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working world**

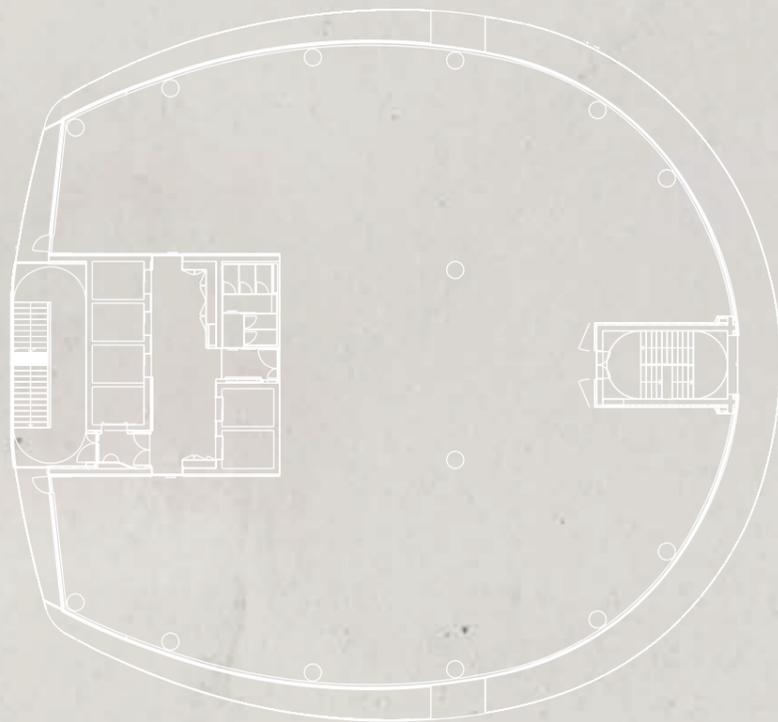
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Located in Porto, this project draws inspiration from an organic concept, echoing nature and the life cycles of trees, focusing on three fundamental pillars: functionality, comfort, and sustainability. The aesthetic is contemporary, with a minimalist and harmonious approach, utilizing eco-friendly materials, innovative technological solutions, and biophilic design to promote a connection with nature and enhance indoor environmental quality.

The city of Porto, with its dark urban landscape and robust textures, inspired the choice of a more sober color palette, with predominant greys contrasting with the use of wood and cork, a subtle reference to wine, reinforcing the local identity and connection to Porto's culture.

