Abstract
As part of the projects for the 2008 Olympic Games, a joint venture between Foster & Partners, Arup and NACO won an international competition for a new airport terminal building, Terminal 3 in Beijing, China. A particularly interesting feature of this project is the 350,000m² large roof structure with double curvature which has been designed as a modular space truss system in steel. This presentation describes the design process from the architectural idea through the structural concept, design and detailing as well as current progress on site. In his introduction, Dr Falter will illustrate how 3-D geometrical concepts influence the selection and design of various forms of space structures.

Speaker
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