



Up building when active as powerplant  
Down state of building at start design proces



# INNOVATION POWERHOUSE

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**Size** 11.000 m<sup>2</sup>

**Building period** 2015 - 2018

**Originally built** 1953 - 1972

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The former power plant of Philips in Eindhoven is transformed into the multi-tenant Innovation Powerhouse. A transformation from a brute, raw and heavy industrial complex - in size and volume completely unsuitable for offices - into a comfortable, breathing, spacious, fresh and innovative work environment.

The points of departure were to maintain the building's architectural qualities and to incorporate this vision of an open environment for innovation.

To create a vibrant centre where all inhabitants can meet, the architects created a clear-cut backbone in the building, which clusters all activity and forms the heart of the building. Inspired by the original plans, the architects added a steel vertical garden to the central high-rise, completing the building its originally intended symmetry. The symmetry is finished by a glass extension at the back of the building. Other interventions are kept subtle, to highlight and strengthen the monumental industrial character of the building.