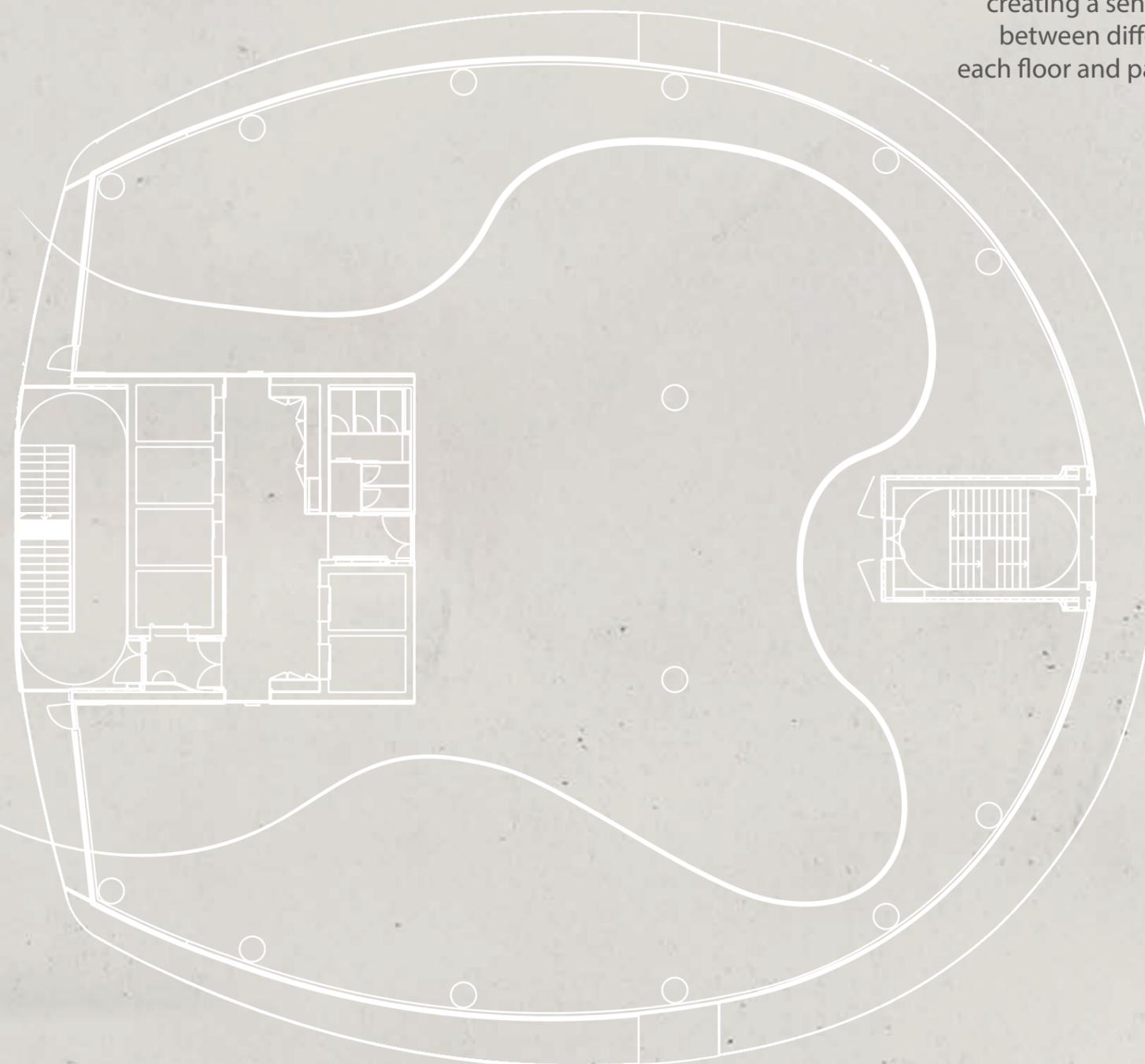




Situated in a building whose structure evokes a cut trunk, the design follows an integrated approach, where each floor represents a symbolic part of a tree: the roots, the trunk and the foliage. This representation conveys stability, growth, and innovation—values that are intrinsic to Ernest & Young’s corporate culture. The central concept is based on the growth rings of wood, symbolizing the company’s different stages of evolution.

The building, with a structure evoking the image of a cut tree trunk, features an organic wall inspired by the growth rings of trees, connecting all floors.

This wall visually and symbolically links the areas, creating a sense of continuity and communication between different spaces, reflecting the idea that each floor and part of the company is essential for its functioning and growth.



Continuity
Grow
Communication

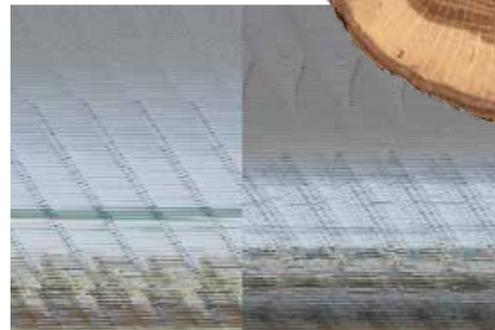
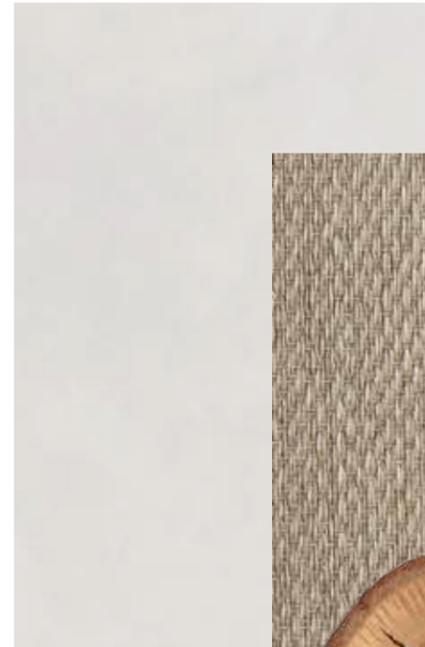


