

MICHAEL KOCHER AIA, NCARB

OFFICE DIRECTOR, BEHNISCH ARCHITEKTEN BOSTON



Michael Kocher joined Behnisch Architekten in 2006 and has held leadership roles on many of the firm's key institutional and higher education projects. He has worked on multiple prototypes and studies, including an ecological pilot project, "House of the Future," an experimental hub for energy research and technology incubation utilizing multiple progressive technologies, at the Illinois Institute of Technology. Michael has also led winning national and international design competitions and been a part of the firm's recent research collaborations with academic institutions, including MIT's Sustainable Design Lab. Frequently speaking at conferences and industry events for the firm, Michael leads discussions on a wide range of project types and methodologies demonstrating sustainable innovations in architectural design. Born in 1985, Michael holds a Master of Architecture and Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree from the University of Cincinnati.

PROJECTS

- Karl Miller Center at Portland State University, Portland, OR
- Harvard University Science and Engineering Complex, Boston, MA
- John and Frances Angelos Law Center at the University of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD
- New Science Center at Amherst College, Amherst, MA
- Maximino Martinez Commons at the University of California Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
- Park Street Laboratory, New Haven, CT

COMPETITIONS

- Buerocampus Feldkirchen, Feldkirchen, Germany
- Transporeon GmbH Headquarters, Ulm, Germany
- John and Frances Angelos Law School, Baltimore, MD
- 1920 N Street Competition, Washington, DC
- IIT House of the Future, Chicago, IL

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS

- Registered Architect: Massachusetts, USA
- NCARB Accredited Architect, USA

PROFESSIONAL

Since 2018	Office Director – Behnisch Architekten, Boston
2010-2018	Architect and Project Leader – Behnisch Architekten, Boston
2009	Architectural Intern – Coop Himmelb(l)au, Vienna, Austria
2006-2008	Architectural Intern.– Behnisch Architekten, Los Angeles, CA and Boston, MA

TEACHING, GUEST LECTURER (SELECTION)

2017	The Plan Magazine Conference, Presenter, New York City
2016	NYC Urban Green Conference, Speaker and Panelist, New York City
2016	Guest Lecturer University of Oregon, Eugene, OR
2015	Facades+Performance Conference NYC, Panelist, New York City

EDUCATION

2010	University of Cincinnati, Master of Architecture
2008	University of Cincinnati, Bachelor of Science in Architecture