

Harbour in Transition

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#P1

**Problem introduction:
Oil harbour facing
transition**

PROBLEM INTRODUCTION



Legend

- 📍 Main [oil] harbours
- 🌊 Ship intensity
- ➡ Oil flows [source-destination]
In million tons

*Sources: BP Oil
University of California (2008)

PROBLEM INTRODUCTION



Legend

- Oil pipelines on land
- Oil pipelines on sea
- Shipping routes
- Crude oil transshipment (2015)
In million ton

*Sources: The Port of Rotterdam Statistics (2015)

PROBLEM INTRODUCTION



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PROBLEM INTRODUCTION

Paris Climate Agreements

Goals

- 2020 20% cut in greenhouse gas emissions
- 2030 40% cut in greenhouse gas emissions
- 2050 80-95% cut in greenhouse gas emissions

Nations Unies Conférence sur les Changements Climatiques

COP21/CMP11

Paris, France



PROBLEM INTRODUCTION

Main Question: How can the harbour of Rotterdam anticipate the coming energy transition in such a way that the regional scale system interests are incorporated and that the harbour will be ecologically and economically healthier, using a landscape-based approach?



#P2

Theoretical framework

THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

What we can learn from previous energy transitions:

- The fourth energy transition
- The landscape changes completely
- From centralized to decentralized
- Closing of The Limburg coal mines 1965-1974; a success story
- Transition plan



THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

The idea of landscape-based design:

- The theory of the studio
- Landscape as infrastructure; conditions as design tool



THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

Landscape architecture as a tool to generate new perspectives: learning from the Ruhr region

- From the 1950's onwards industries leave the region
- What is left is a polluted and scattered landscape
- The IBA masterplan: make the landscape something positive
- Now: a unique selling point; the region is on the rise again



#P3

Problematique

THE IMPACT OF THE ENERGY TRANSITION

... A precise spatial translation of a scenario study

Global trends	Home made	Disaster	Asia Rules	Scarcity
Climate: increasing global temperature, sea level rise	+	++		
Energy: sustainable energy central, hydrogen and LNG	+	++		
Resources: rare earth metals key-material, circular economy		+	++	++
Technology: IoT, robotization, autonomous sailing, 3D printing	++		+	+
World economy: low growth global economy, growth Asia, local growth	++		++	++
Urbanisation: strong growth, especially in River delta's		++		
Demography: greying, 3 billion people extra, immigration		++	++	
Logistic/transport: fragmentation e-commerce, regional ground form	++			
Safety: growing unsafety, increasing security	+			++
Leisure: health, prosperous elderly, sustainable			++	++

Ten global trends that can influence developments (Kuiper et al., 2017).



THE IMPACT OF THE ENERGY TRANSITION



NEW SITUATION

THE NEW HARBOUR
- The harbour is a patchwork of empty and used sites
- The current leased out sites are used for recycling metals and plastics
- The former oil-plants are abandoned, because of the costs for cleaning them up

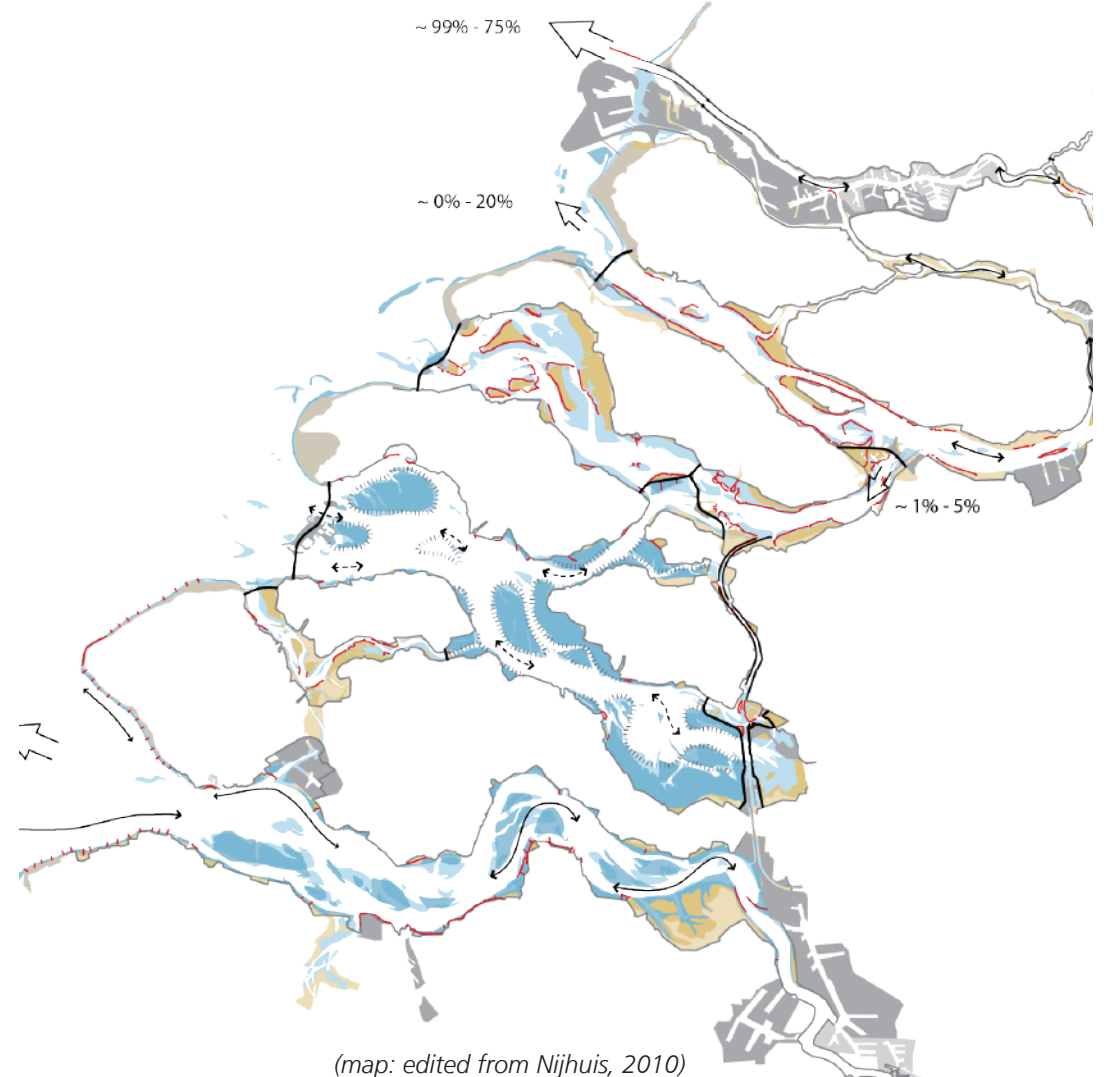
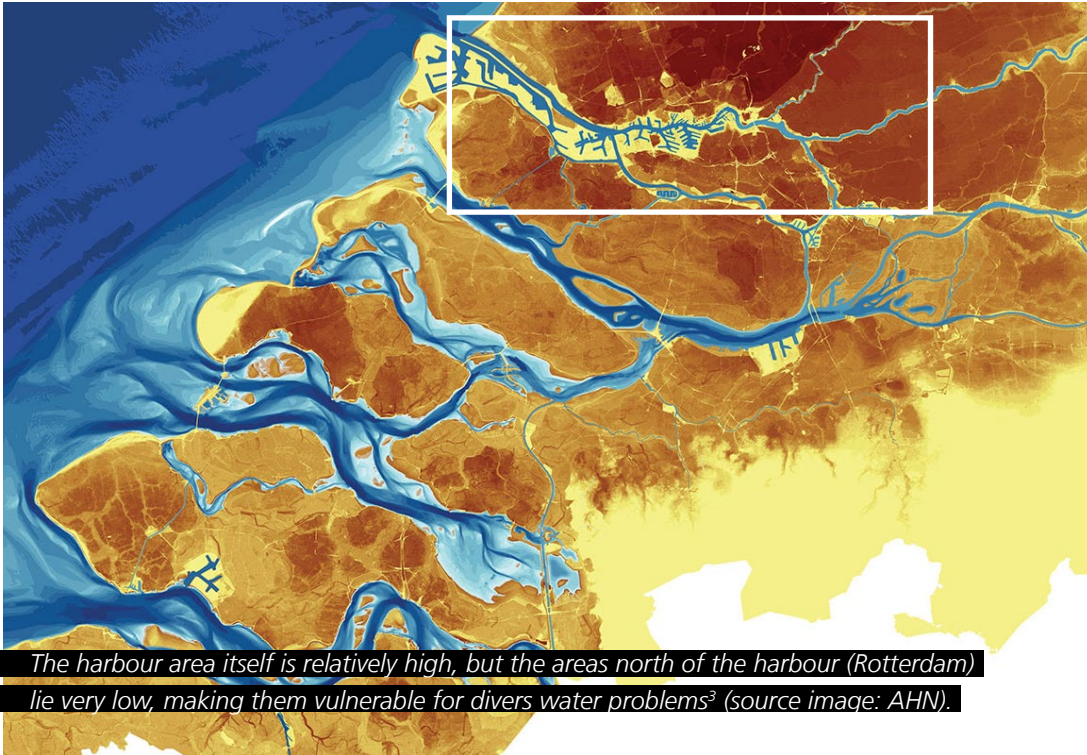
CURRENT SITUATION

COMPANIES/ CONNECTIONS
- In de current situation a large share of the surface is covered by fossil-related industry
- The lines indicate connections [material flows] between companies

THE LANDSCAPE SYSTEM

Water management and harbour activities; a frictional relationship:

- In the long-term a dam is necessary.



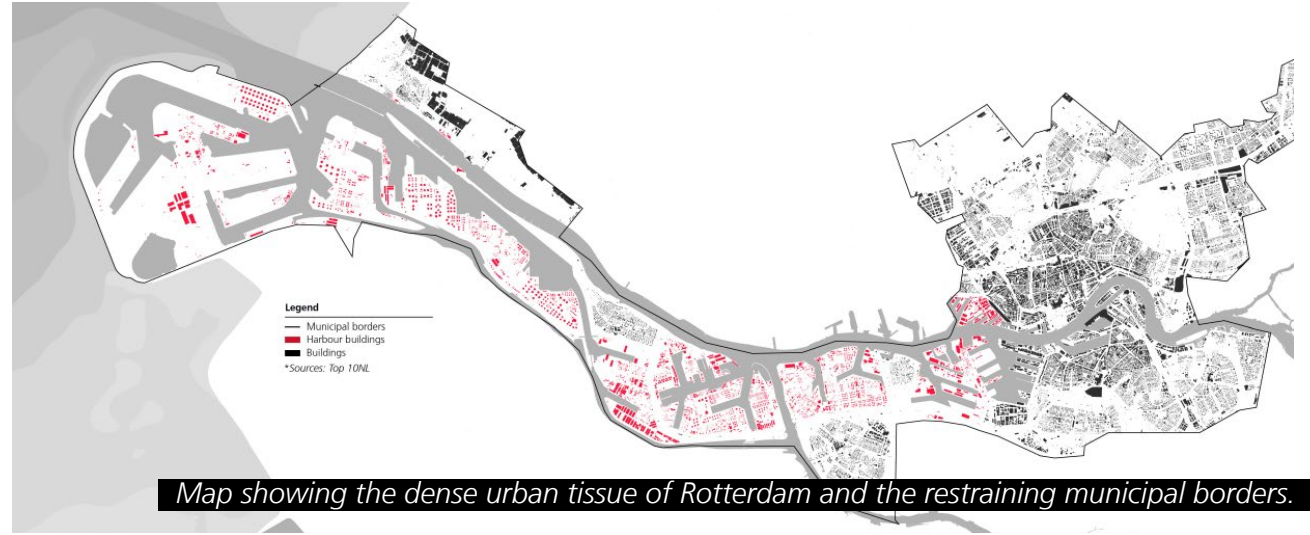


Map showing the water discharge of the Meuse-Rhine river system. Most of the water is flowing through the harbour of Rotterdam, a situation that is not sustainable in the light of climate change (source map: own).

THE LANDSCAPE SYSTEM

Urban growth and limited space

- Strong urban growth until 2040
- Restraining municipal borders
- Space in the harbour

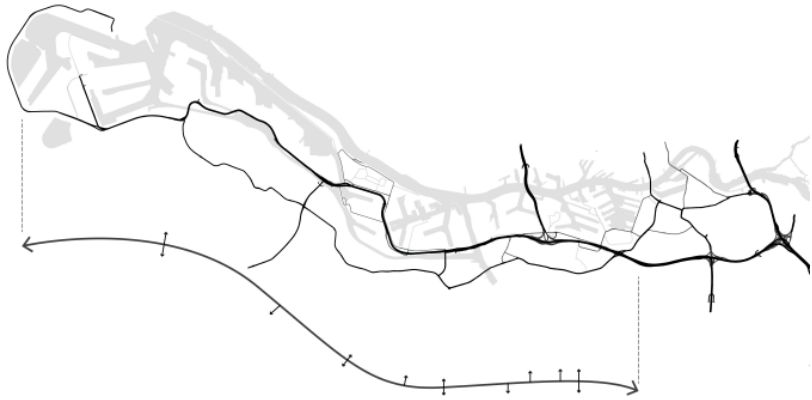




THE LANDSCAPE SYSTEM

Connectivity: Is the harbour well connected?

