

## TUM-IAS Buildings

### **TUM-IAS Headquarter, Garching**

In September 2010 the TUM-IAS moved to its new headquarter on the Garching Research Campus. The building is a place that sets the stage for exchange of ideas on every scale, from one-on-one to a symposium, and on every level: from the ground floor, which offers a 140-seat auditorium, up to the top floor with its Faculty Club, fireside lounge, and panoramic views. On the middle levels, central meeting areas – a mix of formal and informal, private and open – are surrounded by ample office space for Fellows, visiting scientists, and staff. Walking the wood-paneled hallways, one is never more than a few steps from a whiteboard or some kind of "room for thought" such as a library, a reading room, or a so-called Think Tank – a one-person cockpit for concentration just this side of sensory deprivation.

TUM alumni Rüdiger Leo Fritsch and Aslan Tschaidse were responsible for the architectural design. To build it, the BMW Group provided ten million euros and its own impressive competence in construction. After completing this complex project on time and within budget, the BMW Group donated the TUM-IAS headquarters to the Technische Universität München.

### **TUM-IAS Guesthouse**

In October 2009, the new TUM-IAS guest house welcomed its first guests. The building offers five fully furnished one-bedroom apartments between 25 and 80 m<sup>2</sup> for TUM-IAS Fellows visiting Munich for longer or shorter stays. The Jugendstil building was donated to the TUM by the Schmidtler Foundation for the purpose of hosting international guest scientists at TUM, an ideal solution for many of the international Fellows in the TUM-IAS. The building is located in Schwabing between the English Garden and Münchner Freiheit, with a direct subway connection to the TUM campus in Garching. The TUM-IAS has financed the complete renovation of the building, following the rules for historic preservation. The apartments are now a mix of traditional architecture with sleek modern furnishings. The apartments are almost completely booked through 2011.