



## PROFILE | PARAVANT Architects

Established in 2007, PARAVANT is an innovative international architecture and planning firm. We bring design expertise from around the world to our office in Los Angeles, CA. While client satisfaction is forefront in our practice, we strive to approach each project in a thoughtful way, offering a unique solution that fits the client needs while maintaining the fiscal parameters of the project. With a combined experience of over 40 years in the profession, PARAVANT draws from experience in the U.S., Central America, Asia, the Middle East and throughout Europe to offer our clients an international, multifaceted approach to design. Based on the founding partners' work experiences and education in Germany, PARAVANT Architects is keenly aware of the PASSIVE HOUSE Construction Standard and buildings assembled with reduced embodied carbon materials. We encourage all of our clients to make responsible decisions for future generations. PARAVANT's belief in the dissemination of good design has resulted in various teaching opportunities and publications.



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