- The harbour is not accessible by public transport



Maps showing the structure of the infrastructure in the harbour.



THE LANDSCAPE SYSTEM

Soil: About half of the harbour territory is heavily polluted

- Giving direction to the long-term planning of the harbour



Legend

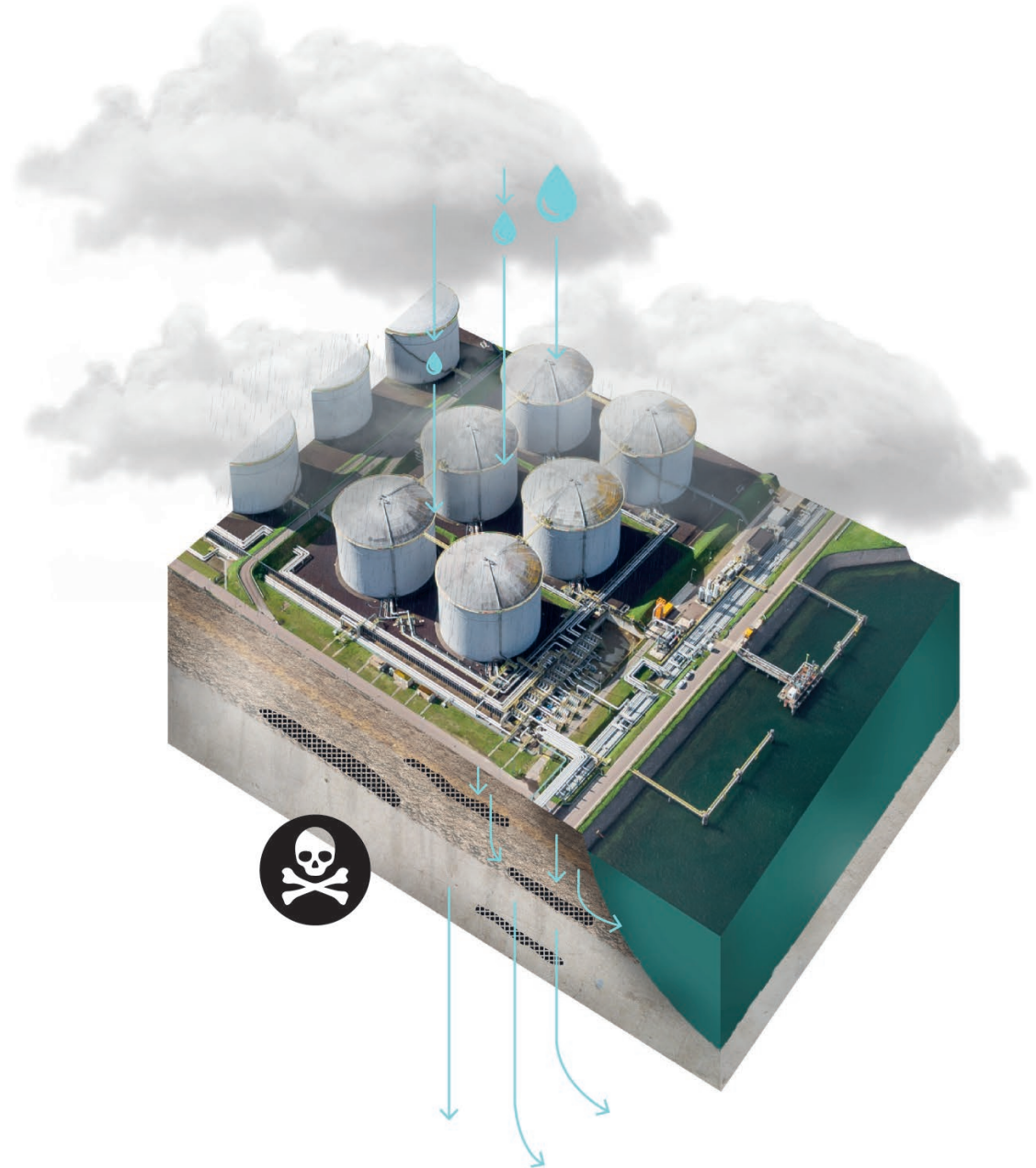
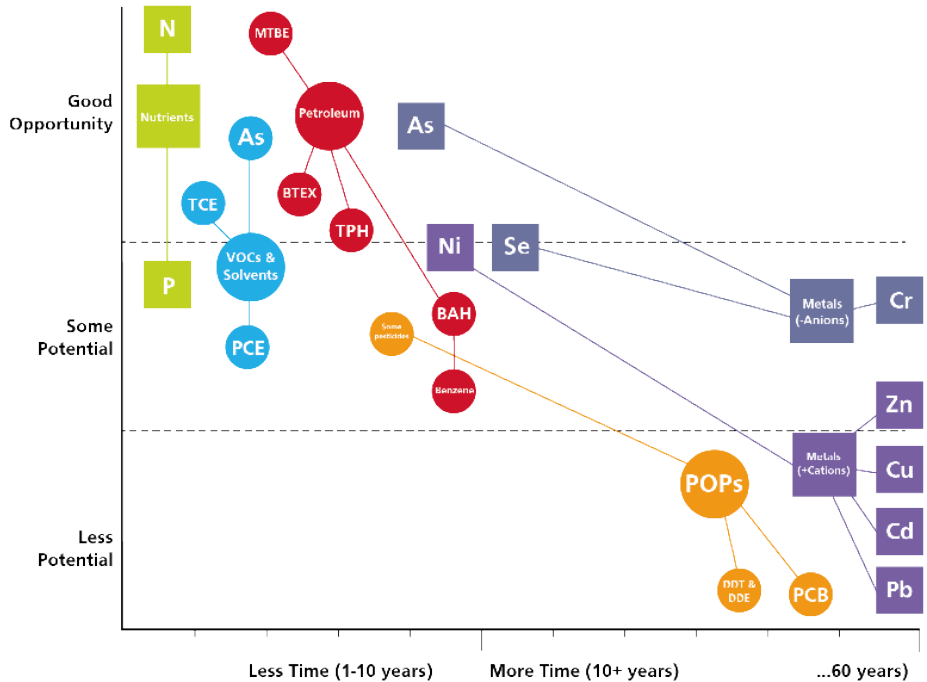
- Heavily polluted
- Moderate polluted
- Lightly polluted
- Very lightly polluted
- Not polluted
- No data available

Maps showing the intensity of soil pollution on various depths.
(Own illustration, based on information DCMR)

THE LANDSCAPE SYSTEM

Soil: About half of the harbour territory is heavily polluted

- The pollution moves down
- Phyto remediation as a design tool

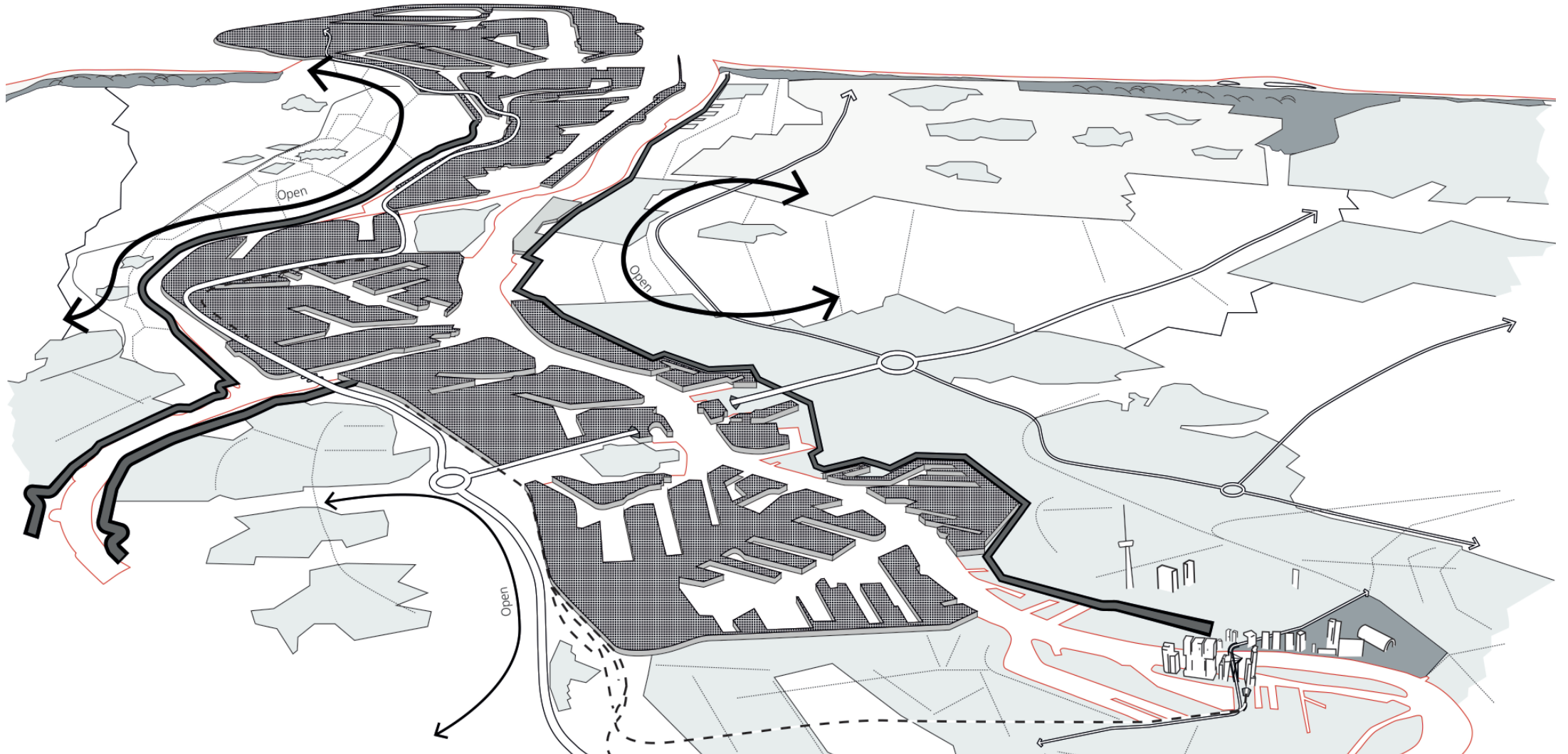


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The Harbour Landscape

THE LANDSCAPE VOCABULARY

Spatial structure of the landscape



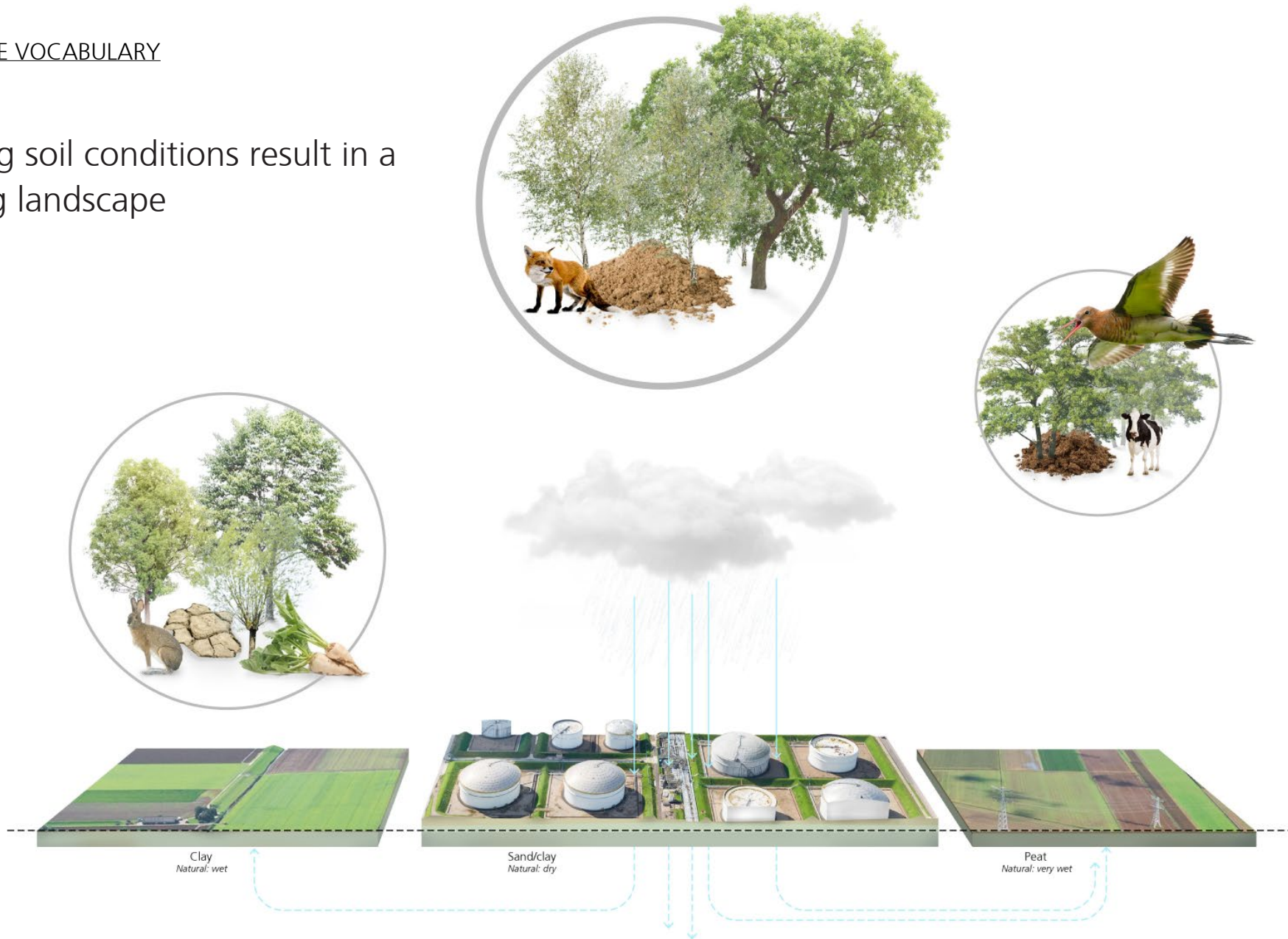






THE LANDSCAPE VOCABULARY

Contrasting soil conditions result in a contrasting landscape





THE LANDSCAPE VOCABULARY

Every structure is a landmark ...



