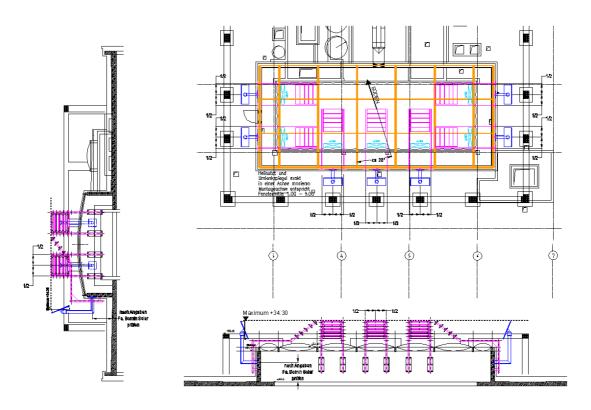


Figure 2: Initial architectural drawings

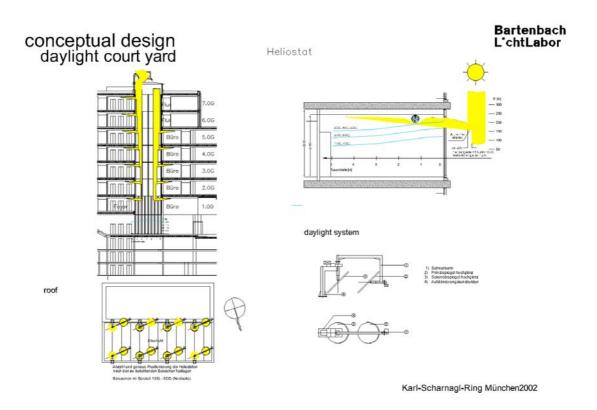


Figure 3: Conceptual design drawings of the lighting concept

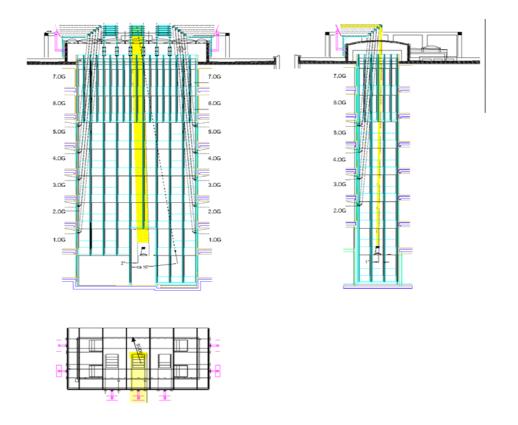


Figure 4: Conceptual design drawings of the lighting concept



Figure 5: pictures of the scale model of the inner courtyard with redirecting mirrors

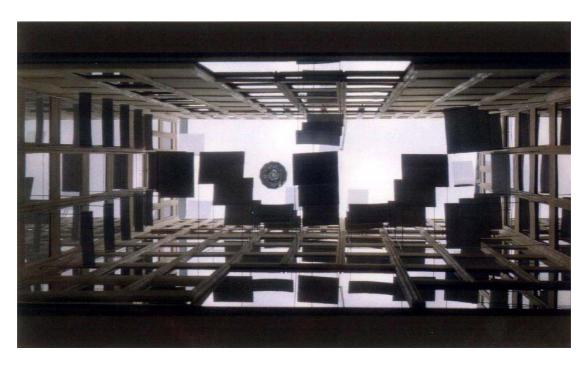


Figure 6: pictures of the scale model of the inner courtyard with redirecting mirrors



Figure 7: picture of the scale model of the Heliostat systems with redirecting mirrors on the roof



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Figure 9: Picture of the completed inner courtyard , view from the ground level to the  $\operatorname{\mathsf{roof}}$ 



Figure 10: Facade at night



Figure 11: Picture of the redirecting mirrors installed on the roof

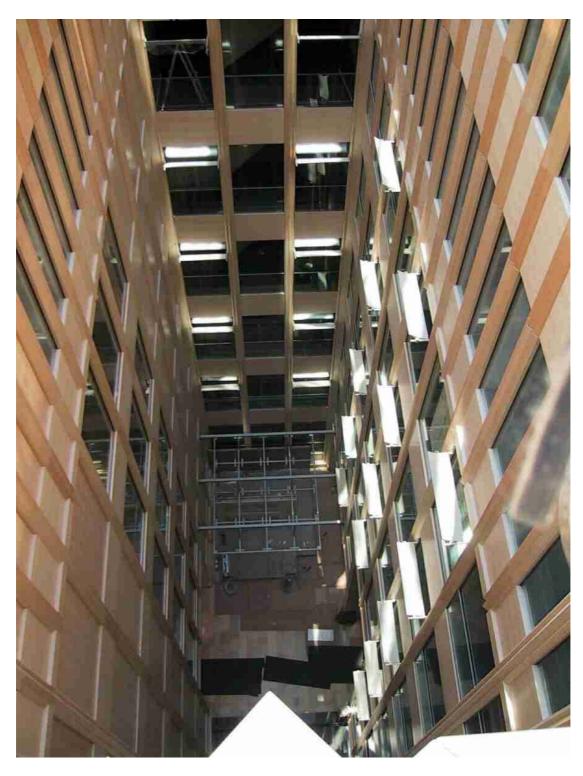


Figure 12: View down from the roof into the inner courtyard onto the second redirecting mirrors