

Open Lounge, Raiffeisen Bank, Zürich, Schweiz, 2011, with Drexler Guinand Jauslin Architects: A new flagship branch for Raiffeisen blurs boundaries between customers and employees, creating a pleasure-filled banking experience. Computer-milled panels with portraits of the area's prominent cultural figures grace the walls



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