THE LANDSCAPE VOCABULARY

The harbour is a landscape of drama



*In the harbour every structure is a landmark
(source photo: P. Nijhuis).*

#P5.1

The strategy

THE STRATEGY

Program:

The type of strategy:

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Program design:

- The unique contrast in height, spatial density and soil conditions with the context are the basis for the spatial characteristics of the design
- The connecting nature of the harbour city-sea should be utilised

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THE STRATEGY

A phased strategy as a solution

- Two moments and an intervention
- Solving current problems and building a lasting framework

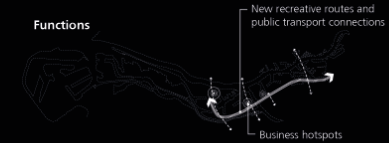
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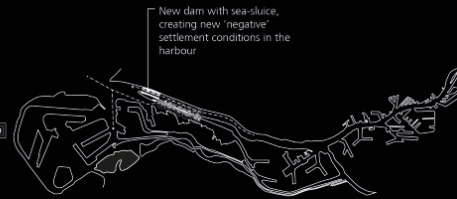
Zoning



Functions



Inter-
vention
2040



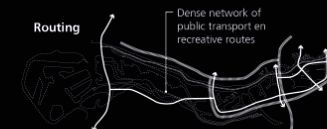
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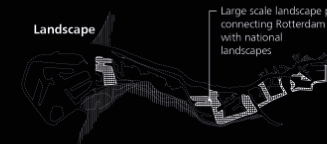
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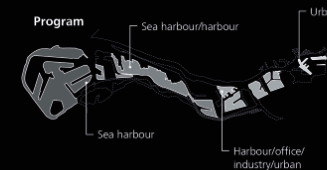
Routing



Landscape



Program



THE STRATEGY

Phase 1:

- dealing with spatial scattering;
- Laying the foundations for phase 2

phase 1
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Zoning

Active relocation of businesses



Functions

New recreative routes and public transport connections

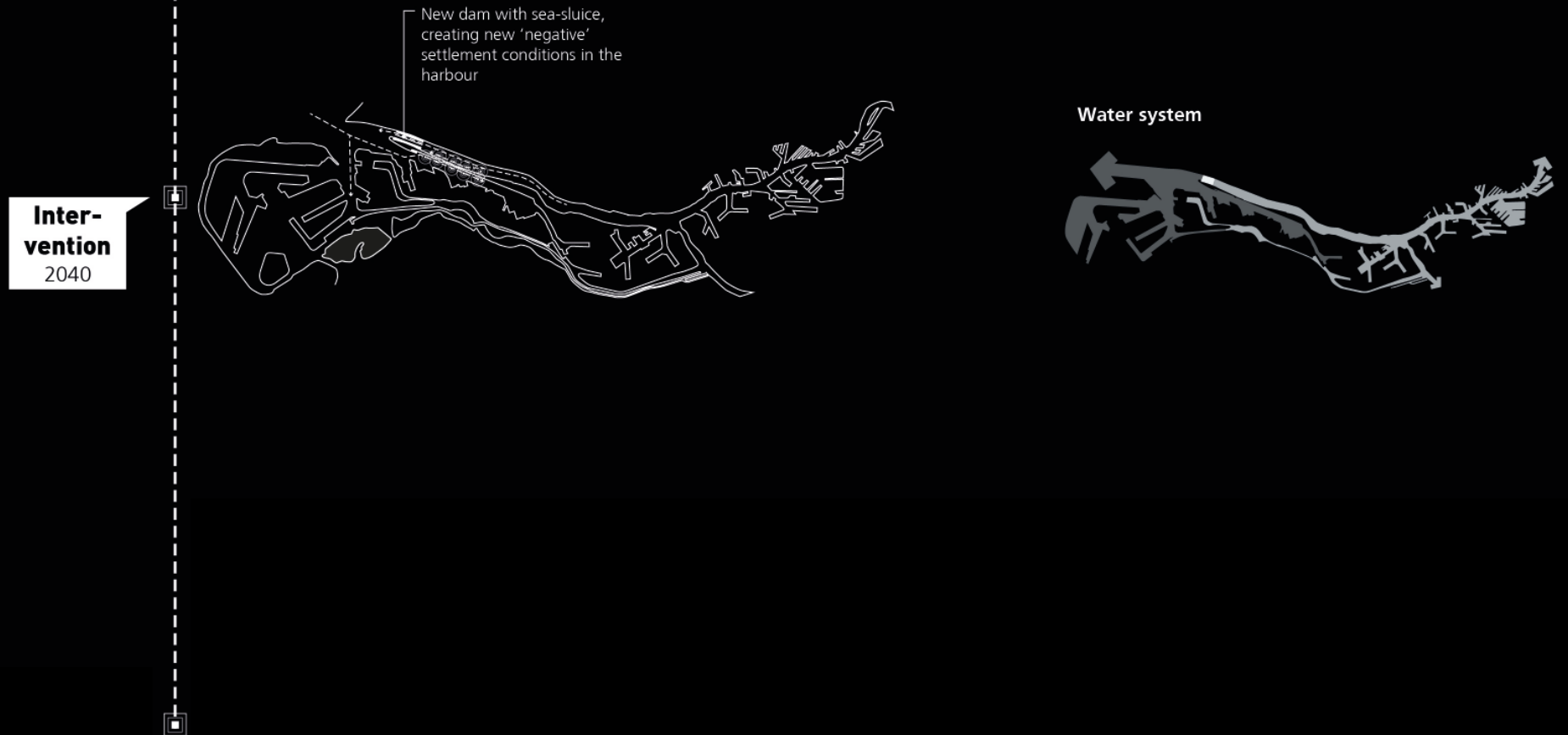
Business hotspots



THE STRATEGY

Intervention:

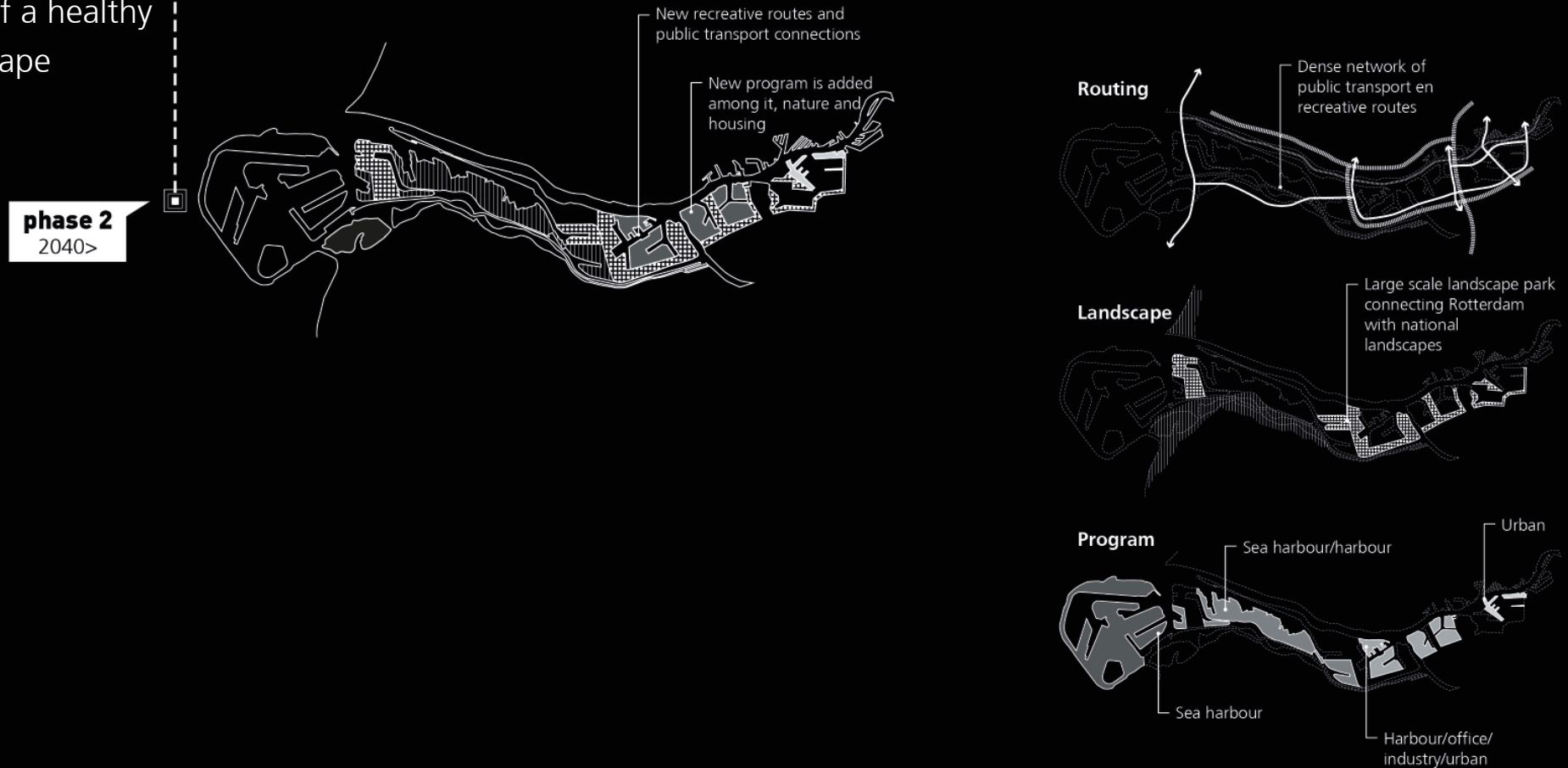
- New conditions in the harbour



THE STRATEGY

Phase 2:

- New conditions for a development of a healthy harbour landscape



THE STRATEGY

Phase 1:

- (Temporary) introduction of green
- Active relocation of businesses



THE STRATEGY

Phase 2:

- Clear zoning
- A strategy that allows uncertainty
- A high quality green landscape well connected to the city



#P5.2

The Harbour Forest

THE HARBOUR FOREST: VISION

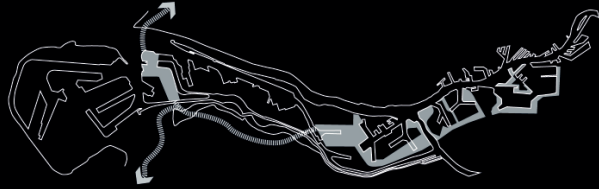


DESIGN: THE HARBOUR FOREST

THE CONCEPT

[1] Connection with the bigger landscape

A green connection from the heart of Rotterdam to the dunes ...



[2] The harbour area

The forest structures the harbour in different zones, creating possibilities for divers development ..



