

Fine, then I'll just wait here for the bus. Waiting is wonderful, isn't it? Where else can I waste time so freely and let my heart take a breath while waiting? Doing nothing is the top priority when waiting. So put away your phone and enjoy this in-between time, the most precious of all times. It could end at any moment when the next bus arrives, the next rain falls, or the next friend shows up. Oh, if only I could spend my entire life waiting!

The new central arrival area in Rüdesheim am Rhein marks a milestone in the city's development. The city square, designed by POLA, serves as a green hub connecting the central bus station, the railway station, the old town, and the harbor park with its urban docking points on the Rhine. The proposed redesign, which was awarded first prize by a panel of experts in a public competition, aims to create a harmonious blend of mobility and urban greenery. With this project, the landscape architects are setting new standards and redefining the concept of grey-green infrastructure.

The aspect of waiting receives special attention in the redesign of this former urban wasteland. It is not only about quality but also about how to use and actively engage in the so-called inbetween times of arrivals and departures in a meaningful way.

The new central bus station will feature a high diversity of plants and future resilient trees, which help improve the city's microclimate and biodiversity through water retention and evaporation. Additionally, the most modern infrastructure will be provided to make public transportation more efficient and comfortable. The square is also designed to be the central meeting point and the starting location for the State Garden Show, which will take place in the adjacent harbor park in 2027. By integrating sustainable and space-optimized traffic solutions, the redesign of this urban wasteland significantly contributes to reducing the city's CO2 e missions and fostering a sense of identification among all Rüdesheim residents with their city.

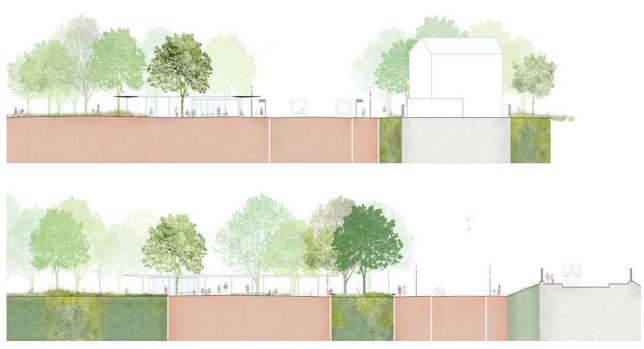


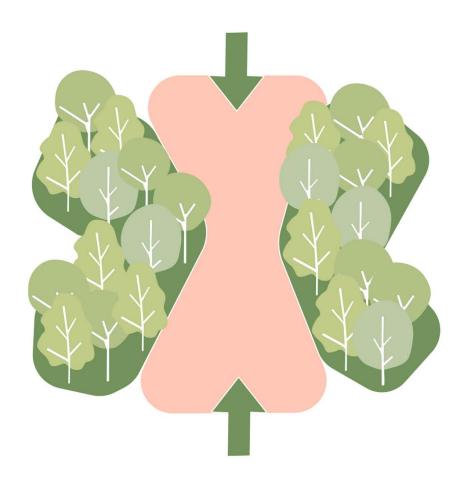










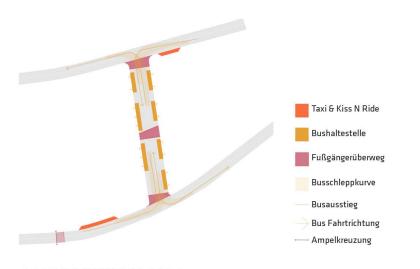


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Project data

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