



# Stefan Forster Architekten

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- First monograph on Frankfurt-based firm Stefan Forster Architekten, highlighting its continuous engagement in housing and featuring thirty designs that exemplify its approach and philosophy
- Lavishly illustrated with previously unpublished images and plans
- Housing is a top topic in current architecture and urban design discourse and Stefan Forster Architekten have realised seminal designs in a range of typologies and scales

Ever since the firm's establishment in 1989, Frankfurt-based Stefan Forster Architekten (SFA) had a special focus on housing. A starting point for this was the urgent necessity of refurbishment and modernisation of the vast housing developments constructed of prefabricated concrete slabs as part of the urban rebuilding programmes in the newly founded federal states of eastern Germany following the country's re-unification in 1990. From the initial 'Haus 07' in Leinefelde, Thuringia, SFA have moved on, creating a remarkable body of work in metropolitan housing. Their designs comprise large-scale public multi-unit blocs and single-family town houses on small plots, as well as the transformation of former office and public administration structures.

This first monograph on SFA highlights how the firm has constantly worked on raising the standards in residential architecture, years before the current shortage of housing in urban areas has made such improvements so urgent. The book features 30 designs that exemplify SFA's approach and philosophy.

Text in English and German.

**Stefan Forster** founded his own architecture firm in 1989 in Darmstadt, today located in Frankfurt. He graduated from Technische Universität Berlin and completed his education with a scholarship in Venice and working for architecture firms in Berlin and Mannheim.