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Main Materials



Accent colors



Terracotta



Warm Yellow



Warm White



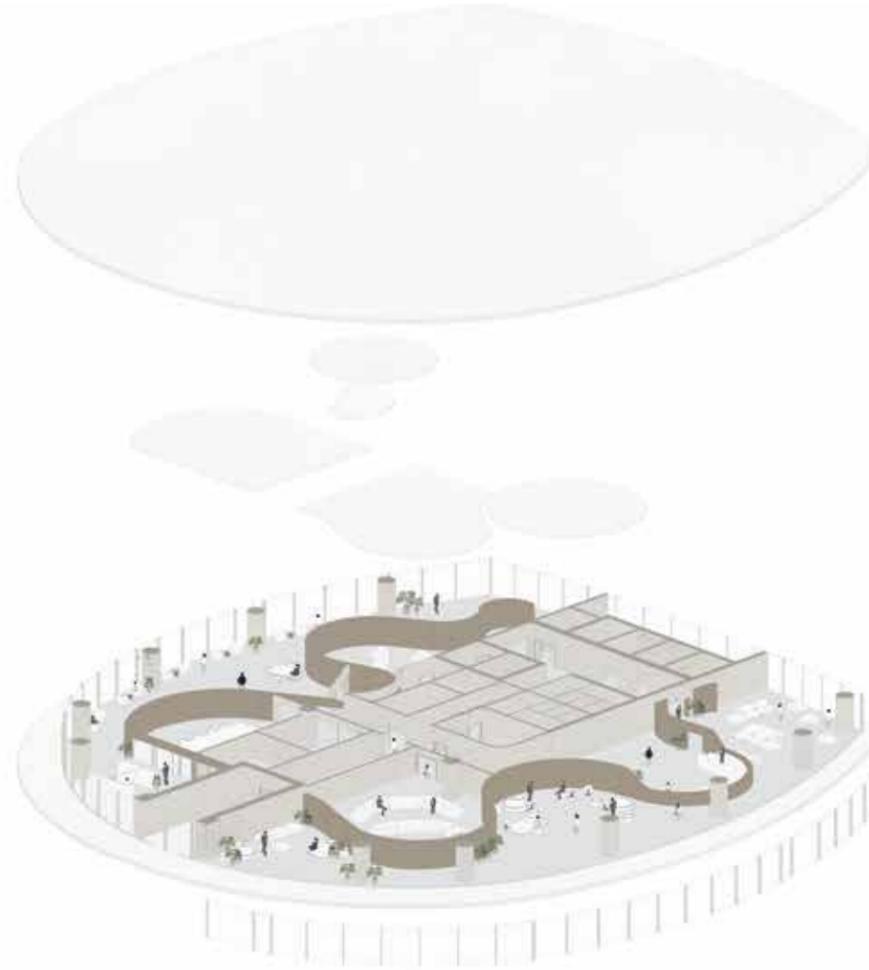
Sage Green



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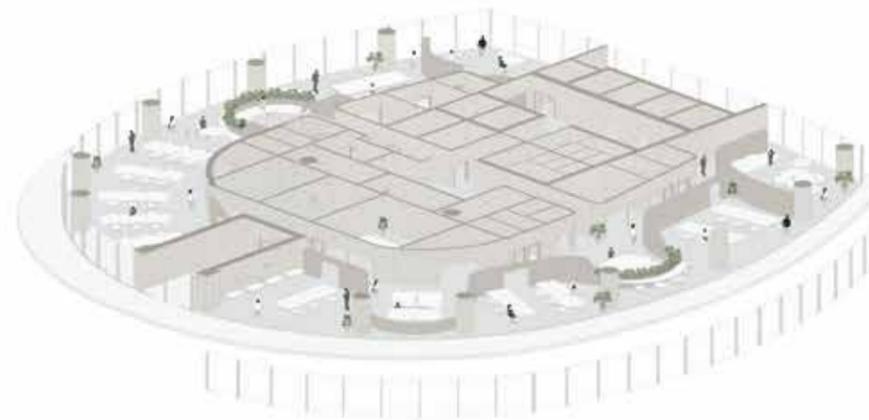
6th floor
Foliage

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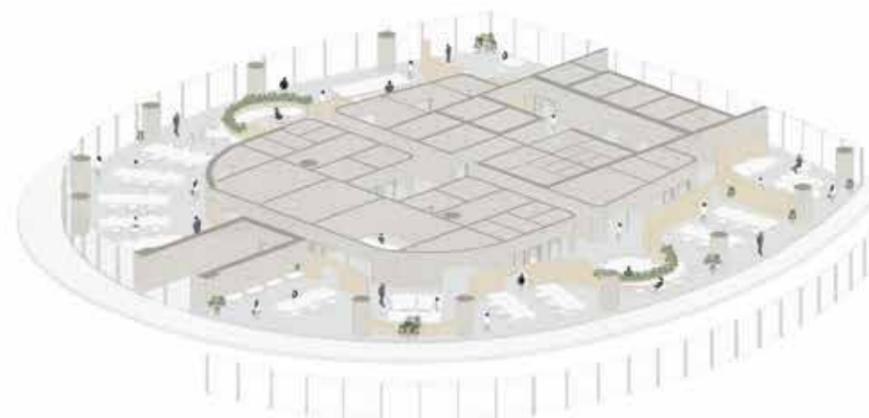
5th floor
Trunk

Symbolizes the support and strength of the organization. Designed to encourage collaboration and idea exchange among teams.



