

God's-Eye-View Architecture

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Abstract

From the perspective of Google Earth, the experience of cities and buildings from the macro to the micro, from the large scale to the small scale, from the earth to the region, from the city to the building, presents the God's-Eye-View first. When people open Google Earth, the first thing they see is satellite maps of different scales from the God's-Eye-View first. Such a perspective means that the importance of the building's roof or the fifth façade of the building is prioritized. And this is what most modern buildings are most neglected. The building roofs of city centers in many modern cities have even become the location of the Chasing scenes of police and gangsters that cops-and-robbers movie directors prefer. From a design perspective, such a building roof has absence of architects. Putting forward the God's-Eye-View first is also a call for architects to pay attention to the design of the building roof or the fifth façade of the Building. This is one of the key points of the theory of God's-Eye-View Architecture proposed by Professor Zhu Wenyi.

Biography

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