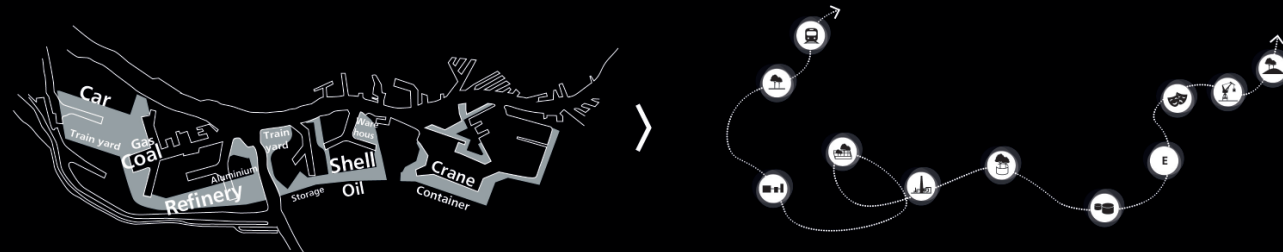
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THE CONCEPT

[3] The story of the park ...
Organised around a day-trip



... the story of the park
A chronological story of industrial landscape pearls ...



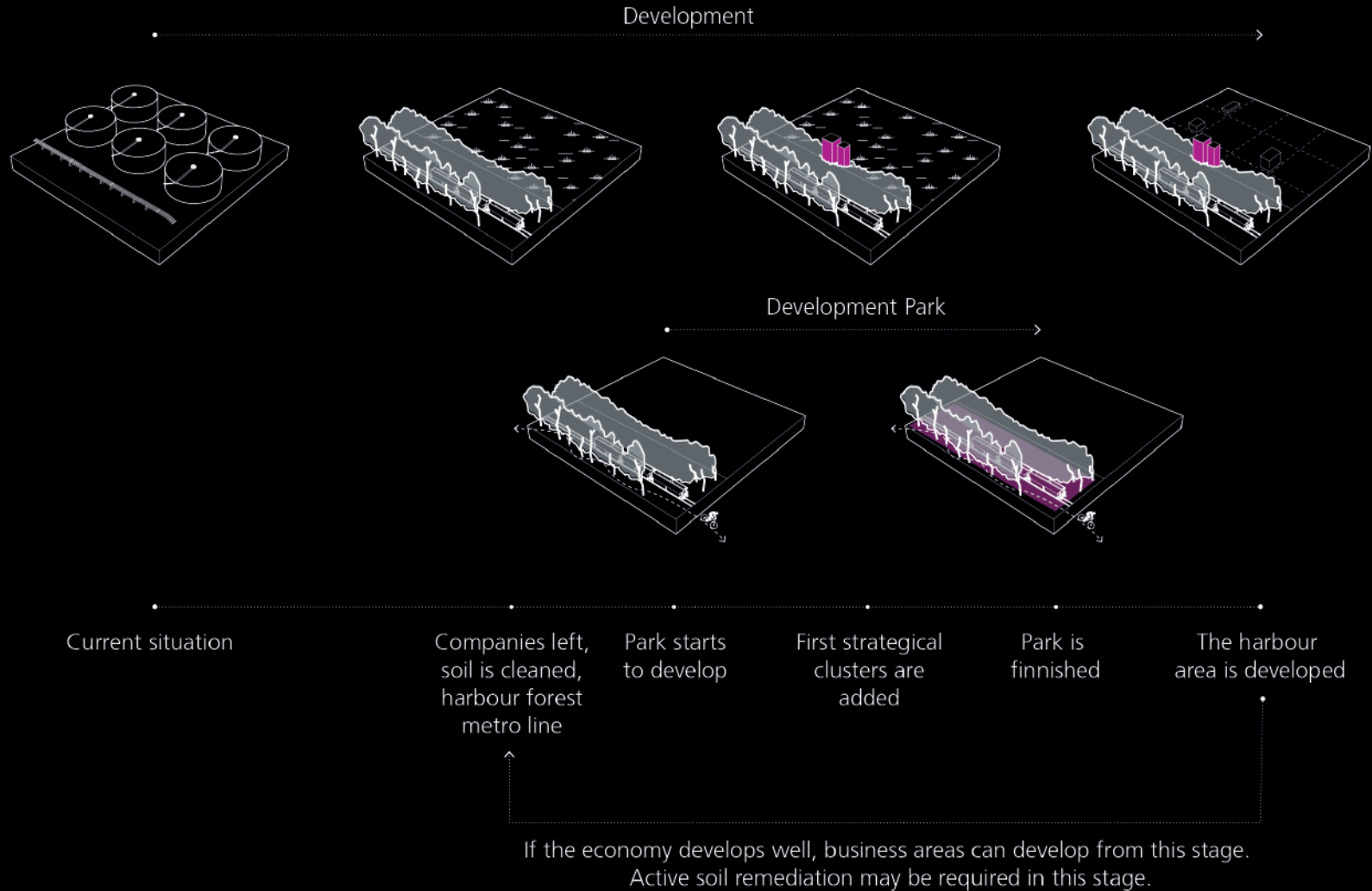
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Overall concept



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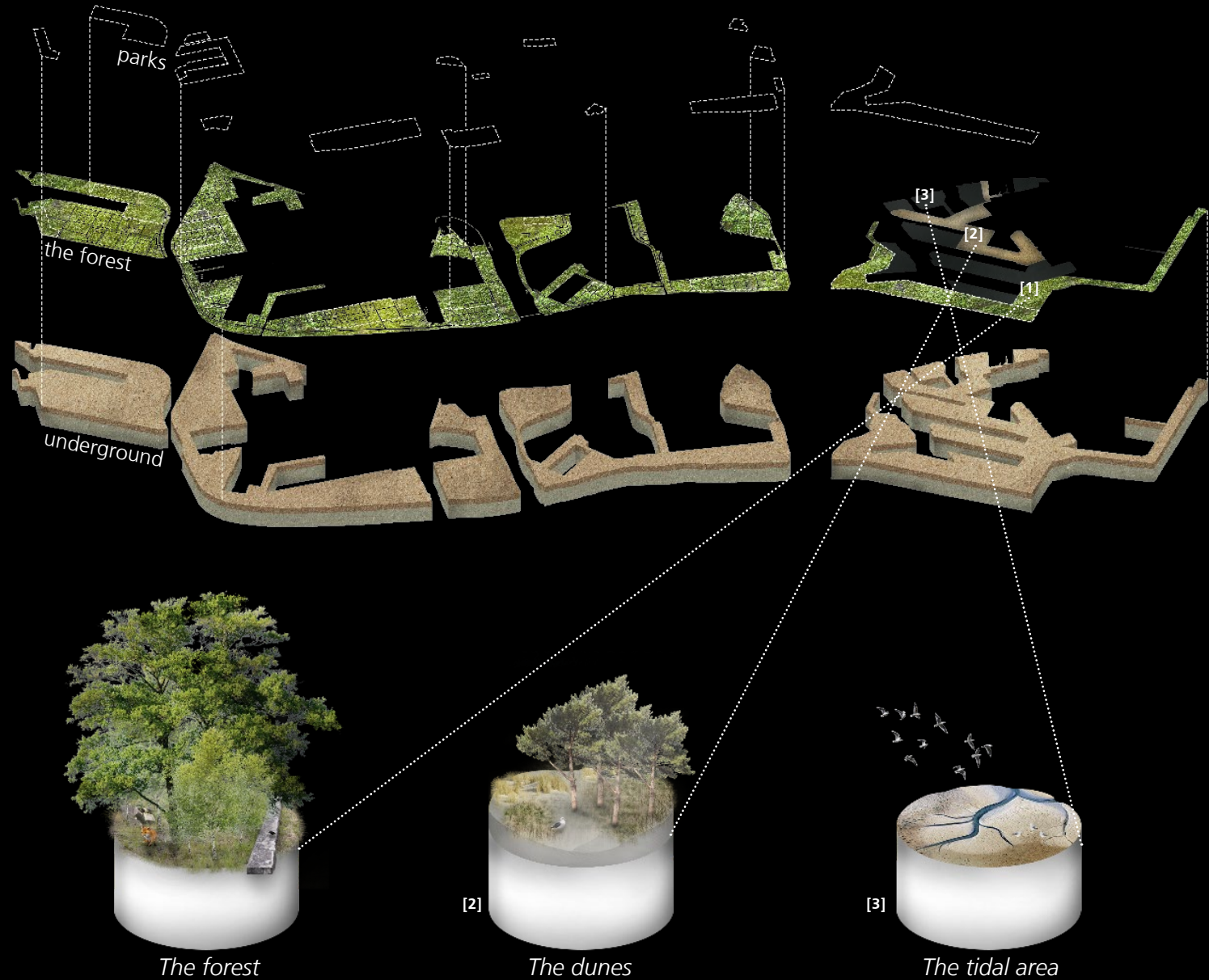
Basic timeline of the development



THE HARBOUR FOREST

The design in layers:
landscape types

- Forest
- Dunes
- Tidal area



THE HARBOUR FOREST

The forest

- Dry vegetation
- Decreases soil pollution



Future situation



Current situation



THE HARBOUR FOREST

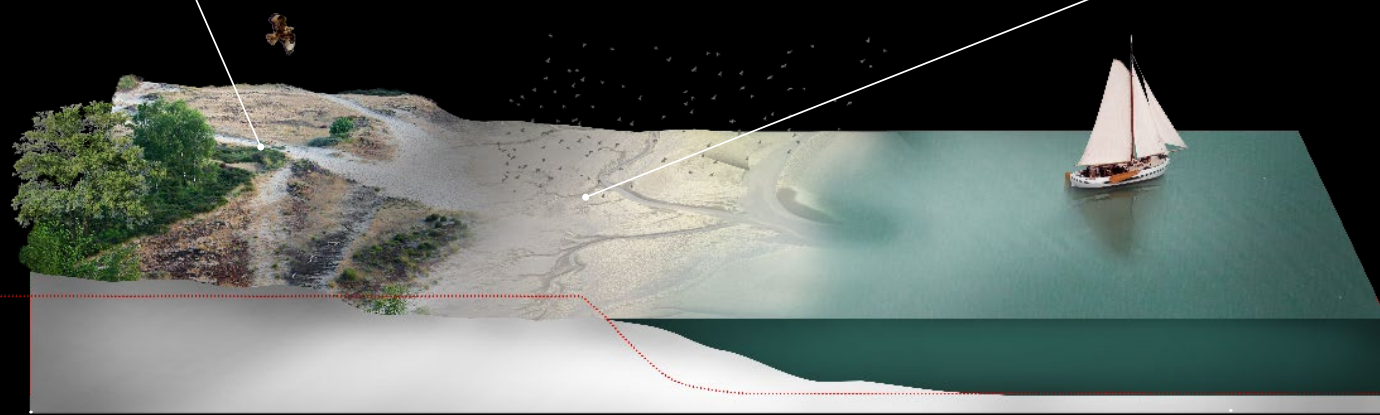
The tidal area and dunes:
a second Kralingseplas

