**CONCEPTION OF THE GENERAL LANDSCAPE SOLUTION OF** 

# Císařský island and its surroundings

[ Competition workshop 2015 ]

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### Ing. arch. Petr Hlaváček

director IPR Prague

The Troja basin, which also contains Císařský Island, is one of the largest and most environmentally valuable areas of Prague. Its exceptional location within the city and the number of functions it performs means that the island deserves to be developed in accordance with the principles governing periurban parks. These not only provide for effective protection of biodiversity, but, most importantly, the full integration of the countryside into the urban area, resulting in an improved quality of life for residents of the metropolis.

Although Císařský Island and its surroundings offer a uniquely high concentration of recreational and sports facilities, which attract large numbers of visitors each year, there is currently no overarching plan which would help to coordinate activities in this area. The city must therefore lay down clear rules for future developments.

At the same time, it is important to realise that the number of activities that all intersect on the territory of Císařský Island – the transport and technical infrastructure, together with a variety of, primarily, recreational activities, make enormous demands on the largest island in Prague. This diversity also means that a large number of bodies are involved, from government institutions, the City Council, district authorities, as well as private companies and the local population.

I feel that it is important to ensure that the first steps setting this whole process in motion should be taken by the local districts, together with the City Council. A common dialogue must also be started between all the stakeholders, in order to reach consensus on the future of Císařský Island and its surroundings. However we must bear in mind that the City Council still has the final decision-making power over the monitoring and implementation of any plan.

Given that this is an extremely complicated area, we had to find a way to build solid foundations for mutual cooperation. This was why we chose the format of a competition workshop, which has proved so successful for our German colleagues. In retrospect, I can appreciate the fact that this method of tackling such a complex area was extremely successful.



### RNDr. Jana Plamínková

**Prague City Councillor** 

The Troja basin is one of the most historically, culturally and environmentally valuable areas of Prague. In the distant past it was the site of the Královská obora (Royal Game Park), which is now Stromovka park, while Troja Castle, Císařský mlýn (the Imperial Mill) and other buildings were added at a later stage.

As time went by, a railway was run through the park, along with a navigable canal, and a wastewater treatment plant was built on Císařský Island. Infrastructure and industrial construction changed the character of the landscape of the Troja basin for a time, but fortunately the charm of the Vltava river at Troja Castle was preserved, with its shoals and gravel beds.

During the First Republic a zoo was established on the right bank and botanical gardens were added in the late 1960s. These, together with the Stromovka park, form a popular recreational area. An influx of visitors posed new challenges for the Troja basin, particularly in terms of accessibility for vehicles and problems involved in coordinating a variety of projects.

The largest project in recent years has been the construction of a new water line, which extends the contemporary line to most of the area of Císařský Island. Given the importance of this project, the Prague City Council has established a Commission, charged with preparing a master landscaping plan for Císařský Island, and the Troja basin as a whole. The Commission's work also involved organising a competition workshop, which registered teams composed of professionals to select a project they feel will provide suitable landscaping while at the same time meeting the traffic needs of the area and incorporating the plans for the new water line.

I think that the winning project has addressed all these issues honourably and sensibly. I believe that the ideas put forward during the workshop will endure and, over time, will contribute to improving the Troja basin.

The City of Prague is located in an area noted for its unique natural and cultural riches. The countryside bordering the river in the Troja basin between Troja, Bubeneč and Holešovice is particularly unforgettable.

The Royal Game Park was located in this wide, flat, alluvial floodplain and buildings such as Troja Castle, the Imperial Mill and Troja Mill, which were used by the Prague nobility, were constructed at the foot of the surrounding hills.

However, subsequent industrial developments resulted in the floodplain taking on new functions. A railroad was built across the Troja basin, along with a navigable channel with a new weir, and a wastewater treatment plant was established, which would later be extended to occupy half of Císařský Island. Despite these interventions, during which most of the former islands disappeared, with the exception of Císařský Island, this area has retained its unique features. It has also preserved a great part of its natural riches:

The original unnavigable Vltava riverbasin, the side branches, such as Malá říčka at the Imperial Mill, Strouha running in front of the zoo or fragments of floodplain forest and meadows.

The former Royal Game Park and Troja Castle, later the zoo and botanical gardens, have become important recreation destinations, attracting large numbers of visitors, both from Prague and the Czech Republic as a whole.

This interest demonstrates the irreplaceable significance of the area, but has also raised new problems relating to transport access and parking and the lack of coordination among projects intervening in this area.

The problematic relationship between the recreational and environmental characteristics of the district and major technical works is most apparent in the case of the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant. The decision to upgrade it to bring it in line with new criteria for water purity will result in its expansion to cover a further third of Císařský Island.

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# The main topics

#### DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC AREAS

To define stable frameworks within the landscape in relation to public spaces within the urban structure and to distinguish these from non-public or semi-public areas (gardens, grounds, urban blocks, etc.).

#### PROMOTING SYNERGIES BETWEEN ENCLOSED GROUNDS AND PUBLIC SPACE

Grounds are not enclosed areas with no relation to the outside environment. The negative impacts (e.g. traffic congestion) can be compensated for by supporting and developing positive influences on the environment (e.g. shared management, creating throughways at important points).

#### LAYOUT OF TRAFFIC ACCESS TO THE AREA

To define specific levels of permeability and accessibility for cyclists, in-line skaters, hikers and visitors to the zoo. To designate no-go zones for nature, horses and quiet recreational spaces, if the author considers this necessary. To determine the level of traffic congestion in the area, taking account of its recreational and landscape values on the one hand and on the other hand the inherent requirements of target premises (vehicular access to the zoo and sports facilities).

#### PLANNING THE RIVER BASIN - ADAPTING TO FLOODS

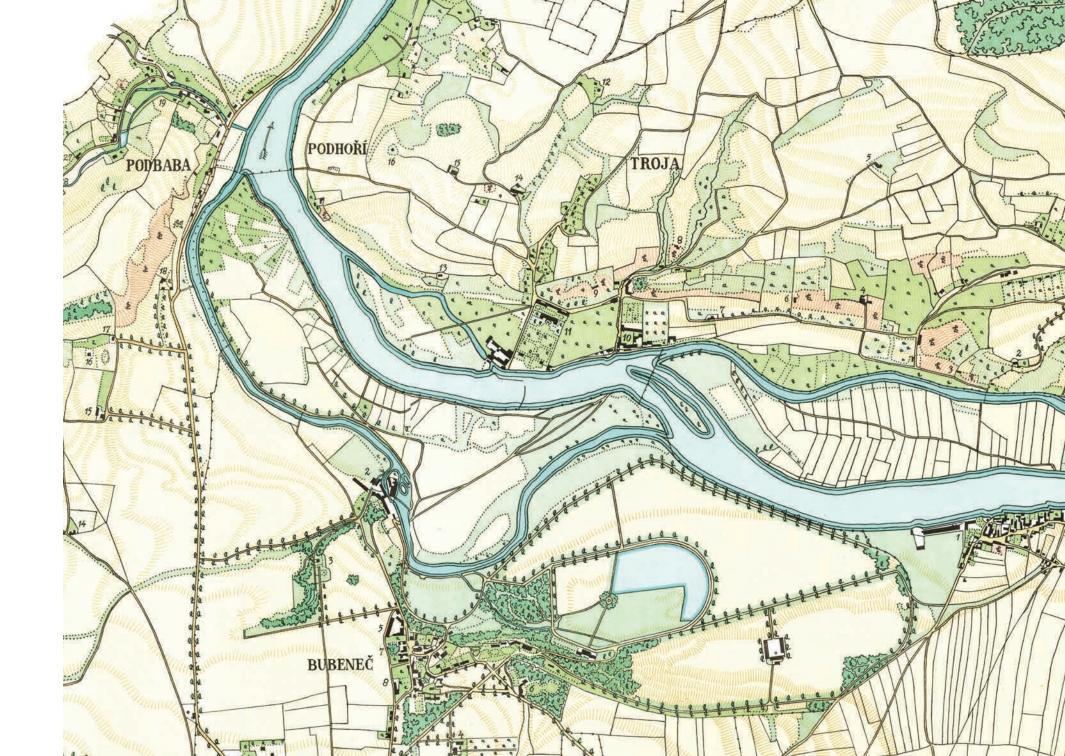
A creative solution to two legal requirements – an area for the safe overflow and runoff of water during floods (restricting barriers in the core zone during floods) while maintaining and developing the natural and landscape qualities of the river and its floodplain (natural morphodynamics, natural habitats, the character of the river) in connection with the construction of the WWTP new water line. This will be part of a separate project, which will connect to a plan for compensatory measures.

#### REINTERPRETING SIGNIFICANT LANDSCAPE FEATURES - RESTORING LANDMARKS

Restoral of important local landmarks that have been removed. The restoral of landmarks does not necessarily mean the literal restoral of original features.

### FORMULATING PROPOSALS FOR SUITABLE ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE AREA

Proposed landscape changes, such as a higher level of care and an integrated landuse plan also require appropriate forms of land management. Management demands for the proposal submitted should not unduly burden the city budget.



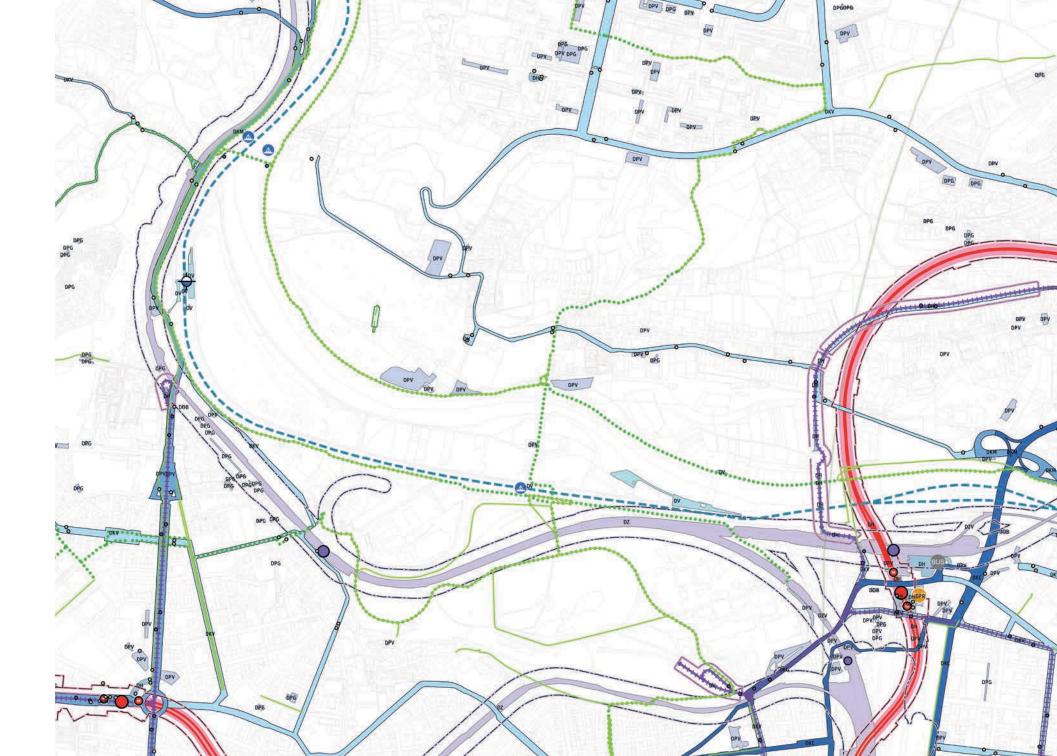
# **Traffic**

#### TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

The main traffic problems have wider implications. These primarily include the problem of access to the zoo for visitors from the country as a whole. What is needed is a systemic solution, which will help reduce the number of passenger vehicles in the Troja basin. At the same time it should reflect the specific situation of the current zoo (the need for easy orientation by visitors, the zoo is often visited by families with small children, the zoo offers all-day programmes for a high entrance fee).

