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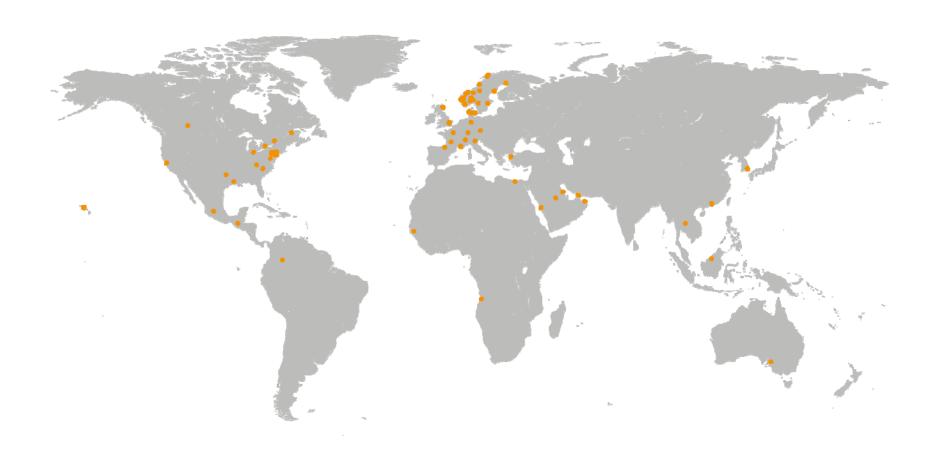
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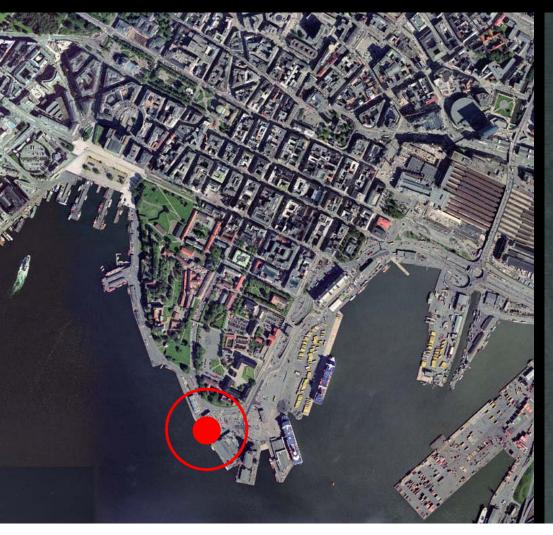
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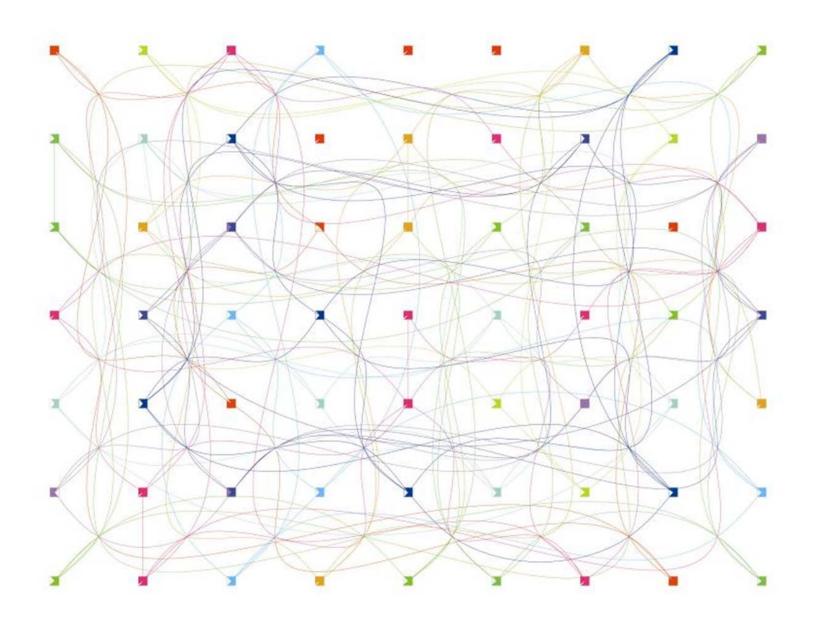
### **OSLO**

### **NEW YORK**



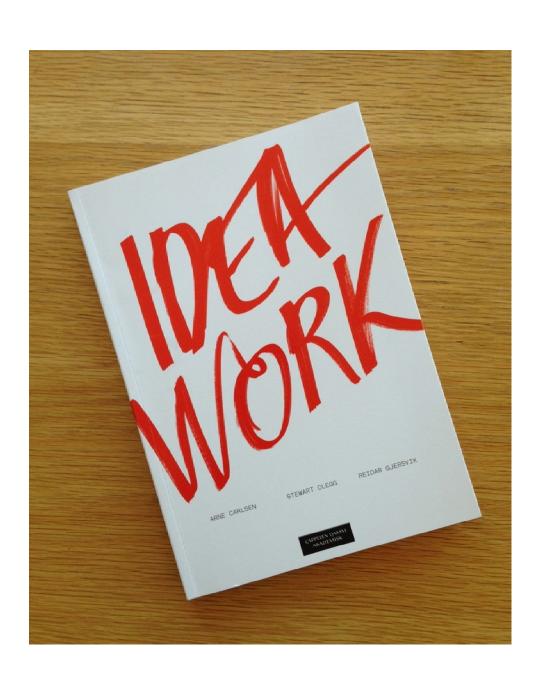








## transposition



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Navn på kvalitet	Definisjon
Gjøre det fysisk	Arbeidsformer som innebærer at man fjerner seg fra ensidig avhengighet til elektroniske medier og tar på ideer, skisserer og materialiserer ideer i artefakter, gestikulerer omkring ideer og beveger seg alene eller sammen under idéarbeidet.
Prototyping	En arbeidsform der man hurtig produserer,
	tester og forbedrer halvferdige ideer og utfordrer løsningsrommet, slik at ideer blir delt og styrket i en tidlig fase.
Frigjørende latter	Prosesser for energigivende
	samskaping gjennom hverdagslig spøk, uhøytidelig kappestrid, små former for
	lek og humor som bygger sosiale bånd,
	opphever begrensninger i tenkning og oppmuntrer til originale kombinasjoner av kunnskap.
Skapende motstand	Å behandle tvil, friksjon, motsetninger
	og kritikk aktivt som redskap for å stille spørsmål ved vedtatte sannheter og
	skape bedre ideer, og ikke som støy som man søker å unngå.
Punk	Bruk av fandenivoldskhet og direkte,
	selvinitiert handling for å mobilisere mot det etablerte (sannheter, praksis,
	autoriteter), åpne opp for og realisere
	ideer med høy originalitet og verdi.





# contextualized c o n c e p t

## be generous

#### **ALEXANDRIA LIBRARY, EGYPT 1989-2002**





#### THE 7<sup>TH</sup> LARGEST LIBRARY IN THE WORLD

It will contain 8 million media when the collection is completed

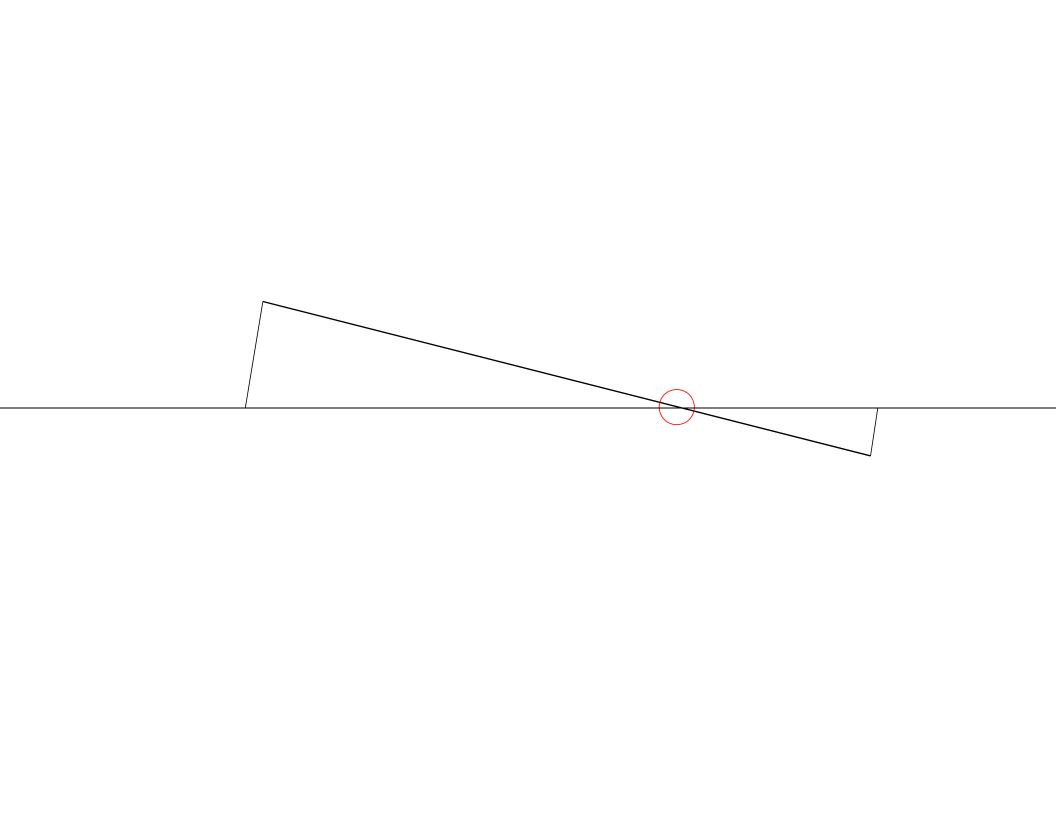
#### Primary Functions in addition to the collection:

