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DRESSED ON THIS ROCK, THE CASTEL HAS AN EXCEPTIONAL LOCATION OFFERING A 360° PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE ENTIRE LANDSCAPE. NOT WISHING TO INTERFERE WITH THIS PARTICULARLY BEAUTIFUL HISTORICAL CONTEXT, OUR GOAL WAS TO INSCRIBE THE NEW TOURIST ELEMENTS BELOW THE CASTLE. TO OFFER AS MANY VIEWS OF THE SURROUNDING NATURE AS THE CASTLE, THE IDEA EMERGED OF A WALK AROUND THE STEEP ROCK TEN METERS BELOW. A VERTIGINOUS WALK ON THE ROOF, THE RING HOUSES A HOTEL OFFERING ROOMS AND APARTMENTS, A RESTAURANT, A CAFÉ AND A MOUNTAIN REFUGE FOR WALKERS.

THE RING IS DIMENSIONED IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT CAN REPEATEDLY FIND NATURAL SUPPORTS ON THE GROUND. THE CHOICE OF A LATTICE GIRDER AS THE STRUCTURE OF THE RING ALLOWED THE CROSSING OF LONG RANGE. THE DIFFERENT PROGRAMS ARE EITHER IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE MOUNTAIN OR OVERLOOKING THE VOID IN THE TREETOPS.

THE CONFIGURATION OF THE PROJECT OFFERS A PRIVILEGED RELATIONSHIP TO THE EXCEPTIONAL ENVIRONMENT OF THE SITE FOR EACH OF THE OCCUPANTS OR VISITORS OF THE RING. ALL APARTMENTS AND ROOMS HAVE A PRIVATE TERRACE, SOME ROOMS HAVE A JACUZZI. A SAUNA TOOK PLACE IN THE MOUNTAIN REFUGE.

THE WALKWAY, ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYBODY, LINKS THE ENTIRE RING'S PROGRAMS. IT ALLOWS RESIDENTS TO ACCESS THEIR APARTMENTS. ON THE NORTHERN FLANK, THE SPACE UNDER THE WALKWAY IS AN INFORMATION POINT DEDICATED TO THE FAUNA AND THE FLORA.

THE ACCESS TO THE RING IS FROM THE ROAD BELOW. ALWAYS RESPECTING THE TOPOGRAPHY OF THE GROUND, A PARKING OF HUNDRED PLACES TAKE PLACE NEAR THE ROAD. THE LAYOUT OF A NEW BROADER PATH COMES DISCREETLY TO INTEGRATE INTO THE SITE. IT ALLOWS THE SETTING UP OF AN ELECTRIC SHUTTLE BETWEEN THE PARKING AND THE RING FOR THE REDUCED TO MOBILITY USER AND THE LAZY ONE! IT'S ALSO AN INDISPENSABLE ACCESS FOR DELIVERIES.

THIS DISTANCE WITH THE CAR OFFERS TO THE PLACE AN ABSOLUTE CALM WANTED BY THE CUSTOMER. THIS LOOPING PATH LEADS THE VISITOR TO THE PLAZA AT THE BEGINNING OF THE RING, GIVING ACCESS TO THE HOTEL LOBBY, AS WELL AS TO THE RESTAURANT, CAFÉ AND THE SPECTACULAR RING'S WALKWAY. FROM WALKWAY WE FIND THE EXISTANT STEEP PATH LEADING DIRECTLY TO THE RUINS OF THE CASTLE. AT THE SUMMIT OF THE ROCK, TWO PLATFORMS, MADE OF METAL AND WOOD, ALLOW THE VISITORS TO RISE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE RUINS TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CASTEL'S PLAN AND ALSO TO CONTEMPLATE MORE FREELY THE PANORAMA.

TO ANSWER TO THE ENERGY REQUIREMENTS OF OUR TIME, THE RING PRODUCES A SIGNIFICANT PART OF ITS NEEDS. THE RECOVERED RAINWATER SERVES AS WATER FOR THE TOILETS OF THE APARTMENTS, ROOMS AND REFUGE. STORED, IT ALSO ALLOWS AN AUTONOMY OF WATERING FOR THE KITCHEN GARDEN AND THE GARDEN OF AROMATIC PLANTS OF THE RESTAURANT. A SYSTEM OF SMALL WIND TURBINES ON THE UNDERSIDE OF THE RING MAKES IT POSSIBLE TO PRODUCE SOME OF THE ELECTRICITY NEEDED, ESPECIALLY FOR THE HOT WATER OF THE HOTEL.

