

DARIA ZIMNICKA

architect | interior designer | project manager

Architect, spatial designer and project manager with experience leading projects from concept to delivery. I combine strategic thinking, business understanding and design excellence to create spaces that strengthen brands, improve user experience and support organisational goals.

areas of expertise

Project management Interior Architecture & Design Project Leadership Human-Centred Design
Budget & Cost Control Brand Experience Storytelling Cross-Functional Collaboration

work experience

MIXD Interior Experience Design | Design Manager | Poland

11.2025 - present

- Lead multidisciplinary interior design projects from concept development through design delivery, ensuring alignment with the client's vision, brand identity and commercial objectives.
- Develop design concepts and spatial strategies for hospitality, residential and mixed-use projects across international markets.
- Coordinate architects, interior designers, consultants, visualization artists and external suppliers throughout all design stages.
- Oversee FF&E selection, material palettes, bespoke joinery and detailing to ensure a cohesive design language.
- Review layouts, technical documentation and design packages, ensuring consistency with project standards and operational requirements.
- Collaborate closely with BIM teams and technical consultants to translate design intent into coordinated documentation.
- Balance creativity with budget, operational and construction constraints, delivering commercially viable design solutions.

NDI Development (NDI Group) | Poland

• Project Coordinator

10.2023 – 11.2025

- Ensure full coordination of architecture projects from concept to implementation while maintaining brand and standards.
- Ensuring projects budgets are adhered to while striving for optimal results, maintaining high quality and meeting client expectations.
- Compiling detailed investor estimates and cost plans.
- Collaborating with Sales and Marketing to understand market needs, adjust projects strategies, and provide technical support.
- Analysis and evaluation of material proposals whilst safeguarding quality in areas such as facades, interior finishing and landscaping on behalf of the investor.

- Representing investor interests in construction council, acting as a key contact between various parties involved in the project.
- Actively participating in discussions and making decisions regarding technical, budgetary and scheduling matters.
- Established an Arrangement Department responsible for coordinating interior projects for common parts for investments, turnkey apartment projects unique to each investment and comprehensive post-sales services for the entire tenant change process.
- Design leader, ensuring aesthetics and uniqueness in terms of visual aspects of projects (also in terms of technical acceptance processes).

• **Project and Construction Specialist**

08.2022 – 10.2023

- Collaboration with Project Managers to effectively support project implementation, ensuring a smooth process operation and achievement of project goals.
- Conducting analyses of potential investments, leading to the selection of the most viable investment opportunities.
- As the coordinator of tenant changes, developed and implemented efficient procedures to provide excellent post-sales customer service to clients.
- Effective coordination of all interior projects within investments (common areas).
- Implemented innovative solutions in projects and within the company, also representing the company in Proptech Foundation Organisation.
- Initiated the creation of a "Design Team" within the company, consisting of key stakeholders involved in the investment process. Meetings are centred around the approval of material samples, mock-ups and other visual aspects that could impact the project outcome. These meetings aim to identify any potential design flaws early on and ensure that the final project meets or exceeds expectations.
- Provided technical support for audits, changes and optimisations of undertaken investments and new projects, contributing to excellent quality and investment efficiency.
- Active participation in construction activities and coordination meetings, ensuring continuous communication and coordination among various entities involved in the investment projects.
- Initiated creative workshops for project teams to envision and strategize new investments.
- Worked with the company's chief architect and created a functional program for a post-industrial area comprising the historic Sugar Factory and surrounding 19-hectare lands. Our program involved analysing the development potential of the company's largest landholding while considering the unique historical features and surroundings of the area. We also developed plans in line with the company's vision.

• **Assistant Project Manager**

05.2022 – 08.2022

- Experience in providing full support to Project Managers for two premium residential buildings with c. 250 apartments. Coordinated interdisciplinary projects, oversaw documentation flow, and ensured smooth operations.
- Coordination of design process within contracted architectural offices for new investments, supporting efficient communication among interdisciplinary project teams.
- Created a comprehensive project and coordinated the realization of an event zone within the historic area of the old Sugar Factory. The event zone was opened in June 2022, and it is located on one of the company's development lands. The initiative involved the entire process from concept to visual identification, with the aim of creating a unique and attractive space for various events.
- Supporting the company's chief architect in analysing new investments and creating urban-architectural concepts.
- Assisting in the acceptance of partial works on construction sites.

Freelance | Interior Designer and Architect

12.2018 – present

Conducting a comprehensive interior design project (from conceptual design to turn-key realisation), as well as making inventories and technical surveys/inspections.

DOMUS Architecture Studio | Junior Architect | Poland

03.2021 – 05.2022

Comprehensive project management from conceptual design to delivery of construction project and obtaining a building permit (multi-family dwellings totalling 10.000m² NIA). Working on construction details, assisting in implementing changes to executive projects, and participating in meetings with investors.

T. Golanko Architecture Office | Assistant Architect | Poland

06.2020 – 08.2020

Conducting conservation inventory, land development planning, implementing alterations to building projects and executive projects, developing architectural details, working with building projects, handling architectural documentation, and creating conceptual designs.

Karol Tomczak Atelier | Assistant Architect | Poland

02.2020 – 06.2020

Supported the construction design plan that involved expanding and reconstructing a primary school building. Oversaw the architectural design, which included creating proposed drawings sections, and elevations. Provided professional guidance in coordinating between different industries, preparing technical descriptions, submitting applications and letters to relevant offices, and participating in project meetings.

Abacus Architecture Office | Assistant Architect | Poland

07.2018 – 08.2018

Working on development projects and architectural details, making revisions to conceptual designs, preparing architectural documentation, creating 3D models, and assisting in the selections of finishing materials and details.

education

course: Design of Healthy Spaces: Wellness and Comfort | 02.2026

Domestika

Obtaining a professional architectural license | 11.2025

Unlimited License in the Architectural Discipline (Design & Construction Management)

Master Degree | Architecture | 02.2019 – 12.2020

Gdansk University of Technology | Poland

Sapienza Universita di Roma | Italy (Erasmus exchange programme)

Bachelor's degree | Architecture | 10.2015 – 02.2019

Gdansk University of Technology | Poland

other skills

Languages Polish (native) | English (advanced) | Spanish (beginner)

Soft skills creativity | attention to detail | communication | work under pressure

Software skills AutoCad (8/10) | Revit (6/10) | 3dsMax+Corona (6/10) |
Sketchup+VRay (8/10) | MS Project (7/10) | Office (7/10) | Photoshop (5/10)

licenses & certifications

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Mentee of "Young Leaders in Construction Sector"

06.2023 – 03.2024

A comprehensive project supporting young professionals in consciously shaping their professional careers, developing their soft skills, and improving their leadership competencies. Group of 35 young professionals from Poland.

AUTODESK 3DSMAX COURSE

02.2019 – 04.2019

3 months online course | 3d VizAcademy | Autodesk Authorized Training Centre

References upon request.