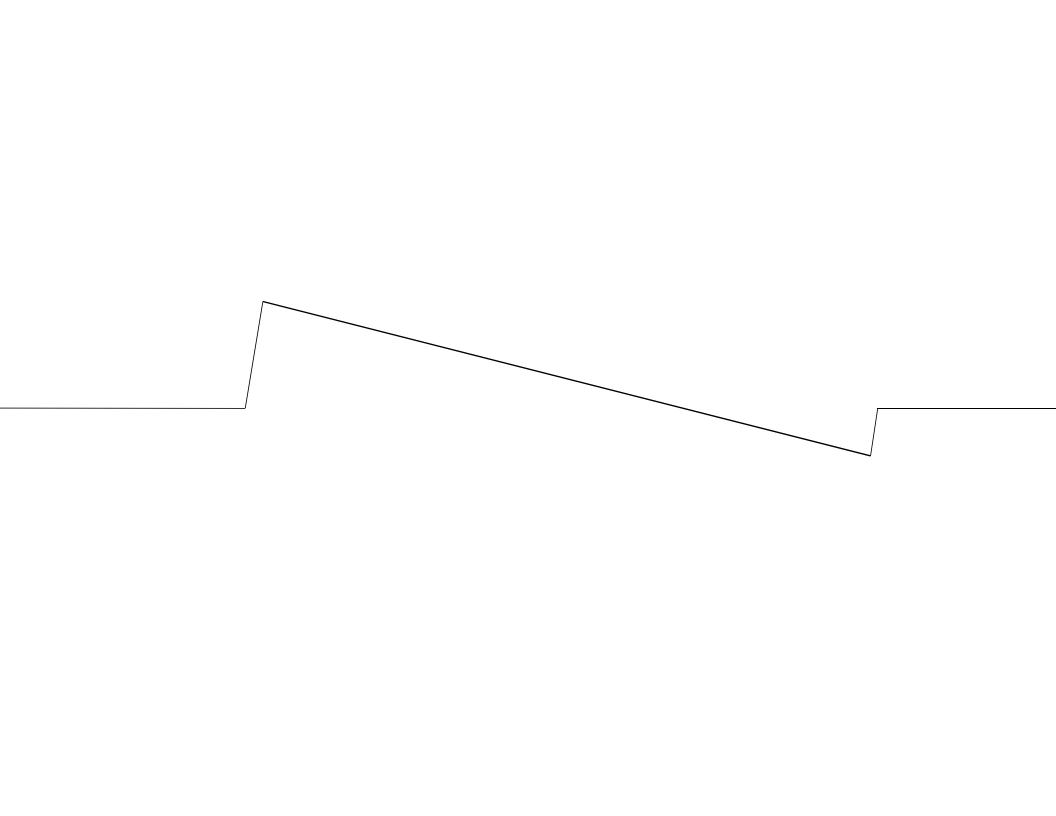
Children's Library International School for Information Studies Centre for Old Manuscripts Science Museum Museum of Calligraphy Modern Meeting Facilities E-max Cinema Planetarium Café

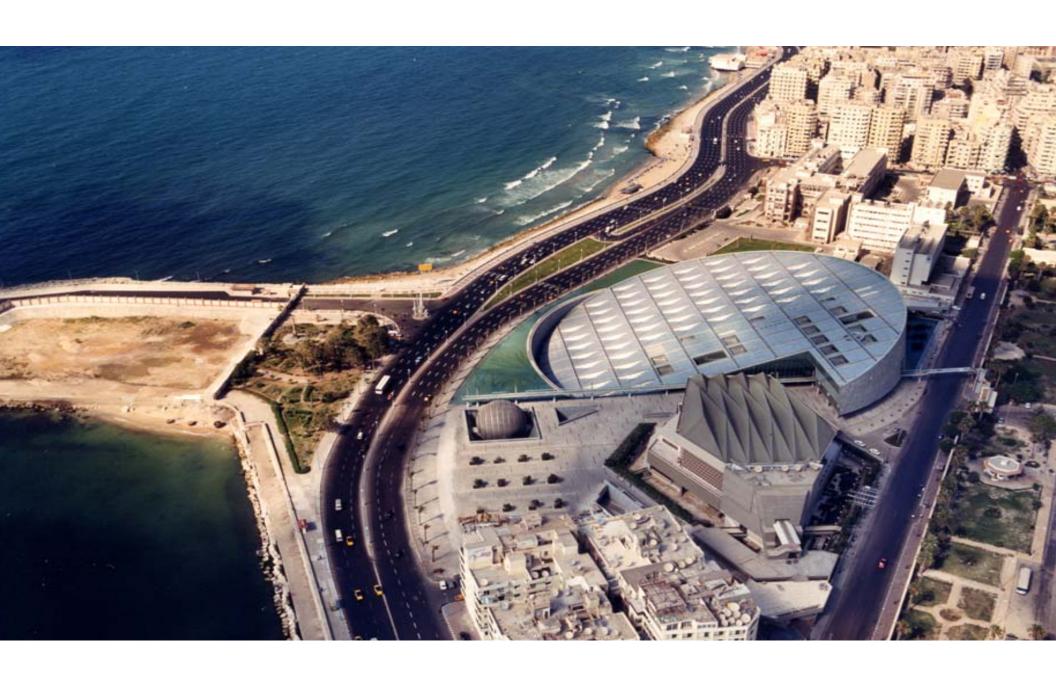
#### Some numbers:

- 160 meter in diameter
- 32 meter above ground 12 meter under ground
- 85,000 m2 gross
- 20,000 m2 open collections
- 18,000 m2 closed collections
- 2000 reading places
- 6000 m2 engraved granite blocks

