



exploring the hybrid highway landscape

Hybrid Highway Landscape

integrating highway into urban context
Highway A40 in Duisburg

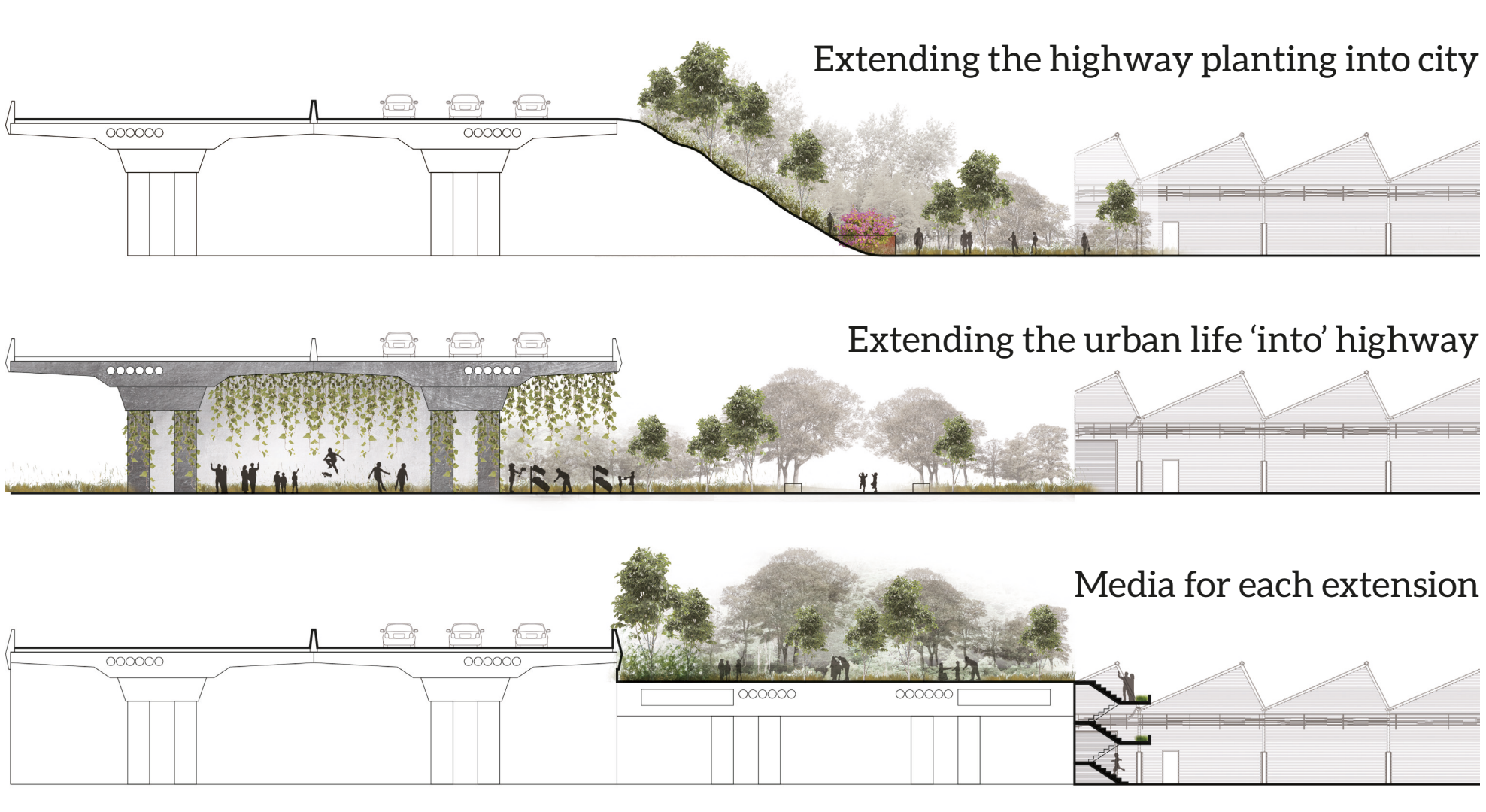
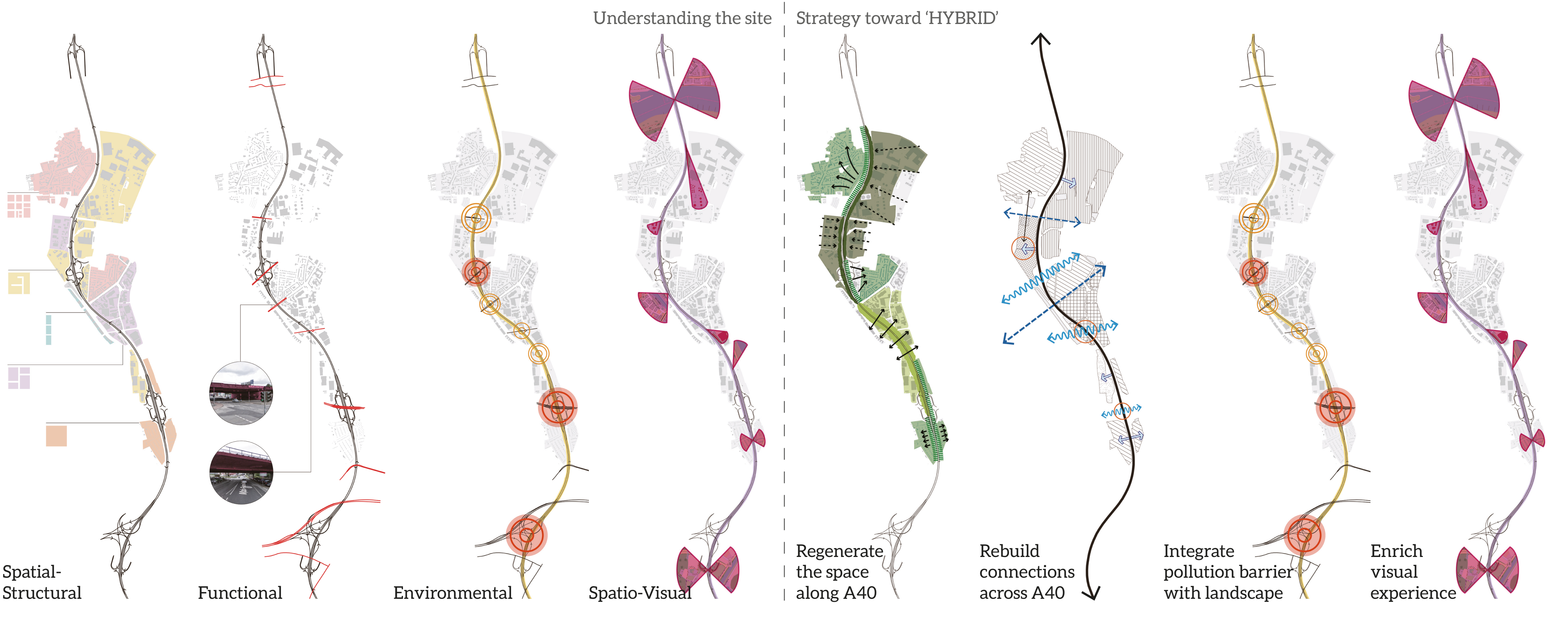
Urban highway, as a product of modern city, is one of the most important influencing factors that shape the contemporary urban landscape. It was built to ease the urban traffic pressure. However, the negative impacts on the urban space and the surrounding environment cannot be ignored. In the most cases, highway is widely regarded and treated as an only functional infrastructure. In my point of view, it also has potentials to be a public facility instead of strictly utilitarian by being contextualized, integrated and interacted with urban environment and urban life. Therefore, I have developed a concept of 'hybrid highway landscape' as a new phase of urban highway. In order to explore the potential of hybrid highway landscape, highway A40 in the centre of Duisburg, a highly urban context, and its right-of-way is regarded as an interesting experimental field for the research project.



The monotonous and unattractive scenic has been replaced by an active urban image including landmark.



Transforming the isolated highway line into an integral zone with urban environmental



Regenerating the negative urban space adjacent to highway



Playing along the highway sheltered by the noise barrier