A genuine alternative needs to be found (using the channel as a water route with an embarkation point at Nádraží Holešovice or Karlín near the Negrelli viaduct, with the addition of a footbridge at the south-east corner of the NWL (see the Prague riverside plan). Also, for example, finding a suitable space for a high-capacity carpark with good connections to the ZOO.

Other recreational and sporting activities also lead to similar traffic congestion in the core area, for example on the left bank of the Vltava along the navigation channel at Stromovka. Prague 7 is preparing a bus route directly to Císařský Island, which should be examined in more detail as part of the transport plan, and amended if needed. The Master Plan will include a complete transport plan.



# New water line

#### AMENDING THE NEW WATER LINE PROJECT

The aim of the workshop is to produce a design for the area and to include the NWL in a broader context. The adaptation of the NWL can be approached on two levels:

- 1. SHORT-TERM any changes to the NWL implementing project can only be made within the limits laid down by the building permit in the form of modifications to constructions before their completion (modifications must be made to the implementation documentation by the deadline of O9/2015\* winning team)
- 2. LONG-TERM a prospective optimal solution for landscaping the new water line (the main limitation is its structural design, changes to the land use plan can be considered, as well as modifications that would primarily necessitate a completely new planning procedure and building permit procedure)
- \* A building permit has been issued for the NWL, but this has not yet come into effect. The construction of the NWL is limited by time and costs. Changes can be planned within the Framework of the applicable building permit as modifications to constructions before their completion.

The City Council resolution no. 831, from 21. 4. 2015 determines that any changes to the documentation for construction no. 6963, stage 0001-NWL CWWTP has to be prepared by 09/2015 at the latest. Implementation documentation for the affected parts of the project will be drawn up after that date. These will refer to the following constructions:

SO27 - Trees.

SO25 - Landscaping and finishing work - part of the NWL,

SO20 - Transport and utility areas - part of the NWL,

SO24 – Outdoor lighting, SO26 – Measures to prevent access by unauthorised persons.

However, any modifications must comply with the applicable technical regulations, ordinances, standards and the legislation in force.

[ Right: Situation of the area NWL CWWTP Source: Documentation for building permit, Sdruzeni ÚČOV Praha, Sweco Hydroprojekt a.s. ]

#### **Příklady zastřešených čistíren odpadních vod** Evropských a světových



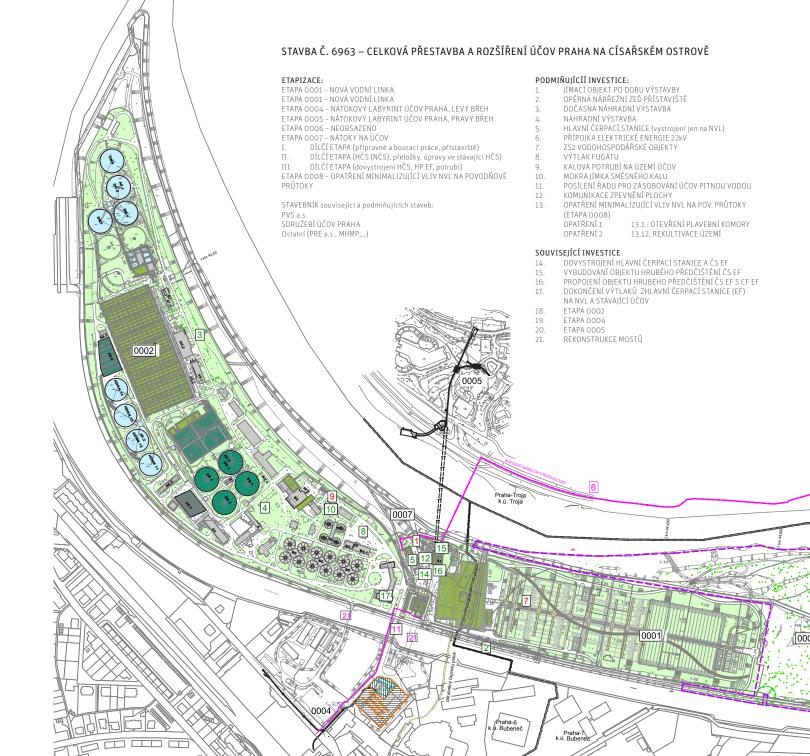
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# Recommendations for individual sites in the target area

#### **OLD WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND ITS GROUNDS**

This is an important cultural monument. The premises are currently managed by Muzeum Stará Čistírna o.p.s. It is possible to use the historic bridge of the former works railway, which was previously used to remove sludge from the plant to Císařský Island. A better pedestrian connection from the old treatment plant is needed, particularly to Stromovka.

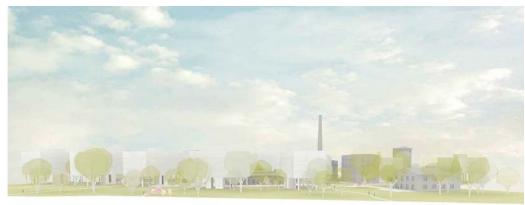
#### EXISTING CWWTP WATER LINE

After commissioning the CWWTP new water line, the second important step will be the reconstruction of the CWWTP (OWL) - reconstruction of the biological treatment stage, and possibly the completion of sludge endings. The larger part of the site between the ramparts does not have space for any alternative use, unless a radical and costly reconstruction is considered, which would appear to be unrealistic from a financial point of view. The south-east corner, where the bridges end in the grounds around the administrative building, and the opposite left bank of the channel do offer some potential for adaptation, access, and possible alternative use. Some other use of the ramparts can also be considered.

#### VLTAVA WATERWAY

The target area primarily consists of a navigation channel, which is also a historical technical work of important architectural value. The water management compensatory measures also include plans to widen all the bridges over the channel to allow for increased flow and to construct a lock at the inflow to the channel .







#### GROUNDS OF THE OLD PAPER MILLS

These grounds have a private owner, which is currently preparing studies for a plan to revitalise the grounds of the Bubeneč paper mills, and according to the current land use plan, new construction work is permitted in the grounds (S – VE – Generally mixed construction). The grounds follow an important historical axis along the former arm of the Vltava and the historic mouth of the Dejvice creek flowing into the Vltava. Water from the Malá říčka is drained underground from the same point. The Imperial Mill monument is located nearby. This land offers considerable potential for the establishment of new landscape and pedestrian connections.

#### PART OF STROMOVKA BETWEEN THE PODMOKELSKÁ TRACK AND THE NAVIGATION CHANNEL

This area is part of the Stromovka grounds – see the presentation – and the core flood flow area. The main problem with the area is frequent collisions and the accumulation of passenger vehicles in the Za Císařským mlýnem and Za Elektrárnou streets.

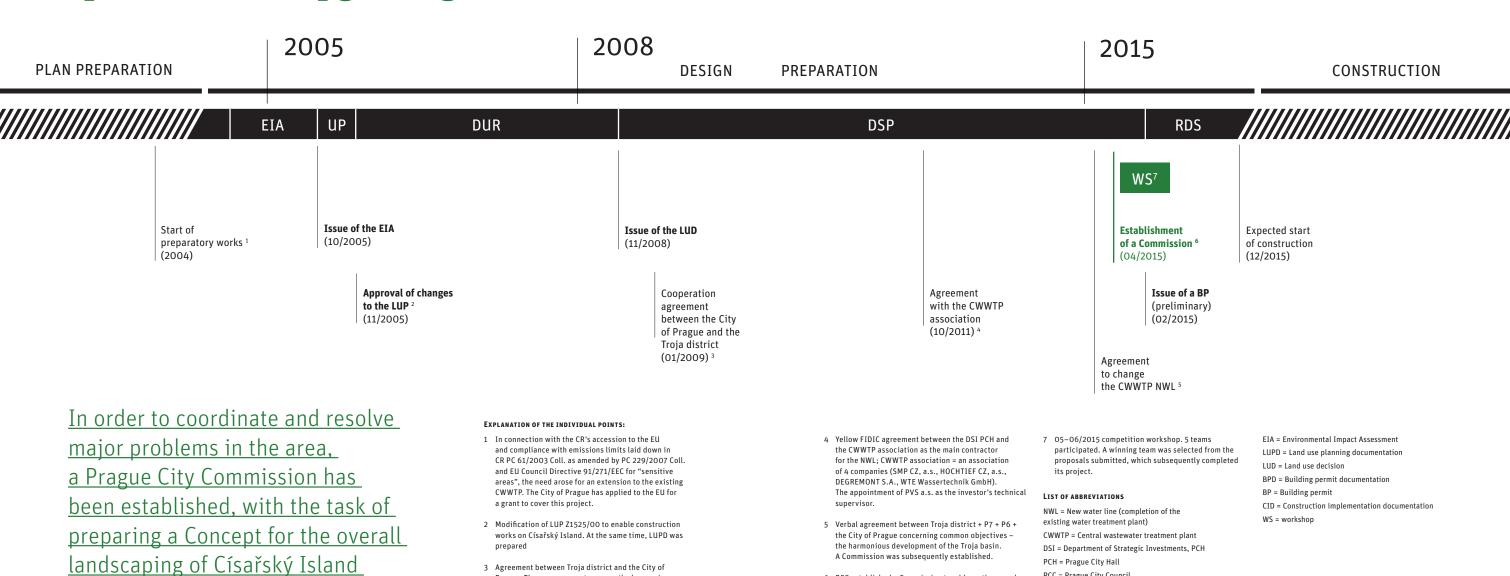
#### TROJA RIVERBANK

The area in front of the lower entrance to Troja Castle, which is currently used as a parking lot, is considered to be problematic and needs to be addressed. The present form of the Troja riverbank near the castle is not satisfactory (no access to the riverbank, removed vegetation, technical solution). Any modifications to the riverbank are limited by water management structures (the main sewer line E runs parallel to the riverbank). Proposals need to take into account the need to connect to the incomplete plans for a watersports park.

