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+ WHY INVESTING
IN HERITAGE
IN FRAGILE COUNTRIES
MATTERS ?

3 STUDY CASES:

1. National Museum of Afghanistan

2. Erbil Citadel Rehabilitation - Kurdistan

3. Al - Adhamiyah Revitalization - Iraq

+ CONCLUSION



#### WHO WE ARE



#### is an **OPEN TEAM**

of professionals dedicated to the design of

#### conceptual structures

systems of ideas, needs and desires with a

#### physical presence

cities, landscapes, buildings, exhibitions...

#### WHO WE ARE

Principles /// Capacities

MULTI-SCALE
MULTI-DISCIPLINARY

SUSTAINABILITY

social // cultural //
economical // environmental
energetical

**AESTHETIC COMMITMENT** 

THE CONTEXT

**CREATIVITY** 

#### **WHO WE ARE**

#### **THEORY**



#### **PRAXIS**











































# 02

## WHY INVESTING IN HERITAGE IN FRAGILE COUNTRIES MATTERS ?

PROPER REHABILITATION OF

**HERITAGE** 



REGENERATION OF

LIFE



#### REACTIVATING BUILDINGS /// REACTIVATED CITIES

#### 3 STUDY CASES

Erbil Citadel Rehabilitation - Kurdistan

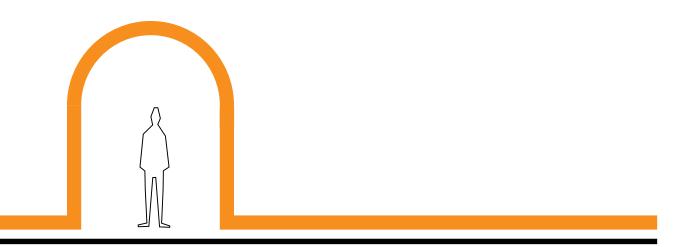
2. ......

Al-Adhamiyah District Revitalization Baghdad

3.

02

Kabul



THE COMPETITION

#### WHO?

Afghan Ministry of Information and Culture and the

US Embassy in Kabul

#### REQUIREMENTS

Experience in:

- 1. Museum Projects
- 2. Post conflict States
- 3. Islamic Countries

#### **STAGES**

 FIRST
 SECOND

 348
 125

 Firms from
 Firms from

 63
 47

 Countries
 Countries

#### **JURY**

Professionals and Specialists of several workfields in International Range



#### THE COMPETITION

2nd prize

Mansilla + Tuñón Arquitectos

**1ST PRIZE** 

**AV62 ARQUITECTOS** 

3rd prize

fs-architekten | Paul Schröder Architekt BDA |







#### JURY STATEMENT

<< The strength of this Design Proposal rests on the

#### **BALANCE**

between the architectural form and the presentation of the collections.

[ It ] responds to the

#### **LOCAL CONTEXT**

along with a coherent scheme of interior spatial articulation [...]

#### **SIMPLE BUILDING SOLUTION**

[...] and realistic to construct with the materials and skills locally available [...]

#### <u>FLEXIBILITY</u>

[ It ] have given as much thought to the exhibitions as to the appearance of building envelope [...]

effective and realistic use of the

intense natural light

#### **VARIATION AND DRAMA**

would be a delightful surprise to the visitor moving

#### HUMAN SCALE

[...] has the potential to welcome visitors and encourage them to spend time inside >>



THE QUESTION

What is to be a

NATIONAL MUSEUM

in a city like

KABUL

and in a country like

AFGHANISTAN?



" A Brief History of Collapses " - Mariam Ghani



WHY A MUSEUM?

The first challenge that we had to face was the difficulty to have access to a

#### KNOWLEDGE CAPABLE OF ACCOMPANY US

with efficiency and compassion in the

#### **CONSTRUCTION OF OUR LIVES**





#### WHY A MUSEUM?

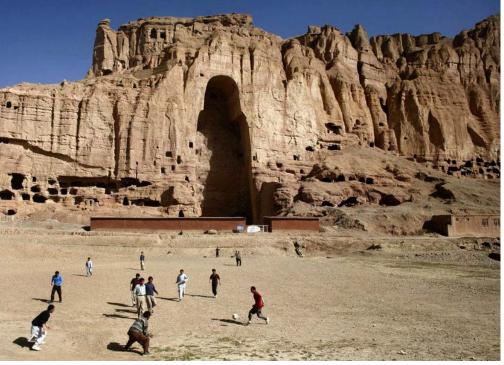
The second one remains in recognizing the

#### **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT ROLE OF THE ART**

in this process.

