## Qatar Science & Technology Park

PO Box 5825 Doha, Qatar

Architects Woods Bagot Architects / Peter Miglis Manama, Bahrain Clients **Qatar Foundation** Doha, Qatar 2004 Commission Design 2004 2005 - 2007 Construction 2008 **Occupancy** Site1,230,000 m<sup>2</sup> Ground floor 18,378 m<sup>2</sup> Total floor 115,000 m<sup>2</sup>

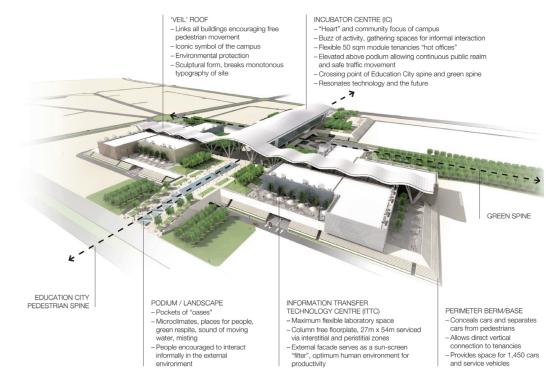
Programme

Costs

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The distinctive wave-like 'veil' roof structure of STP's circulation spine has a sculptural quality which strongly contrasts with the horizontality of the landscape. The multifunctional 'veil' provides shading to the outdoor areas and allows the buildings to be physically and symbolically connected.

Qatar Science and Technology Park is truly a place for people; a green respite with the sound of moving water that is focused on innovation and collaboration.



