Sopron is situated near the western borders of Hungary. It is one of the oldest jewelboxes of the country. The Castle District of Sopron is a 40-60 meter wide boulevard, which was formed on the outer skirt of the ditch running along the city walls that encircled the former historical core of the town. In the 19th century, the Castle District was more of a contiguous, slightly outwards sloping area than a boulevard, even though also a tram line was running along it.

Conditions prevailing before the design process of the Castle District’s renewal were formed during the second half of the 20th century. This traffic-dominated state restricted pedestrian traffic to the minimum and at the same time it longitudinally separated the once contiguous space.