#### ART IS RELEVANT





Destruction of the Buddhas of Bamiyan

The site after the explosion



WHY A MUSEUM?

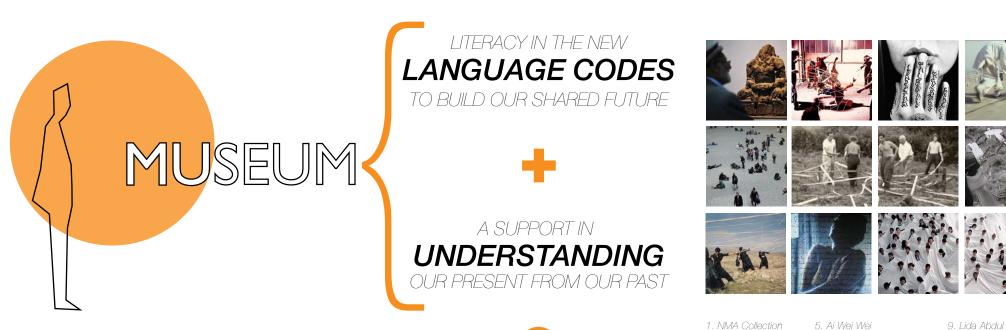
The main purpose should be to understand how to generate a

#### **CULTURE // KNOWLEDGE**

capable to train persons to be more

#### **ACTIVE AND CONSCIOUS**

part of their environment.





2. 70's Art Performance 6 - 7. 70's Art Performance

8. Interactive Eyes Action

10. Mona Hatoum

11 - 12.Lygia Pape

WHY A MUSEUM?

ART

The idea is to help people to relate to ARCHITECTURE,

ART

help ARCHITECTURE to

#### RELATE TO PEOPLE

and help people to

#### RELATE BETWEEN THEM.

- Kazuyo Sejima -



*FUTURE* 

PAST



#### HOW THE MUSEUM SHOULD BE?

We consider the museum as the place where

#### FORM SYNTHESIZES STRATEGY TRADITION MATCHES MODERNITY



2. Kimbell Art Museum

1. Moula Moula - Alain Sebe 3. Moula Moula - Alain Sebe 5. Le Corbusier 4. Hassan Fathy

6. El Oued - Algeria

7. Paul Rudolf

8. El Oued - Algeria

9. Balkrishna Doshi 10. John Pawson

11. Balkrishna Doshi 12. Kabul Aerial View

13. Balkrishna Doshi 14. Kabul Aerial View

13. Hassan Fathy 14. A.Bonet - La Ricarda

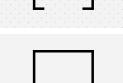
CREATIVE PROCESS



#### THE PROJECT







1 THE WALL



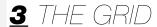








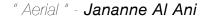








4 THE COVER // SPACE INSIDE





THE PLOT

Being able to insert a

**QUIET** and **EFFICIENT** BUILDING

**WELL-PROPORTIONED** and **HARMONIOUS** 

capable to **RESPECT THE KABUL MORPHOLOGY** 

and to re-install the collections in full force in a such unsettled and

#### FRAGILE CULTURAL CONTEXT















WAS OUR
CLEAR GOAL







#### THE WALL

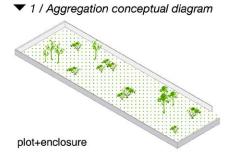
A perimeter that allows us confining

#### **NATURE AND LIFE**

to preserve and protect it from a hostile environment.









#### **CLEAR BOUNDARY**

and for creating a

#### **COMPLETE INTERIOR UNIVERSE**

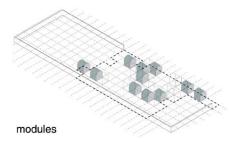




2 - 3. Le Corbusier Sketches 4 - 5. Hassan Fathy Drawings







grid

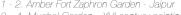


#### THE GARDEN

Reinterpretation of the MUGHAL GARDEN
with a highy structured geometrical scheme
that allows to create an intra-moenia

#### **ORGANIZED** and **DOMESTICATED LANDSCAPE**



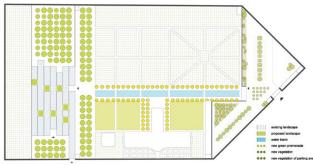


- 3 4. Mughal Garden XVI century paintings
- 5. Shalimar Bagh Leaf Garden
- 6. Bábar Garden Cachemira