4th floor
Roots

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6th floor

5th floor

4th floor

Section A

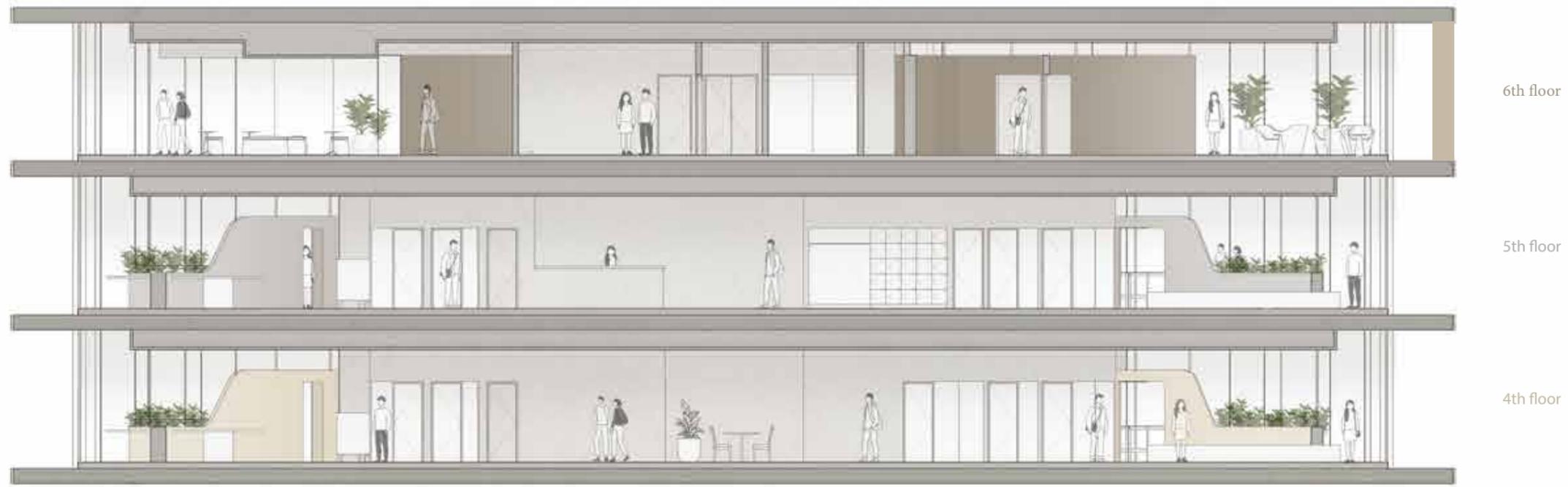


6th floor

5th floor

4th floor

Section B



Section C



Section D

6th floor

5th floor

4th floor

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Roots

stability



4th floor

[root, root]

noun

the part of a plant which attaches it to the ground or to a support, typically underground, conveying water and nourishment to the rest of the plant via numerous branches and fibres.

The "Roots" meeting room will be reserved for more important and confidential meetings, reflecting the solid foundation and trust the company aims to convey.

