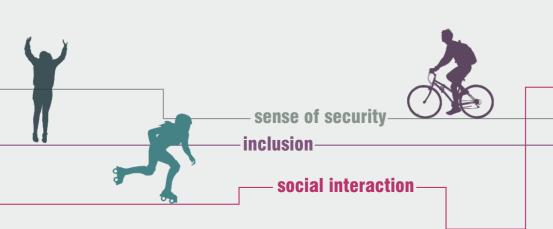
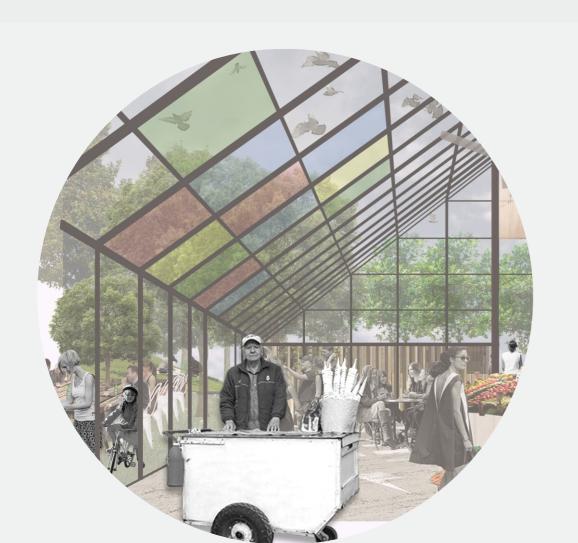
REGAINING PUBLIC SPACE IN MODERN GREECE

- sense of security

- social interaction

THE CASE OF CHANIA





The Multicultural square



The central city square



The Religion square



The Square of Sycamore



The Sports Square



The vision of this thesis proposed a socio-cultural based approach for the improvement of the existing public spaces of Chania, focusing on the enhancement of safety, social interaction and inclusion.

It is envisioned a democratic city, which tries to reclaim the democratic public space of ancient Greece in Greece of today. An open and inclusive city which takes into consideration that mixing all the different social groups and users in a place at the same time is not a solution, even though it sounds democratic. A well-connected city, where public spaces are easily accessible and offer the chance to the users to extend their stay there. A diverse but symbiotic city, where different users can find an indoor or outdoor public space, which can offer possibilities for gathering and interaction. A city, which respects its locality, the mentality and the social cultural background of its residents, without excluding immigrants and tourists. A Greek city where you can drink your coffee comfortably and in a delightful way!