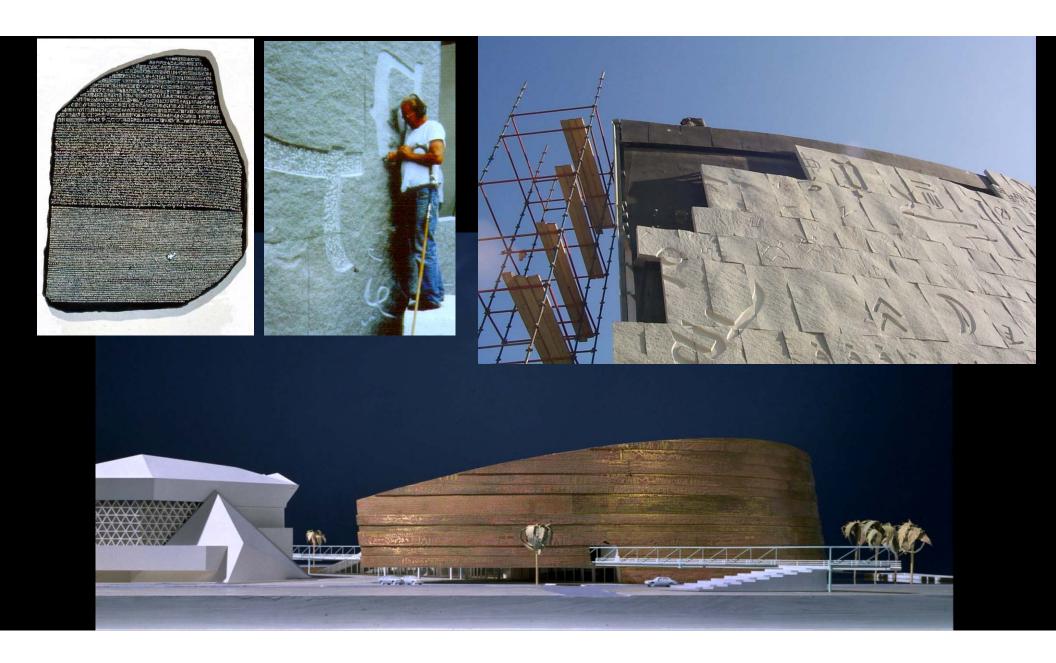
#### **OFFICIALY OPENED IN 2002**

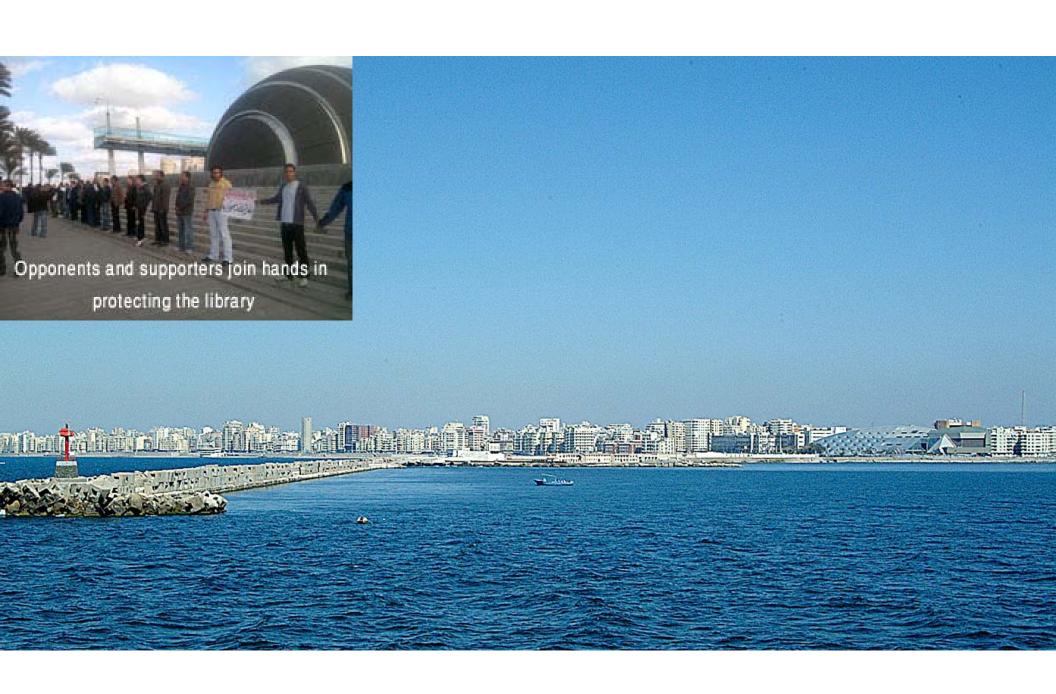


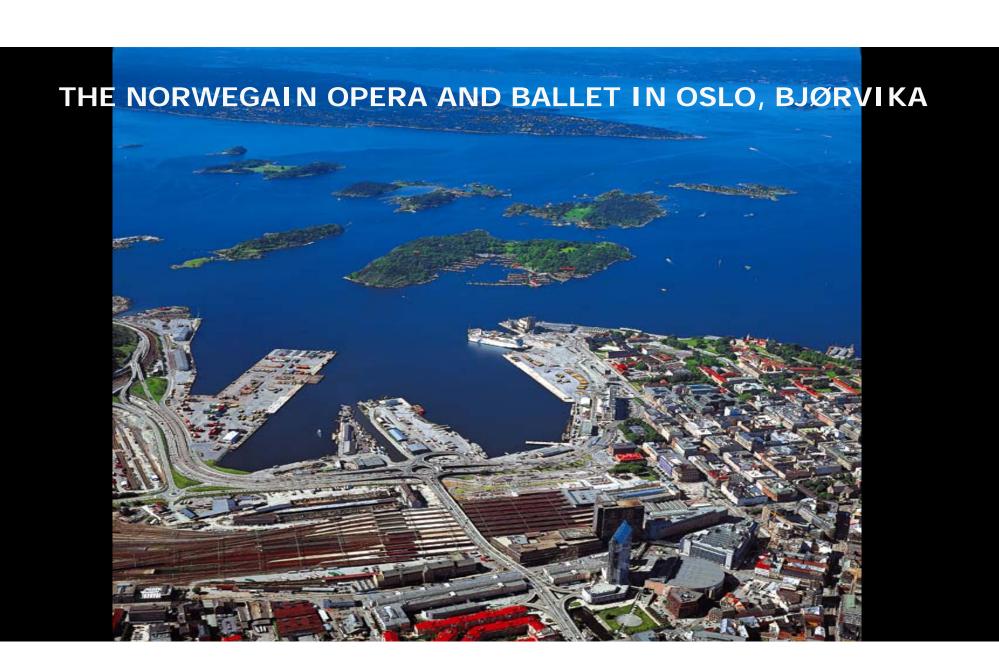






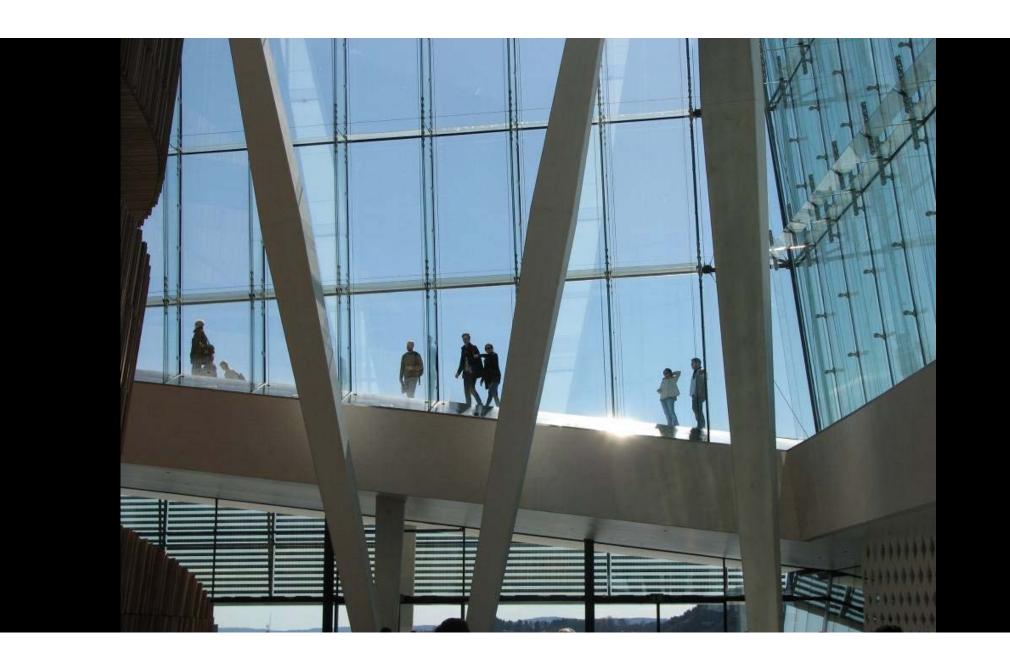






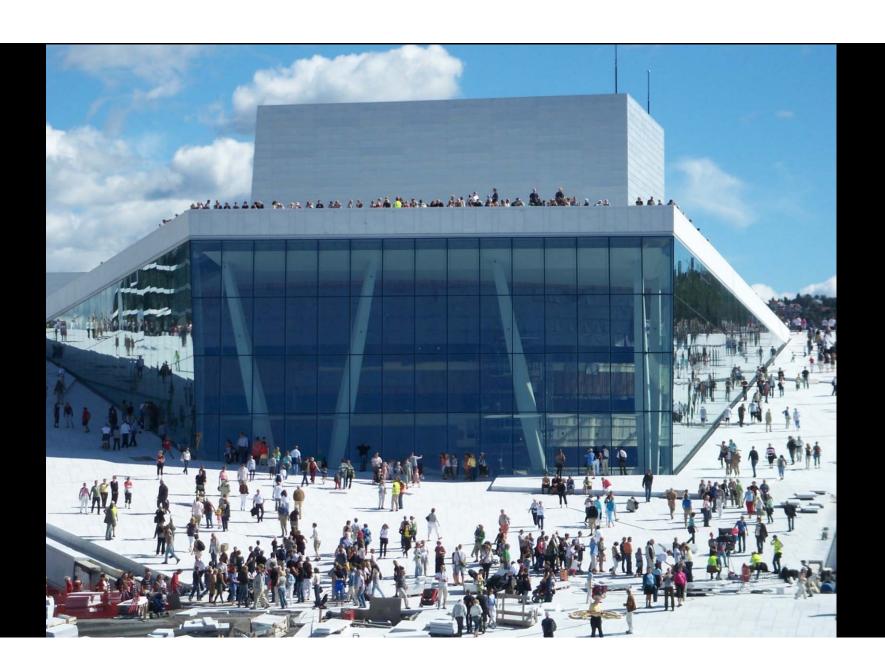












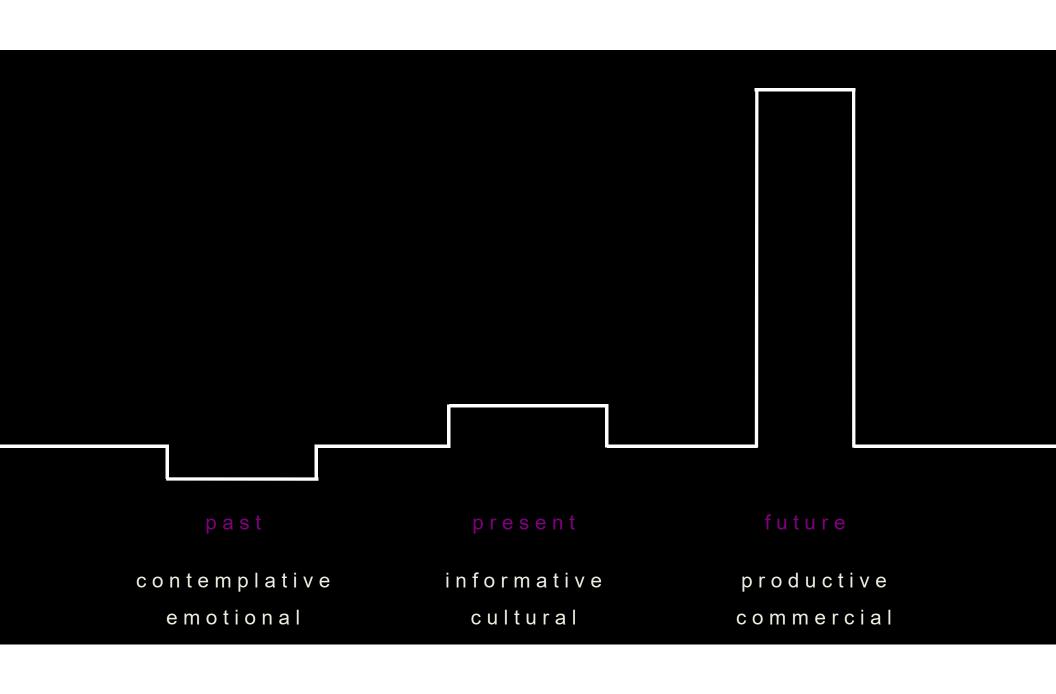




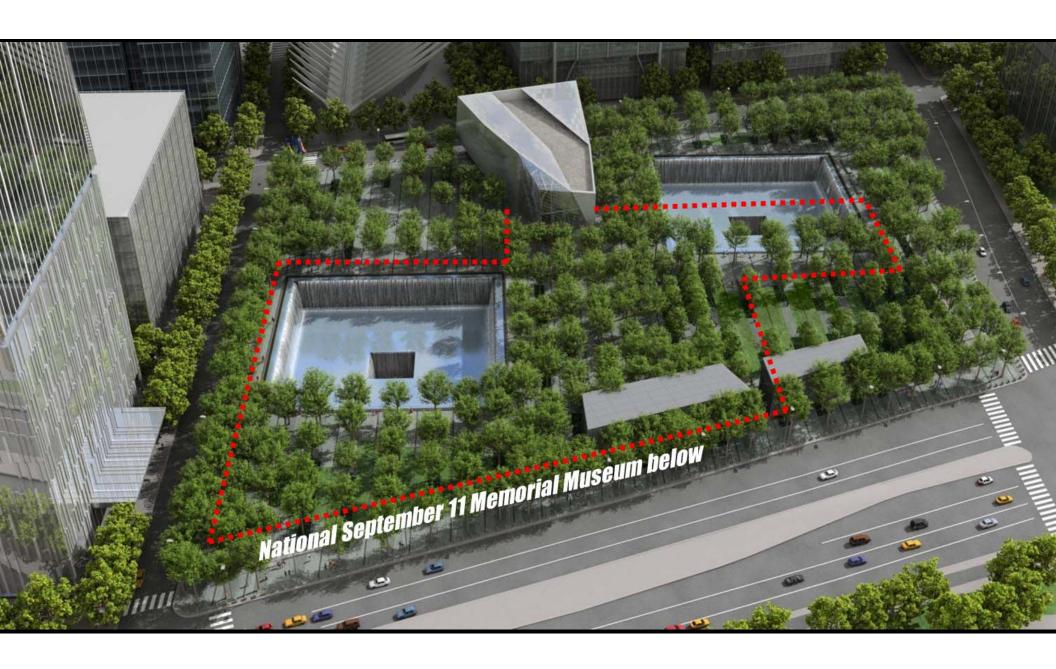
# cityscapes for people

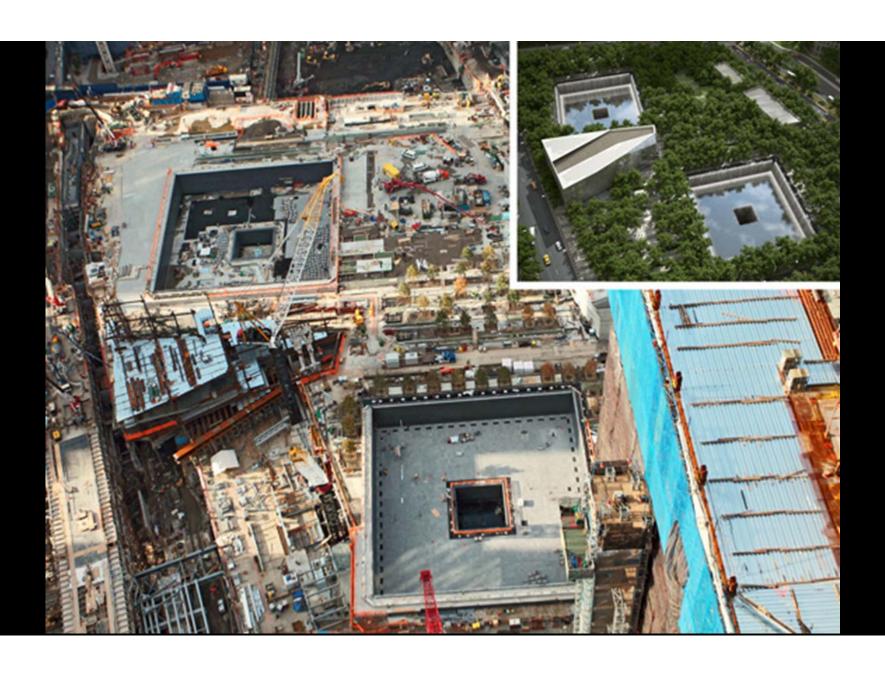






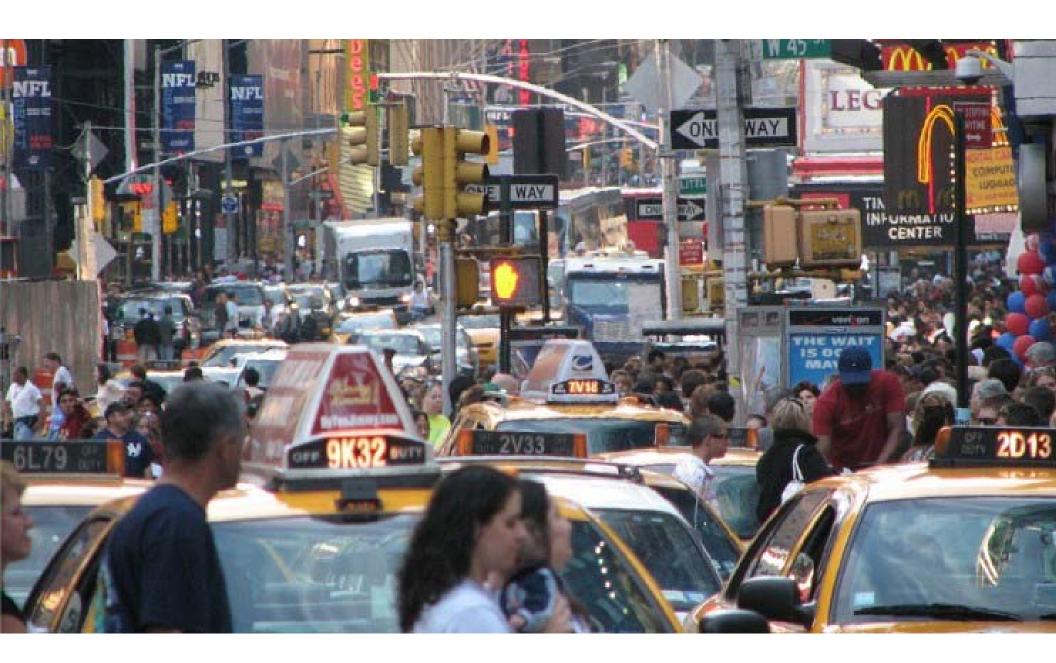


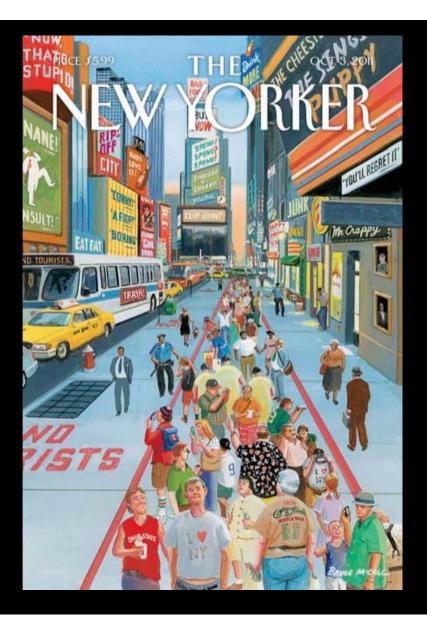


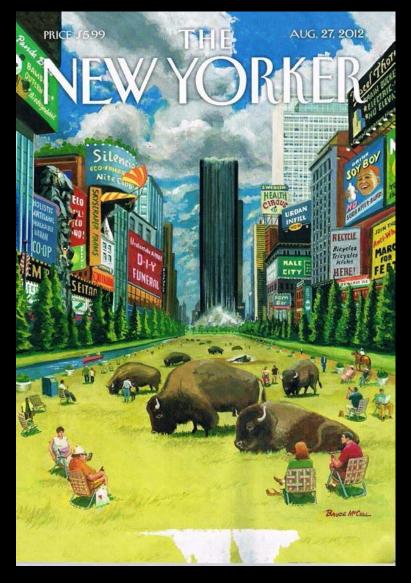




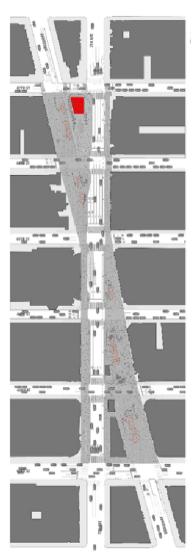










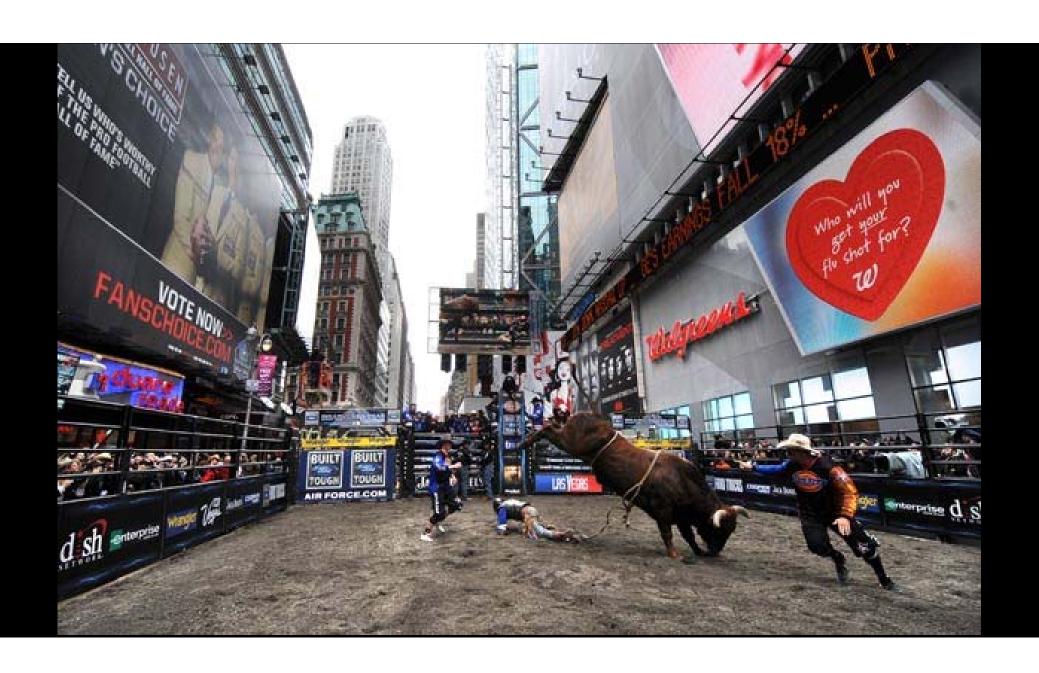


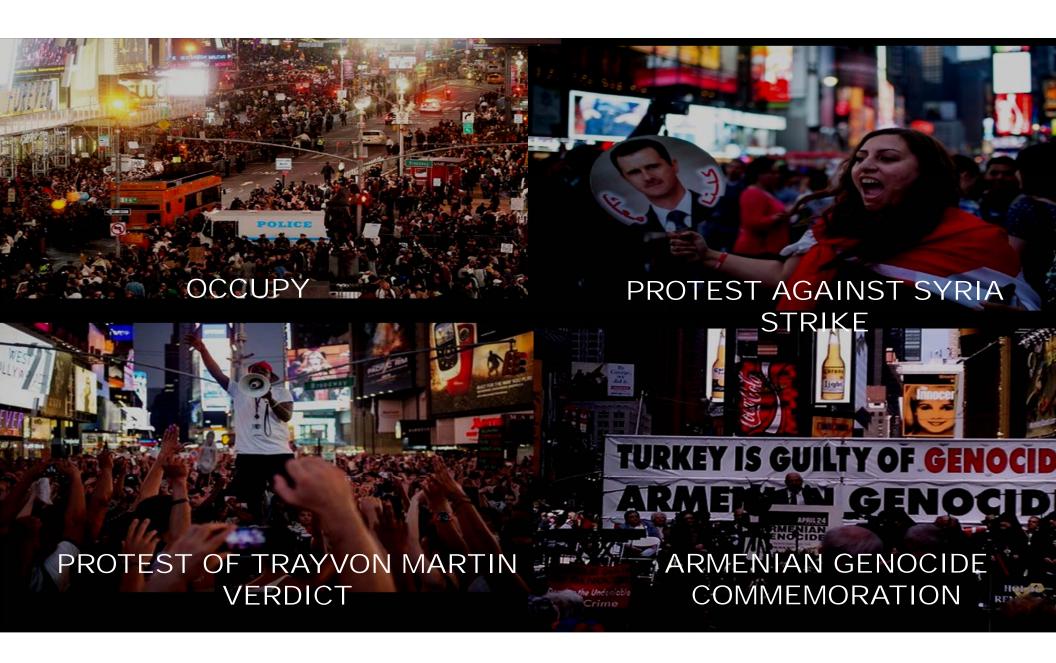












#### Since opening the pedestrian plazas in 2009 ...



RESIDENTS SAYTHEY SHOP IN TIMES SQUARE MORE FREQUENTLY

