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p>Population
1,600,000

p>Location
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p>Study area
5 ha

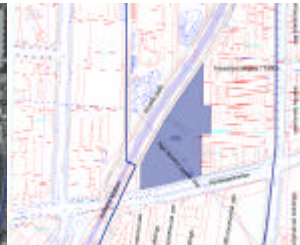
p>Site area
1.2 ha

Theme

Being connected to the city by cheap and fast travelling as well as being suburban in terms of local facilities the proposal site demands to rethink the localisation of intensity.

The programme, the typology and the landscape should navigate existing patterns of desire towards a unique accomplice between public traffic facility and the future setting of the site.

The collision of different client demands with specific "housing scripts" should introduce diversity as intelligent programme.



Conurbation

The future EU-expansion makes Vienna the centre of a conurbation between Bratislava, Budapest and Brno. Vienna's social housing which achieved mythical status in the "Red Vienna"/1920s is saturated in the city expansion zones. Nevertheless infrastructure improvements (e.g. the extension of subways) put economic pressure on suburban areas: beyond inner city redevelopments and the creation of new, urban nodes (e.g. Danube City) the city must come up with attractive scenarios for its existing suburbia.

Site

8 villages - 8 cemeteries: the fragmentation of the 23rd district is obvious. Two infrastructure axis (rail-/subway) have provided big scale housing developments since the 1970s. Together with commercial and industrial complexes, rests of "faubourgs", one family houses and green areas they form a diffused urban realm. Despite of the excellent public traffic network the pressure on the existing roads has increased considerably. Being immediately at a subway-stop the site is subject to the city's planning goal to densify such areas.



Programme

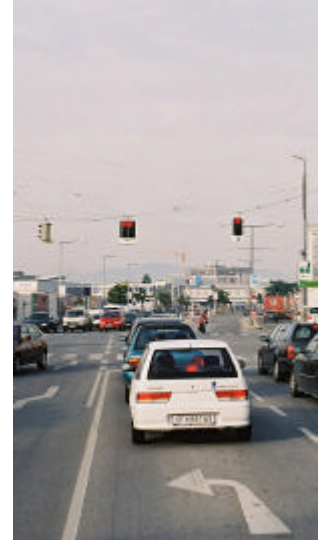
The site is perfectly linked up by the subway and perfectly contaminated by the "electricway". The difficulty which the power line's crossing means for the site's development shall be taken as opportunity; its physical and radial presence could be seen as parameters for creating a landscape / typology / materiality of specific quality. Furthermore, the contamination could trigger an impulse for the programme itself on the questions of spatial uses (incl. temporalities!) able to fit for being neighbours of high voltage.

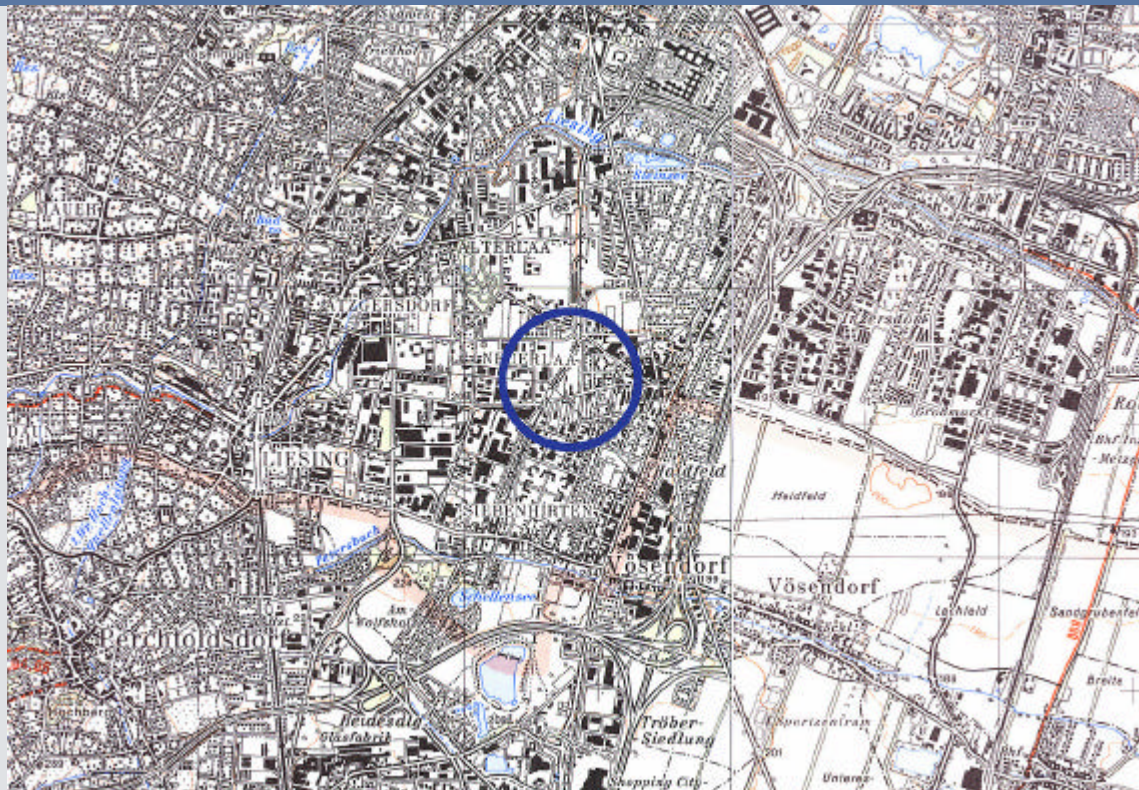
Issues

functional : The Perfekta-Street separates commercial uses from the site land supporting housing with mixed uses. Being not dependent on housing these uses should also contribute to an idea of the street space . There are partly abandoned spaces in the neighbouring building.

social : For the dwellers in the existing apartments the site's power line guarantees unoccupied and free land. Occupying the site means resistance and restriction. This conflict should be managed by a "built ambience" to be found.

perceptual : The space between the built performs between undetermined land and Schrebergardens. The existing accessibility, crossing of the outside space, transcends the borders of the lots and reveals a ground of borders and flows.





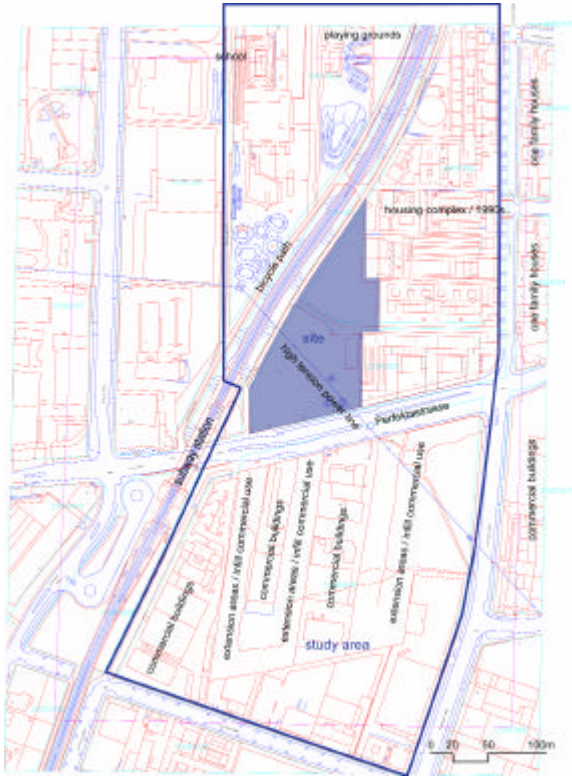
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