## MANARA VALGIMIGLI SECONDARY SCHOOL

location: San Piero in Bagno (Italy)

client: Town of Bagno di Romagna, Unione dei Comuni Valle del Savio

3 300sqm gross surface: 3,35M € excl. VAT cost: international competition phase: timetable: 12.2018-02.2019

The architectural conception of the new «Manara Valgimigli» secondary school is deeply connected to the urban and topographical nature of the site.

The volume of the new building declares its dual nature: on one side the north elevation with its urban, almost monolithic, character that dialogues with the main square; on the other the west elevation, generously open on the Apennine ridges.

More in detail if the north façade, which stands on the main town square, is aligned with the adjacent residential building, the west one appears as leading actor, attesting on it all the main spaces of the new school.

The contact between the two facades is represented by the corner, emptied on the ground floor to house a generous entrance porch; dematerialized on the upper floors where there are all the spaces dedicated to professors, to parents' reception and to a double-height library. The different empty-full treatment of the two elevations and the corner reinforces the will of an innovative school building which, at the same time, dialogues with the surrounding urban contest in which it is inserted.



