Alcacer do Sal is a time-honoured city gracefully encrusted on the north bank of the Sado River. Around the turn of the 19th century, a stone embankment reshaped the riverfront and formed a promenade around which most of the civic life of this community evolves since then. Over the years, the embankment degraded, with excessive traffic, inadequate parking, abusive parking and poor lighting, seriously compromising its quality of life and touristic attractiveness.

The project comprises an ambitious renovation and revival of the city’s riverfront involving a number of different areas, including paving design, parking, lighting, street furniture, pergolas and railings, in addition to a tourism office, an open-air kindergarten and a rowing school.

**Context**

**Location:** Alcacer do Sal (Alentejo), Portugal

**Programme:** Riverfront renewal

**Site:** 2 km of historical riverfront

**Estimated Investment:** EUR 3.5M

**Project Status:** 2010 (open competition, 1st prize) 2014 (open to public)