SUSTAINABLE URBANISM STUDIO



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01 INTRODUCTION

SYSTEM INTEGRATION

ENERGY MATTER OF ECOLOGY WASTE

SUSTAINABLE

SHELTER MATTER OF SURVIVAL MATTER OF PURPOSE IMPROVEMENT

ECONOMY

FOOD URBANISM OCCUPATION

TRADITION MATTER OF HERITAGE IDENTITY

PRESERVATION

Ever since planners began the process of embracing the goals and strategies of modernism, cities have been on a collision course with the environment. The ills of the Industrial Revolution, which both sparked the high carbon development patterns of modernism and began the degradation of the environment, have resulted in an unsustainable relationship between human settlement and the natural environment. To find a healthy balance with the planet, and foster a community that can sustain this balance, requires the reorientation of planning and design trajectories to be concerned with performance in the areas of survival, purpose, ecology and heritage. Survival to reconnect settlement to water, food and shelter as the foundations of settlement, purpose to connect human industry and innovation to the needs of settlement while being mindful of their impacts, ecology to integrate urbanism within the environment and heritage to critically consider the role the past has in defining the present and the future definition of place.

The Sustainable Urbanism studio focuses of exploring strategies that seek to evolve the nature of the city from its unsustainable present towards a sustainable future. The rapid urbanization of the planet has made this a pressing reality for the professions concerned with human settlement and the environment. The studio pursues this goal through grounded speculation in the present, seeking balanced, inclusive solutions as opposed to singular, biased polemics. Density is embraced but not at the expense of privacy. Survival is understood as something that must be addressed within development not somewhere else. Growth is a reality pursued strategically where integration and diversity are important as opposed to segregation and singularity. Purpose, as manifest in economics, improvement and occupation, provides the means for civilization and the environment to adapt to the dynamic conditions of our world. Sustainability is not just green. It comes in all colors, requiring a holistic approach where ecological balance is valued over human arrogance. The breadth of sustainability is not its weakness. It is its strength. Humanity's weakness is its failure to embrace this reality. The Sustainable Urbanism Studio embraces the challenge of pursuing balance over polemics, inclusion over exclusion, integration over segregation and the fact that human settlement is a part of the environment not apart from the environment.

Spring 2016 Ecology of Innovation

Tianjin, China: Tianjin University (Re)development

Sustainability and Innovation

Within the broad definition of 'sustainability', purpose is the trajectory that propels civilization toward the future. Humanity's ability to learn from and improve the conditions of existence gives meaning to life's pursuit. Cities are the environments where civilization has made its biggest leaps forward. The collection of human and financial capital that exists in cities make them a natural habitat for ideas to come to life and reach their potential. Throughout history, these incubators of innovation have changed, creating the appropriate environment to facilitate and leverage the emerging forces of the time. In the age of globalization, emerging economies, and rapidly expanding digital frameworks, the nature of the next evolution of the city is an open question. Add to this the challenges of climate change and the carbon footprints of cities and there is a need to rethink the nature of cities.

Context

The industrial age fueled by improvements in transportation and power technology caused a significant disruption to the process of manufacturing and management. In the digital age, the world wide web, new making technologies and lean management strategies are once again transforming our world. This dynamic environment is empowering a new generation of entrepreneurs with the ability to alter our human condition. Where the Industrial Revolution brought mass production and a segregated management labor relationships housed in factories and office buildings, the digital age has elevated the start-up incubator environments, on-demand manufacturing and makers spaces. What impact this will have on the city is the subject of this studio.

Design Research

The changing landscape of manufacturing in a Post-Fordian environment, communication in the age of the world wide web and information management in the time of 'big data', presents interesting challenges and opportunities for the city. As China looks to shift from a government driven Keynesian, demand side, economic structure to a more privately driven supply side economy, the facilitation of innovation will become an important challenge for urban designers. This investigation explores the 'ecology' of innovation through the design of a new innovation center. Students were to consider the development of new ventures from start-up to established companies, connections to the adjacent university, housing of transient expertise, marketing and selling of new produc and employee amenities among other things. All pursued within a framework that used less energy and pursued other sustainable performance objectives.

02 RESEARCH

LOCATION - TIANJIN, CHINA

Tianjin is a metropolis in northern coastal Mainland China, administered by the People's Republic of China and one of the five national central cities of China, with a total municipal population of 15,469,500. It is the largest coastal city in northern China.

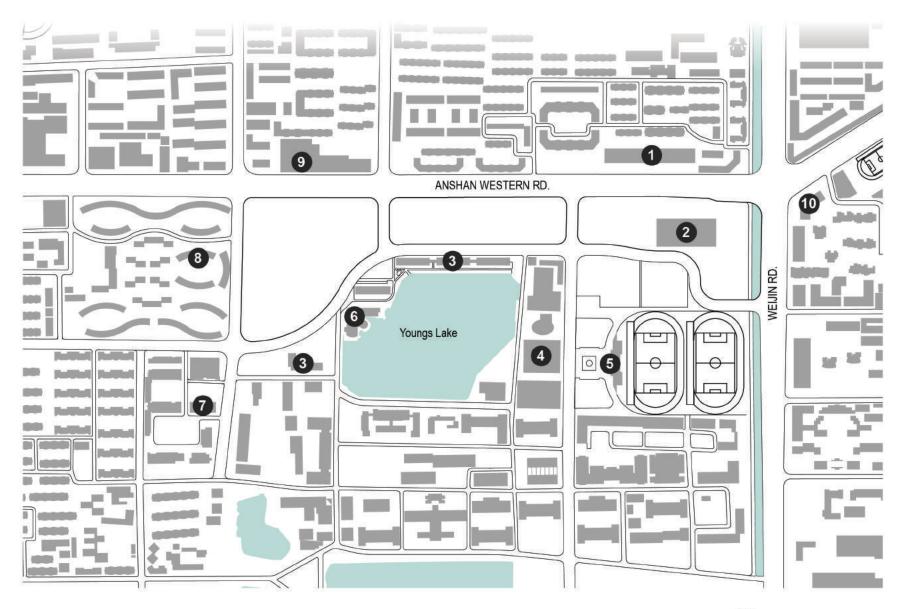


LOCATION - TIANJIN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

Tianjin University is the first modern higher education institution in China, and one of the largest multidisciplinary engineering universities in China. In order to carry out the "21st Century Education Revitalizing Action Plan", in late 2000 the Ministry of Education and Tianjin Municipality signed an agreement which aims to build Tianjin University into a 1st-class university in the world in the 21st Century.



SURROUNDING CONTEXT



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The site is an eleven hectare area along the northern edge of the Tianjin University Campus. The site is divided into four areas as defined by proposed circulation corridors. These circulation corridors can be crossed above ground level. Previously the area was home to student housing, which will no longer be needed after the relocation of the main University campus to a new site. Some existing historic dormitories and the associated student union facility located along a lake, outside the site, are to be renovated and continue to serve the same purpose. A new perimeter road will be cut through the area to provide improved access and definition to the new Innovation Campus.