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4th floor
Roots

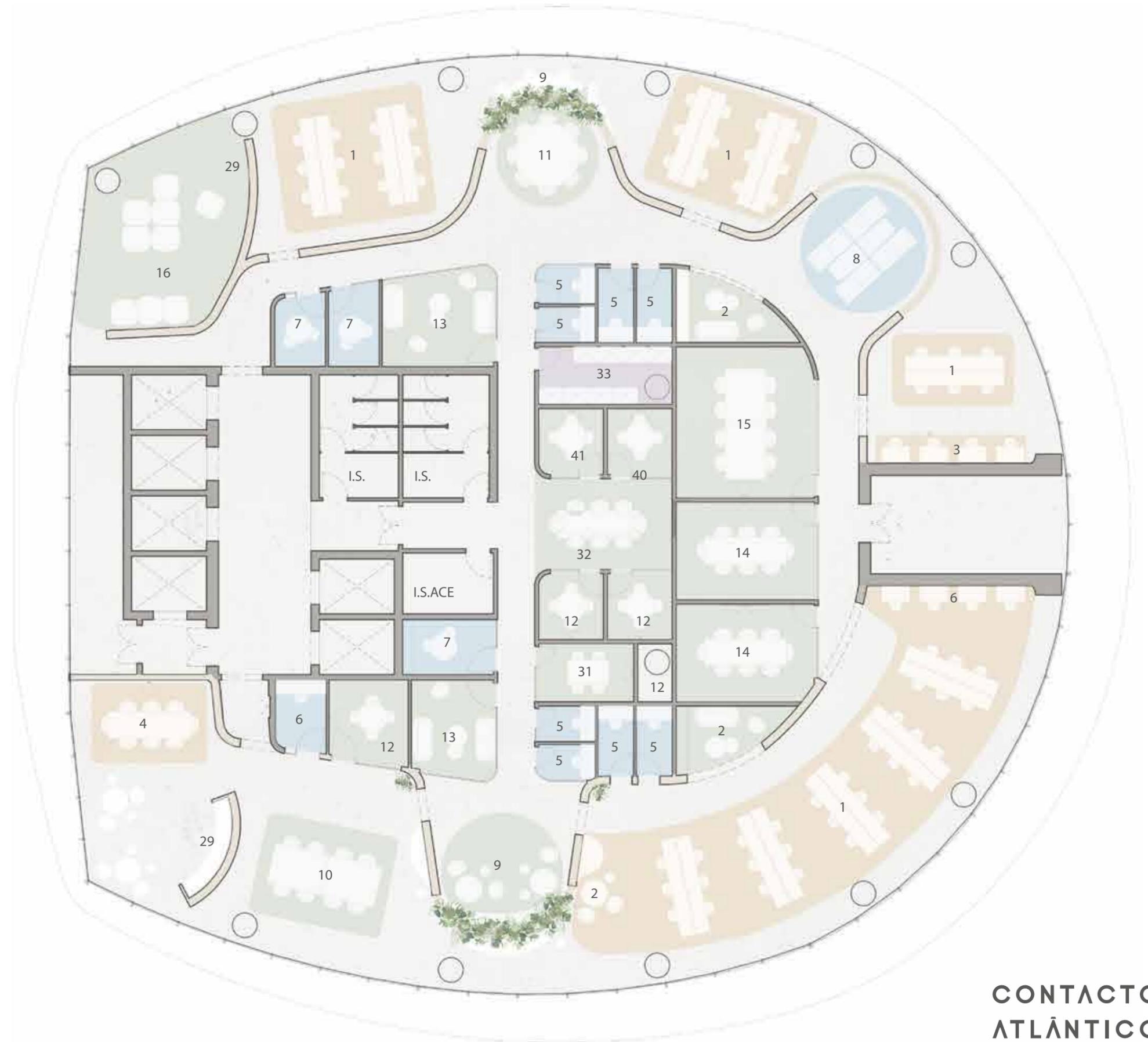
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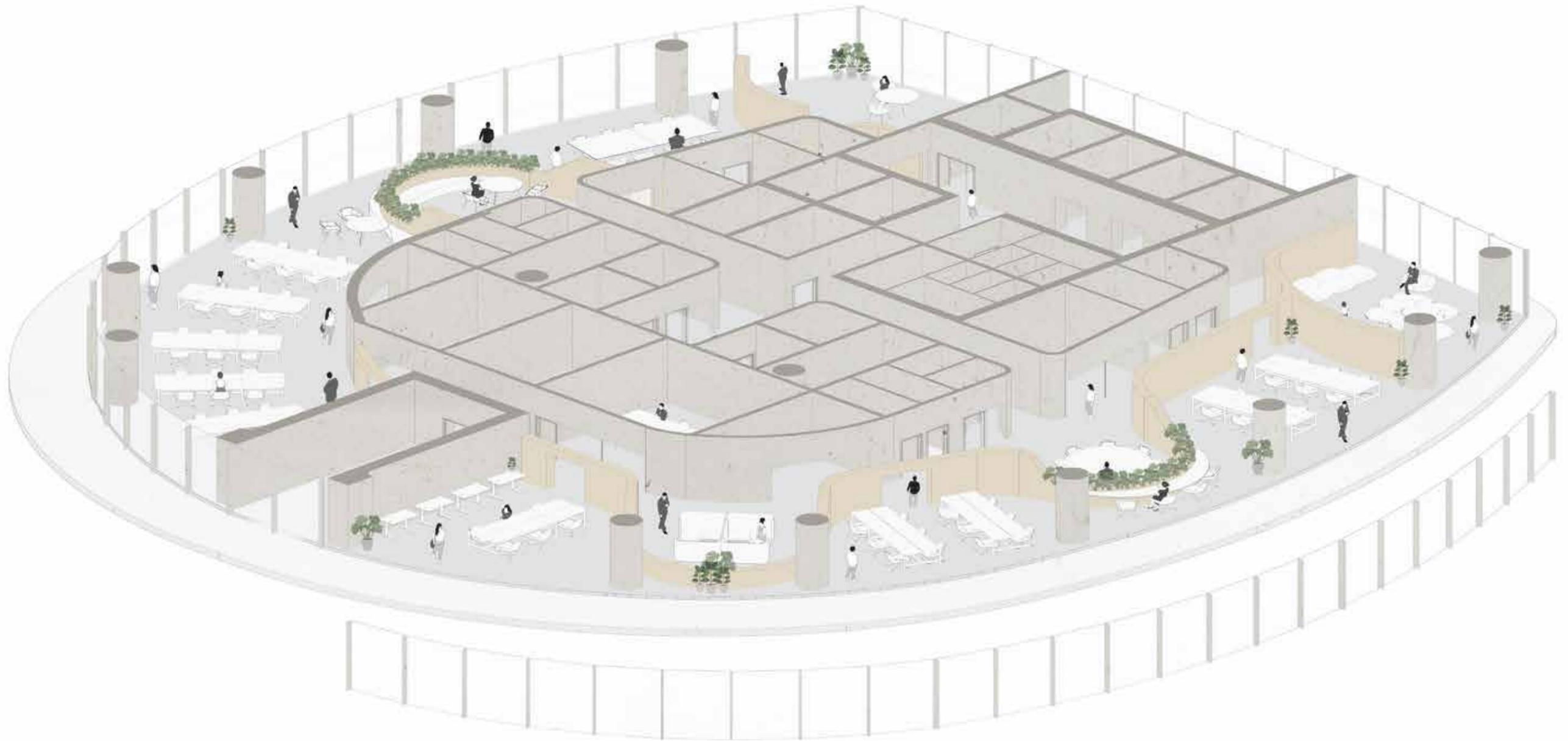