EMPLOYEES REPORT GOING OUT TO LUNCHMORE FREQUENTLY

OF VISITORS SHARED THEIR TIMES SQUARE VISIT ON SOCIAL MEDIA MORE PEOPLE

**BELIEVE THE** 

**PEDESTRIAN** 

PLAZAS IMPROVE

TIMES SQUARE

ARE STAYING (READING, EATING, TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS) IN TIMES SQUARE

INCREASEIN TIMES SQUARE **EMPLOYEE** 

SATISFACTION

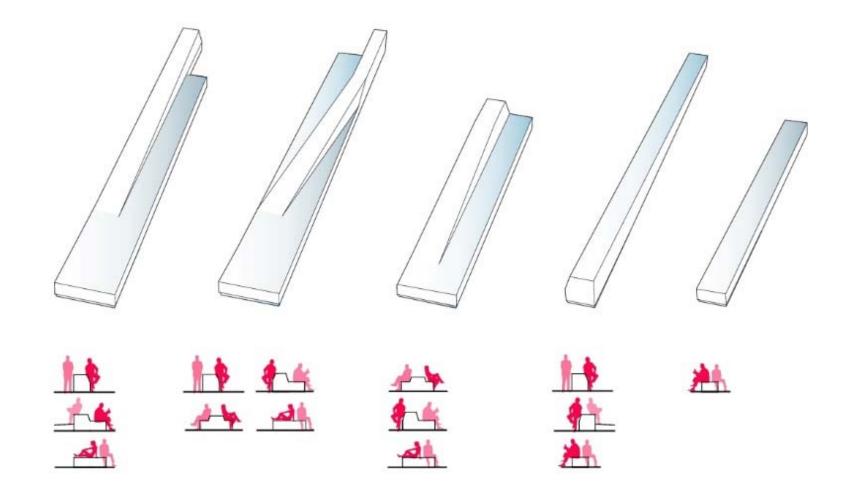
NUMBEROF PEOPLE WHO SAY THEY AVOID TIMES SQUARE **FELL BY** 

43%

NUMBEROF PEOPLE WHO FEEL THAT TIMES SQUARE IS TOO **CROWDED FELL** 

After closing Broadway to vehicle traffic in New York's Times Square, pedestrian injuries fell by 40% in the area despite a 59% increase in pedestrian foottraffic. Today, 80% of visitors feel that Snøhetta's pedestrian 38% plazas make Times Square a safer, nicer, and more "New York" place to be.