- Reprofiled
- More gradients
- Nature, recreation and living

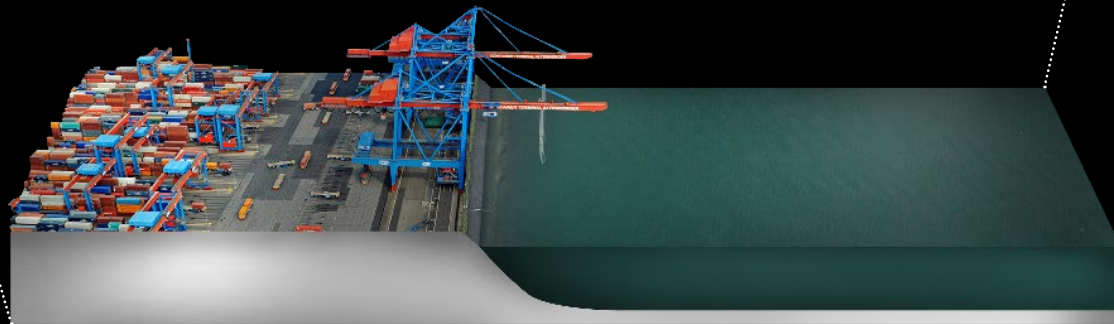
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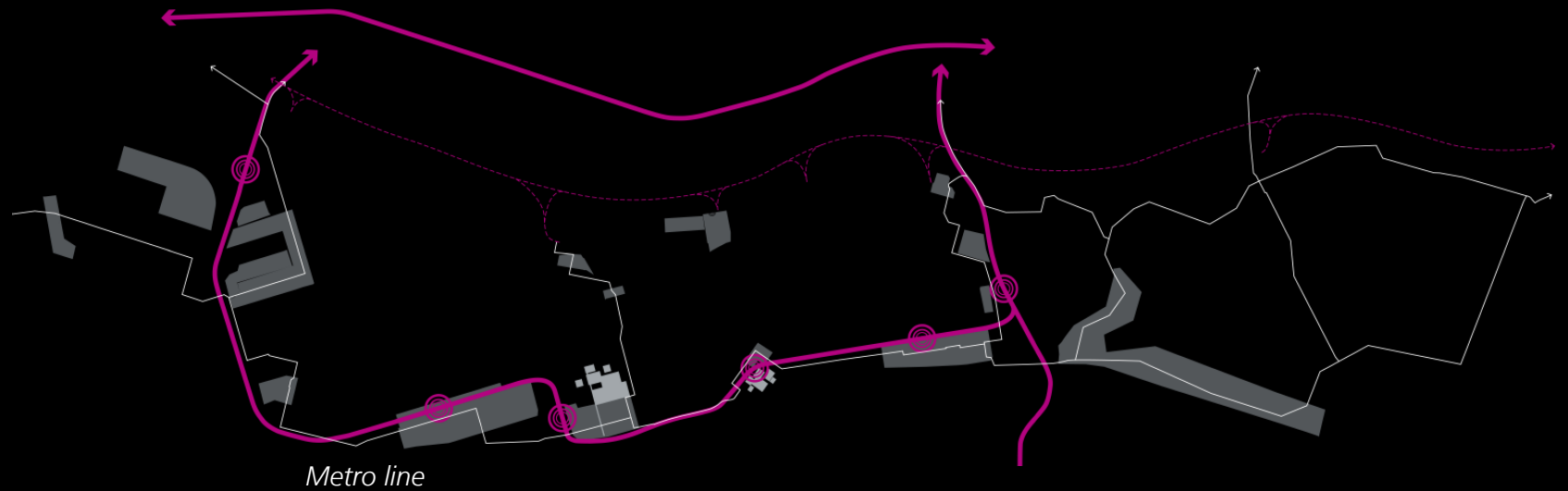
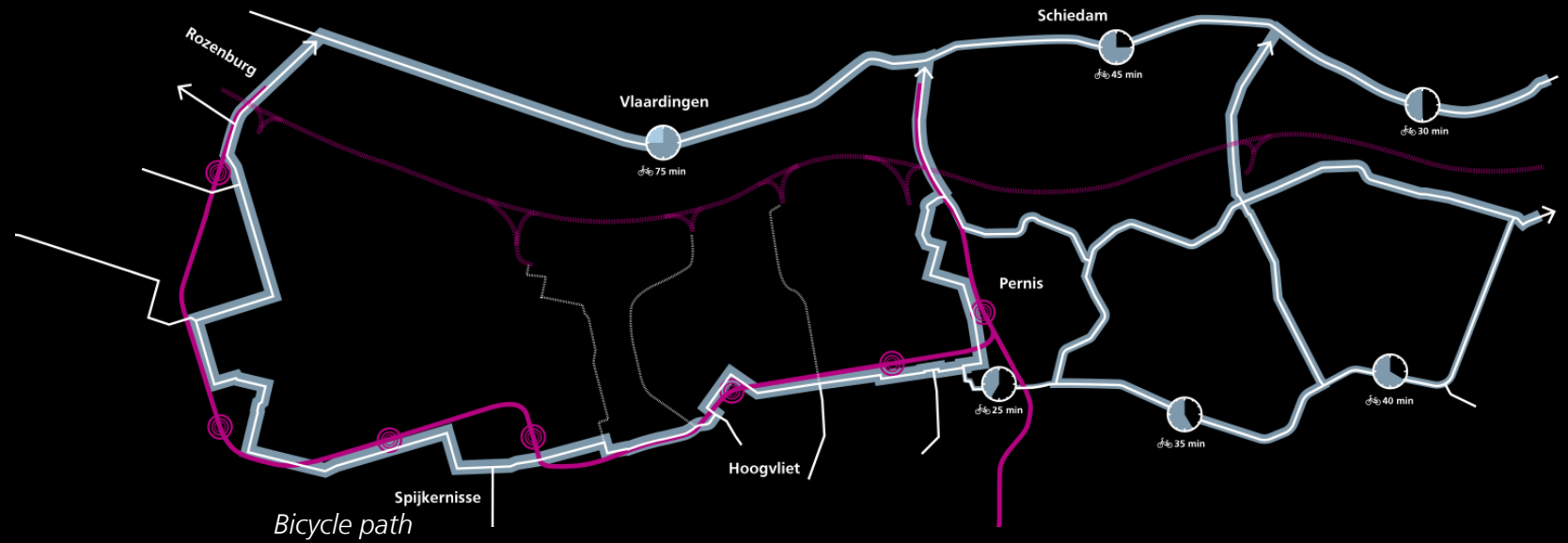
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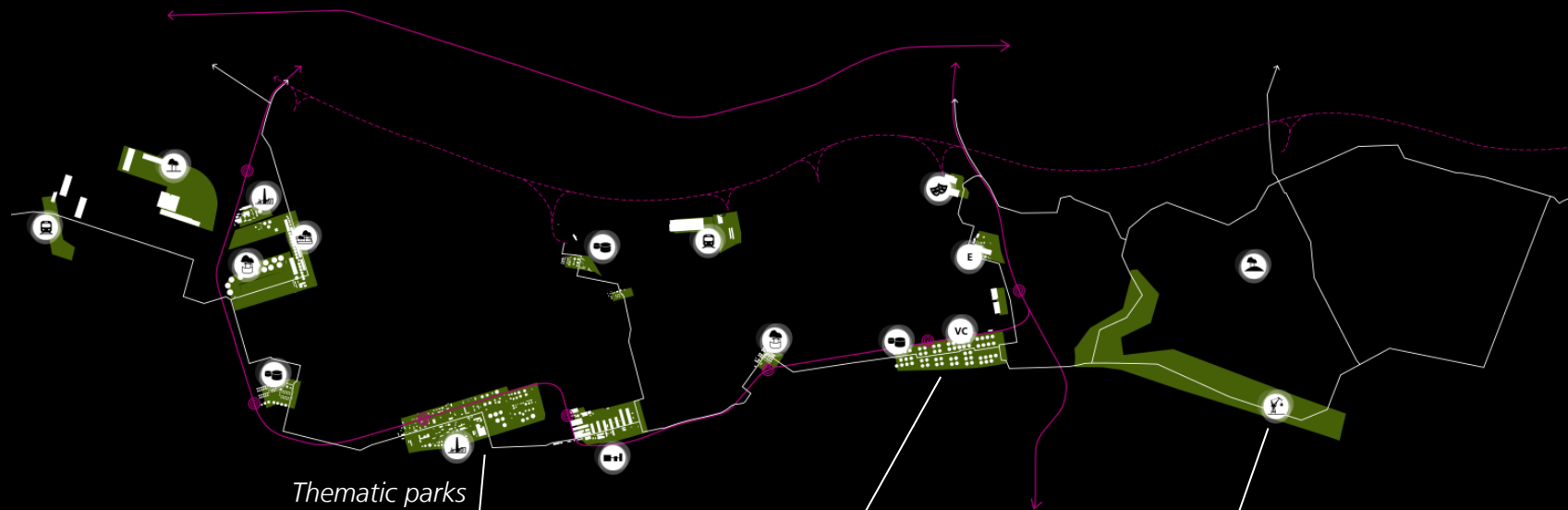
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Connectivity



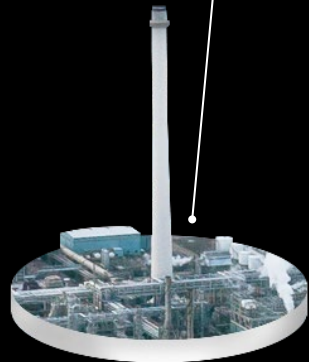
THE HARBOUR FOREST

Thematic parks
16 parks, representing
industry-types



Thematic parks

- The island
- Quay and cranes
- Warehousing
- Esso
- Storage tank
- Visitor centre
- Tanks and trees
- Trainyard
- Storage tank
- Aluminium factory
- Shell refinery
- Storage tanks
- Coal storage
- Gas factory
- Concrete forest
- Trainyard

