

Kengo Kuma wraps Japanese office building with wooden lattice

Kengo Kuma and Associates has completed a new office building in Aichi, Japan, with two façades wrapped by a wooden lattice, creating a warm and humane atmosphere.



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Called Hekikai Shin-yo Kinko, the 4,140m² office building serves as a bank and is situated at the centre of Nagoya city. The building welcomes its users with a big green void placed at a point facing the intersection of the building. This volume is designed as a "cubic green" that joins the ground and the rooftop.



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"Our planning aimed to give comfort to the town with this green, while design it to be viewed and enjoyed from every corner in the building," said the firm in its project description.

"Facing the same road stands Misonoza, another project of ours which is the most famous theatre in Nagoya."



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The louvers applied at the façade of the theatre are laid out diagonally and resonate with the wooden louvers for the exterior of the bank. Wooden louvers not only create a gentle rhythm to the streets but also take in foresty sunbeams inside the building.

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