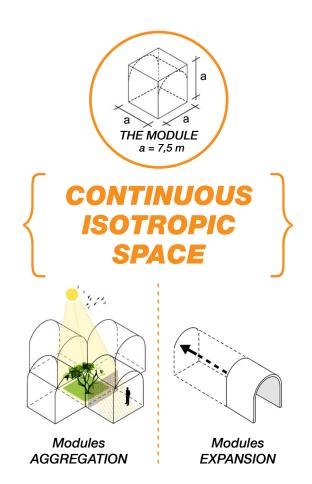


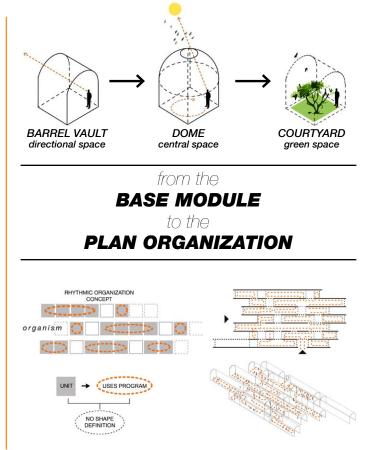
THE GRID

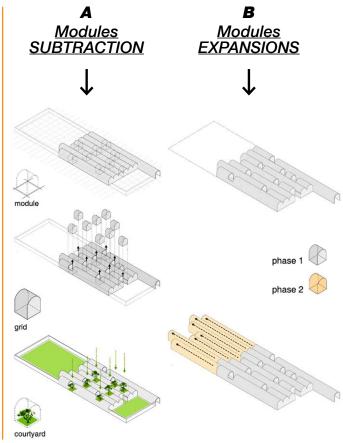
To overcome the DICHOTOMY between

#### **GEOMETRY AND ORGANIC**

stated in Islamic architecture

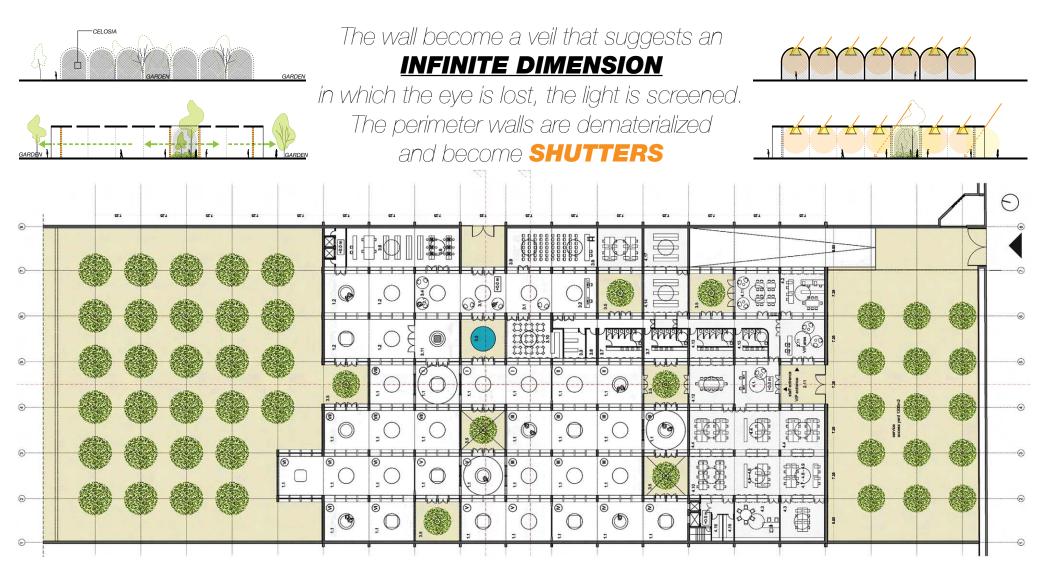








THE GRID





#### THE COVER // SPACE INSIDE

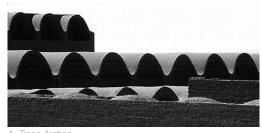
The cover is the building replica of an

#### **ENCLOSED NATURE**

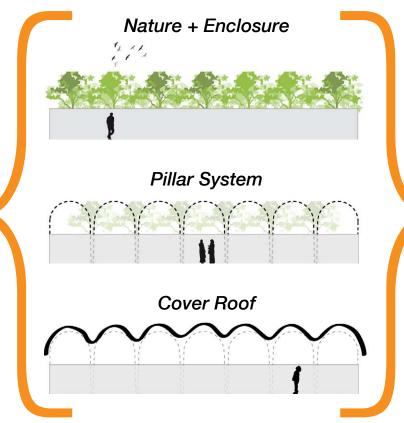
Ceramics coating as an ABSTRACTION OF THE LANDSCAPE From the sky the cover will be seen as part of the garden

