EVALUATION

By preserving the pre-existing and mostly self-sown heterogeneous tall vegetation as the legacy of the long since abandoned and degraded space, the new park elements simultaneously evoke memories of the past and allow for new modern and diverse uses of open space in an urban setting.

The 100-metre bench with altering height and cross-sections allows for various forms of socialization in a high quality urban environment. The bench can be used for sitting around, socializing, resting in the shade of the trees, as a children’s play area, for execution of skateboarding tricks, and so on. The simplicity of the design allows for a diversity of spaces that provide a new urban experience within the city.

Despite the fact that the space is relatively small, its diversity ensures that the various uses do not interfere with each other but instead complement each other, which is attested to by the park’s users. The design can be understood as a temporary arrangement but, due to its scale, open design, and prefabricated construction, also has the potential to keep up with future changes, when it will serve as a kind of foyer to the new commercial-residential buildings and the renovated passenger centre.