4th floor Roots

- 1 Sit-stand OR Fixed-height straight back to back desks.
- 2 Fixed Organic, Circular or Wave Desks
- 3 High Focus Desks
- 4 Touchdown/Work Bar seats
- 5 1P JIT
- 6 1P Accessible JIT
- 7 2P Meeting room/JIT.
- 8 4P Collaboration booth.
- 9 4-5P Collaboration Table
- 10 6-12P Community Touch Down Table
- 11 6-12P Open Plan Collaboration.
- 12 4P Meeting room
- 13 3-6P Soft Seating Meeting Room
- 14 5-6p Meeting Room
- 15 8-12p Meeting/Project room
- 16 Hub small
- 17 Hub Large - Self Service
- 18 4-6P Formal Meeting
- 19 6-8P Formal Meeting
- 20 10-20p Formal Meeting
- 21 8-10P Media Theatre
- 22 Business Lounge
- 23 Multi-Function/Training/Virtual/Innovation
- 24 Reception Storage
- 25 Client Reception
- 26 Luggage Closet/Store
- 27 Catering Pantry
- 28 Coat Cupboards/Closet
- 29 Hydration Point
- 30 Quiet/Multi-Cultural/Contemplation Room
- 31 Privacy Room
- 32 Copy Print Point
- 33 Secure Filing / Storage
- 34 FM Supplies
- 36 Central Mail Room
- 37 FCR
- 38 MCR
- 39 IT Work Room
- 40 IT Store Room
- 41 Tech Bar

- Formal Collaborative Spaces
- Support Spaces
- Team Collaboration
- Hybrid Work Points
- Individual Work Points





4th floor
Roots

dedicated to the company's internal areas, with shared workspaces and zones for tasks requiring concentration and silence.



Office Working Areas

Trunk

strength



5th floor

[trunk, trunk]

noun

*the main woody stem of a tree as distinct from its branches and roots.
"you can tell the age of a tree by the rings inside its trunk"*

The "Seed" room, dedicated to innovation, will be the center for brainstorming and idea development, with flexible furniture and advanced technology facilitating creativity and innovation.