[ Up: Riverbank next to the museum of the old CWWTP, Source: http://stara-cistirna.cz; In the middle: Design of conversion of the old paper mill area Source: Architectural study, Headhand architekti s.r.o; Down: Architectural study of the watersports park Source: Documentation for the land use plan changes. Headhand architekti s.r.o l

# **Preparations for upgrading the CWWTP**

and its surrounding area.



Prague. The purpose was to ensure the harmonious

development of the Troja basin in connection with

the construction of the new water line and the

reconstruction of the CWWTP.

PCC = Prague City Council

PVK = Pražské vodovody a kanalizace (Prague Water

6 PCC established a Commission to address the overal

Resolution no.831 of 21. 4. 2015.

concept for Císařský Island and its wider area under

# Stakeholders \*

#### GOVERNMENT

- DEPARTMENT OF PROPERTY RECORDS, MANAGEMENT AND USE
- STRATEGY AND BUSINESS SUPPORT UNIT
- DEPARTMENT OF LAND DEVELOPMENT
- DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
  - WATER MANAGEMENT UNIT
- DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
  AND YOUTH

# DESIGNERS AND CONTRACTORS FOR THE CWWTP NWL 7

- CWWTP ASSOCIATION PRAGUE 3
  - SWECO 4
- ARCHITECT AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT 8

# NOT-FOR-PROFIT SECTOR

- MUZEUM OF THE OLD
WATER LINE O.P.S. AND OTHERS
- THE CZECH THERAPEUTIC RIDING
ASSOCIATION
- ASSOCIATION OF SHEEP
AND GOAT BREEDERS

#### CITY DISTRICTS

PRAGUE DISTRICT – TROJA PRAHA DISTRICT 6 PRAGUE DISTRICT 7

RESIDENTS

#### COMMISSION

- CITY OF PRAGUE
- IPR PRAGUE
- DEPARTMENT OF STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS 1
  - PRAŽSKÉ VODOVODY A KANALIZACE 2
    - PRAGUE DISTRICT TROJA
    - PRAGUE DISTRICT 6
    - PRAGUE DISTRICT 7
  - CWWTP ASSOCATION PRAGUE<sup>3</sup>
    - SWECO GROUP 4
  - VLTAVA RIVERBASIN AUTHORITY
  - AGENCY FOR NATURE CONSERVATION AND LANDSCAPE PRESERVATION, CR
    - PRAGUE ZOO 10

WORKING GROUP

#### **EXPLANATION OF INDIVIDUAL POINTS:**

- \* All persons and institutions that have any connection to or interest in the area concerned; stakeholders
- Key players in the workshop city or state administration
- Key players in the workshop
- Stakeholders

#### 1 City of Prague representatives responsible for financial matters concerning the CWWTP-NWL

- Agent, appointed by the Department of Strategic Investments
- Main contractor for the CWWTP-NWL, association of 4 companies
- Sub-contractor working for the CWWTP association, project contractor, Sweco Hydroprojekt a.s.

# JURY

# MUNICIPAL ORGANISATIONS

- IPR PRAGUE

   PRAŽSKÉ VODOVODY A KANALIZACE <sup>2</sup>
  - PRAGUE ZOO 10
  - DEPARTMENT OF STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS <sup>1</sup>

#### **EXPERTS**

- PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION (NADACE PARTNERSTVÍ) 5
- ASSOCIATION OF GERMAN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS <sup>6</sup>
  - CHARLES UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE FOR ART HISTORY
  - THE INSTITUTE OF BOTANY
    OF THE ASCR
  - CLUB FOR OLD PRAGUE (KLUB ZA STAROU PRAHU)

#### ENTREPRENEURS/ ENTERPRISES/ PRIVATE BUSINESSES

- RIDING SCHOOL
- IN EXPO GROUP, RIDING HALL
- SPARTA TENNIS CLUB PRAGUE
- PRAŽSKÉ VODOVODY A KANALIZACE 9
  - PRAGUE HEATING COMPANY (PRAŽSKÁ TEPLÁRENSKÁ)
    - PAPER MILLS 11

#### STATE ORGANISATIONS

- CZECH ENTIRONMENTAL INSPECTION, PRAGUE DISTRICT INSPECTORATE
- NATURE PRESERVATION AND LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION UNIT
  - WATER PROTECTION UNIT
- AGENCY FOR NATURE CONSERVATION AND LANDSCAPE PRESERVATION, CR
- VLTAVA WATER BASIN AUTHORITY
- CZECH UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES PRAGUE
  - CZECH TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY IN PRAGUE

    AND OTHERS

# CITY OF PRAGUE ADMINISTRATION

- CITY OF PRAGUE ADMINISTRATION
  - PARKS UNIT
- DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
  AND YOUTH

5 SELECTED TEAMS

LANDOWNERS

- 5 Workshop moderator, a specialist in public meetings
- 6 BDLA Bund Deutscher Landschaftsarchitekten
- 7 Central wastewater treatment plant new water line
- 8 Sub-contractor for landscaping and architectural design, Ing. arch. Michal Kocych, Ing. Zdeněk Sendler

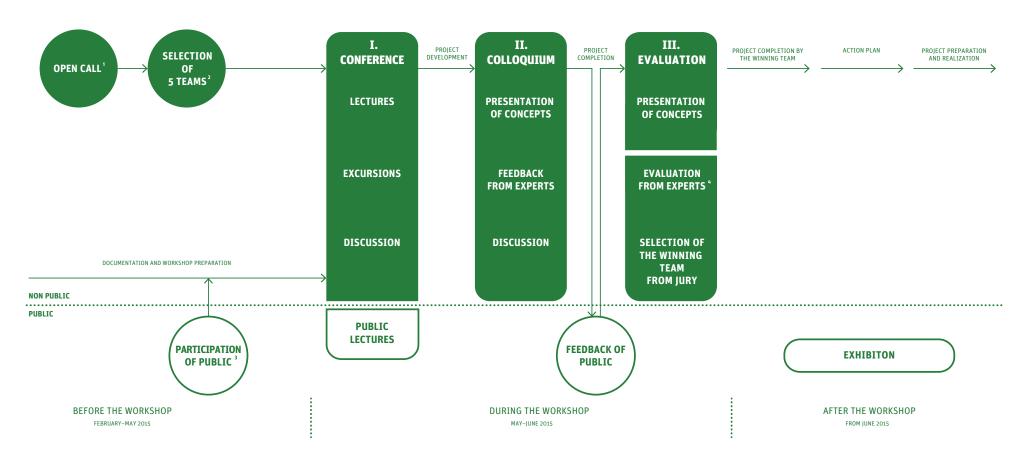
- 9 Pražské vodovody a kanalizace, a.s., a private company operator of the existing wastewater treatment plant
- 10 Semi-budgetary organisation of the City of Prague, Required to address transport access
- 11 A private investor will examine the possibility of converting the grounds

# **Competition workshop – process**

The designs printed in this catalogue are not the result of the usual urban development or architectural competitions, but from a competition workshop. We consider this competition workshop, designed along German lines as a combination of a competition and a professional colloquium, with numerous players involved, to be a good means of achieving a solution in a situation where an agreement needs to be reached between the various actors, whose differing needs have to be brought into line. The Overall Landscape Concept for Císařský ostrov, which was designed in connection with the construction of the New Water Line of the City of Prague Central Wastewater Treatment Plant, is one such case.

The modernisation of the City of Prague Central Wastewater Treatment Plant has been planned since 2004 so as to extend its longevity and to ensure that the treatment of wastewater in Prague complies with the current requirements that stem from membership of the European Union. The new water line, which will extend the current site in an easterly direction to the site of the allotments damaged by the floods in 2002, has a number of technological and operational advantages. However, it also has a major drawback due to its impact on the landscape between Troja Chateau and Stromovka. Amongst other things, the annexation of further space in the floodplain will negatively effect the safe passage and overflow of flood waters. It should be said that previous efforts to resolve this problem, despite some very costly alterations (partial entrenchment, roofing over the new water line, the creation of a public park on the roof), have not resulted in a satisfactory solution that would adequately compensate for the adverse impact on the landscape in the Troja Basin. One reason is that no agreement has been reached concerning how the landscape of Císařský ostrov should actually look and the purpose the areas open to the public should serve in the future. This was the main reason why a Commission was set up at the instigation of Councillor Jana Plamínková and the Prague Institute of Planning and Development was entrusted with creating this concept.

We needed to come up with a concept that would receive as much support as possible, despite the greatly varying expectations of the individual players involved: The city districts expected the conservation of an appealing and attractive landscape; nature protection bodies wanted to see adequate respect shown to the natural values of the area; Povodí Vltavy was concerned about the flow capacity of the area; Prague Zoo wanted a new car park for its own use and better accessibility; the investor, manager and contractor for the construction of the new water line wanted the minimum of interference in the current project.



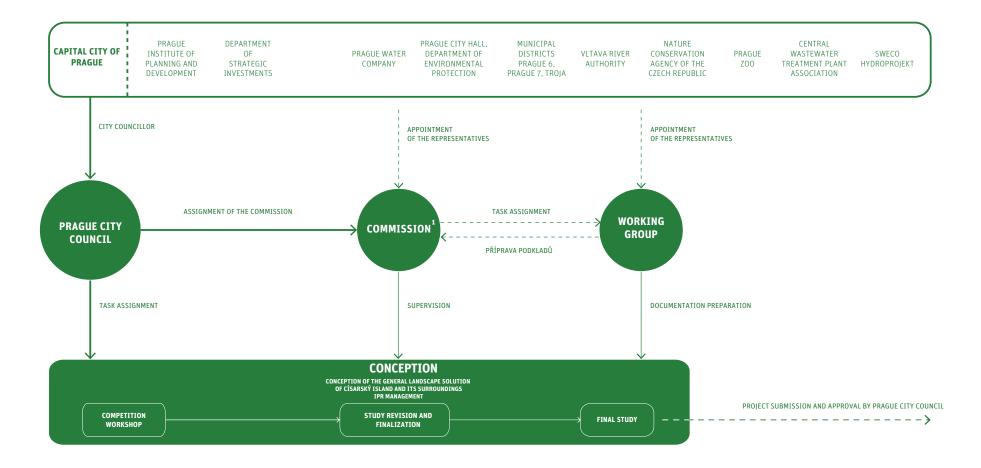
- 1 Public invitation to submission of portfolio and formation of multidisciplinary teams
- 2 Portfolio evaluation by specialist jury
- 3 The public determine the impulse, worth and difficulty of the territory
- Without teams participation

# **Conception assignment**

We believe that the three full-day workshops provided a fruitful opportunity to exchange opinions and openly discuss these differing expectations, and all five teams eventually had the chance to present concepts that were not only strong, but also relevant and, to a large extent, feasible.

