

STO AG OUTLET, HAMBURG

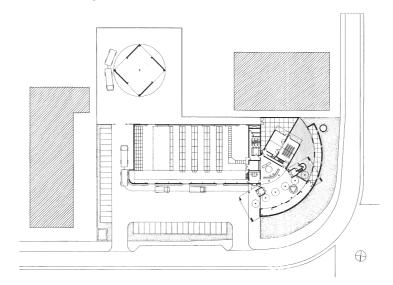








Ground Plan, ground floor



Office and Administration Buildings



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In an industrial area south east of Hamburg, an administration, training and storage building of the Sto AG was built on a L-shaped site. The project is a prototype for a series of regional depots, for local distribution of the company's products. Each depot will comprise four building elements: warehousing, offices, exhibition area and a training pavilion. The buildings are orientated in three directions: the warehouse, a long white cube with a horizontal roof, is at right angles to the geometry of the surrounding buildings and parallel to the primary street frontage. The offices, placed on columns, as a rectangular yellow volume with a barrel vaulted roof, which is set diagonally across the corner of the site; the training pavilion, a red square object with monopitch roof, which is facing the entrance to the site; the curving display wall beneath the office and close to the exhibition area; and a secluded garden for visitors and employees. The main elements enclose a central operations counter at entry level and a private outdoor staff courtyard above. The warehouse street facade is elaborated to form a public face for the building with a full length canopy and the the tower, emblazoned with the company's logo, is a stirking feature of this building in this largely featureless context.