1. 1895 Hall



2. Gym Facility



3. Dormitary



4. Fengjicai Art Center



5. Sport Area



6. Student Activity Center



7. Student Apartment



8. Apartments



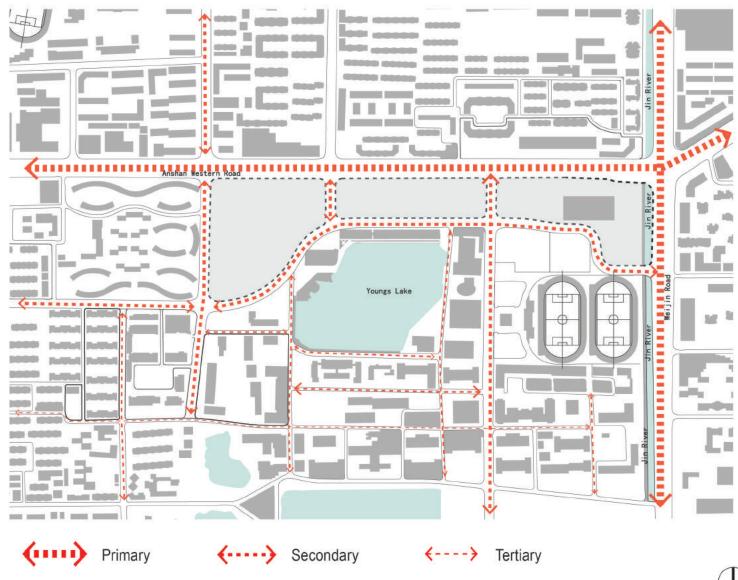
9. Qiyuan Hotel



10. Jinbin Hotel

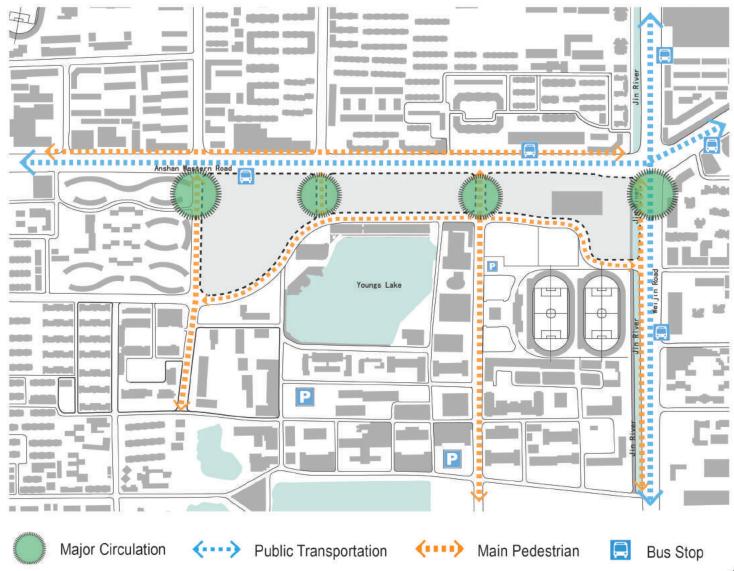


VEHICULAR CIRCULATION



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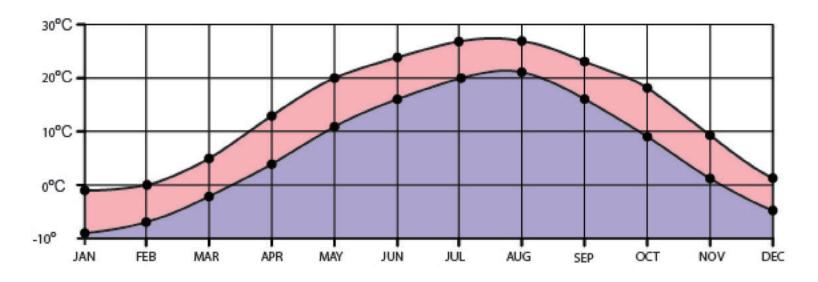
PUBLIC & PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION



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CLIMATE - TEMPERATURE

The monthly 24-hour average temperature ranges from −3.4 °C (25.9 °F) in January to 26.8 °C (80.2 °F) in July, with an annual mean of 12.90 °C (55.2 °F).

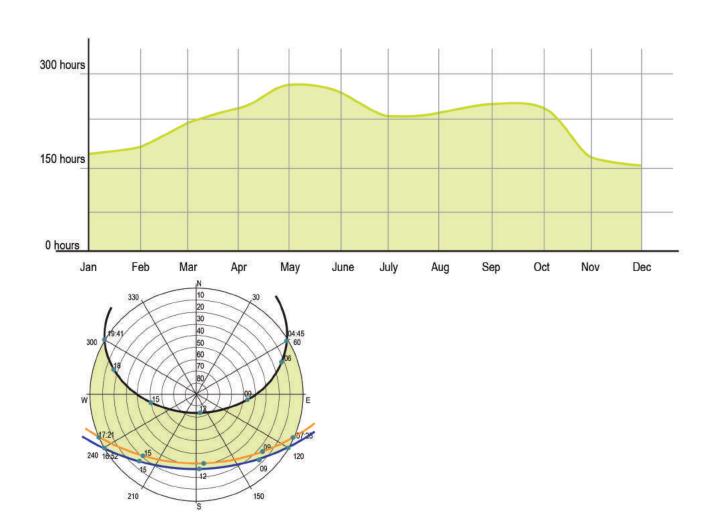


Maximum Temperature

Minimum Temperature

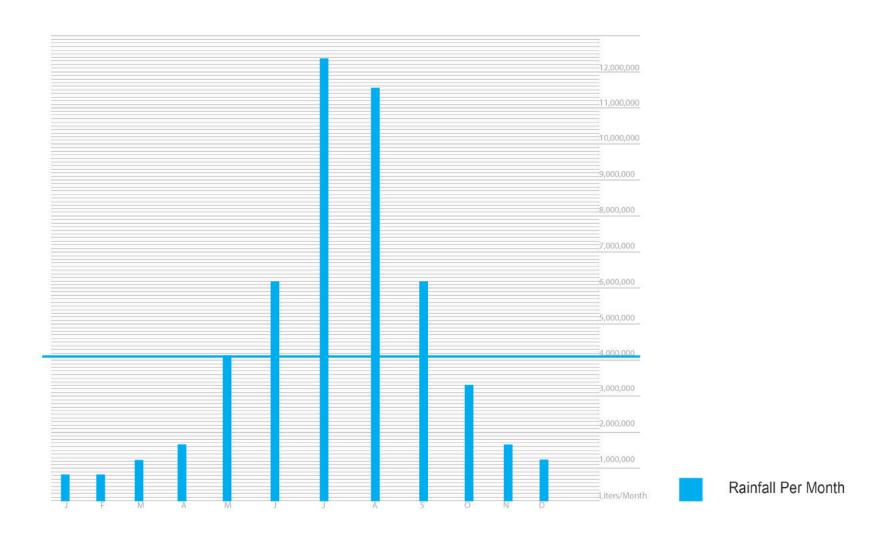
CLIMATE - SOLAR ENERGY POTENTIAL

With monthly percent possible sunshine ranging from 48% in July to 61% in October, the city receives 2,522 hours of bright sunshine annually.



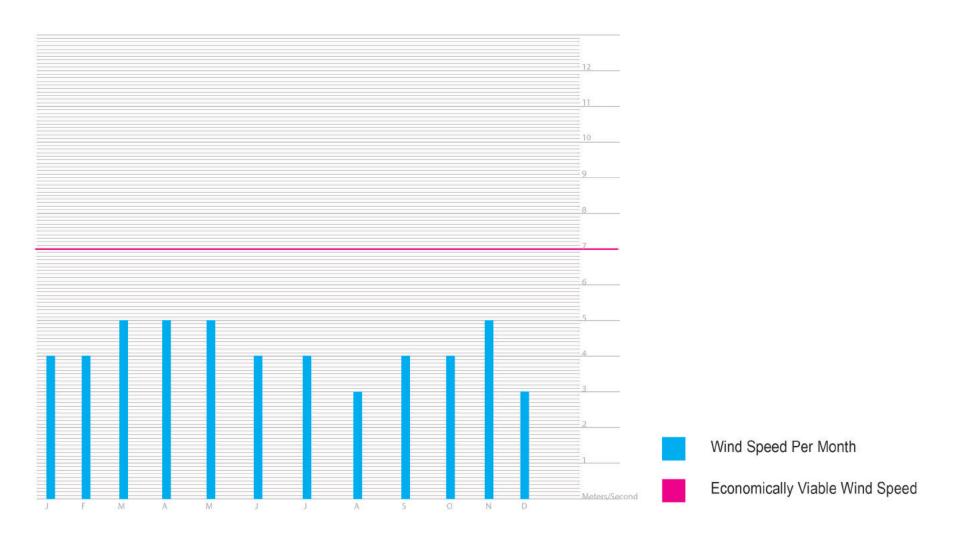
CLIMATE - WATER CONSERVATION POTENTIAL

Having a low annual total precipitation of 511 millimetres (20.1 in), and nearly three-fifths of it occurring in July and August alone, the city lies within the semi-arid zone, with parts of the municipality being humid continental. Rainfall is heavy during the months of July and August. Water collection and retention may be possible during these months.