It greatly helped that key professions were equally represented in the teams: a landscape architect, architect, hydraulic engineering specialist and a transport specialist. This enables us to outline a truly integrated solution that does a good job of incorporating these specific needs into the overall design for an attractive and functional landscape. We believe that this was a step in the right direction and that it has a chance to play a considerable role in the positive development of Císařský ostrov. On behalf of the Working Group for the Overall Landscape Concept for Císařský ostrov I would like to thank all the organisers and participants of the workshop for their great effort and assistance in searching for a viable Prague landscape.

Ing. Štěpán Špoula | landscape architect Public Space Office | IPR Prague Head of Working Group for the Overall Landscape Concept for Císařský ostrov.



1 Prague City Council Commission for overall solution of Císařský island and its wide surroundings, established by Prague City Council (print no. 831 of 21 april 2015)

# **Abstract of Terms**

The competition workshop was announced through a tender as a small-scale contract and was not announced under the Act on Public Procurement. Under the conditions currently allowed under the Act, this is the only way in which the competition workshop could be organised to the standard required. However, in other countries (e.g. Germany) competition workshops are commonly used under far more relaxed regulations up to a sum of CZK 5,240,000.

Under current conditions, the legislation in the Czech Republic does not allow the selection of top-quality project designers other than by means of a public anonymous design competition. Any other form of selection is based solely on the criterion of the lowest price and the quality condition is almost irrelevant.

#### PROMOTER OF THE COMPETITION WORKSHOP

Identification of the contracting entity and entity laying down the conditions for the competition workshop:

Prague IPD

Represented by: Ing. arch. Petr Hlaváček, Director Registered office: Vyšehradská 57/2077, 128 00 Prague 2

Entered in the Commercial Register held

by the Municipal Count in Prague,

Section Pr. file 63

Registration

number: 70883858

#### AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PROMOTER:

Name: Ing. arch. Petr Hlaváček

#### PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE COMPETITION WORKSHOP:

PREPARATION, ORGANISATION OF THE WORKSHOP AND ACTIVITIES:

Ing. Štěpán Špoula, MgA. Marek Kundrata,

Ing. arch. Tomáš Drdácký

SECRETARY FOR THE COMPETITION WORKSHOP:

Ing. arch. Petra Hrubešová

REVIEWERS FOR THE COMPETITION WORKSHOP:

Ing. arch. Petra Hrubešová,

Ing. arch. Michaela Kloudová, Ing. arch. Lenka Slívová

#### **KEY DATES**

17 APRIL Public call for teams to participate in the

workshop

6 May Selection of workshop participants

11 MAY 1st Workshop 28 MAY 2nd Workshop

10 June Submission of projects to the Prague IPD

registry by 10 a.m.

12 June 3rd Workshop – Presentation of projects and

subsequent evaluation

#### SELECTED PARTICIPANTS

5 teams selected by jury based on the applications and portfolios submitted

#### CHAIRMAN OF THE JURY:

Till Rehwaldt (landscape architect – Germany)

#### FULL MEMBERS OF THE JURY:

Ing. arch. Petr Hlaváček PhDr. Richard Biegel, Ph.D. RNDr. Jana Plamínková RNDr. Jiří Sádlo, CSc.

#### SUBSTITUTE IURORS:

Doc. Ing. arch. Radek Kolařík Ing. arch. Tomáš Drdácký PhDr. Ing. arch. Lenka Burgerová

#### **EXPERTS**

Till Rehwaldt – Assocation of German Landscape Architects Ing. Štěpán Špoula – landscape architect, Prague IPD Ing. Václav Novotný – specialist for transport planning, Prague IPD

Ing. Michal Novák – specialist for flood control, Prague IPD
Ing. Tomáš Just – Agency for Nature Conservation and Landscape
Preservation, CR

Ing. Alice Dědečková – PCH, Department of Environment

#### MANDATORY ELEMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

RNDr. Jiří Sádlo, CSc. – Institute of Botany ACCR

One of the following tasks will be submitted to each panel:

- 1) master plan for the area concerned focussing on through-flow, public spaces and landscape features
- design manual "architectural language" for the area concerned (combination of materials, street furniture, etc.)
- 3) integrated landscape design for water management compensatory measures
- proposed project changes, which will be incorporated into the CWWTP-new water line project

#### GRAPHICAL PART

<u>Panel no. 1 - "Master plan"</u> situation 1:5000 / important diagrams / traffic chart for the whole area.

<u>Free section</u> plotting in photographs / visualisation / 3D / sections

Panel no. 2 – "design manual" scope and structure of the

"library", sample use of plotting in photographs of the area <u>Free section</u> projections / recording suitable examples from the location

Panel no. 3 – "integrated design for water management compensatory measures" situation 1:2000, overall diagram, two key sections

Free section plotting in photographs / visualisation or 3D

Panel no. 4 – "proposed changes to the new water line project" situation 1:2000 / other situation or time diagrams / description of the proposed solution and methods of its implementation.

Free section plotting in photographs / visualisation or 3D

#### TEXT

- description of the solution and concept both from an architectural, landscaping and urbanistic perspective and in terms of traffic and water management
- description of the economic expediency and effectiveness of the solution
- 5 paragraphs one paragraph for each panel + one paragraph describing the administration and management of the area
- quotation for architectural and design work

Should the participants deviate from the tasks set out in the assignment in their proposals, this should be justified in the text. The digital part is required in digital form only, the text is required in digital form and also in two paper versions.

The graphical and text sections will be attached in digital form on CD or DVD in the format \*.doc and \*.pdf.

#### EVALUATION OF THE SUITABILITY OF THE SOLUTION/PROPOSAL

Criterion no. 1 – 80% will be awarded for the quality of the proposal submitted, judged in terms of its comprehensive urbanistic, architectural and landscaping quality, mainly according to the criteria below (not in order of importance):

- the rendition of the landscape design to sustain the level of quality, it is important to take into account demands on maintenance and land management
- the basic idea / concept
- the quality of the urban design
- the quality of the attribution to different uses, the versatility / flexibility of use
- the organisation of movement, solutions to facilitate access to and movement around public space
- transport and ease of transport mobility solutions
- the quality of the details street furniture, lighting, materials used and surfaces

Criterion no. 2–20% will be awarded for the total price for developing the solution in CZK, net of VAT

# **Evaluation by the jury**

A five-member jury, headed by the respected landscape architect Till Rehwaldt, selected the team formed by architect Petr Pelčák and landscape architect Eva Wagnerová from the five studios invited. The team also included a specialist in water management, Miloslav Šindlar and traffic expert Václav Malina from Atelier DUA.

"The winning design is the most carefully worked out and the most sensitive to the unique nature of the Troja basin landscape. The project supports the variability of the landscape while also allowing for the free flow of water during floods," was how IPD Director and jury member Petr Hlaváček commented on the selection.

The expansion of the existing wastewater treatment plant has been planned for the past several years. It offers an opportunity to develop Prague's largest island in a way that reflects its importance in the city. The workshop showed that, in terms of the existing permits, the covering of the planned water line with a "green roof" is a condition that cannot be avoided. The winning team proposes to develop it as an open area with xerophilous steppe grasses, providing a habitat for the rare species of plants and animals that live near the river.

The jury commends the procedure that was adopted, which enabled all the stakeholders to meet and contribute to clarifying the assignment. Discussions of proposals during the development process makes them more feasible and ensures that they are likely to be successful. The workshop helped to bring together the opinions of all the stakeholders and allowed them to come together to agree on the future use of the area.

The jury concluded that all the projects were of extremely high quality. The teams showed a balance in how they addressed the individual elements (e.g. landscape planning, traffic, technical recommendations). Their approach to landscape planning showed a reasonable understanding of the area and a high level of insight. However, each of the projects brought its own distinctive perspective and strategies. The workshop brought together a wide spectrum of possible opinions on how to develop the area and the projects provided a good basis for the jury's decision.

The jury is aware that all the stakeholders, and in particular the City of Prague, must come to a common consensus to find the best possible solution.



