

Project Profile Data

Fire Station, Grindelwald, Switzerland



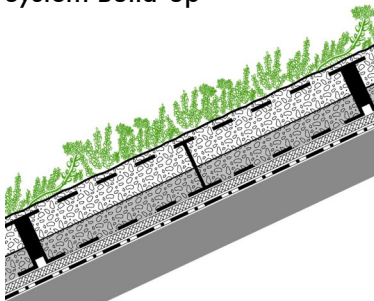
The Grindelwald fire station merges beautifully with the surrounding mountainside.

Conception

The new fire station is located to the south of the new outdoor swimming pool, on the site of the former pool. The green roof flows wave-like upwards to the road above. As a result the building is incorporated esthetically into the mountainside. An extensive green roof was installed along with Georaster® elements fitted from the bottom upwards.

Pre-cultivated vegetation mats, each 22 sq. ft. (2 m²) in size, were placed above the growing media for quick surface coverage and immediate protection against erosion. Flat-plate solar collectors were fitted along parts of the roof ridge in order to generate warm water for the adjacent outdoor swimming pool.

System Build-up



- Vegetation Mat "Sedum Carpet"
- Growing media Zincoblend
- Georaster®-elements
- Protection Mat WSM 150
- Roof construction with root resistant waterproofing

Development



The Georaster® elements are installed from the bottom up. In the background, the legendary Eiger North Face.



The rear of the fire station, taken from the new outdoor pool.



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Area: 13,600 sq. ft. (1,260 m²)

Construction Year: 2007

Architect/Design:
ARCHIDEE GmbH, Grindelwald

Contractor:
Künzli Gartenbau AG, Interlaken

System Build-up:
"Sloped Sedum" with Georaster®

Coordinates:
46°37'22.32"N 8°01'37.78"E



The sloped roof with newly-installed pre-cultivated vegetation mats.



The collectors for warm water can be seen at the top right of the extensive green roof.



The road sloping slightly upwards to the fire station.