CLIMATE - WIND ENERGY POTENTIAL

Tianjin features a four-season, monsoon-influenced climate, typical of East Asia, with cold, windy, very dry winters reflecting the influence of the vast Siberian anticyclone, and hot, humid summers, due to the monsoon. Spring in the city is dry and windy, occasionally seeing sandstorms blowing in from the Gobi Desert, capable of lasting for several days. Tianjin recieves a decent amount of wind each day. This ranges between 0-5 meters per second.



PROJECT STATEMENT

The basic task for this project is the creation of a habitat for creative people. Habitats are complex constructions in nature, comprised of many different residents and environmental contributors. All the elements necessary for a particular community to thrive, be resilient and adaptable to changing conditions need to be part of a connected ecology.

The intention for this development is to create a connected community where synergies can occur as a serendipitous moment or an arranged encounter. Where sharing is a normal occurrence and connectivity happens on many levels.

Traditionally research activity in China has been carefully managed by the government, but in order to transcend predictable or basic production, the government has recognized it needs to empower individuals and organizations to innovate in ways that will allow China to make the next big leap forward. Creative exploration can be an open ended proposition (basic research) or can be governed by particular goals (applied research). In the digital realm there are open source environments and close sourced environments. Each has their benefits and liabilities. The Innovation Institute will need to support both types of exploration, but in general since the intent is to open things up to innovate, the campus should reach out to the larger local, national and global community. This means the public dimension of the new campus should engage and excite the people who work there and the visiting public.

The notion of a high quality of life in China has become increasingly tied to improved environment conditions. In recent years, concern about the environment has become the most important issue on the minds of the Chinese public. The built environment has been broadly identified as the largest contributor of carbon in the atmosphere, surpassing industry and transportation. As cities continue to grow, it becomes increasingly important that they are designed in ways that reduce the carbon footprint of settlement. To achieve these expectations, designs must consider innovative ways of organizing program, managing resources, integrating new and old technologies, and connecting human settlement with the natural environment.

PROJECT PROGRAMS

The project as illustrated about, has a singular purpose that can only be realized through the integration of multiple players. Many of the major elements have been identified above, but the specific quantitative mix has yet to be determined. The planning authority has designated the site to have a FAR of 4.5 and expects it to be a very dense site.

The specific definition of the project program will be one of the initial activities of the studio. The following is offered as a point of departure for those efforts.

- PROGRAM:

Start-up Business Incubator Space Commercial Office Space Maker Spaces Hotel with Meeting Facilities **Exhibition Facility** Support Commercial

- TOTAL LAND AREA: 110,000 sqm
- PROGRAM LIMITS: 495,000 sqm
- COVERAGE (40%): 40% x 110,000 sgm
- = 44,000 sgm
- GREEN SPACE (25%): 25% x 110,000 sqm
- = 27,500 sgm
- OPEN SPACE (35%): 25% x 110,000 sqm
- = 38,500 sgm

GROUP: INTELL



LIDA LU







GROUP: PBAMM











ABDUL NAHAS

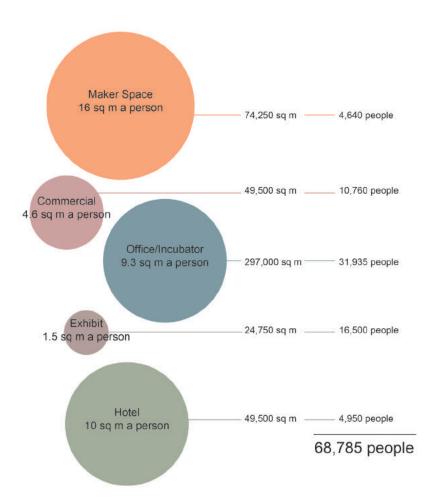
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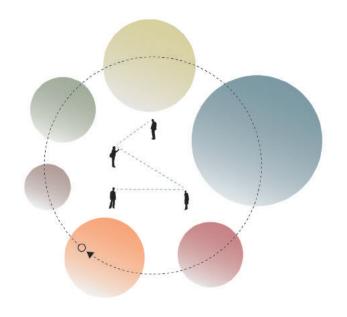
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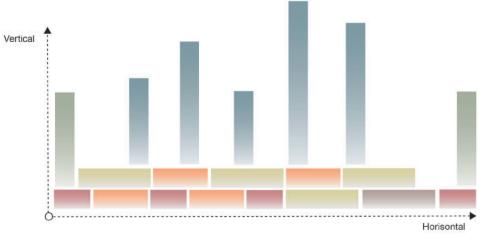
03 MASTER PLAN

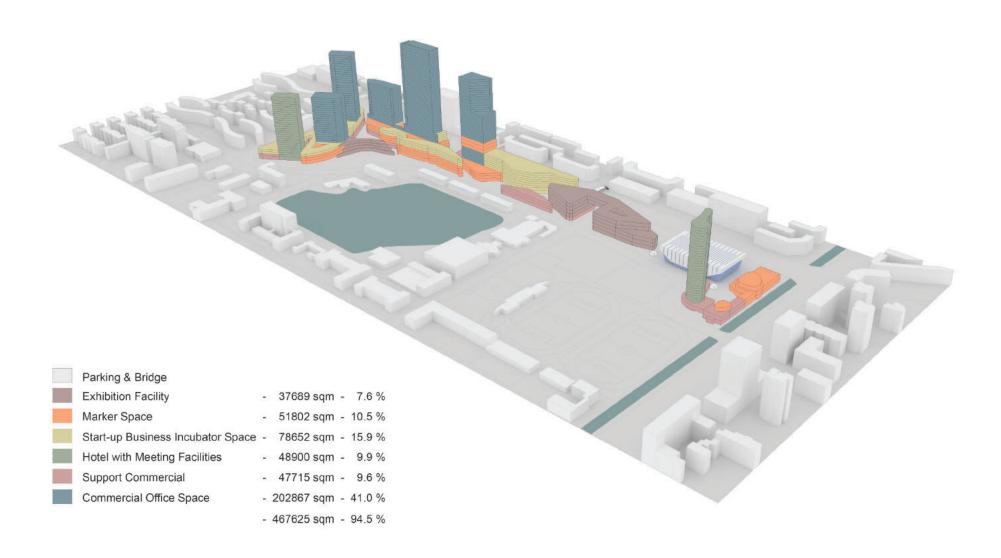
MASTER PLAN | INTELL

- Dynamic building systems, capable of adapting to real time conditions
- Provide public spaces for a variety of functions
- Encourage cross program collaboration and interaction
- Link Innovation Center with neighboring community