Behavior, Quality and Perception Statistics from 2010 Greenlight Report & 2014 TSA Report & update dstatistics from 2016



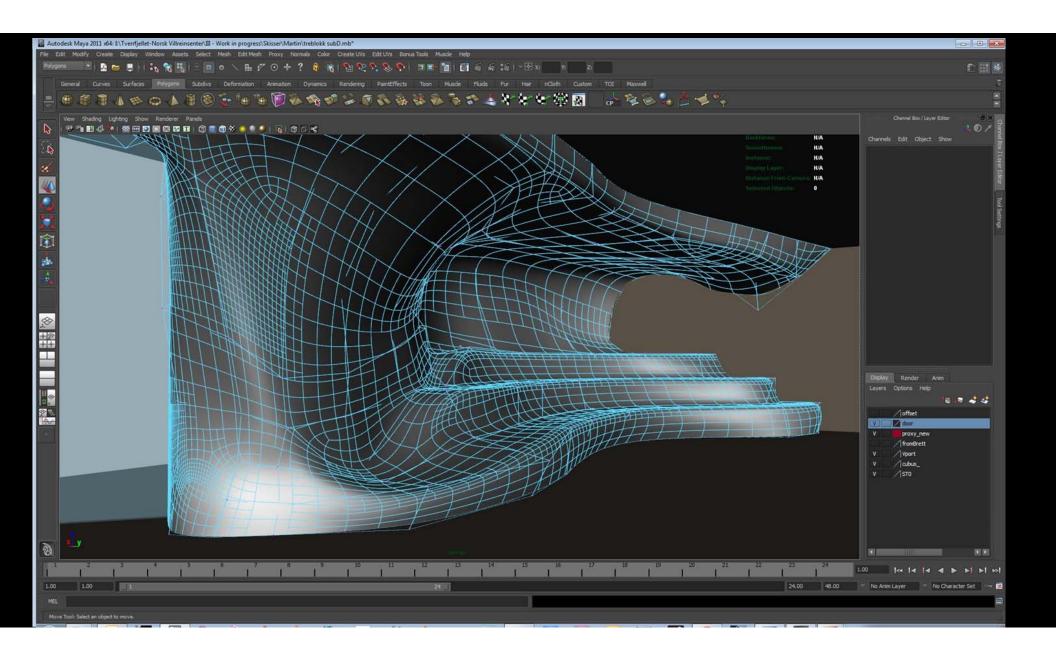








# instant prototying















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### The 7th room

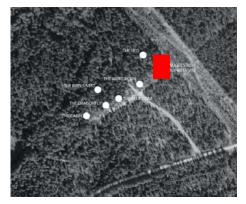
Snøhetta + Treehotel



## Treehotel Harads, Swedish Lapland









Kent & Britta +30 -40 Forest Northern light

#### **EXISTING TREE ROOMS**



"The Blue cone" av: Sandellsandberg



"The Cabin" av: Cyrén & Cyrén



"The Mirrorcube" av: Tham & Videgård



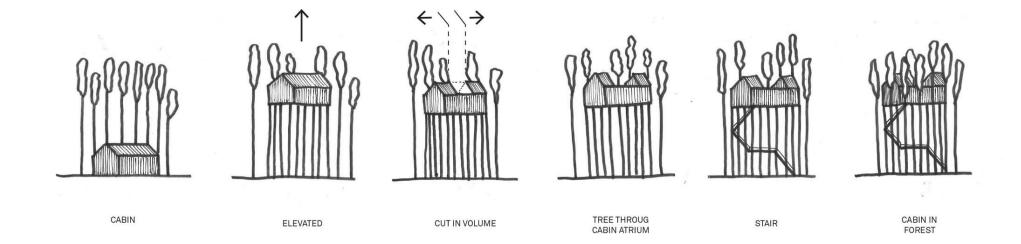
"The Dragonfly" av: Rintala EggertssonArchitects