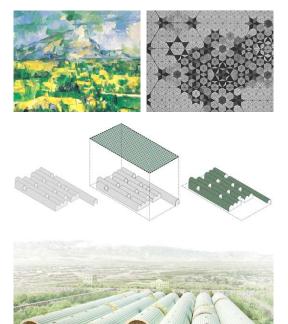






Irees Arches
 Cordoba Mosque
 Hassan Fathy







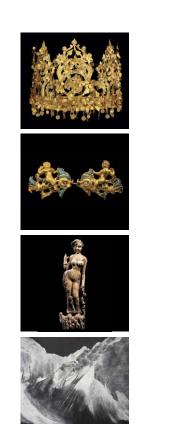
#### THE COVER // SPACE INSIDE

The exhibition will be organized according to a variation of

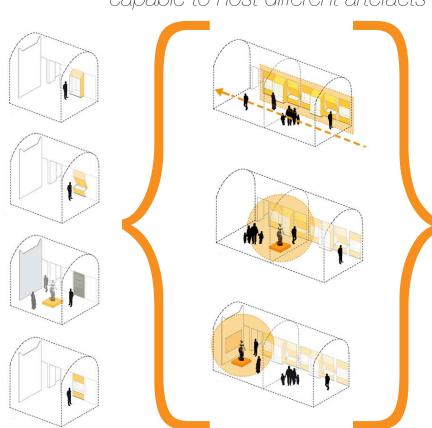
#### **DISPLAY SYSTEMS**

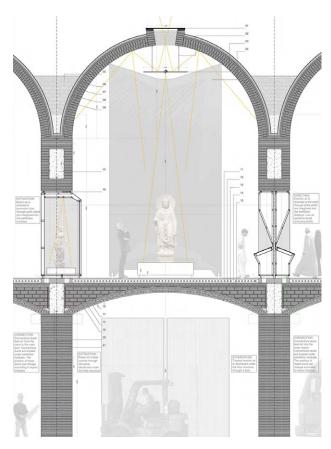
#### **INTEGRATED WITH THE ARCHITECTURE**

capable to host different artefacts











#### THE COVER // SPACE INSIDE

Our idea was to built an

#### " INTERIOR LANDSCAPE "

with domes, water and vegetation.

A visual dimension of infinite perspective that transcends the finiteness of the materiality of the building accommodating activities, from the more corporals

#### - SHADOW, FRESHNESS, BODY WELLNESS, RELAXATION, MEETING -

even those that allow us to interpret the world and exorcise our fears through

#### **ART, POETRY OR MAGIC**







CONCLUSION

We consider the museum as a

**METAPHORE** of

**MELMASTIA** and **NANAWATAI** 

but at the same it is facing a latent **CONTRADICTION** 

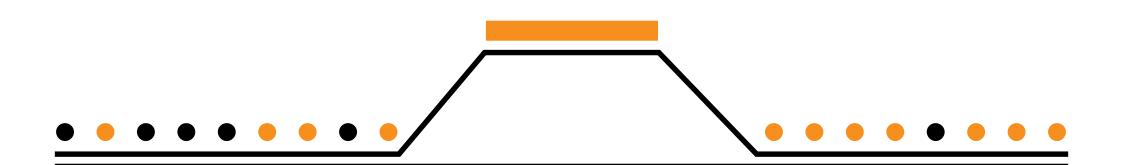


"Of what is, that it is; of what is not, that it is not", 2012 - Goshka Macuga



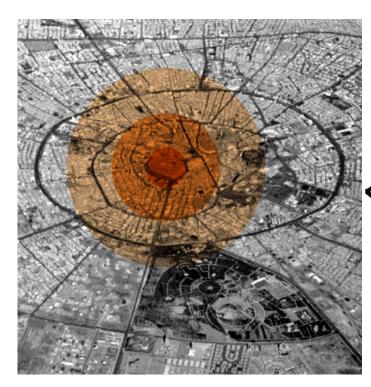
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Kurdistan