# Winning proposal

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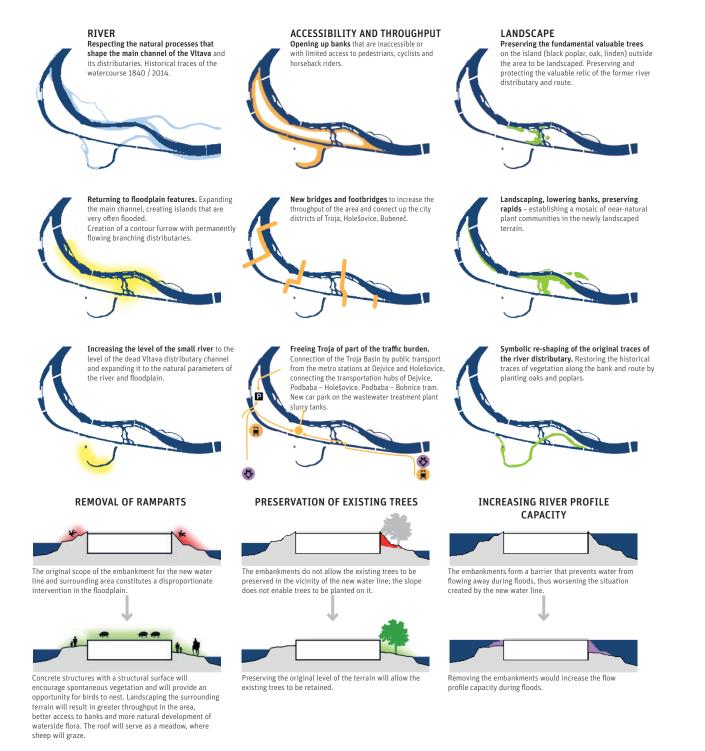
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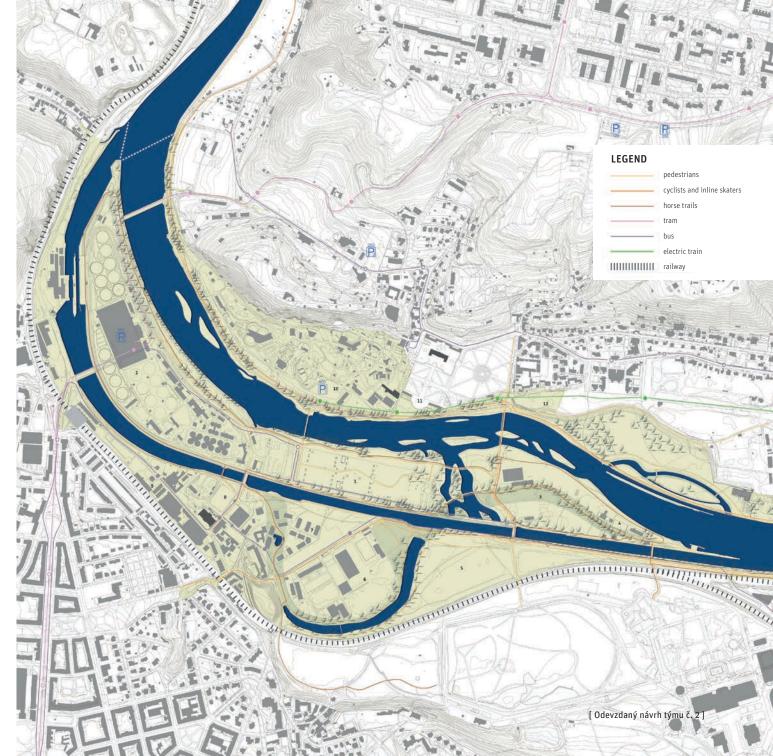
#### **EVALUATION BY THE JURY**

The design respects the environment and reacts sensitively to the uniqueness of the Troja Basin landscape. The project supports the changing nature of the landscape, bringing movement into it while also dealing naturally with the free fl ow of water during fl oods. The panel states that the strength of the proposal lies primarily in its natural and undisguised treatment of large-scale interventions. The concept of the new water line is evaluated positively.

The cultivation of the transport solution for the new water line and the overall approach to management of the territory is also appropriate. The proposed treatment of the new water line is feasible.

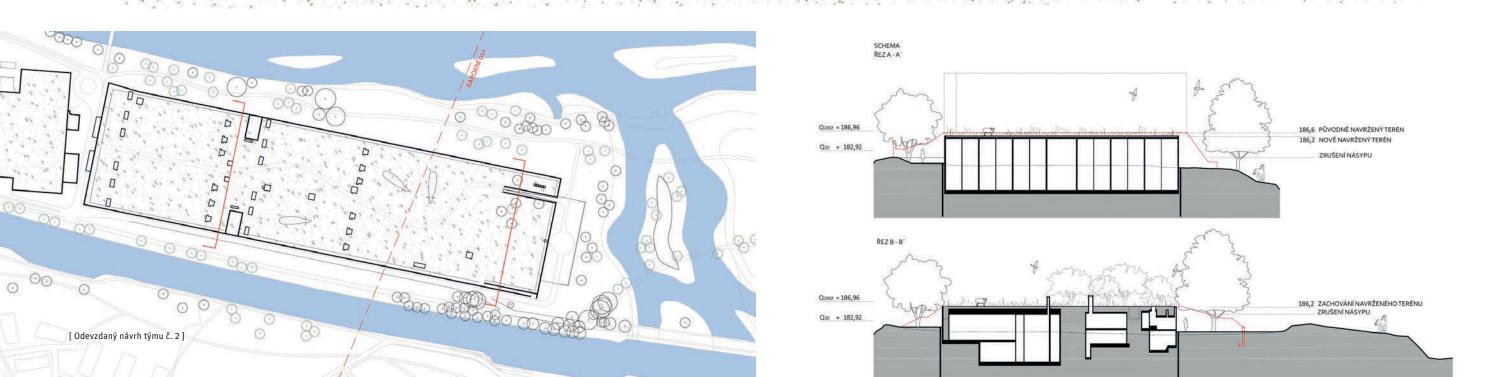












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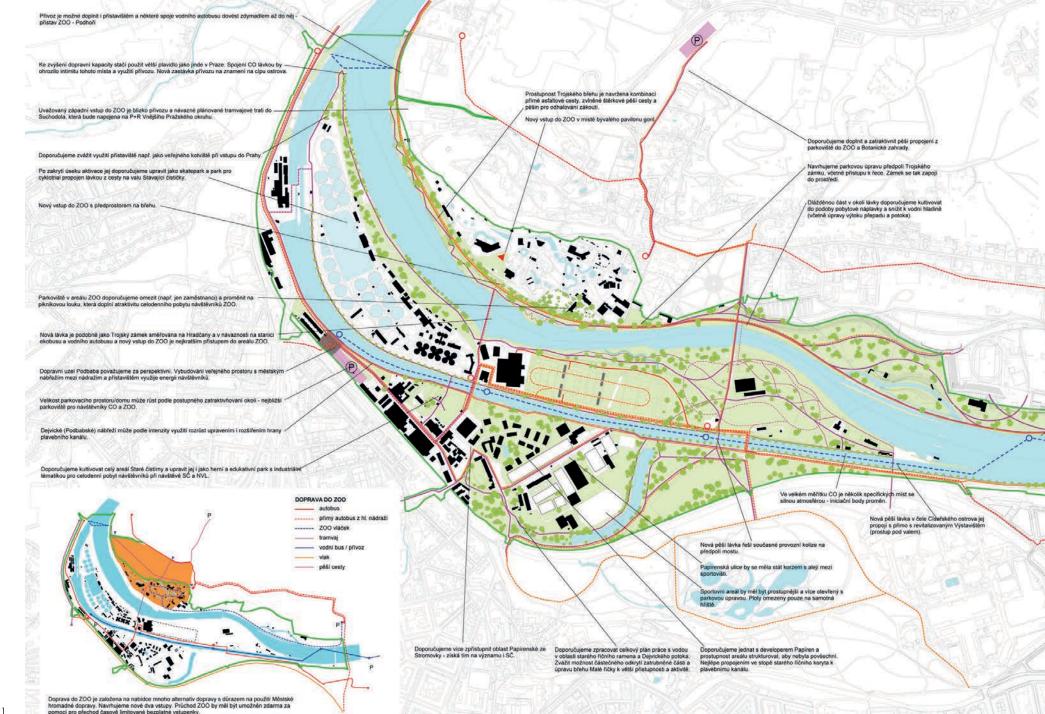
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#### **EVALUATION BY THE JURY**

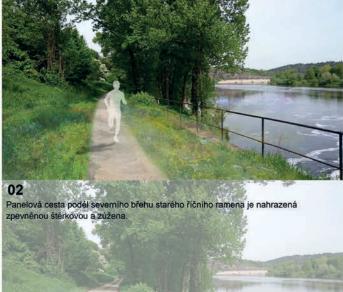
The strength of this design lies in its treatment of the surroundings of the island and the careful analysis of the area. The panel appreciates the author's grasp of the area's genius loci and the carefully selected locations the authors depict in the proposal. The panel views the preservation of the spatial unity of the island and the character it took on with regulation of the river a hundred years ago as a strong gesture. The creation of a great sprawling landscape in between two rivers. Nonetheless, the panel is convinced that preserving the integrity of the island goes against the dynamic of the river landscape, which is constantly changing. If there is a place in Prague where it is possible to return to dynamism, it is here. The routes plotted do not take into account the practicalities of ties in the area. The proposed compensatory measures in the form of lowering the part of the island covered in the bridge causeway would create a sediment area that would quickly fill up.

The work with the edge of the island and the building of the new water line was evaluated positively. The diff ering approach to the north and south edge; its landscape and urban planning concept. Another positive of the project is the proposed extensive green roof. The educational concept of the facade on the new water line is a positive as well.



[ Proposal of team no. 10 ]