"The Bird`s nest" av: Inredningsgruppen Bertil Harström



"UFO" av: Inredningsgruppen Bertil Harström



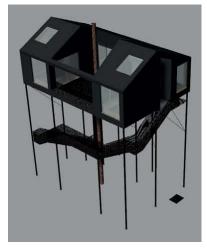
#### DESIGN STRATEGY - FOREST FIRST









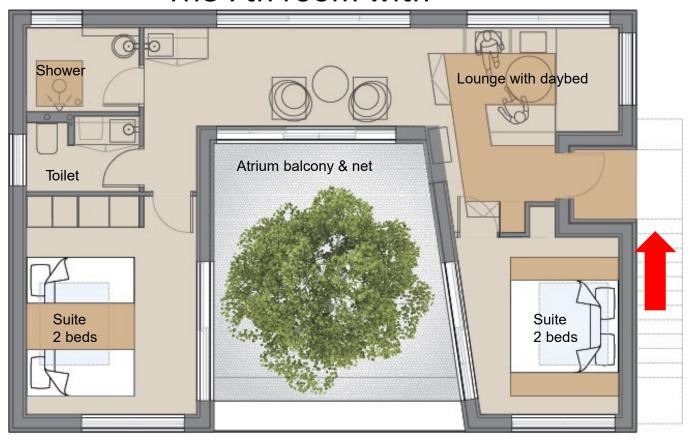






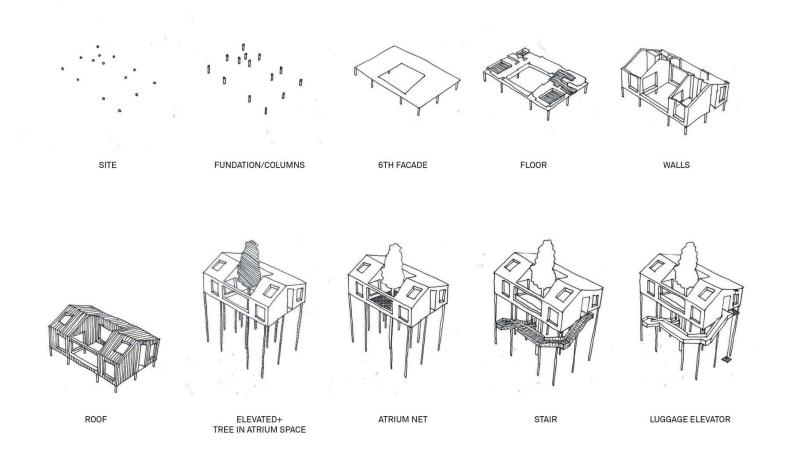
3D & Modell

#### The 7th room with



75m2 cabin incl. 5 beds, bath and seperate toilet + 32m2 atrium net. Pine tree growing through the atrium + 6th facade standing on14 coloumns, 120mm Ø. 10m tall stair to get to the entry

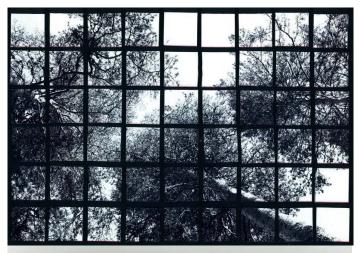
#### CONSTRUCTION STEP BY STEP: AUGUST - DECEMBER 2016



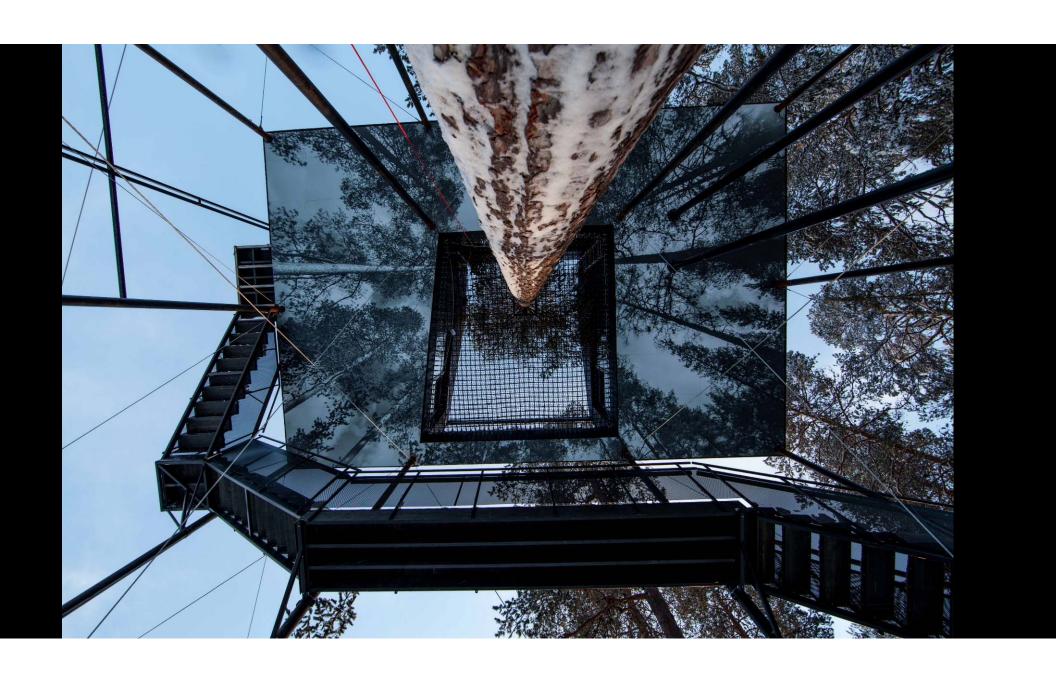




#### The 6th facade







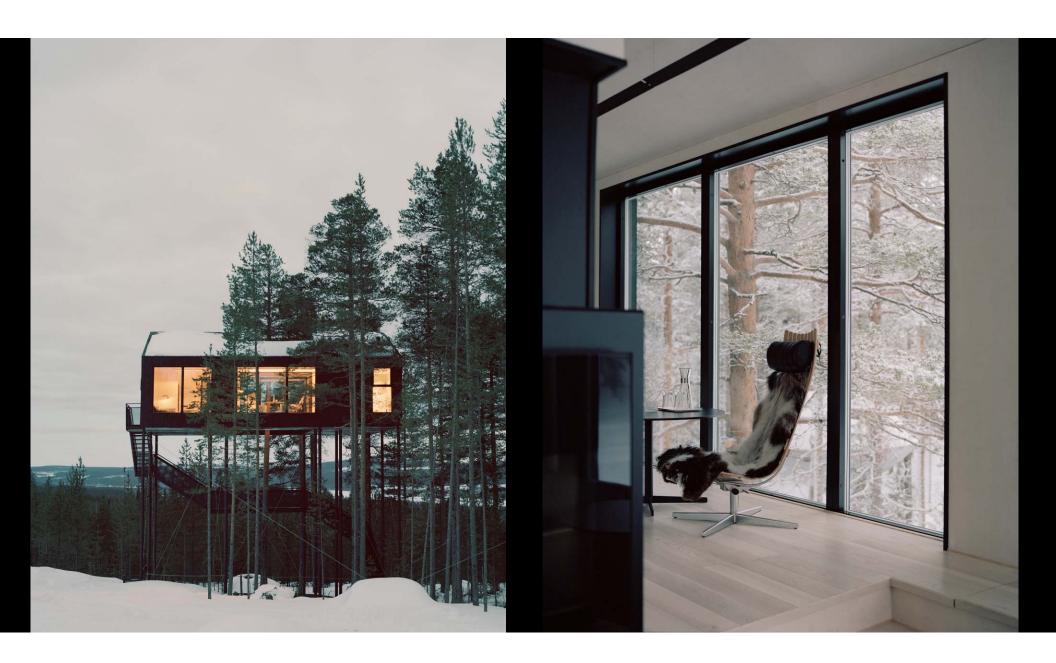
#### The Atrium net

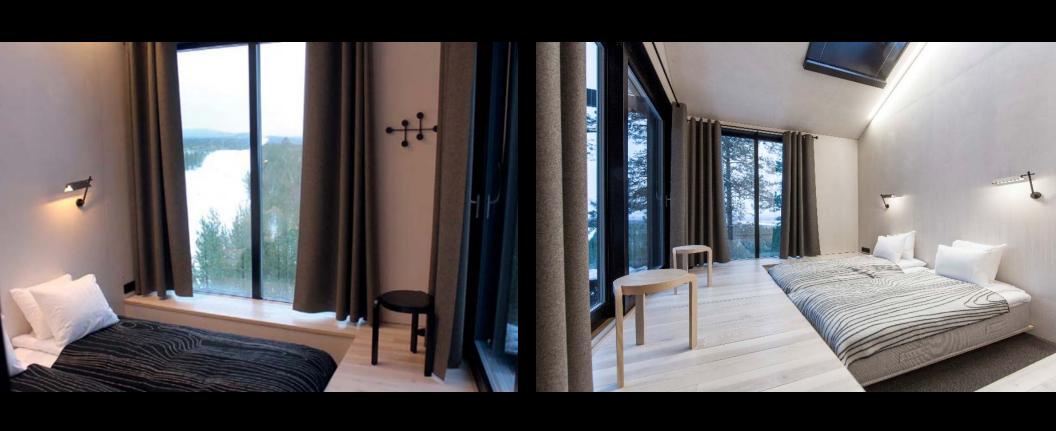






1.layer net: 120 mm grid  $\,$  2 .layer net: 40mm grid  $\,$  900 kg  $m^2$ 

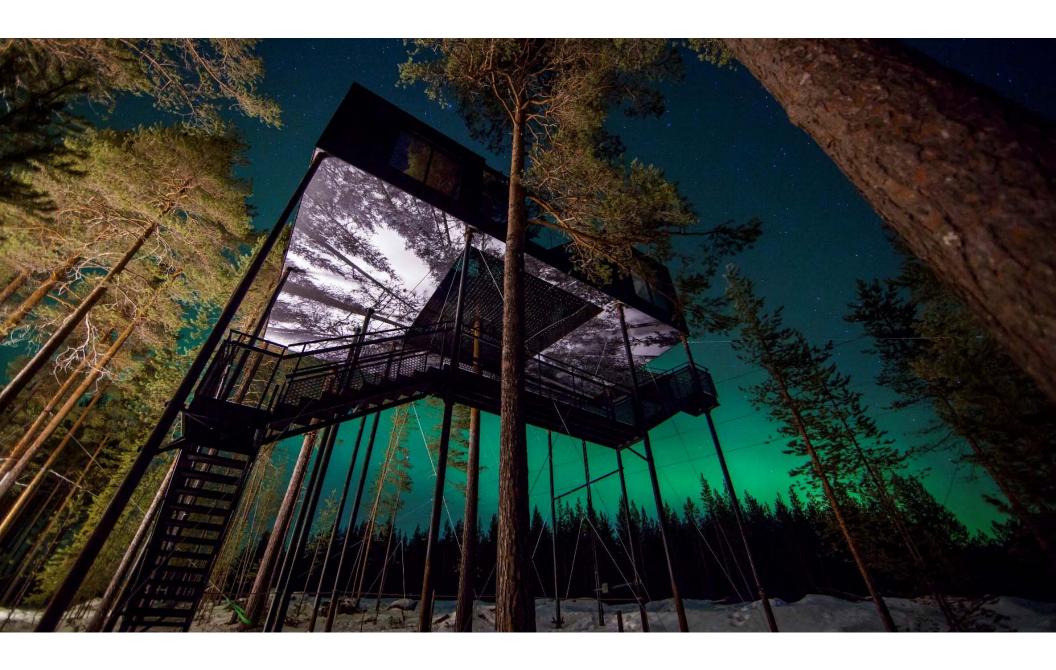




## Atelje Lyktan + Snøhetta *Prototyping*











p e o p l e p r o c e s s









### Natural pebbles - Keystone

Keystone locking the formation in place, channeling the forces of gravity.

