

Qianhai SZHK Youth Innovation and Entrepreneur Hub, Northern District

Shenzhen, China

Awards

2025

ARCASIA Award - Category E Integrated Development - Honorary Mention

2023

Winner Dezeen Awards China 2023 - Mixed-use Project



LocationShenzhen, China

Date

2018 - 2023

Client

Qianhai Inno-Tech Investment/ Qianhai Holdings

Cost £167m

Site Area 90 000m²

Height 7m / 23ft

Floors

Typically 6; Landmark has 8

Co-Architect Hong Kong Huayi Design Structural Engineer

Hong Kong Huayi Design

Services engineer Hong Kong Huayi Design

Project Manager China Overseas Construction

Landscape Architect AOYA-HK

Cost Consultant

China State Construction International Co., Ltd

Contractor

China State Construction International Co., Ltd

Fire consultant

Hong Kong Huayi Design Consultants



Qianhai SZHK Youth Innovation and Entrepreneur Hub, Northern District, a designated youth entrepreneurship zone, offers an oasis of innovation and creates an urban work-life balance community in Qianhai. The zone will focus on artificial intelligence, big data, life and health, Internet of Things (IOT), blockchain, cloud computing, science technology, and culture.

Containing both a metro and bus station, the site forms a dynamic link between the local community and the emerging skyline. The project comprises of 16 buildings, all connected by an elevated sky deck with landscaped gardens accommodating primarily flexible office floor space, in addition to amenity and retail programs situated within a large, landscaped park.

This urban innovation and creativity hub is a pedestrianised, masterplan development with a central public square and central park, surrounded by walkable streets, green

courtyards with urban gardens and trees and water features. The central square provides a series of shared outdoor spaces for social meetings and gatherings, performances, sports and other leisure activities, relaxation and regeneration.

A cluster of lower and elevated buildings with planted terraces, vertical green villages and sky gardens on a gentle urban slope hosts a raised landmark cultural and arts building providing a large multi-purpose hall, exhibition and office spaces. Commercial spaces are flexible and columnfree, with options to be divided into open plan, cellular or mixed office units.

The building design and layout is based on flexibility, adaptability and physical and visual connectivity. In contrast to the new 'super high rise' developments within the Qianhai area of Shenzhen, this 'super low rise' development aims to create a people focused concept for an 'urban living room'.