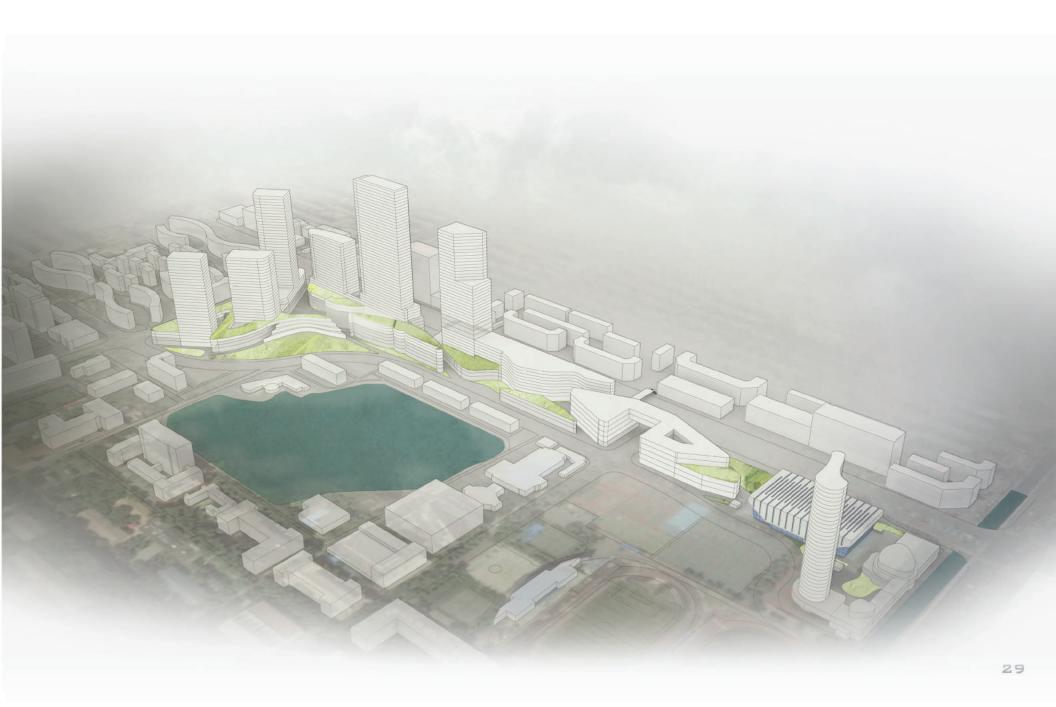


MASTER PLAN | INTELL - SITE PLAN



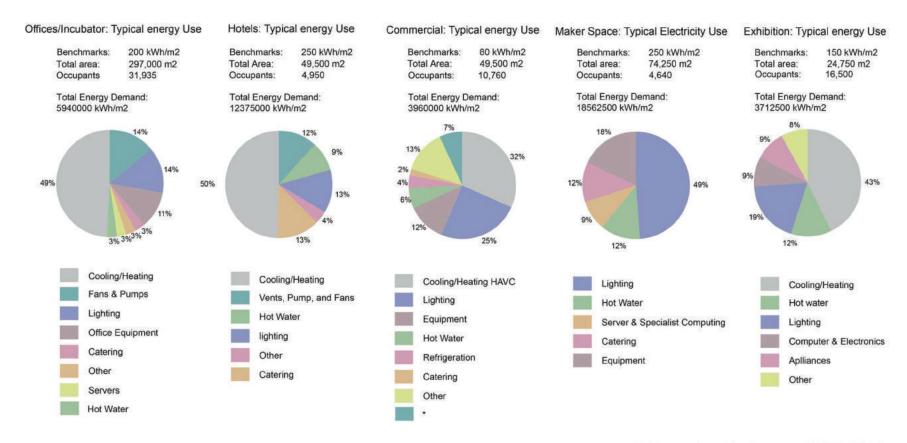


MASTER PLAN | INTELL - BIRDEYE PERSPECTIVE



PERFORMANCE GOALS | INTELL

- Reduce energy usage by 65%. Find methods to offset energy demand
- Water Treatment system to purify river and provide potable water (Living Machine)



Total energy demand for all programs: 98010000 kWh/m2



Photovoltaics

Solar Panels: Harvests the energy of the sun, limited to areas with direct sunlight.

Generates about 140 Watts per sq m. under good conditions.

Human Powered Energy

Pavegen Tile: Designed to harvest the kinetic energy generated from people walking on it. Generates 8 watts for one footstep, making it capable of illuminating an LED light for 30 seconds. Uses a battery to store excess energy, but it is better suited for low voltage tasks.







Living Roof

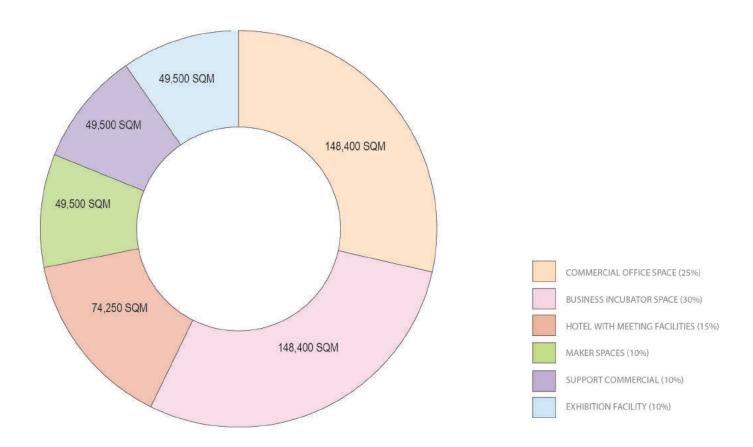
Green spaces on the top of buildings that is meant to collect rainwater, sometimes filtering it through into the building as a means to collect water for inhabitants. Requires a large, flat roof to be effective. Lessens thermal loads in warm seasons and reduces the urban heat island effect.

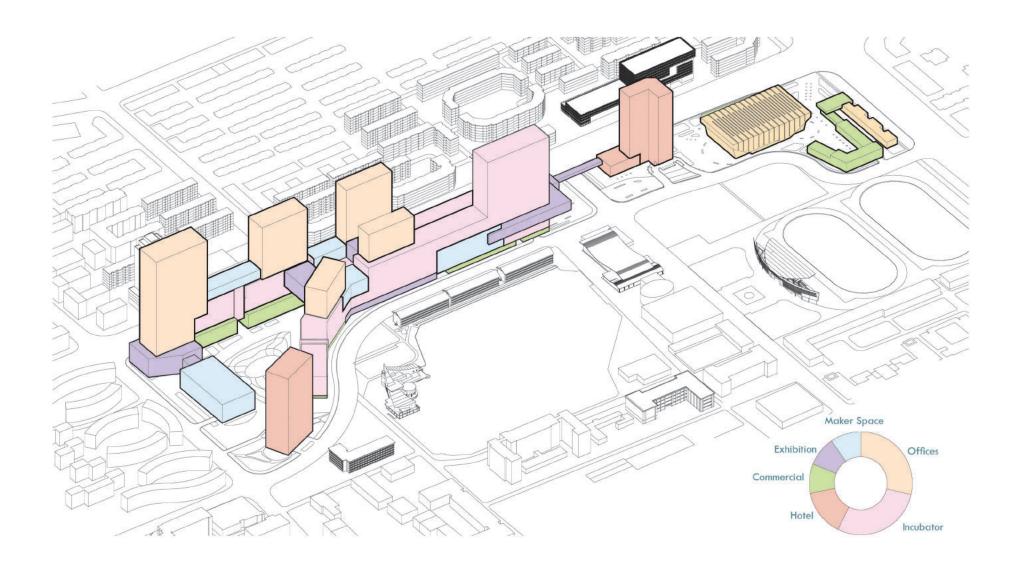
Living Wall

These walls are extremely versatile- they can be installed along nearly any vertical service, exterior or interior. They can improve air quality, provide shade, and create texture on flat surfaces through the introduction of plants.

