

In developing countries like Turkey, a majority of design and planning decisions are made through top-down directives, primarily attempting to leverage political campaigns. These decisions lead to ostentatious “mega” projects that are usually impossibly big to be designed well. We believe in working in a scale at the opposite end of the spectrum: thinking in micro scale and making local decisions.

As part of our project, through workshops we conducted with Izmir Economy University Architecture Students, we identified various ways, means and durations of use, as well as materials utilized throughout the coast of Izmir (focusing on a section from Göztepe to Kordon). These studies produced design proposals suggesting a variety of uses with great potential that are usually overlooked in mega scales.

Floating activity dock brings a quick light and cheap alternative for design and production of public space. The docks are made out of 4m2 modules and could be extended and added. During September 2014, the first prototype of 32m2 has been opened to use in Izmir and have been heavily used.



Generic shoreline stretches for over 45 kms next to a high speed highway.