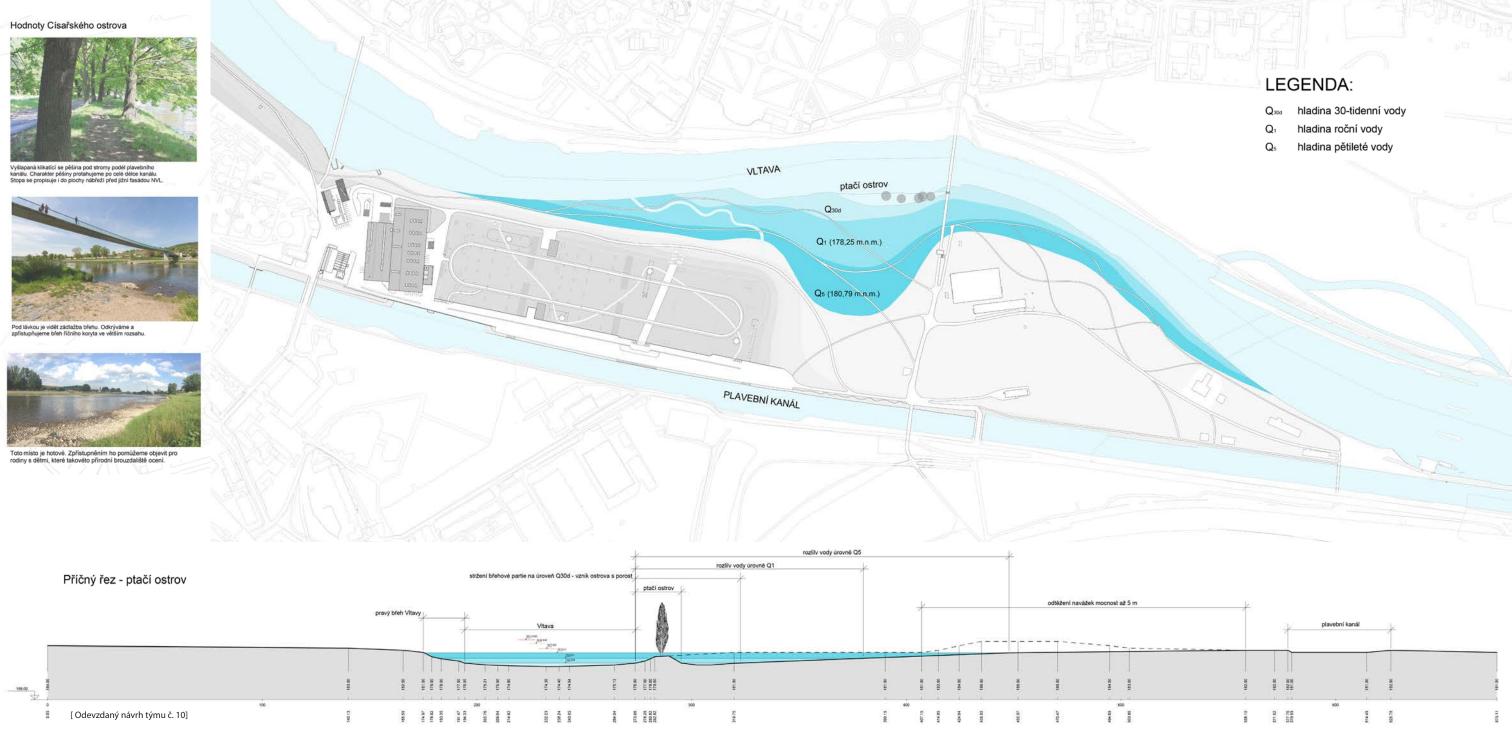












#### Schema návrhu úpravy krajinářského projektu NVL edukativní funkce: na střeše navrhujeme naučnou stezku o čištění vody, která nechá Lávka k ZOO servisní funkce: zachováváme techn.komunikace pro údržbu NVL Otvory do střechy edukativní místa - pohled do procesu čištění Servisní prosekané cesty k technologickým otvorům Střechu aktivujeme několika funkcemi: - sportovní: navrhujeme ovál pro in-line bruslaře a běžce (upřesnění pozic v další fázi) Svah porostlý divoký - pobytová: na pohledové historické barokní ose Hradčany-Trojský zámek zřizujeme dřevěnou palubu In-line okruh 850 m společně s běžeckou dráhou Střecha bezúdržbová Nástup přes svah Obslužná komunikace (MZK) kamenné stupně/ lavice ve svahu Fasádu orientovanou k městu proto odkrýváme a vytváříme pobytový prostor - městskou náplavku. Fasáda má edukatívní funkci, formou street artu je zde prezentováno schema čištění odpadních vod NVL je obrovský industriální objekt. Zasypání je možné, ale není nutné v celém rozsahu. Veřejný prostor mezi mostem přes kanál a dále k nové lávce k ZOO Bezbarierový nástup na in-line Městský parter/ nábřeží před odhalenou jižní fasádou NVL Pěší bezbariérový nástup Horní obslužná úroveň nábřeží (dlažba) Nastup na plochu barokní osy Spodní pobytová úroveň nábřeží pod korunami stromů (dlažba) Barokní osa jako nástupní plocha na střechu NVL Dřevěná paluba Obslužný tunel Jemný svah kompletně zahrnuje východní stranu NVL. Volný pohyb po svahu na střechu linky Fasáda pojednaná jako edukativní Pobytové schody ke kanálu Streetová malba/ schema procesu čištění vody propojeno vizuálně s otvory na střeše

[ Odevzdaný návrh týmu č. 10]

Nový pěší most s přímou návazností na Stromovku

# Proposal no.3

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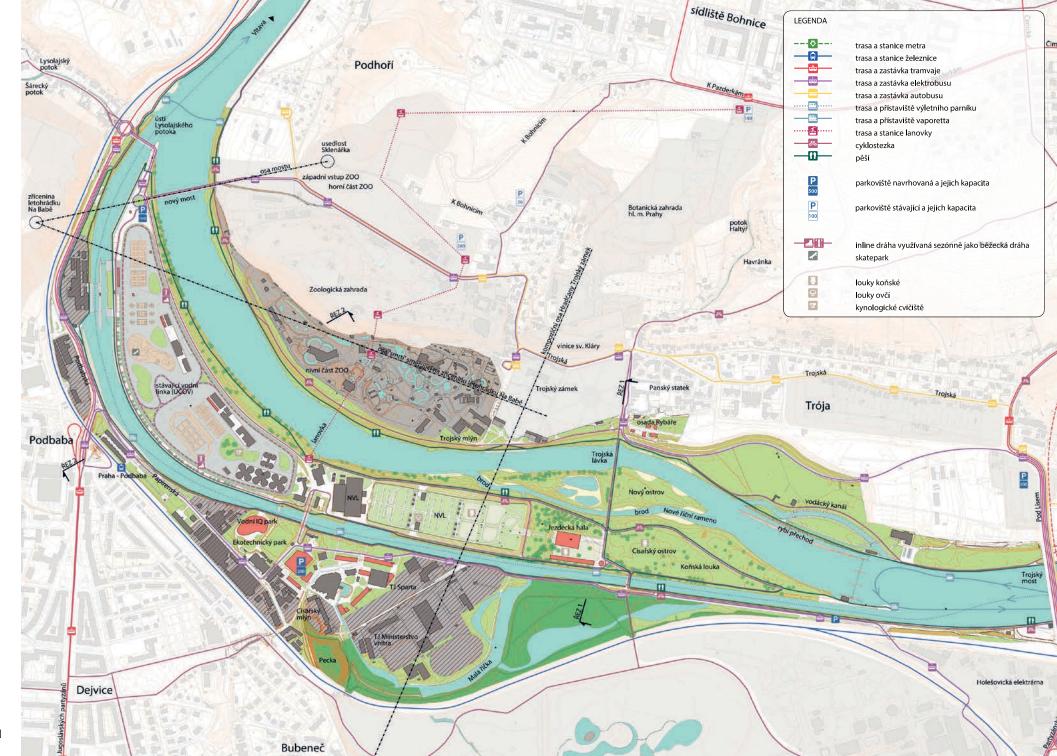
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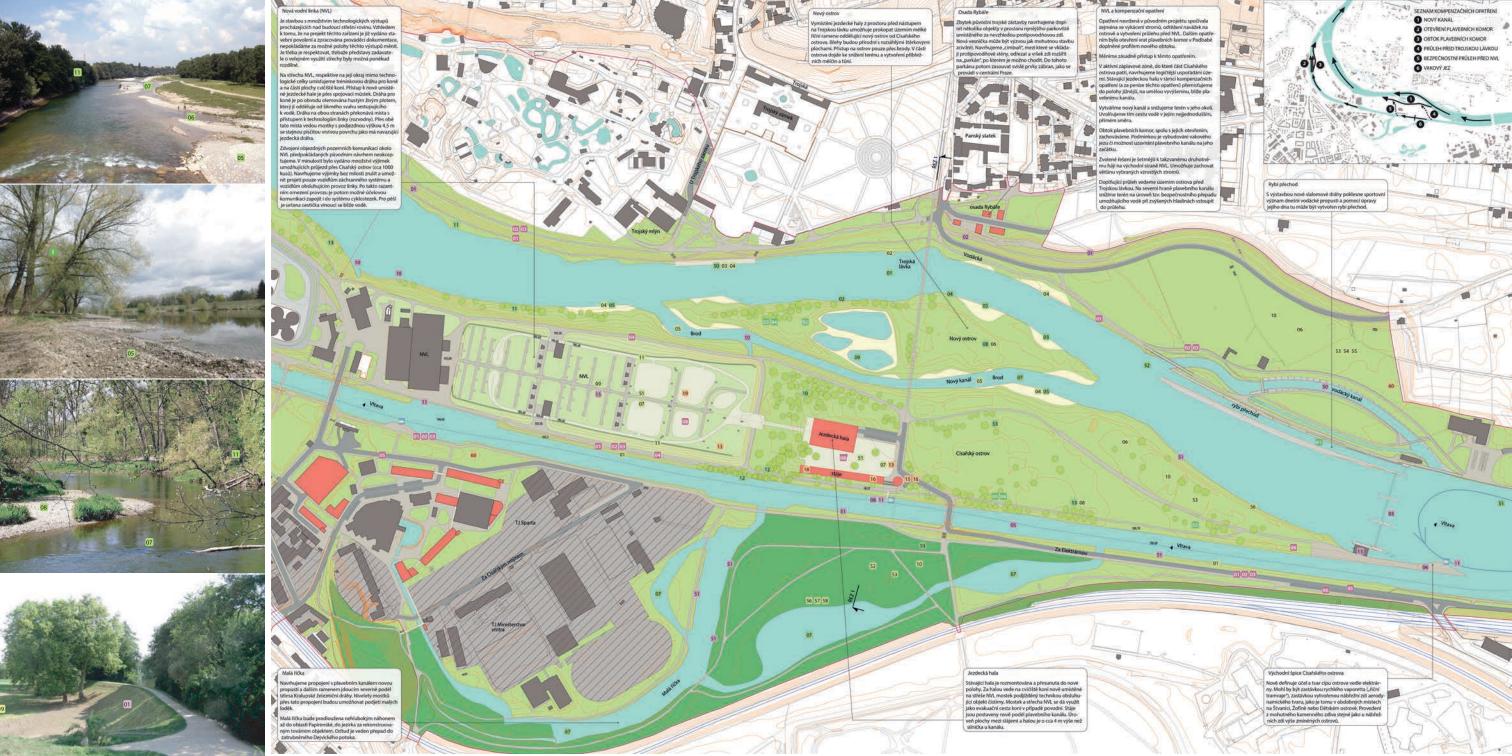
The panel highlights the daring and openness of this design. One of the positives is the overall concept and insight into the whole territory over a longer time span. The panel positively evaluates the detailed design around Císařský mlýn and the proposed connection. It sees a benefit of the project in verifying the fact that a recreational area can be served well primarily using public transport (e.g. proposed vaporetto). The building of a cable car is not an appropriate solution in terms of efficiency. As a negative the panel mentions the placement of a roundabout on the northern tip of the island. Along with the parking lot, this makes the area into a complicated and unclear node pressed into the tip of the island. The panel sees complications in the planned relocation of the hall for horses and its subsequent location, where it would be exposed to greater flood risk. The proposed lakes behind the rail line in Stromovka park would not be acceptable in terms of track statics.

The monofunctional use of the new water line roof for horses is not appropriate. The view of the possibility of using the existing water line is interesting, opening up the question of the future use of this industrial area.

The authors took a comprehensive approach to dealing with the design manual.