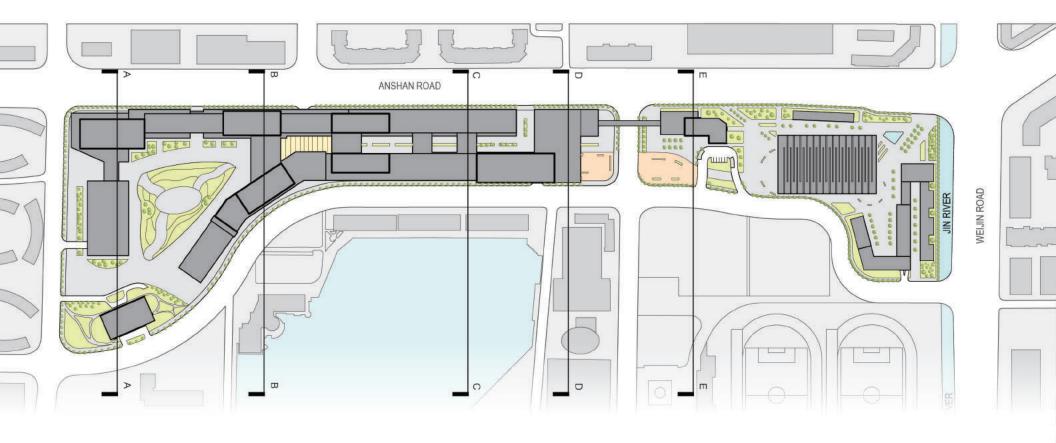
MASTER PLAN | PBAMM

- Utilize Surrounding context as means for locating programs
- Utilize Maker Space as a mixing point on campus
- Locate office spaces closer to the more public end of campus
- Create Collaborative Environment
- Interaction of office with commercial
- Hotel/conference tied to sports stadium





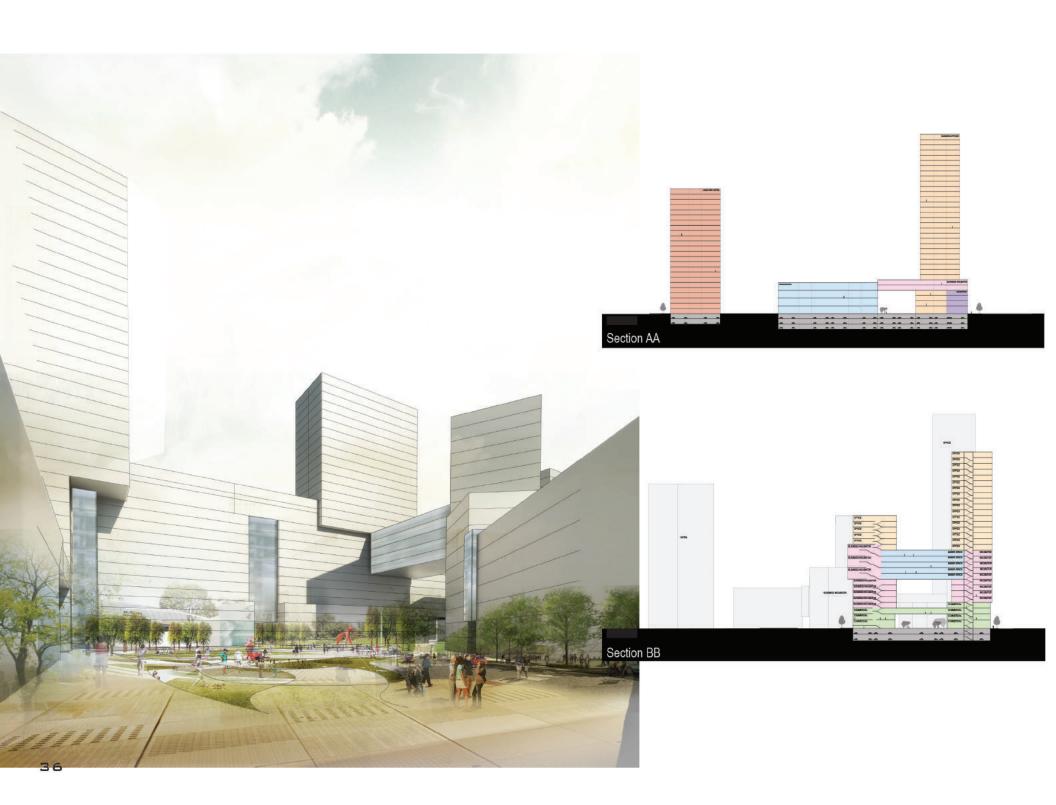
MASTER PLAN | PBAMM - SITE PLAN





MASTER PLAN | PBAMM - BIRDEYE PERSPECTIVE

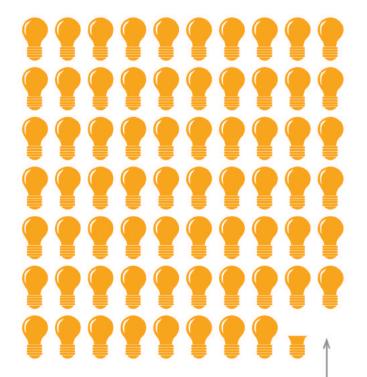






PERFORMANCE GOALS

- Come as close to Net Zero Energy As Possible
- Produce 50% of Energy on Site



ENERGY RESOURCES

GEOTHERMAL PLANTS



SOLAR PANELS



WIND TURBINES

COMMERCIAL

49,500 sq m (532,814 sqft) Area: Kilowatts per hour/ m2: 7,343,765 kWh/m2 Estimated annual cost: \$1,751,111

MAKER SPACE

49,500 sq m (532,814 sqft) Area: Kilowatts per hour/ m2: 5,255,846 kWh/m2 Estimated annual cost: \$1,256,751

EXHIBITION

49,500 sq m (532,814 sqft) Area: Kilowatts per hour/ m2: 5,257,474 kWh/m2 \$1,256,346 Estimated annual cost:

BUSINESS INCUBATOR

148,500 sq m (1,598,441 sqft) Kilowatts per hour/ m2: 24,879,486 kWh/m2 Estimated annual cost: \$5,789,923

OFFICES

123,750 sq m (1,332,034 sqft) Kilowatts per hour/ m2: 20,732,902 kWh/m2 Estimated annual cost: \$4,824,936

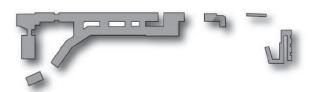
HOTEL

74,250 sq m (799,220 sqft) Kilowatts per hour/ m2: 4,848,300 kWh/m2 Estimated annual cost: \$1,185,749

TOTAL Area: 495,000 sq m (5,328,136 sqft) TOTAL KWh/m2: 68,317,773 kWh/m2 TOTAL estimated cost: \$16,064,826 annually



ROOF



Total area: 48,844 sq m (493,324 sqft)

of solar panels: 34,551

Energy produced: 12,922,303 kWh/m2



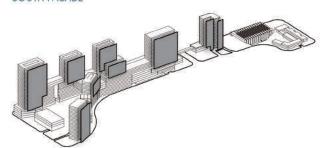
SOLAR PANELS: The size of one BP Solar 175B solar panel is roughly 1.24 sq m (13.34 sqft). It can produce about 374 kWhr/year.

The amount produced from 10,000 solar panels in this location would be 3,740,732 kWhr/year of energy. This would cover an area of 12,393 (133,400 sqft).