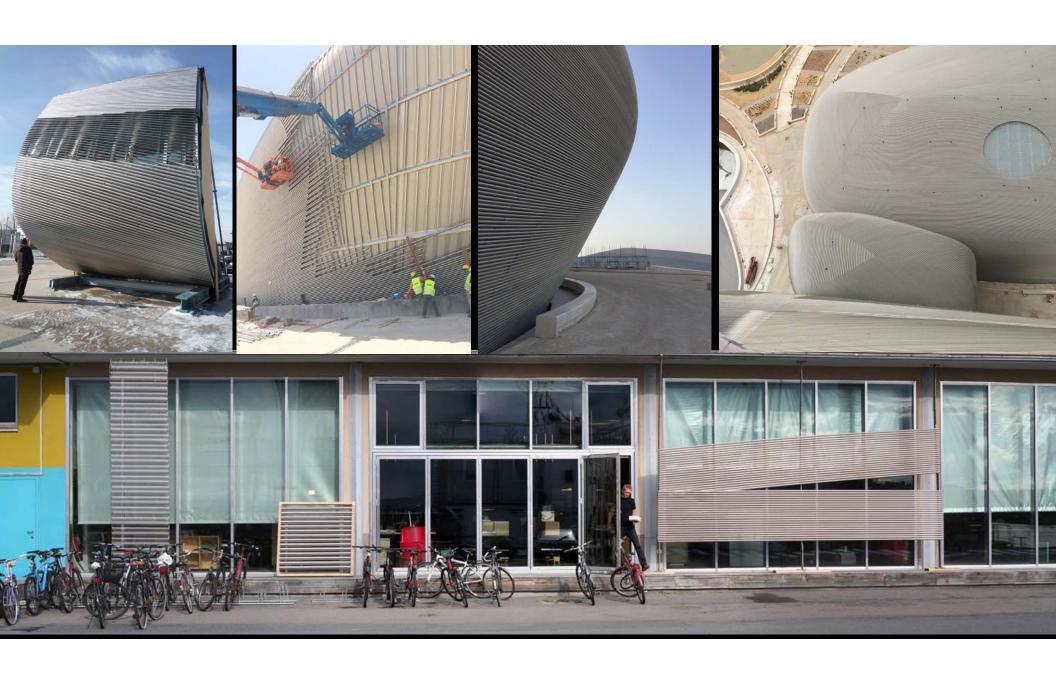
No one component can be removed. All are interdependent and rely upon each other. The resulting composition is an expression of team work. Each part can be endlessly adjusted to suit the individual and specific needs. This form for flexibility is not general or universal but specific and individual.

## P A S T - Repository of accumulated knowledge and experience PRESENT—Technology—Interaction—Dialogue - Exchange FUTURE – Education – Learning – Exploration – New Horizons and Fields of Venture



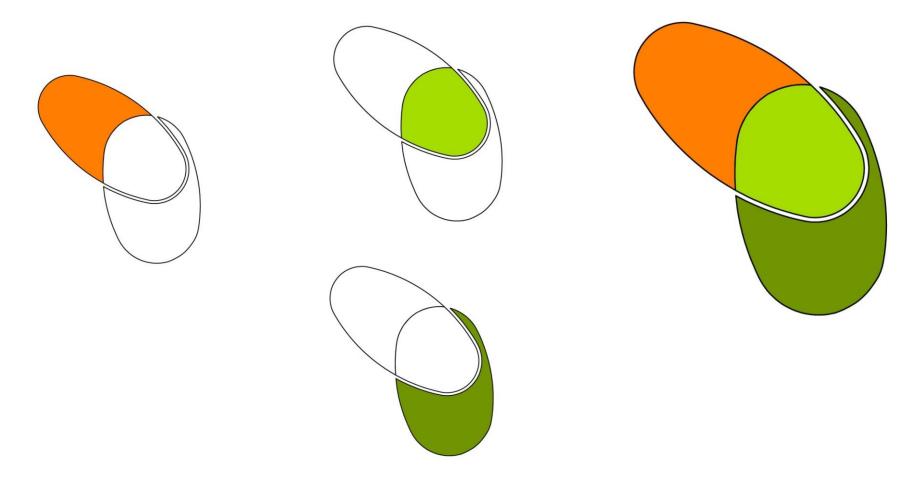


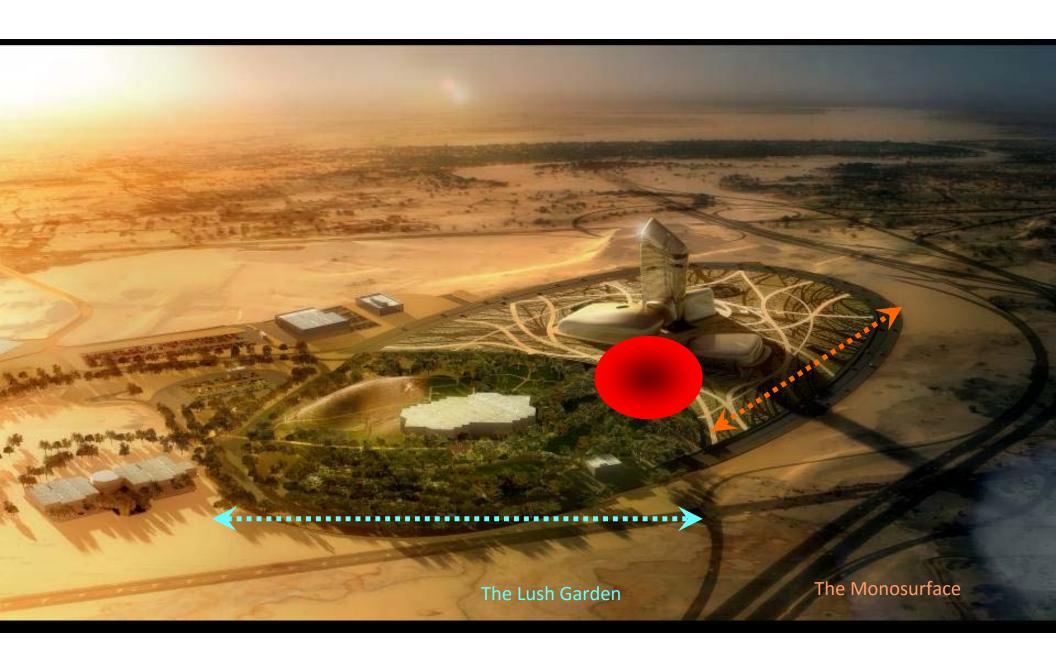






## Landscape and learning arena: Monosurface and the Lush garden





# Light and shadow study on Monosurface -Date: March 20, 7:00 AM

## GEOLOGY + SURFACES = MOVEMENT

Approach: Use the movement in the sand dunes as pattern inspiration to create a dynamic surface pattern of the Monosurface land form.

The shaping of the Monosurface surface is inspired by the movement of the sand in the desert. The move of the sands in the desert landscape creates a flow and a dynamic pattern that is the image of the Monosurface.

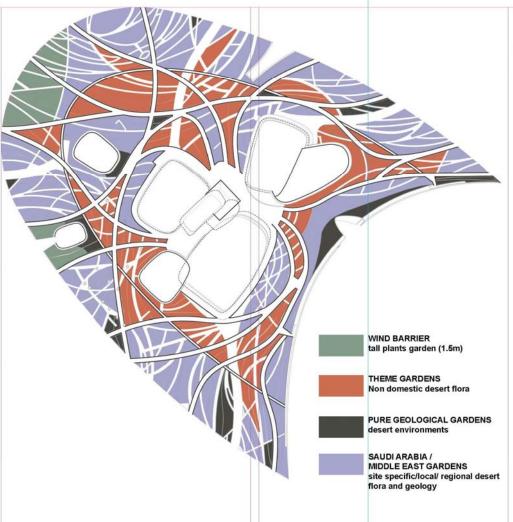
In the desert landscape the sand is strongly effected by the wind which creates patterns in the sand dunes. These patterns often have a steeper slope and a more gentle slope based on the wind direction.

The walkways is the symbolic flow of the wind that lealds the visitors through the landscape. The shape of the flow sand pattern together with the flow diagram of the walkways will be used to divide the Monosurface into segments which will be covered with regional gravel, sand and stones and planted with vegetation.