DESIGN MANUAL The manual is not simply a list of products of human activity and their rendition, but should include an overall view of the OBJEKTY SPOJENÉ S KRAJINOU "design" of the Troja basin, including an assessment of the natural environment it encompasses. I. design manuál je příležitostí, jak určit charakter prostředí spolu 01 přístřešky III. design manuál pojmenovává okruhy (položky), kterých by se jeho 02 opevnění břehu (bermy) dlažbo 02 protipovodňové stěny 02 lavičky a prvky na sezení s charakterem jednotlivých prvků prostupujících celým řešeným další zpřesňování a prohlubování mělo týkat; okruhy jsou číslovány, 03 přírodě blízké rozvolnění říčního koryta 03 říční pláž 03 nádoby tříděného odpadu, potřeby pro pejska pořadí číslování ale nemá vliv na význam a hodnotu položky; na 04 přírodní břehy s porosten 04 přístupy k vodě 04 plavební komor 04 prvky osvětlení několika snímcích dokumentujících současné kvality území, ale 05 přírodní břehy se štěrkem a pískem 05 brody 05 plavební kanál 05 vodní pítka 06 příbřežní mělčiny 06 pěšiny 06 nábřežní zdi 06 stojany a upínací zařízení na kola i příklady z úspěšných řešení z jiných lokalit, jsou položky názorně II. design manuál může být návodem a společným jmenovatelem 07 říční ramena 07 nezpevněné povrchy cest a výběhů pro koně náplavky 07 prvky informačního systému pro prvky, které se v území opakují součástí design manuálu není vyznačeny a slouží jako ukázka možného přístupu; vyznačení je též 08 louky sečené přístupy k vodě (schodiště a mola) 08 označení zastávek veřejné dopravy 09 tůňky 09 louky spásané 09 náhony a kanály 09 pikniková místa, BBQ, grill a ani nemůže být názor na řešení mostů, lávek a objektů, které se provedeno ve výkresech situací 10 druhotné háje (ve střední části Císařského ostrova podél původního bočního koryta) 10 pobytové louky 10 výpustní objekty 10 prvky odvodnění neopakují a které jsou v území nově navrženy; ty zůstávají autorským 11 pobřežní vegetace 11 živé plotv přístavy, přístaviště pro osobní parníky a říční tramvaje (vaporetta), kotviště (marina), úvaziště 11 ochranné mříže stromů činem projektantů, kteří konkrétní úlohu zpracovávají 12 jednotlivé významné stromy a skupiny stromů 13 keře a ostatní vegetace 13 uzavřené technologické objekty (vodní elektrárny, obtoky plavebních komor atd.) zábrany okolo výběhů koni 14 ústřední čistírna odpadních vod - stávající vodní linka 14 zábradlí na terénních vyvýšeninách 15 čistírna odpadních vod - nová vodní linka 15 obiekty wc. místa hygieny (sprchy a umývárny 16 prodeiní místa (občerstvení) 17 půjčovny sportovních pomůcek 19 parkurové cvičiště s dráhou VYBRANÁ DRUHOVÁ SKLADBA DROBNÉ PRVKY SPOJENÉ S OCHRANOU PŘÍRODY VYBRANÁ MATERIÁLOVÁ ŘEŠENÍ ZPEVNĚNÉ A NEZPEVNĚNÉ POVRCHY CEST A říční rákosiny a vysoké byliny; traviny: chrastice rákosová, ostřice štíhlá; byliny: kopřiva, tužebník jilmový, rybí přechod v místě vodácké propusti A dlažby kostival lékařský: neofyty: křídlatky, americké astry, netýkayka žláznatá, slunečnice toninambur B asfalty 02 cyklisté 03 bruslaři B břehové keřové vrhičky: vrha troimužná, červenice, košíkářská, mladé vrhy bílá a křehká. ntačí budky kamenné stěny vegetace jednoletých plevelných bylin; ječmen myší, rdesno ptačí, lipnice roční, merlíky, komonici 04 hmyzí hotely přírodní omítky 04 cesty určené pro pojezd vozidel údržby átěžové trávníky; sedmikráska, pampeliška, jílek, lipnice luční 05 naučná stezka "Přírodní Vltava v Praz cesty určené pro pojezd auty a elektrobusy nízké květnaté trávníky; ostřice srstnatá, lipnice luční, úzkolistá, kostřava červená, drsnolistá, žlábkovitá, parkoviště s asfaltovým povrchem pýr plazivý, pilát lékařský, jetel ladní, rukev lesní, rakouská, mydlice lékařská, hadinec, mochna stříbrná, G ocel (pozink) 07 parkoviště s dlážděným povrchem rozchodník ostrý, silenka nadmutá. šťovík rozvětvený, jestřabina lékařská, pryšec obecný a chvojka, rožer B syntetické povrchy 08 pískové parkurové plochy rolní, svízel syřišťový, žluťucha menší (příp. trávnička, mateřídouška a různé stepní kytky) antuka suché louky a kamenné navigace, mokré občas šlapané trávníky blíž řeky (příp. i pastviny) PRVKY DOPRAVY (mohou být též prvkem manuálu) vysoké "nivní" luky; lipnice úzkolistá, ovsík, srha, psárka, kostřava luční, kakost luční, bršlice kozí noha, bolševník luční, svízel bílý elektrobusy H vysoké rumištní trávníky: třtina křovištní, chrastice rákosová, sveřep bezbranný, kopřivy, pelyněk lanovka černobýl, mydlice lékařská, neofyty: celík kanadský, americké astry loďky a šlapadla měkký luh; topol černý, kanadský, vrba bílá, křehká, křovité v. různé; v podrostu rákosiny a vysoké byliny tvrdý luh; jilm, jasan, javor, mléč, bezinka, neofyty: javor jasanolistý, slivoň myrobalán, akát, pajasan, loubinec; v podrostu kopřivy, krabilice mámivá, česnáček, svízel přítula, ostružiník SPORTOVNÍ A VOLNOČASOVÉ AKTIVITY VE VOLNÉ PŘÍRODĚ V KULTIVOVANÉ PŘÍRODĚ U ŘEKY NA HŘIŠTI 50 fotbal, atletika 50 koupání, plavání 50 koupání, plavání (městská pláž) 50 vodácká slalomová dráha (kanoistika 51 veslování kanoistika 51 jezdectví, parkur, pólo 51 rybářské stanoviště 51 basketbal 52 paddle boarding 52 plocha pro petanque 52 vlek pro wakeboarding a vodní lyže 52 tenis, nohejbal 53 frisbee, kroket 53 volejbal, házená, ringo, badminto 54 fotbálek 54 geocaching 54 beach volejbal 55 orientační běh 55 softball 55 hokeibal 56 meditace (tai ji, joga, ...) 56 lakros, pozemní hokei, kriket 57 kubb, moelkky 57 kolová 58 skatepark, bmx park 59 stolní tenis 60 dětské hřiště PLAVEBNÍ KANÁL JEZDECKÁ HALA NOVÉ ŘÍČNÍ RAMENO TROJSKÁ LÁVKA **NOVÝ OSTROV VLTAVA** OPLÁŠTĚNÉ OBJEKTY TECHNOLOGIE ČISTÍRNY VYSTUPUJÍCÍ -VEŘEJNÉ SPORTOVNÍ PLOCHY SVOJÍ VÝŠKOU NAD ÚROVEŇ PŘESTROPENÍ 180,00





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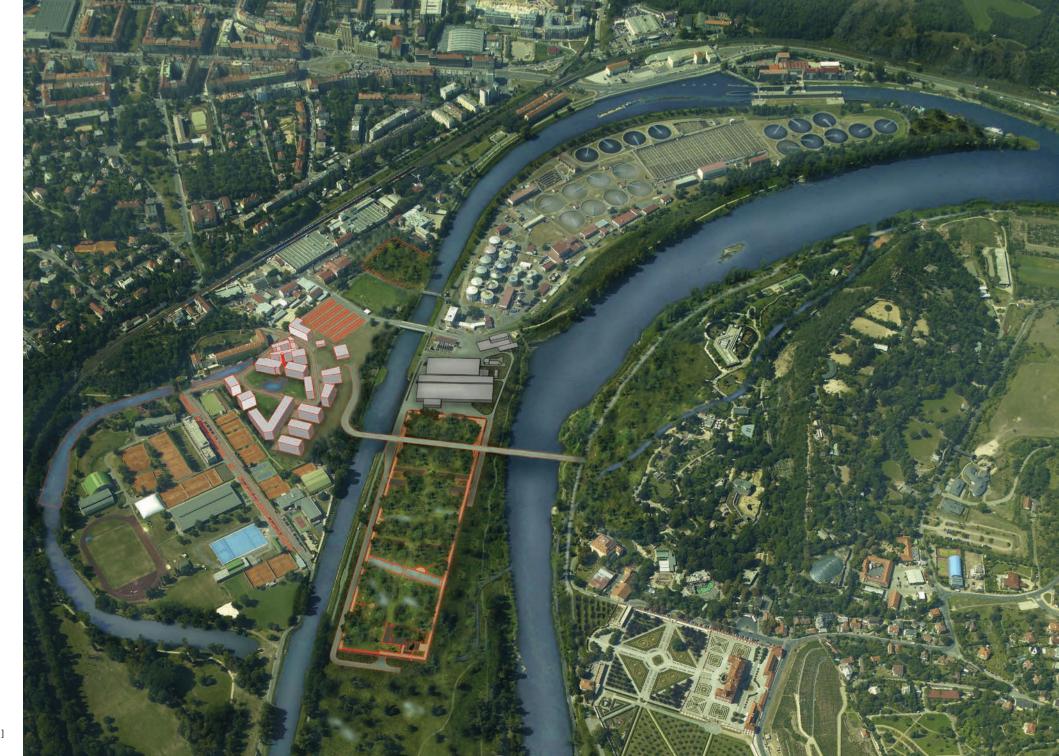
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#### **EVALUATION BY THE JURY**