The reach net-zero with just solar panels this site would require at least 182,668 solar panels. This is a total area of 226,508 sq m (2,287,734 sqft).

The **total root top area** in this project is 42,844 sq m (432,724.4 sqft). Therefore, the total roof area can hold **34,551 solar panels**. This many panels will produce **12,922,303** kWh/year.

SOUTH FACADE



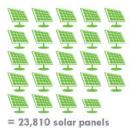
Total area: 29,524 sq m (298,192 sqft)

of solar panels: 23,810

Energy produced: 8,904,819 kWh/m2



Surface area:



BP 175B SOLAR PANEL



Cost per panel: \$799.99

1.24 sq m

Energy produced: 374 kWh/m2/year

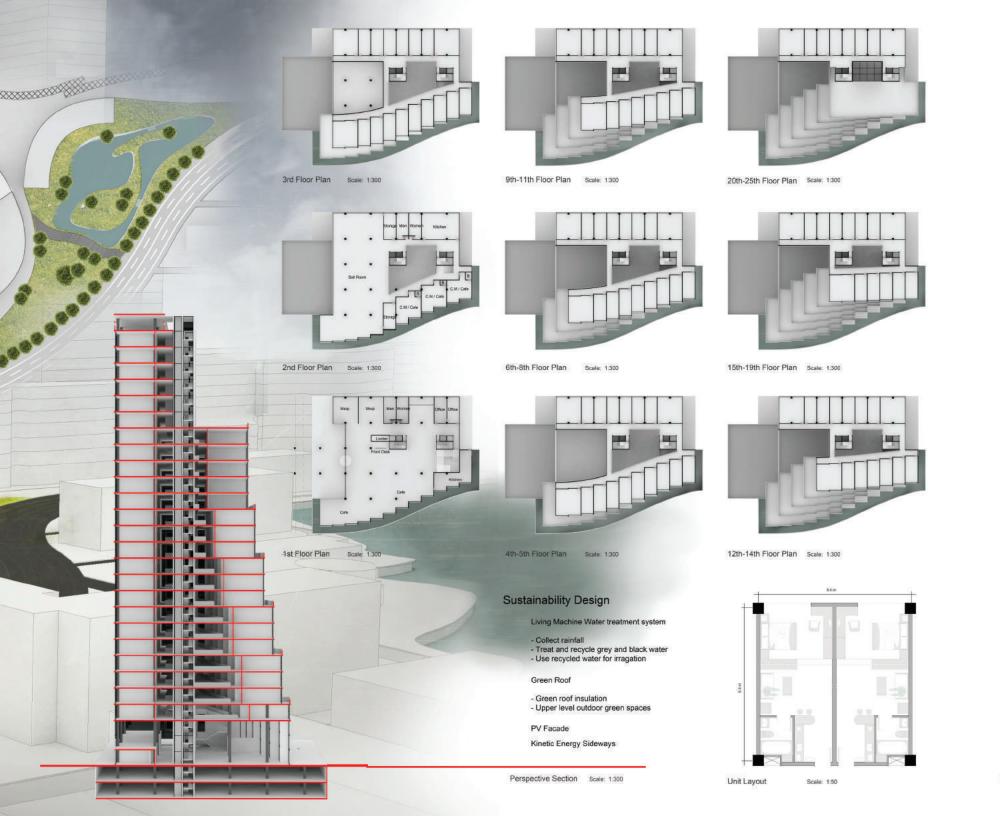
= 58,361 solar panels = 21,827,122 kWh/m2

31.95% of TOTAL ENERGY

Putting solar panels on both the roofs and south facades will cost \$46,688,800. The total energy cost will be reduced by \$5,132,712 every year. It will only take 9.10 years to pay off the panels.

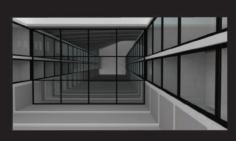
O4 INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS

















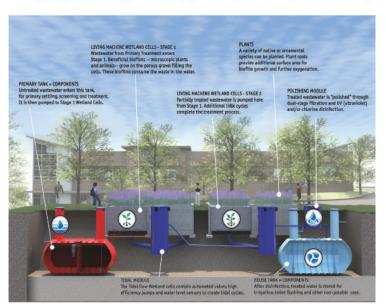
The Living Machine System

Living Machine® Technology blends cutting-edge science and engineering with plants and hard-working bacteria to efficiently treat and reuse wastewater, providing lasting water solutions for communities everywhere. Based on the principles of wetland ecology, the patented tidal process treats wastewater to meet high quality reuse standards, making Living Machine® technology the most energyefficient.

At a glance, the Living Machine® System incorporates a eries of wetland cells, or basins, filled with optimized gravel that promotes the development of micro-ecosystems. As water moves through the system, the cells are alternately flooded and drained to create multiple tidal cycles each day, resulting in high quality reusable water.

The Living Machine Process

The Living Machine® System treats water through several stages. While mimicking the processes of natural coastal wetlands, the patented components are more efficient than any other system available – giving the technology a smaller physical footprint and a lighter carbon footprint.



The Living Machine Benefits

- Opportunity for on-site wastewater reuse.
- Energy efficient design means lower operations and maintenance costs than other on-site systems.
- Reduction in construction costs when compared to other reuse technologies.
- Provides a living laboratory with on-site educational opportunities.
- Integrates with rainwater collection to increase reuse benefits.
- Attractive interior and/or exterior foliage that safely integrates into public space.
- Accepts all wastewater and produces high quality water that an be reused
- Helps save water in remote or drought prone areas.
- Regularly exceeds target water quality standards.
- Helps projects attained LEED certification by the
- U.S. Green Building Council.
- The Living Machine System's modular design can expand commensurate with new construction, significantly cutting initial building costs.
- Helps communities maintain lasting water resources.

Hotel water usage on site

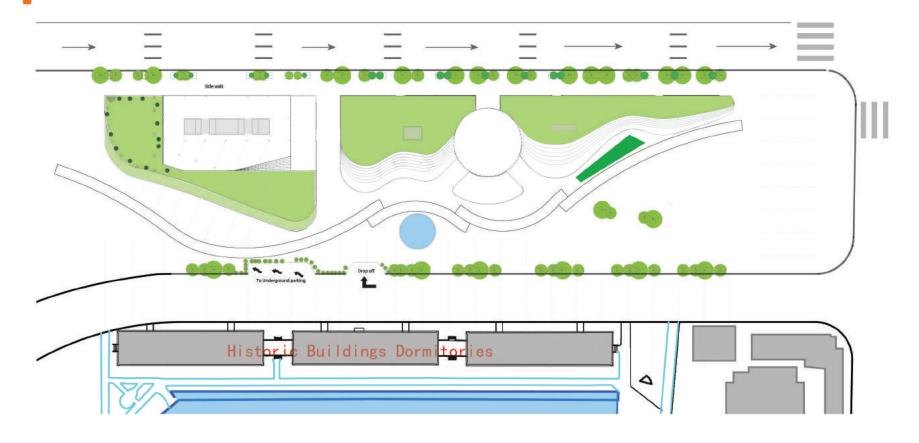
379
150
150 x 379 x 365 = 20750250
20750250 x 60% = 12450150