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5th floor
Trunk

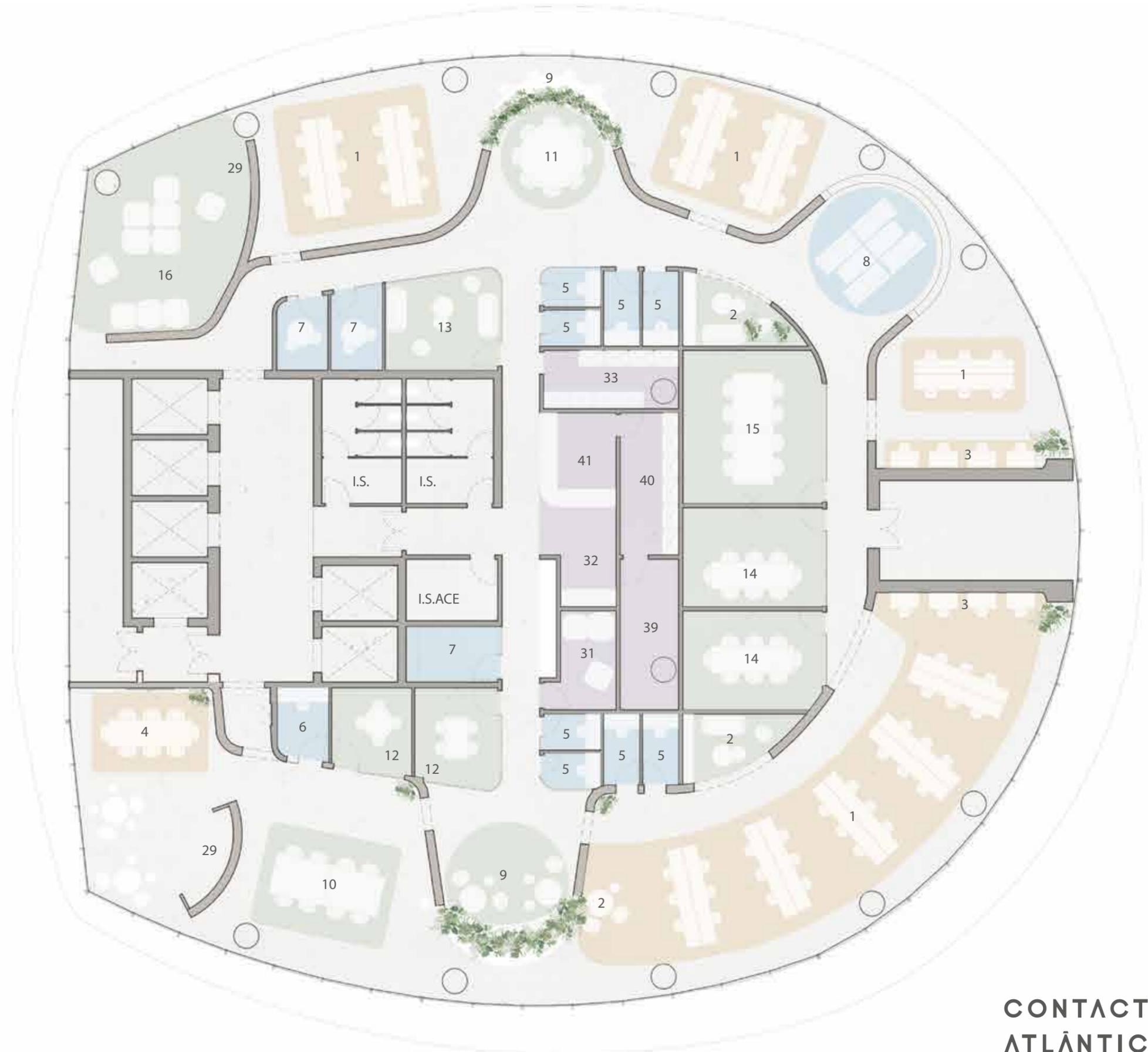
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5th floor
Trunk

collaborative and creative areas where
teams can work together.



Open Space Working Areas

Foliage

growth



6th floor

[foliage, foliage]

noun

refers to the leaves of a plant or the collective leaves of plants.

The "Forest Bathing" room offers a relaxing environment inspired by the practice of forest immersion, providing a space where employees can unwind and recharge.

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more dynamic, will be where the company receives its clients and holds strategic meetings. Reflects growth and innovation, with a central hub that promotes interaction among all employees.