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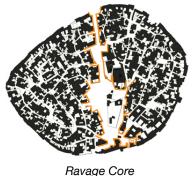
#### THE BUILDINGS AND THE SPACE IN BETWEEN



THE ERBIL CITADEL is an impressive elevated settlement



THE OLDEST CONTINUOUSLY INHABITED TOWN IN THE WORLD





Public Spaces Core



Rehabilitated + New Structures

The project aim to mend the WOUND IN THE URBAN STRUCTURE of such unique area, preserving and restoring the

#### **QUALITY OF THE ORIGINAL PUBLIC SPACES**

and recovering its important

**HUMAN SCALE** 

#### Erbil Citadel Rehabilitation

#### THE BUILDINGS AND THE SPACE IN BETWEEN

The approach is focused on the a doble level of interventions:

## <u>PHYSICAL HERITAGE</u> <u>REHABILITATION</u>

INTAGIBLE HERITAGE
REVITALIZATION

along the central core of the north-south axis area between the two gates.



#### Erbil Citadel Rehabilitation

#### THE BUILDINGS AND THE SPACE IN BETWEEN

CONTEMPORARY
REINTERPRETATION
OF THE URBAN
FABRIC



#### **REVITALIZE**

the spinal area to become a

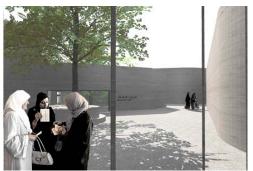
**DYNAMIC** and **LIVING** CORE

of the Citadel









Regain the

#### **UNIQUE URBAN STRUCTURE**

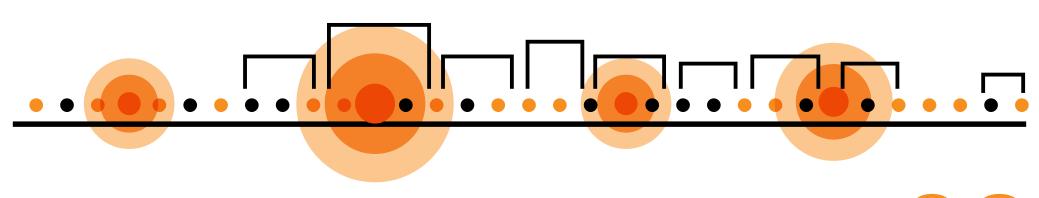
of the Citadel saving the

#### **OPEN SPACES**

and the way of the citizen's moving along the buildings.



Baghdad



THE CITY



## METROPOLITAN & TERRITORIAL 1 SCALE



#### **URBAN SCALE //**

PROJECTS THAT IMPROVE THE

URBAN RELATIONS WITH THE

SURROUNDING NEIGHBOURHOODS



#### **URBAN SCALE** //

PROJECTS THAT IMPROVE THE

INTERNAL CONDITIONS

3 OF THE DISTRICT



#### First Prize

International Competition organized by the City of Baghdad to

Revitalize and Develop the Adhamiyah District

May 2012

3X3 METHODOLOGY

3 SCALES



3 STRATEGIES



THE CITY

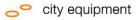
#### **METROPOLITAN & TERRITORIAL SCALE**

#### 1.TIGRIS MOBILITY CORRIDOR

efficient mobility along the river LINKS THE DISTRICTS

carefully integrated in urban structure

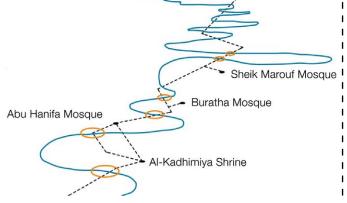




- district equipment
- walkway throught the city pedestrian, bicycle...
- Tigris river







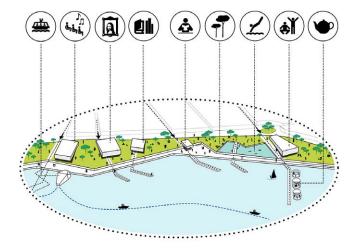
#### 2.METROPOLITAN SCALE FACILITIES

Large area between the city and the river as a new CULTURAL AND LEISURE FACILITY AREA at the city scale



THE RIVER PARK

- auditorium
- library
- swimming pool
- restaurants and cafès
  - cultural center
- museum and art gallery
- boat station