The Living Machine can recycle and save 12450150 gallon for irrigation

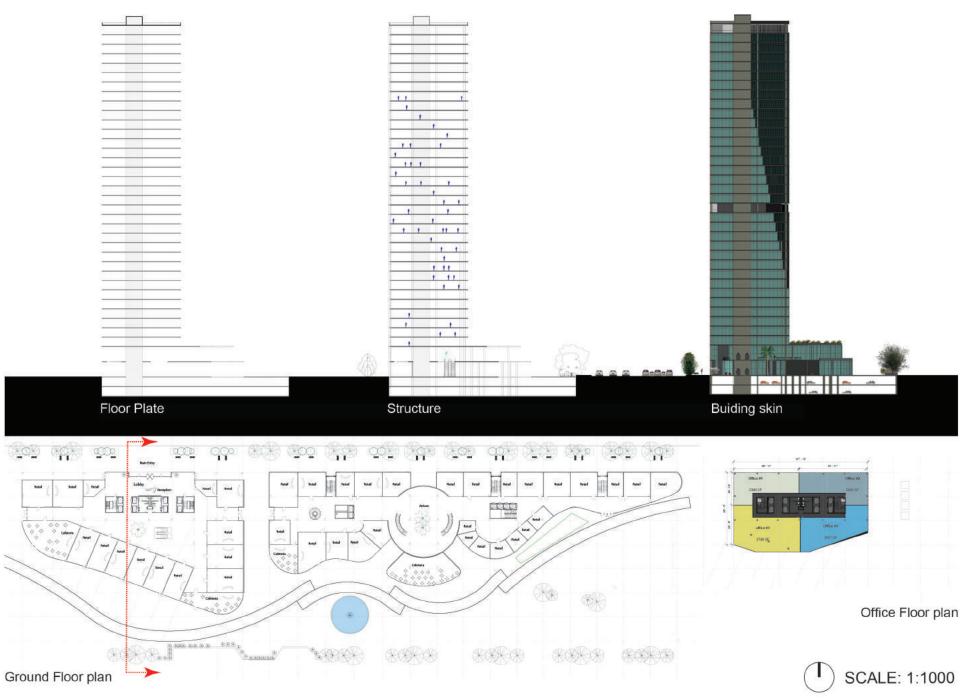
INDIVIDUAL DESIGN | LEUL YOSEPH

This design will create an environmentally friendly innovation campus in Tianjin, China that bonds the surrounding communities to a new technology through numerous levels of innovation. The project will focus on many levels of sustainable ideas that target carbon foot print reduction by creating a dynamic building environment to reduce energy load on heating and cooling, expanding green areas, proper management of water usage and used water recycling.

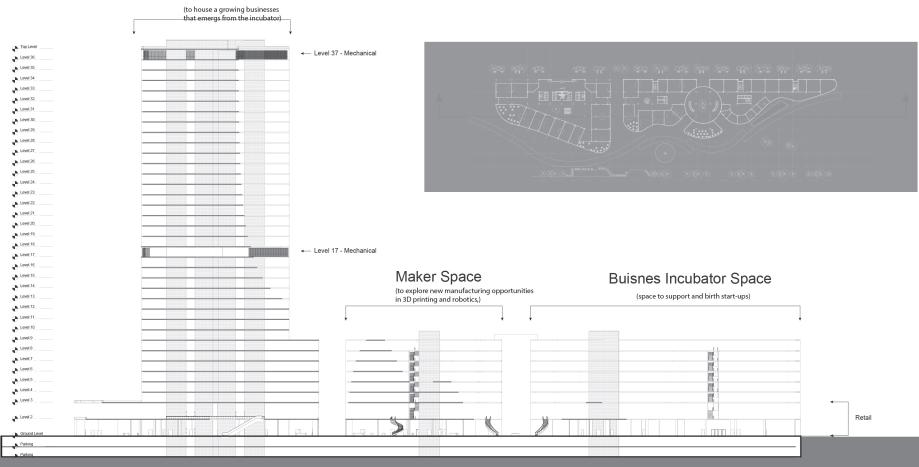








Commercial Office Tower



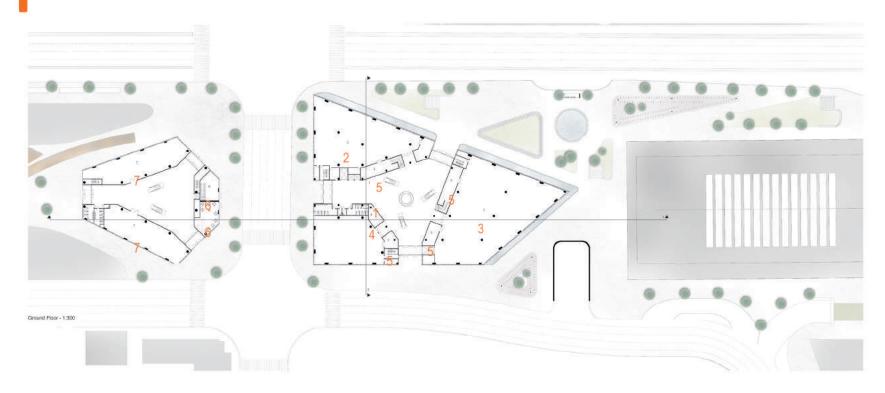




INDIVIDUAL DESIGN | MORTEN LYDIKSEN

The intention for this development is to create a connected community where synergies can occur as serendipitous moments. The Exhibition center proposes a mixture of big open exhibit areas down to galleries and smaller installations from upcoming creative people. The Idea was to create a building that engages and excite people visually and invites people into an excitement of open public flow space that is visually exposed from the outside while the exhibit areas are more closed and promotes curiosity.



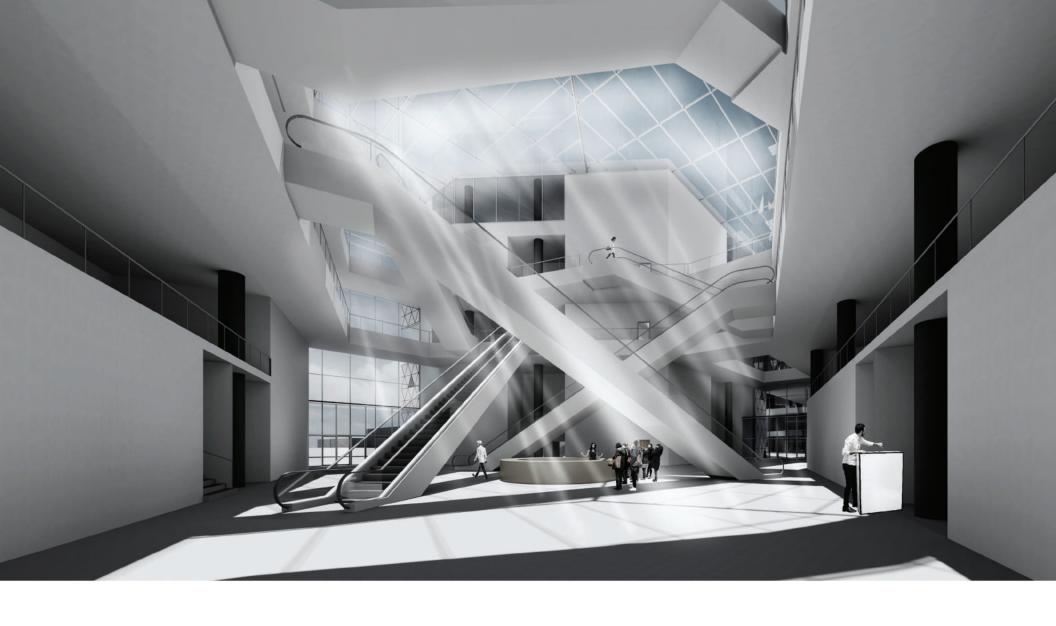


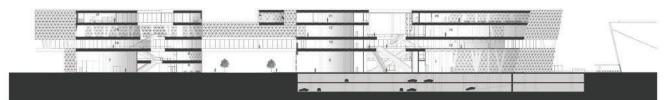
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- 2. Exhibition Hall 2
- 3. Auditorium