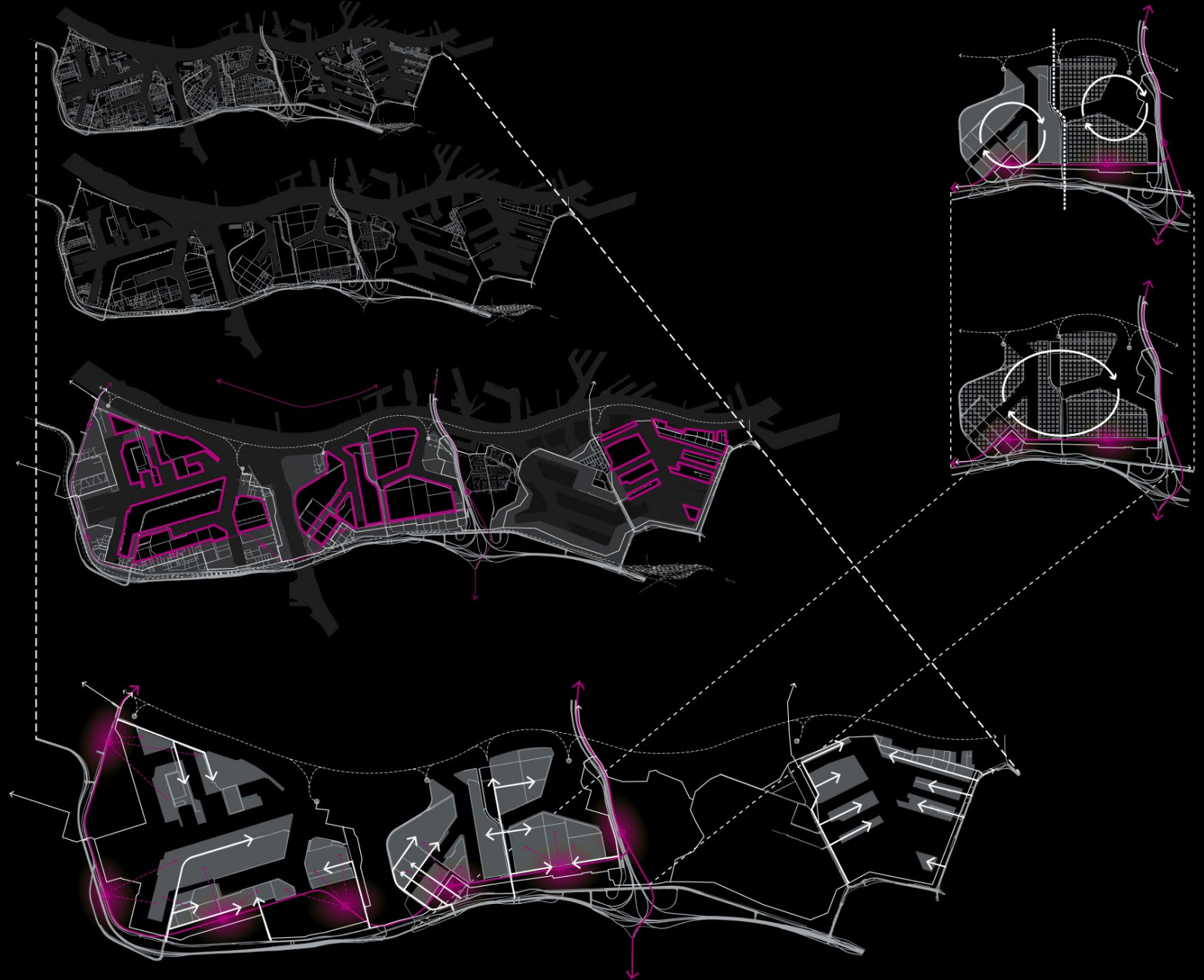


Impression of the used sites



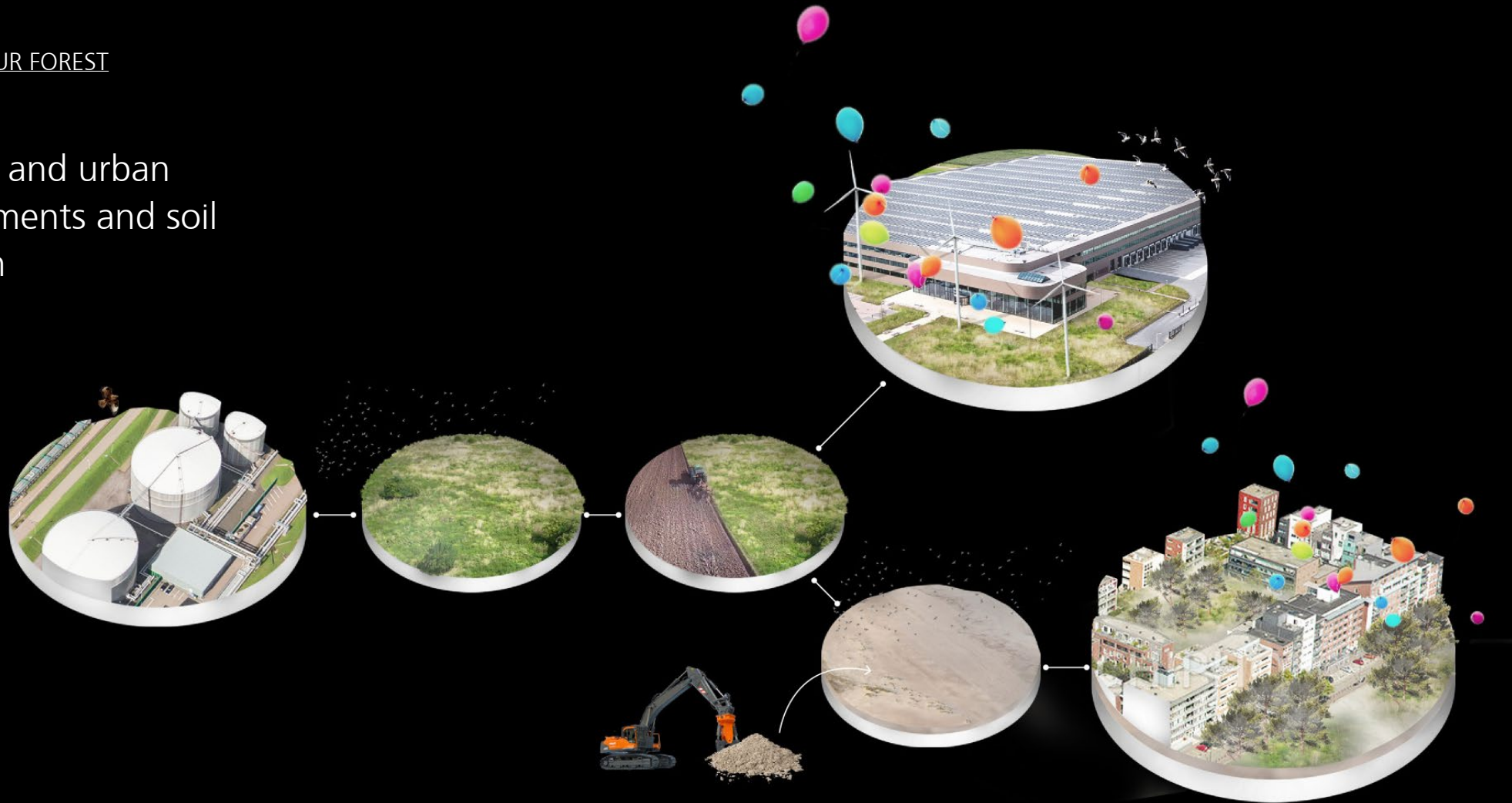
THE HARBOUR FOREST

Business and urban developments



THE HARBOUR FOREST

Business and urban developments and soil pollution



Current situation → Vegetation cleans shallow pollution → Soil preparations for development → Finished situation

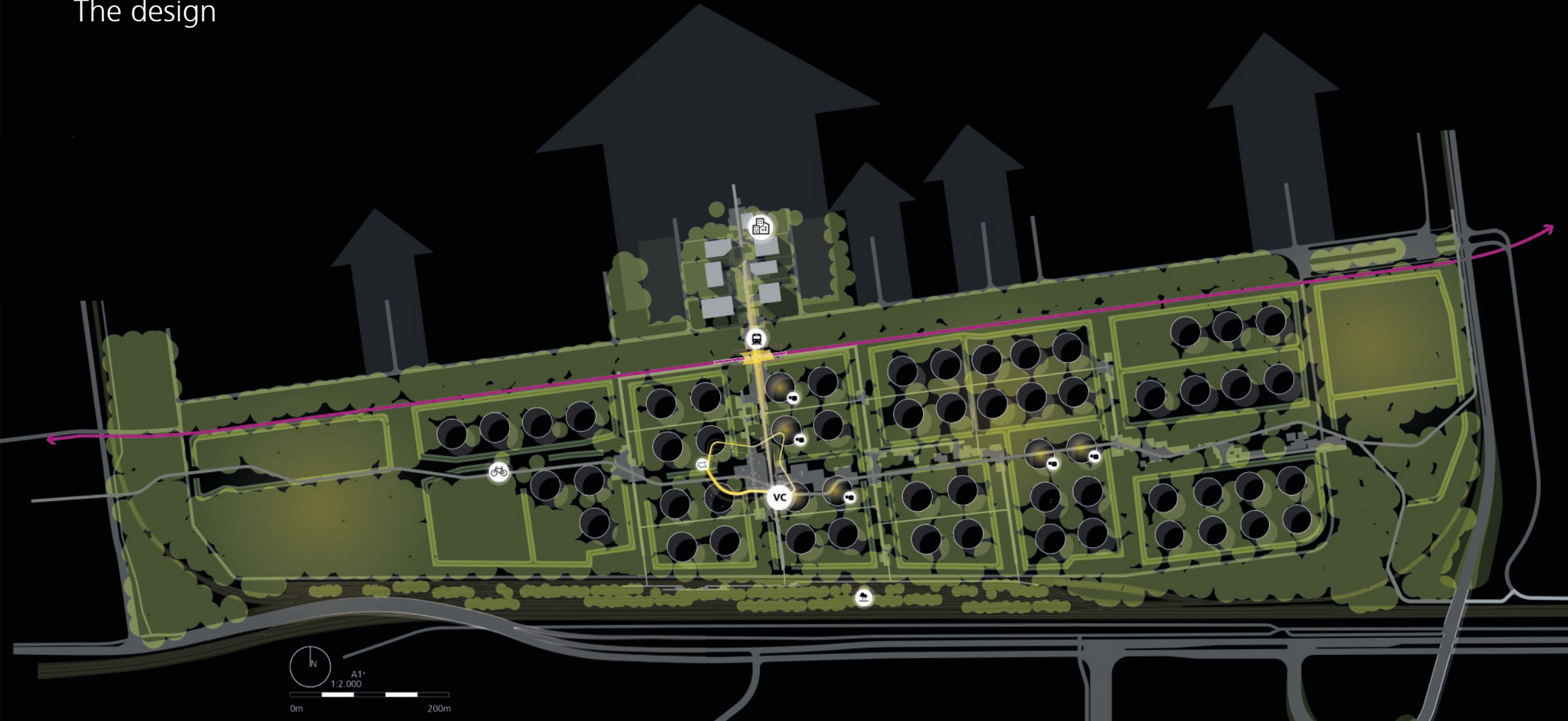
The remediation strategy is based on the program type that is chosen. If the program is industry, no additional steps are necessary. If the program is urban, a two metre 'life layer' of sand needs to be added.

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Detail: Shel Storage Park

DETAIL: SHELL STORAGE PARK

The design



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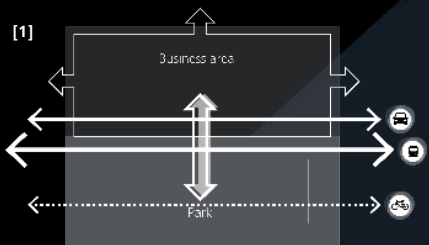
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DETAIL: SHELL STORAGE PARK

The design

THE CONCEPT



The basic infrastructural relations



Programmatic scheme of the park



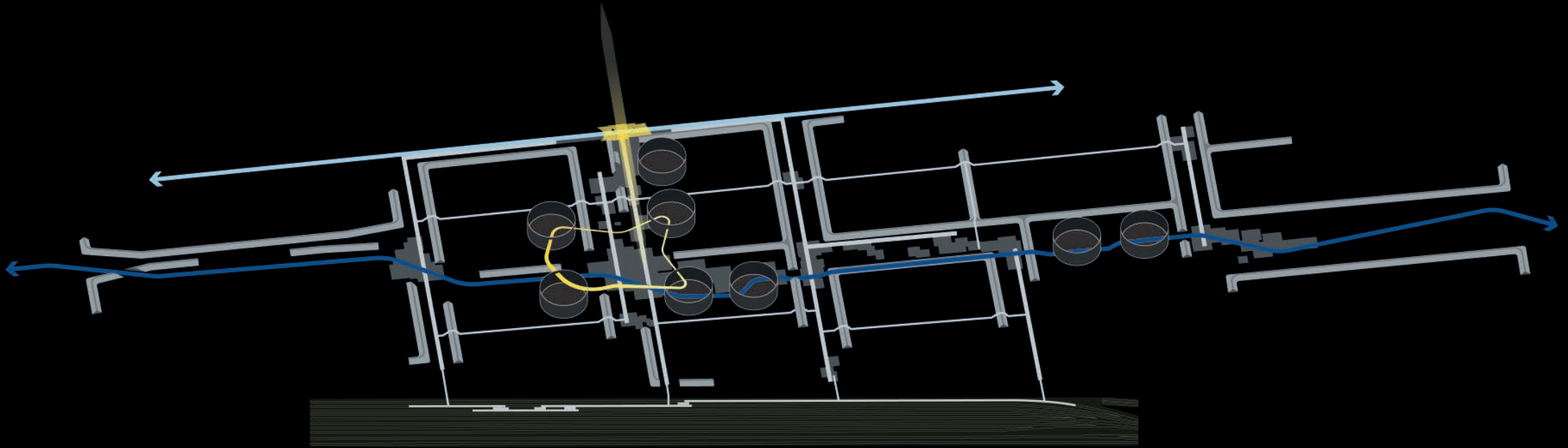
Infrastructural scheme of the office area



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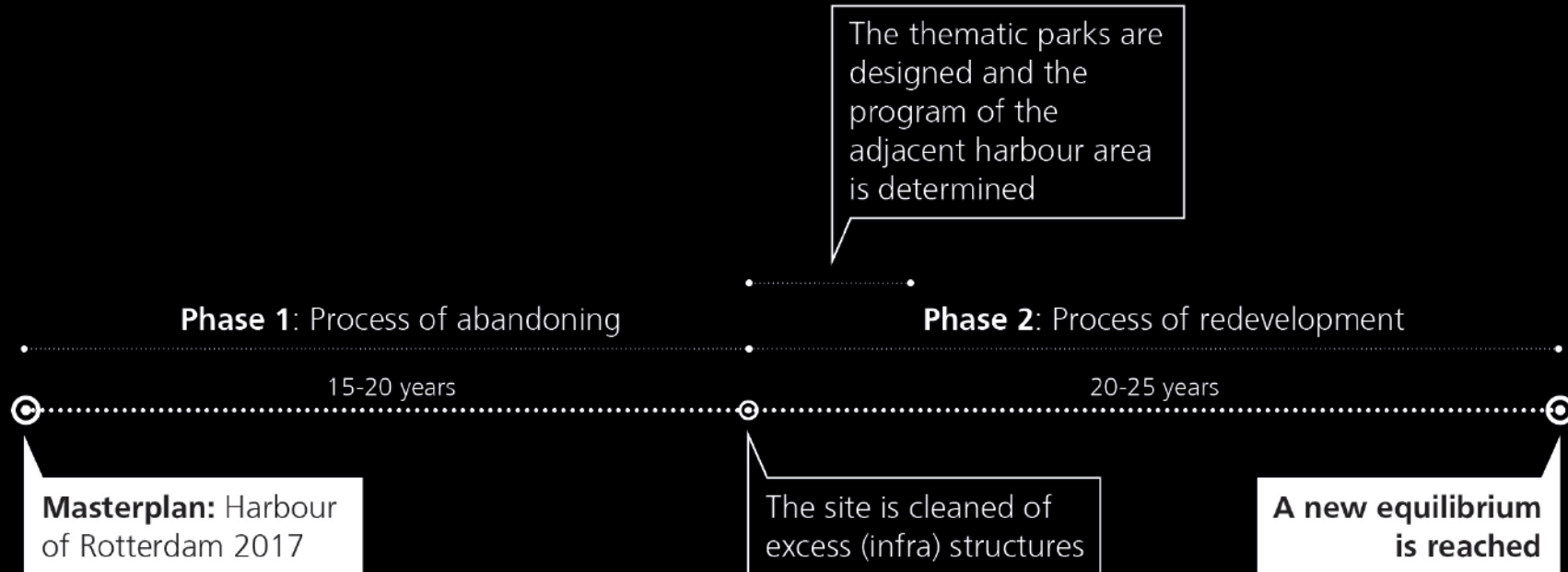
Composition scheme

