EUROPEAN PRIZE FOR URBAN PUBLIC SPACE

MARQUÉS DE LA HERMIDA **PROMENADE**. SANTANDER

c/ marqués de la hermida -DÁRSENA DE MALIAÑO. Santander, SPAIN

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turned into city

This project and its transforming attitude integrate and recuperate a big provileged area for the city and its citizens. Originally, this land did not exist; it was just a sandy area at the bay of Santander. It appeared as a consequence of the Port expansión into the sea, when industrial and fishing uses took place in the area. Then, a very dense neighborhood, without green public spaces, grew around. In the 90', the Old Fishing Market and other auxiliar buildings were demolished, and the extension started to be used as a parking. Finally, in 2013, the Port Authority and the City Hall reached an agreement on transforming and integrating the area into the city. Moreover, the new uses had to coexist with the ones existing on the dock: to the west with fishing boats still operating, and to the east with recreational boats







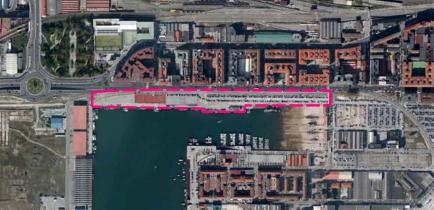
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performing the past

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In this project, architecture performs as a social instrument to preserve and remain the natural origin of the place. Thinking of the past is the way the project considers to renovate the extension. That is why it recreates a sandy area. Before the intervention, this area was out of context and degradated in use and beaty, but now, it is changing and improving neighborhood lifestyle