THE CITY

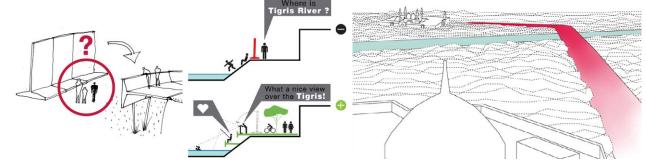
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PROJECTS THAT
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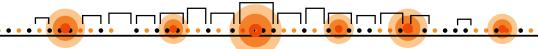
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WITH THE
SURROUNDING
NEIGHBOURHOODS







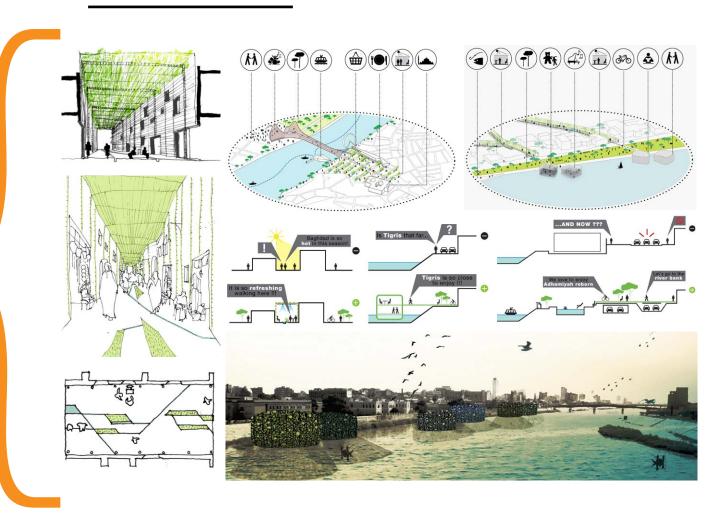


THE CITY

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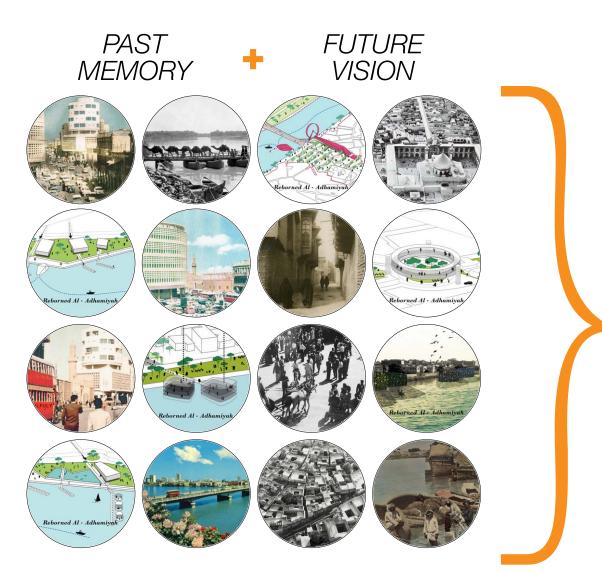
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PROJECTS THAT
IMPROVE THE
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OF THE DISTRICT





THE CITY





**REBORN BAGHDAD** 





#### CONCLUSION

WHY

INVESTING IN HERITAGE IN FRAGILE COUNTRIES MATTERS

?

TO INVEST

**HERITAGE** 

**MEANS** 

TO IMPROVE

7/-

HUMAN LIFE

OF A

FRAGILE COUNTRIES

**NEEDY COMMUNITY** 



#### **CONCLUSION**

TO INVEST
ECONOMIC RESCOURCES

**+ KNOWLEDGE** 

**HERITAGE** 

MATERIAL // IMMATERIAL → COLLECTIVE LIFE

PUBLIC // URBAN SPACE

**FRAGILE COUNTRIES** 

**LOCAL STRUCTURE** 

INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT





#### **CONCLUSION**

HOW

TO DO IT

?

#### **ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

## THE PROBLEMS OPPORTUNITIES

multidisciplinary multiscale social inclusive

**APPROACH** 

THE QUESTION

WHAT?

HOW?

THE ANSWER

THE PROJECT

THE METHODOLOGY





#### THE QUESTION

#### WHAT?

#### Future Vision Image

#### **PROJECT**

#### HOW?

#### MANAGEMENT METHODOLOGY

- **⊠** Networking
- **⊠** Community Participation

- **⋈** Monitoring Program



# HOW THE WORLD BANK COULD BE INVOLVED IN THESE TYPE OF PROCESSES



## architecture AS AGENT OF INTEGRAL AND SUSTAINABLE regeneration

### THANK YOU!

