

Spacious, inviting entrance arcades, a linear plinth housing various units used for different purposes, the central mosque park and the dynamic minaret are the modules that make up the mosque complex under construction in the Bay of Algiers, to the east of the historic town center.

A mosque park, a souk, and a Koran school form a buffer zone between the city of Algiers and the heart of the new mosque complex.

The minaret located in the west of the site serves as a landmark that is distant from afar. Like the Metabolistic structure of a vertical city the tower houses different functions that are clearly legible from the outside: The Museum

of Islamic History, sky lobbies, research areas, and a viewing platform. Together with the horizontal extensions housing the cultural center a sculptural entity emerges, for which on account of this momentum the term "dynamic minaret" is wholly appropriate.

Of the five entries submitted by way of invitation to the international competition, on November 14, 2007 the jury selected that of KSP Jürgen Engel Architekten.

### La Grande Mosquée d'Alger

client	Institut de formation des cadres religieux Dar el Imam cite les dunes
floor area	273,000m <sup>2</sup>
cubage	1.768,153m <sup>3</sup>
competition	01/2008, 1 <sup>st</sup> prize



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