- Height as a unique property



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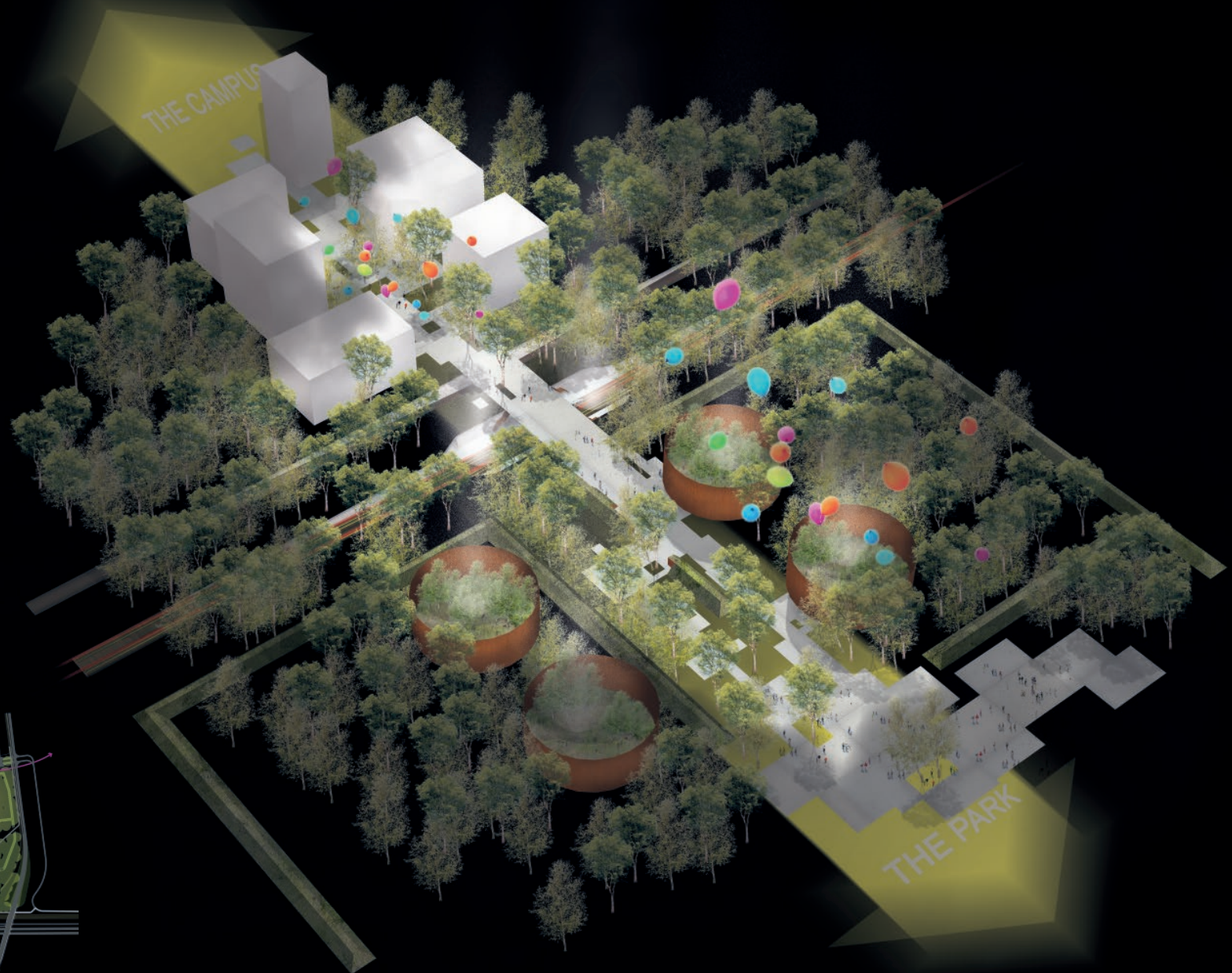
Basic timeline of the strategy



DETAIL: SHELL STORAGE PARK

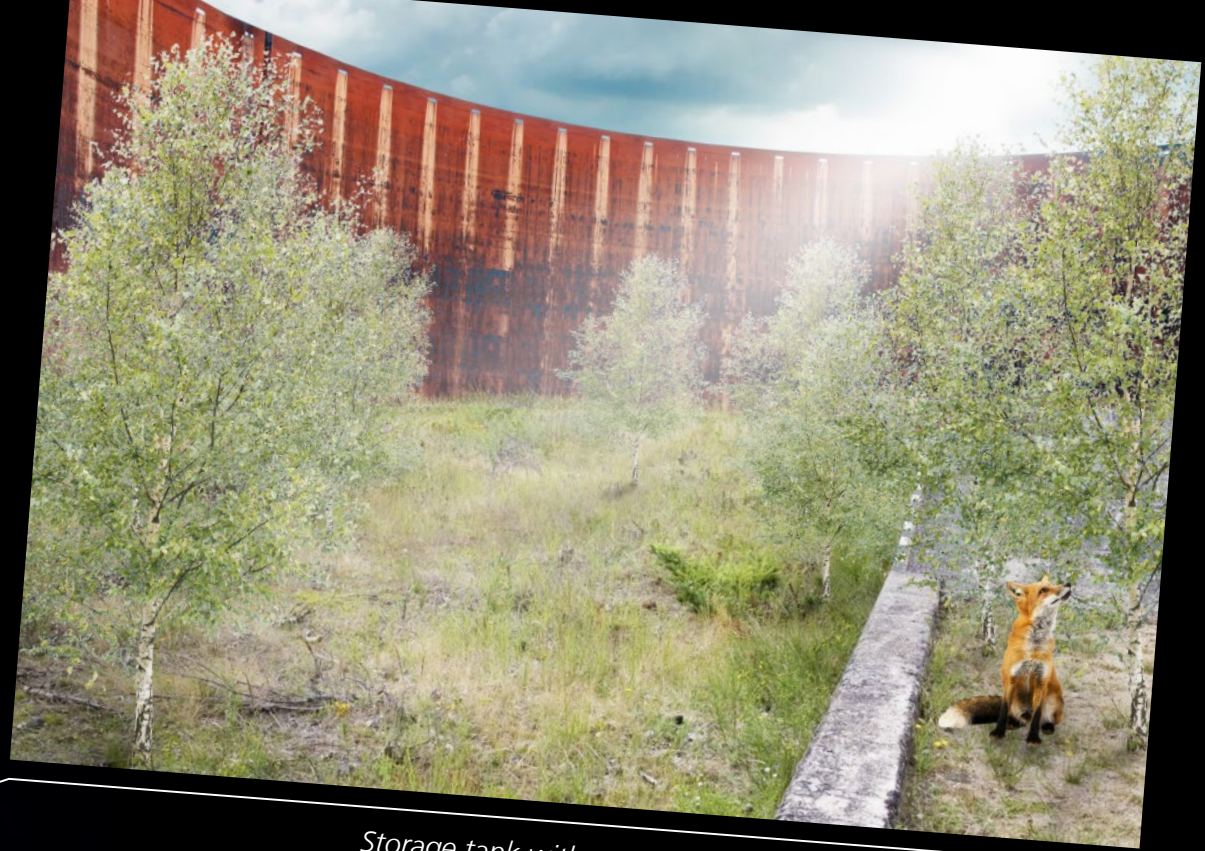
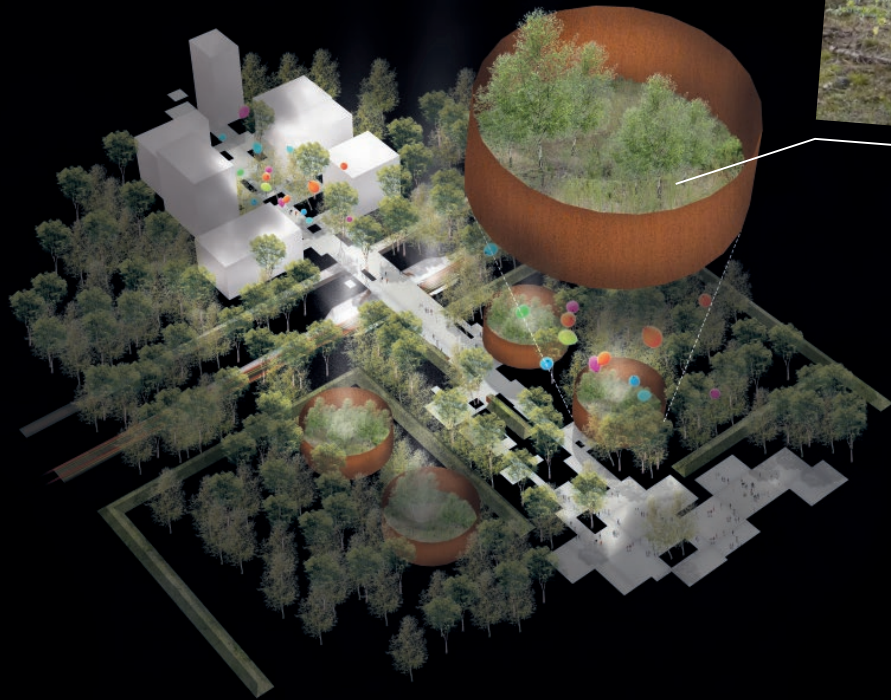
Business and recreation

- Functions deeply integrated
- Development axes
- Re-use of materials



DETAIL: SHELL STORAGE PARK

Storage tanks as a container for park program;
a visual experiment ...



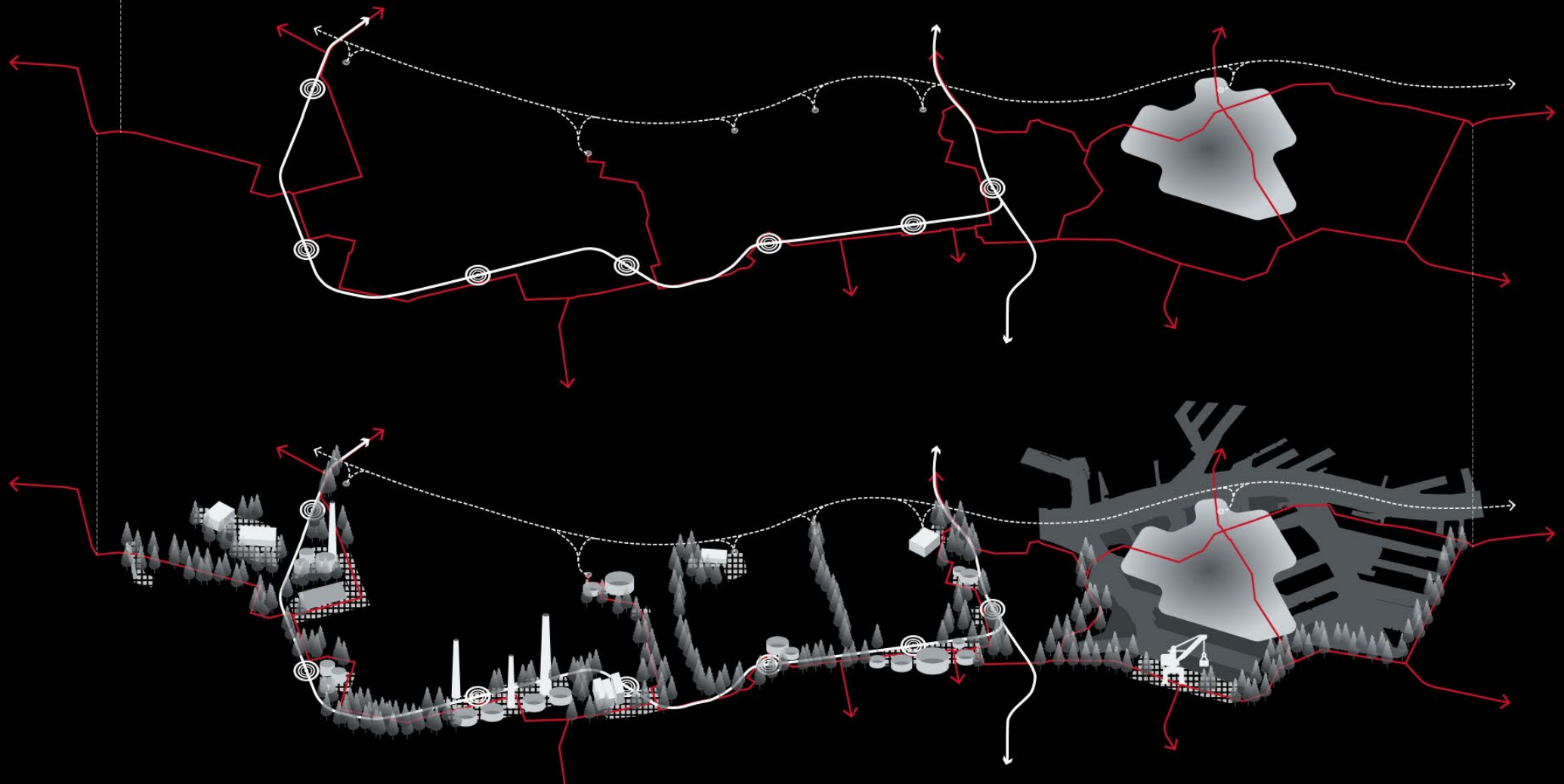
Storage tank without program after a few years of succession.

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Elaboration: A landscape in motion

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A landscape experienced in motion ...



