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As lecturer and assistant professor Markus has many years of experience in teaching architectural design and building construction. Working at the TU München his research was mainly focusing on timber construction and sustainable building methods. He studied Architecture in Rome and Munich where he runs his studio.

From 2006 on Markus directed the first DesigBuild projects with TU München giving architecture students the opportunity to contribute with their concepts and their hands-on work to community based building sites in South Africa. By then many projects were realized driven by the vision of a closer relation to practice and to social involvement at the universities. Currently teaching at the Munich University of Applied Sciences he is preparing and organising the implementation of a school centre in Uganda within the framework of an international summer school for young architects.

“I am convinced that Architects can provoke sustainable changes through the way they collectively shape our built environment. They have the ability to respond to global challenges with their creativity and expertise. As base for responsible and sensible contributions the holistic training of young architects therefore has a particular importance. This strongly motivates me to teach in the BASEhabitat program.”

Markus is cofounder and chairman of the non-profit association “Bauen für Orangefarm” which facilitates and organises DesignBuid projects with students regularly since 2007.

“DesignBuild projects to me are not simply a hands-on experience for students. Much more it is a comprehensive approach to fundamental questions of architecture. It is about encouraging people to learn and to work together regardless different culture and status. And it is the occasion to deal with real needs and demands in order to get a deeper understanding for the relevance of your position as designer and architect for somebody’s live.”

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