Lab Lounge

Olimpia Park, Moscow, Russia 2012 Entry lobby to the HQ of the world's 4th largest internet security company

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Client Kaspersky Lab
Area 400 m²
Cost Confidential
Project Stages Concept Design

This interior design concept was prepared by Lacey & Saltykov for Kaspersky Lab in conjunction with ABD Architects' commission for the fit out of this world-leading cyber security company's headquarters in Moscow.

One of the main challenges of the design was to accommodate an existing structural column located in the centre of the reception area on the intersection of the circulation flows and key sight lines. L&S chose not to conceal it but holistically integrate it into the conceptual resolution of the space. Two distinct elements of

the concept were created - 'The hearth' with the column integrated into it and 'The information'.

The hearth is symbolically inviting, warm and friendly. Curiosity and visual interest are aroused by the centre of the table which changes seasonably from a fire place in winter to a fountain in summer. The seating around it is arranged in an egalitarian form.

The information is the functional focus of the room in the form of a reception desk with a dynamically changing screen behind it.



1 - In winter when the days are cold and dark, the open fireplace creates a feeling of home warmth and light.
 2 - On a hot summer day the sight and sound of water create an emotion of comfort and coolness.
 3 - Main sight lines diagram. Every visitor sees an intriguing and unusual hearth but is naturally drawn towards the reception zone and the lift lobby behind. This helps intuitive movement through the space.
 4 - Sketches of the main components of the concept and spaces that they create. The hearth' as the heart of the room and 'The information' as its functional focus.

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