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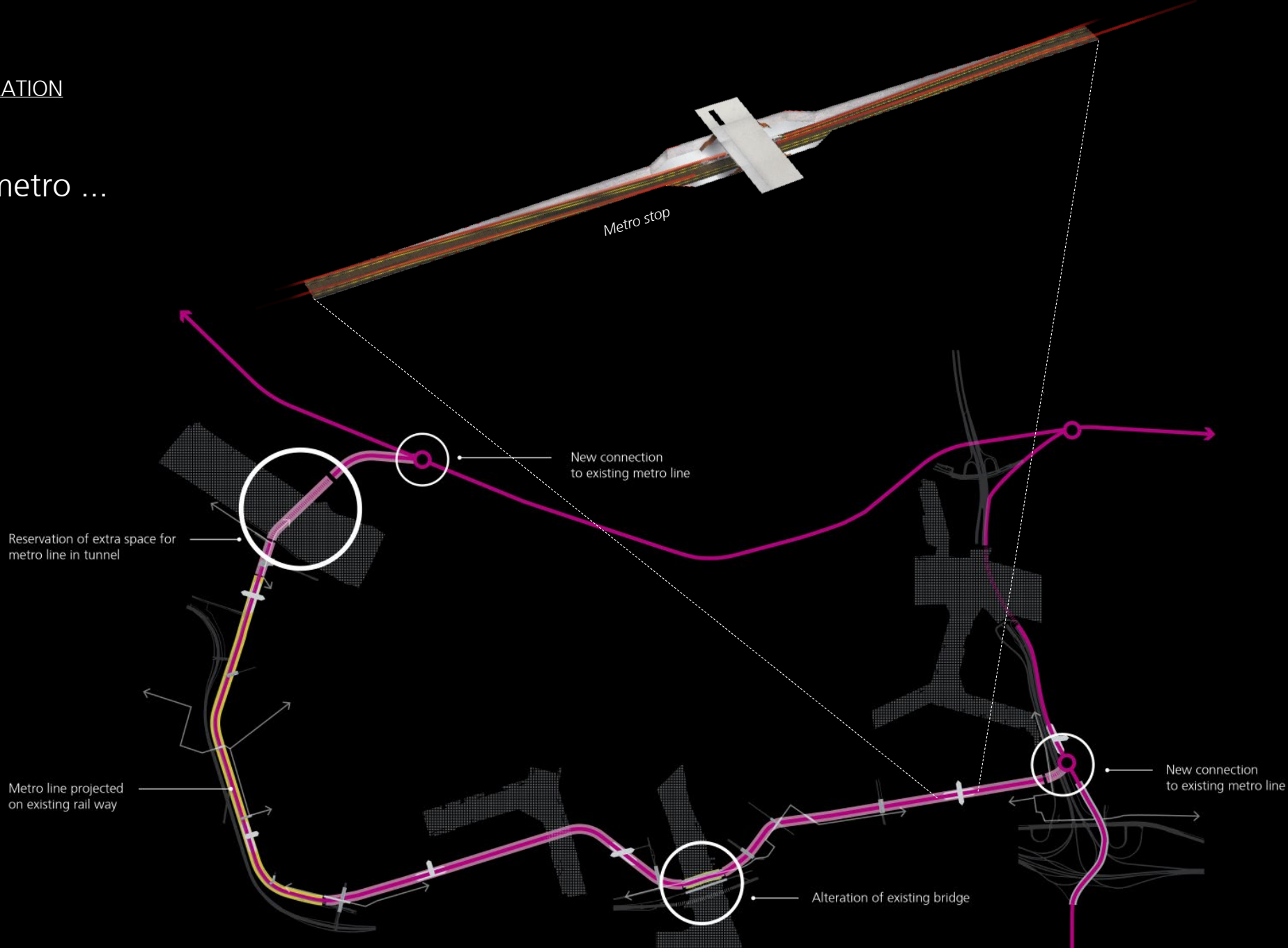


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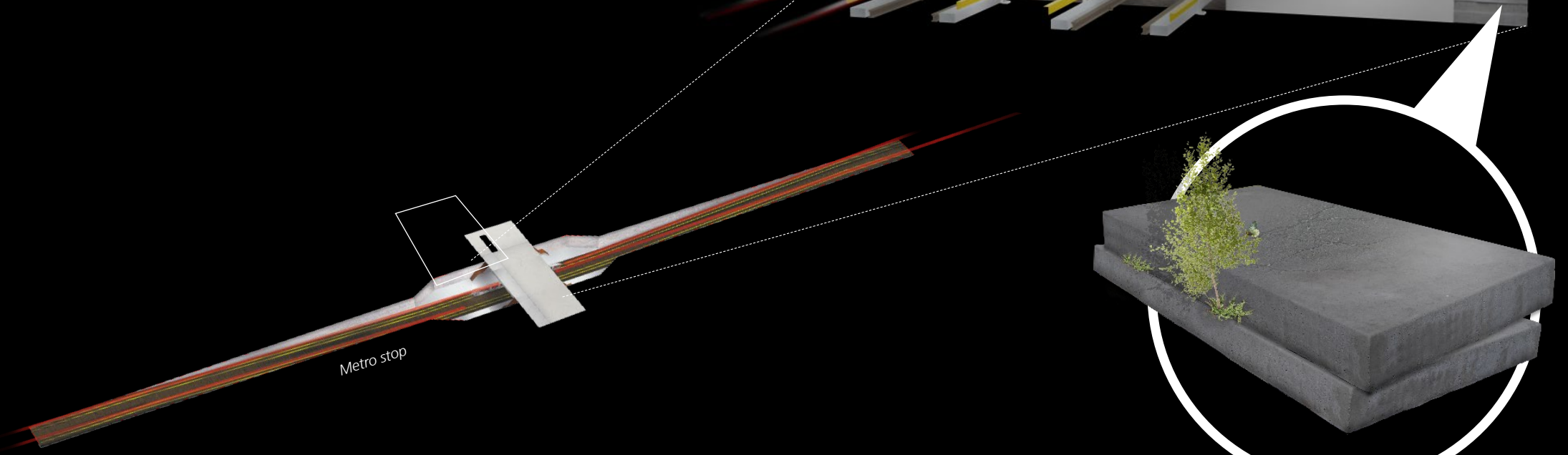
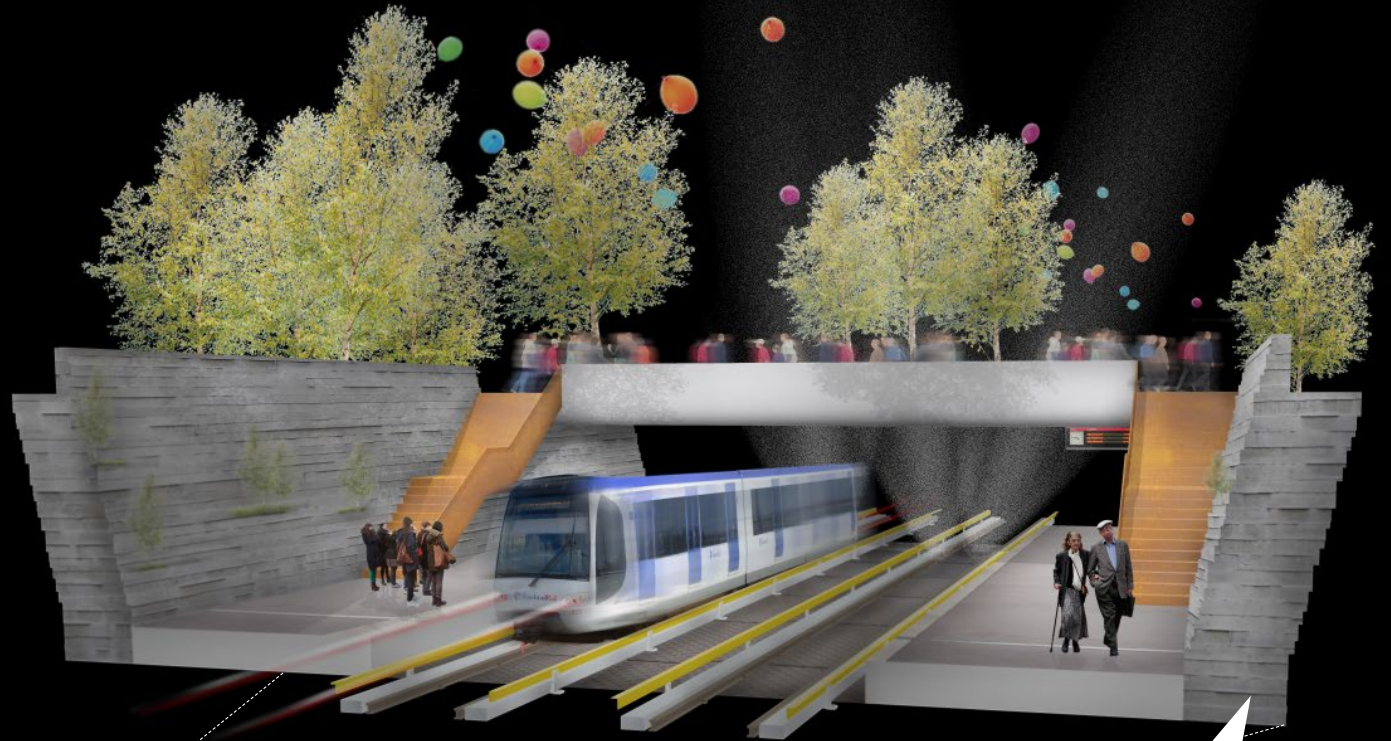
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The metro ...



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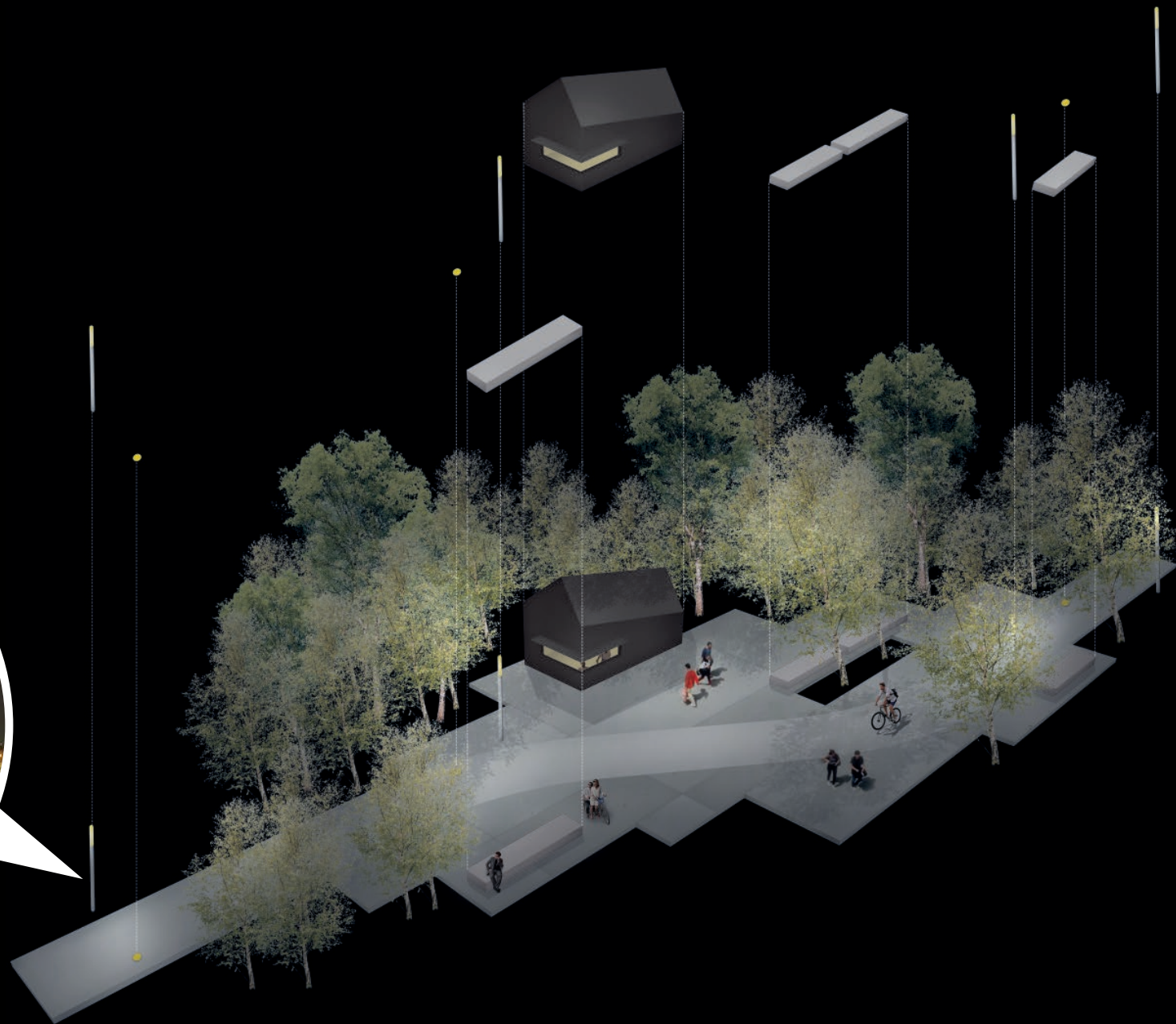
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The bicycle route ..



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The bicycle route ..



#P6

Conclusion & Reflection

CONCLUSION

How can the harbour of Rotterdam anticipate the coming energy transition in such a way that the regional scale system interests are incorporated and that the harbour will be ecologically and economically healthier, using a landscape-based approach?



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