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Interior architecture transforms Discovery Campus into a city

he Discovery Campus in Sandton by the Growthpoint Properties and Zenprop joint venture is touted as the largest single-tenant building in the southern hemisphere. Construction began in 2014, with the bulk of the project completed last year.

The number of amenities and benefits integrated within the building matrix transformed it into something resembling a city, says Paragon Interface senior project architectural technologist Anthony Karam.

The Discovery Campus comprises three linked office towers, each with a

ground floor, eight office floors and an activated roof level with sports facilities and integral landscaping. The design features an abundance of natural light, with the bulk of the development "wrapped" around a series of sunlit atria that illuminate the cores of the towers.

According to Paragon Interface, the aim was to frame the interior environment to suit Discovery as a business, while driving an active, dynamic and agile workspace, integrating public space, collaborative hubs and breakout spaces, together creating a diverse and invigorating workplace "experience" where staff are encouraged by their surroundings.

Paragon Interface says that it wanted to make a memorable and spatially forward-thinking workspace environment that appeals not only to the senses, but which affords a platform for Discovery to launch itself into the modern business environment.

The project team, client and developer all came together to create something that not only epitomises Discovery but is very much a 21st century workspace in Sandton.

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