Our intervention site is located in the contact zone between the city of Varna and the sea within close proximity to the Sea Garden, the city’s largest and only park listed as tangible cultural heritage. The communication backbone of the area is Alley 1, the street bordering the sea and beaches.

A pedestrian extension next to our architectural site connects the square space with an artificial pond on the side of the Sea Garden. In the past, on the side of the sea there used to be an open space facing the beach and a drainage canal associated with the pond.

Prior to the transformation, the space was occupied by small-sized temporary constructions hosting entertainment businesses, which over the years acquired numerous additions and extensions, thus gradually forming a structure that blocked access from the alley to the sea. Moreover, the constructions impeded the proper operation of the drainage canal.

The constructions were erected outside any consideration of the spatial, stylistic or aesthetic context set by the Sea Garden and Alley 1. At the time, circumstances allowed it due to the temporary status and seasonal use of the said facilities resulting in short-term construction without prior strategic planning.