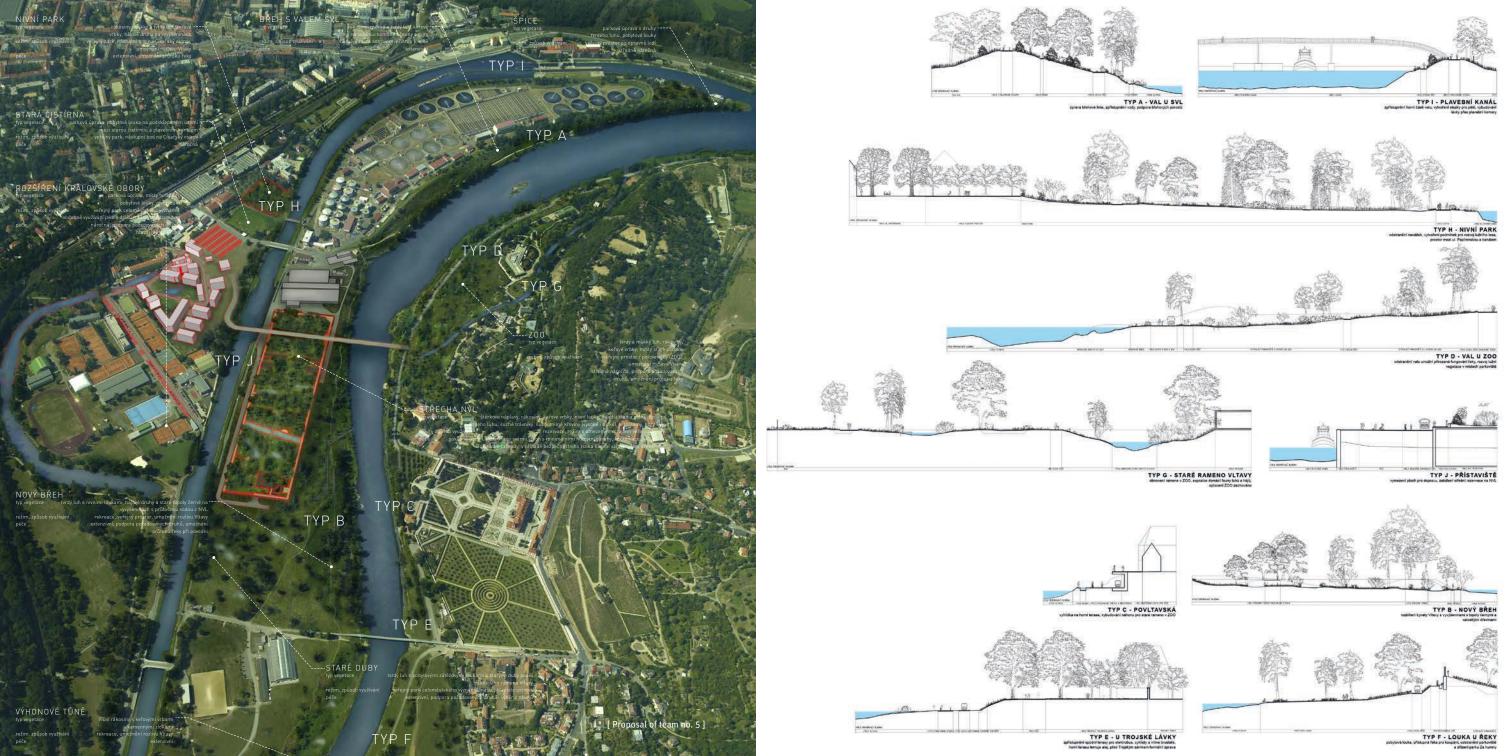
An advantage of this design is the overall view of the landscape as a system and the comprehensive traffic c solutions. Particularly the connection from the Bubeneč side and placement of catchment lots in this area as well and the hook-up to Papírenská street. The well meant idea of connecting Dejvice, Bubeneč and the island is weakened however by the fragmentisation of ties. The panel also appreciates the bold approach and examination of transport service through unconventional forms of transport. Nevertheless, the proposed transport system is too intensive. The proposed footpath along the Pecka natural monument could be a new attractive pedestrian connection.

The panel positively evaluates the sophistication of the design manual elements. A weakness of the project is the addressing of water management compensatory measures. The proposed interventions into the Zoo complex are unrealistic and the lakes on Císařský ostrov are not an appropriate solution from the perspective of flood prevention.

Nice about the solution for the new water line building is the recognition of this building in the landscape. The authors do not specify however what they imagine happening with the uncovered several hundred metre wall. The idea of having the central area of the roof inaccessible and creating an internal habitat is interesting and inspiring. The proposed water system raises concerns however; in the opinion of the panel it is not sustainable.











# **Proposal no.5**

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#### COOPERATION

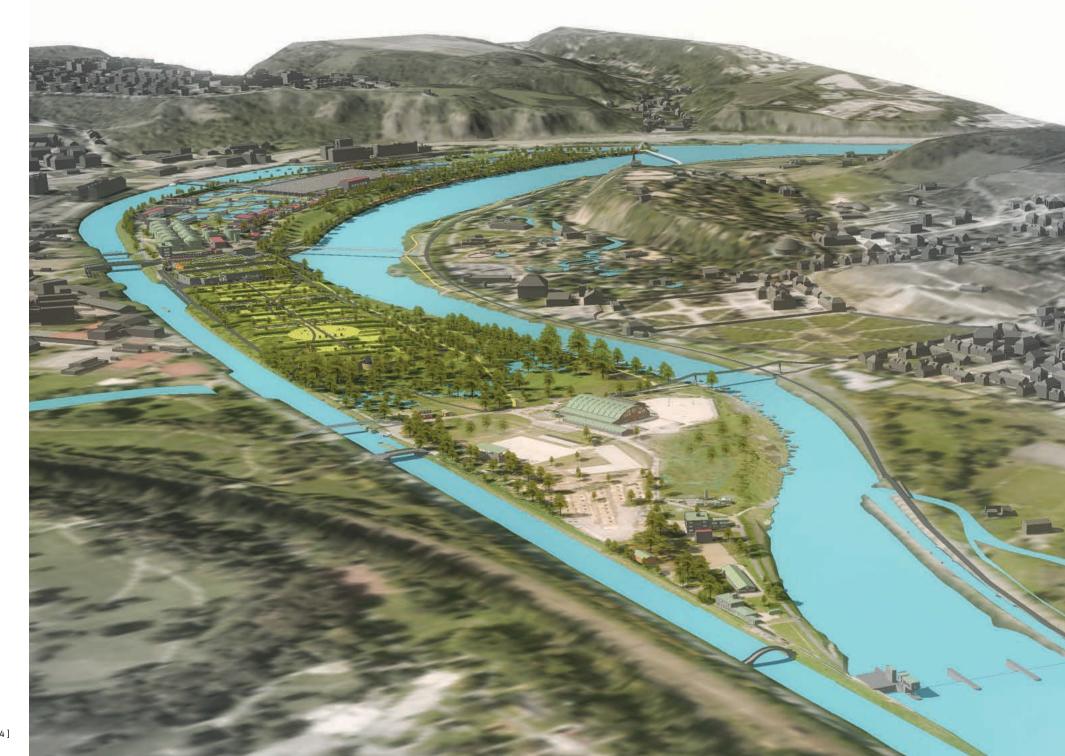
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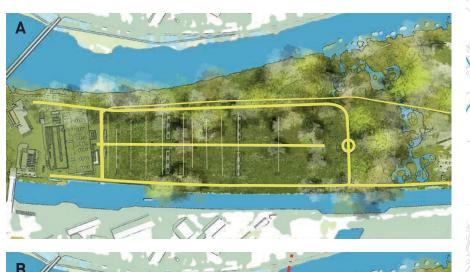
#### **EVALUATION BY THE JURY**

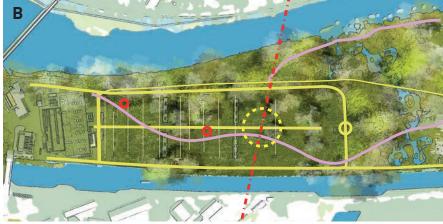
For this design the panel appreciates the careful, detailed and comprehensive design of the transport system for the whole area. The jury also appreciates the suggestions: using the existing bridges and carefully connecting them with paths, placing moorings at the northern tip of the island. What is questionable is the placement of the new foot bridge, which the authors have located at the broadest part of the Vltava. The authors demonstrated very good knowledge of the territory, which showed in the broad spatial concept of the landscape design. The elimination of the duplicate paths on the south side of the new water line was a nice touch.

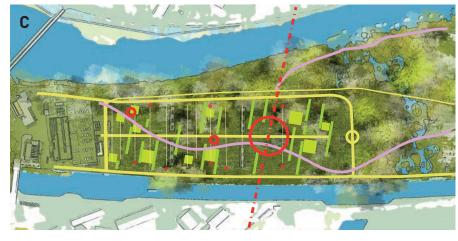
The system of pools, despite the indisputable decorative aspect of the bodies of water, is not sustainable.

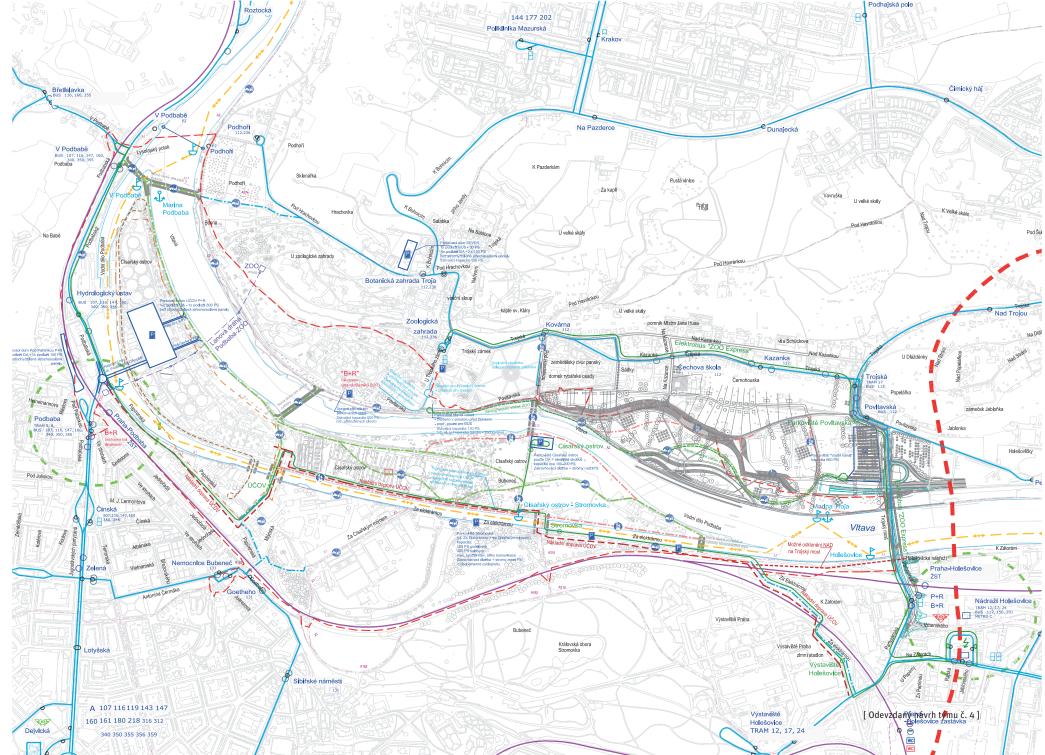
The proposed design for the new water line is a combination of many elements (technical elements and curves).















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