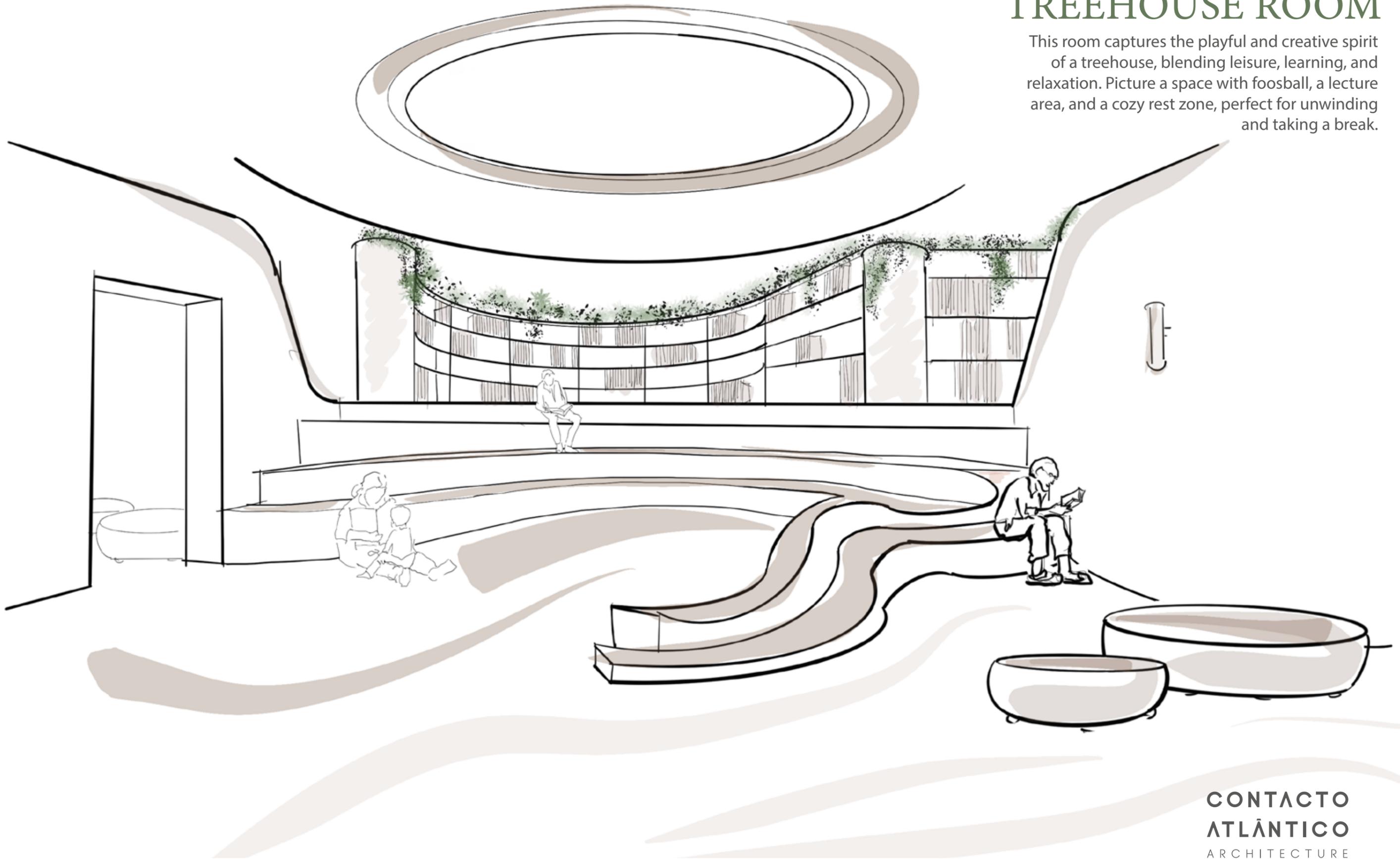


Multi Function Room



TREEHOUSE ROOM

This room captures the playful and creative spirit of a treehouse, blending leisure, learning, and relaxation. Picture a space with foosball, a lecture area, and a cozy rest zone, perfect for unwinding and taking a break.





Tree House Room - Large Hub



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Sustainability



Sustainable Materials

Utilization of low environmental impact, recycled, recyclable, and environmentally certified materials (e.g., FSC-certified wood, low-VOC paints, and finishes).

Energy Efficiency

Installation of LED lighting systems with motion sensors and natural light. Climate control will be ensured by efficient ventilation and air conditioning systems, with integration of renewable energy whenever possible, as well as automated interior curtains, integrated with light and temperature sensors.

Water Management

Installation of nationally manufactured sanitary equipment, certified for low water consumption. The selection will include timed faucets with water flow reducers and toilets with dual flush systems, allowing for more rational use of water resources.

Air Quality

Integration of a ventilation system that ensures excellent indoor air quality, along with the use of plants that help filter the air and promote a healthier environment.

Thermal and Acoustic Comfort

Adequate insulation and the use of sound-absorbing materials to ensure a comfortable environment in terms of temperature and noise, promoting productivity and well-being.

Waste Management

Waste management and separation systems will be integrated into all areas, focusing on recycling and material reuse.

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