The dynamic design of the surface of the Monosurface will always be the "carpet" under the Ithra Cultural Center. This means that the "sand dunes" never will be more than max 1.5m tall. The large scale of the pattern and surfaces, will get a more human scale by adding low vegetation on the sloping surfaces.

To emphasize the shape of the "dunes", we will avoid to plant on the ridges - and the ridges will be soft shaped to make a calmer and softer landscape. The "dunes" and sand patches will be framed by payed areas and low walls and curbs.

Material: All the surface material on the Monosurface will be stone, gravel and sands from different regions of the geological layers in Saudi Arabia.



#### PLANTING CONCEPT

Approach: All plants on Monosurface will be selected in the overall concept of Xeriscape and the belonging in the desert landscape. Xeriscape refers to low water conservation through creative landscaping. The Monosurface will be a pedagogic, learning garden as a new way of looking into a botanical garden.

All the patches of the Monosurface will be a combination of plant, gravel and pathways through the designed landscape.

The fundamental element of a Xeriscape design is water consumption; to reduce the total water applied and maximize the use of natural precipitation. It is important to consider soil improvement to make sure it stores the water

It is also important to select suitable plants. We belive that the plant selection should both reflect the traditional plants from arid areas of Saudi Arabia together with other drought tollerant plants.

To establish a base of ASaudi Arabian plants, it is important to identify all the exsisting plants on the site that can be removed from areas that will be remodelled. These plants will be planted in a "transit" garden on site. The "transit" garden ahs to be maintained as long as the building process is active, and replanted on the Monosurface. To make this happen, the action has to be taken when the building process start.

To widen the palette, we introduce different "themes" for the different patches in the pattern. We suggest more theme gardens that can represent different plant material such as: succulents garden with plants selected through leaf and/ or flower color. Cactus gardens, ornamental grasses and also geografical gardens such as America desert garden, Australian desert garden, Agave garden and Aloe garden. Introducing non domestic plants has to be done carefully and it would be good to contact botanical gardens for cooperation.

Low maintenance is also one of the benefits of Xeriscape. This means that the control of the irrigation system and the use of mulch-will be important. The maintenance will also be very important to keep a good looking landscape that changes throughout the seasons

For the areas close to the plaza around the Source we want to reduce tha amount of plants but the area will include seating and railing situations.

It will be important to make the planned nurseries operative as early as possible to be able to produce the different local species.



Example of rammed earth wall that also will be used in the Entrance Arcade and indoors framing the Plaza.





Example of tuff-clay surfaces and colours for paved areas and under production.



Example of tuff-clay surfaces and colours for paved areas.

RAMMED EARTH LOW WALLS SUITABLE FOR SEATING INTEGRATED SOLAR CELL UGHT FOR MAIN PATHS RAMMED EARTH ON MAIN PATHS, SURFACE PATTERNING TO BE DEVELOPED

#### PAVED AREAS ON MONOSURFACE

Approach: All the paved areas, low walls and curbs on the Monosurface will be of rammed earth, made from the sand on site

Rammed earth, also known as pisé de terre or simply pisé, is a type of construction material. It is an age old building method that has seen a revival in recent years as people seek low-impact building materials and natural building methods. Traditionally rammed earth is used in arid regions where other building materials can be hard to find.

For the Monosurface's paved walkways we want to use a very similar technique that is suiable for paved areas "trasston" which translates into "tuff-clay". This tequenice is developed by our sub consultant: artist Martin Rauch. See web site: www.erden.at.

A bedding made of tuff-clay of will be 90% as strong as a in situ concrete pavement, and can hold loads for vehicles up to 40 tons. The thickness of the paving will be 120mm.

Before the building process it is necessary to investigate the existing material to use for tuff-clay in order to find out what material to use, sample making and full scale1:1 mock-up.

This has to be described in the specification The contractor need to provide:

- geological report for the existing sand/gravel and stones on site and for other regions in Saudi Arabia where ingredients will be taken from.
- small samples with different material (gravel, sand from site, other places (see point 1), to test different recipes of mixture. (can be done by Martin R in Austria)
- larger mock-ups for the different areas to see colour, roughness, structure and to test out different surface to decide and agree upon standard that will be a pilot for the making of the tuff-clay.

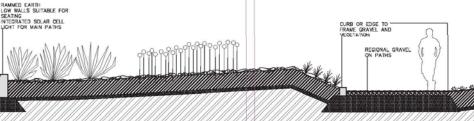
In selected areas we suggest that the surface will be made in different colours that will create pattern on the surface. This will also show the different geological areas of Saudi Arabia. This will be develeoped together with our sub consultant; artist Martin Rauch.

The tuff-clay is a joint-free, self-binding paving consisting of 60% local material (suitable gravel from site) + 40 % lime (50%)/ tuff (50%) + added water. The earth mixture has to be used within 7 hours after it is made – and it has a consistency as asphalt. Up to 800m2 can be laid as road paving in on day, 240 m2 for manually constructed plazas. It can easily be laid in pattern where one colour stripe will be laid at 1 PM, the next colour stripe 3 pm and so on. To make a more anti-slip surface, or just for the aesthetics, the top surface can be added with river stones, gravel with colour and shapes that will be rammed into the surface.

The build up has to be very smooth and stable in the same way as a build up for natural stone/in situ concrete. To lay paved areas, the lay out is almost the same as for an asphalt, seamless/ without joints as long as there is no joints in the build up. Snøhetta has to look into if there needs to be joints where different structures below grade have joints that can effect or create cracks in the paved top surface. For smaller cracks, the trasston will be self-healing.

The tuff-clay is much harder than asphalt in a hot climate, and will obtain ca 90 % of the strength of a normal concrete.

We want to frame the main walkways by 500mm tuff-clay walls. These walls can also function as seating. To make low walls in tuff-clay, there is a need for shuttering (formwork). Along the paved pathways, there will be low walls with recessed lights/solar panels. The low walls will be made in 450mm width which also allows to use the larger equipment instead of doing it by hand. The shuttering can be demolished one day after the tuff-clay is poured and rammed. The surface will be "sealed" with a natural coating like "sugar melasse", and the coating will also work as a retarder, and will be washed away the following day. After producing the walls, the paving will be filled in the gap between the walls.



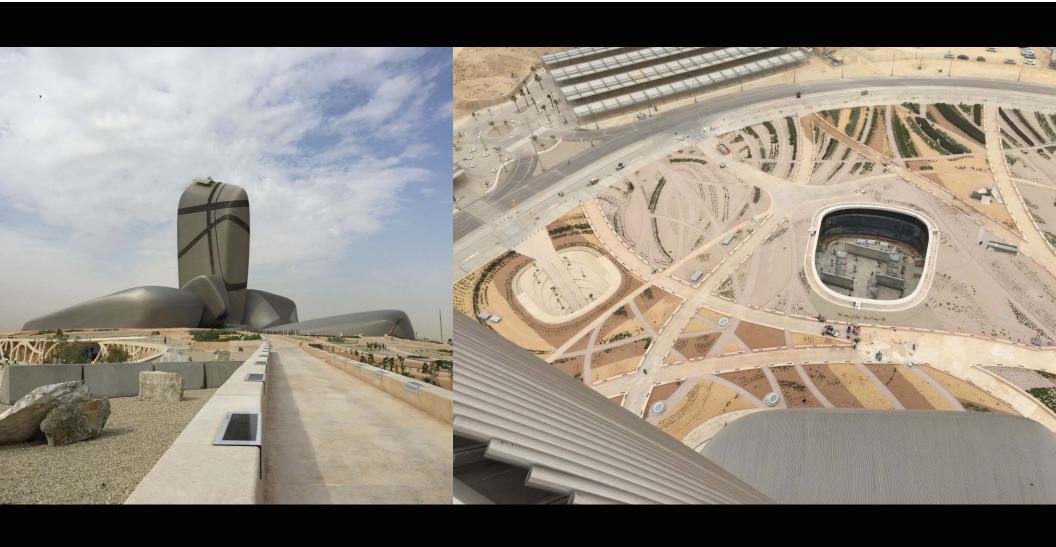










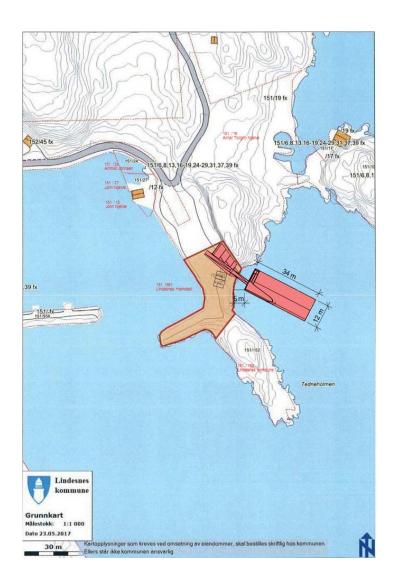


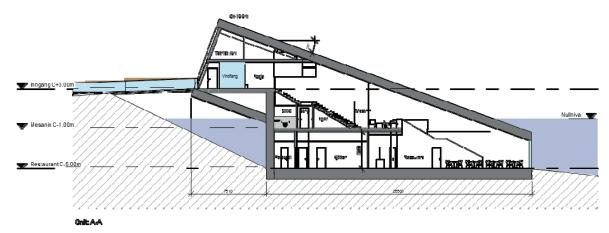


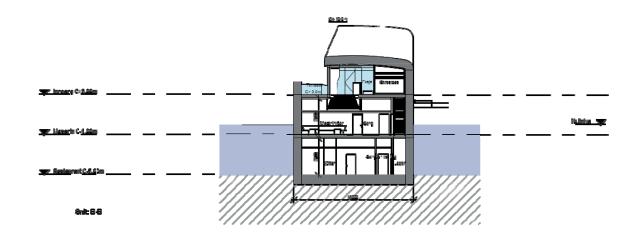
## Lindesnes "UNDER"

## Existing situation



















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