- 4. Mechanical room
- 5. Storage
- 6. Commercial
- 7. Exhibit space

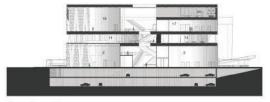
Ground Floor plan





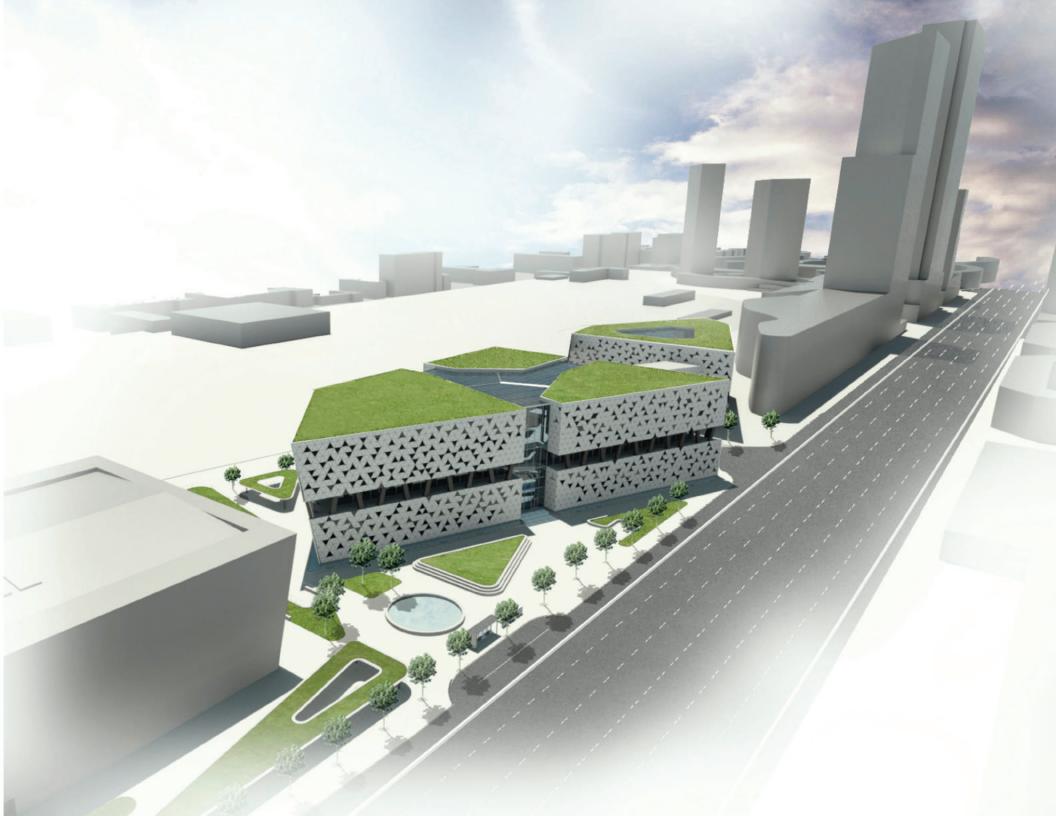






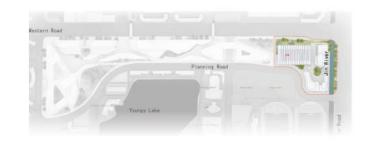
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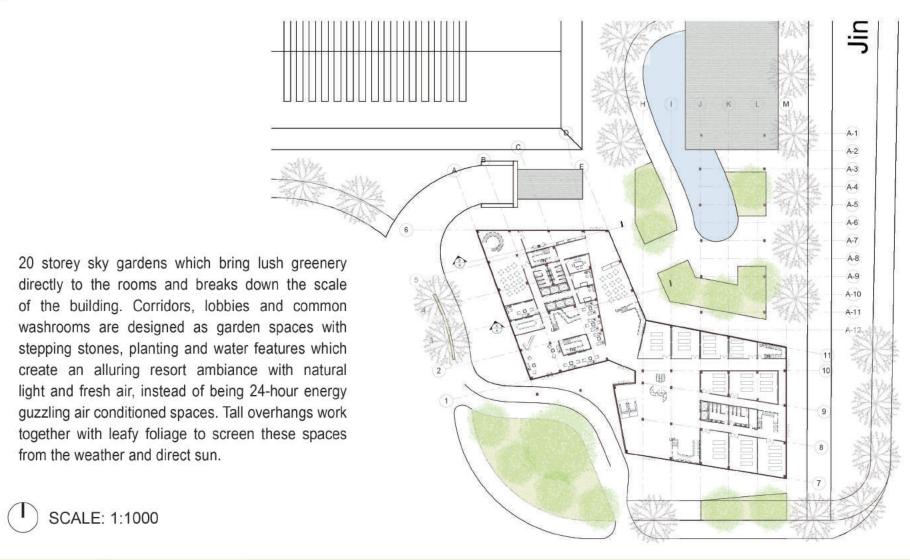


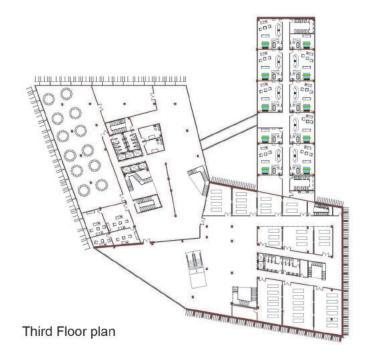


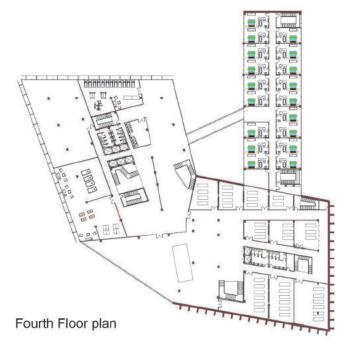
INDIVIDUAL DESIGN | MINA GENG

Designed as a hotel and comercial store in a garden, the project is a study of how we can increase the green replacement in a high-rise development in the city centre and multiply it in a manner that is architecturally striking, integrated and sustainable.

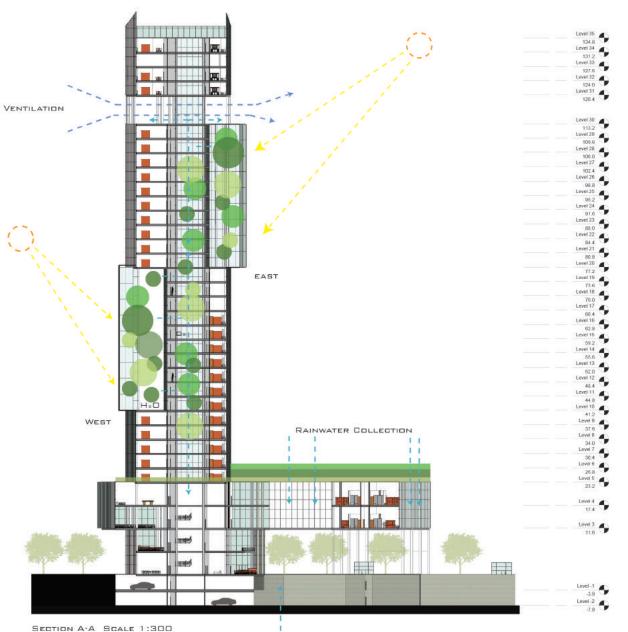












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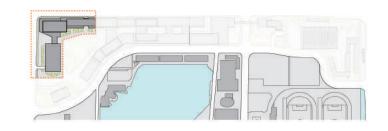
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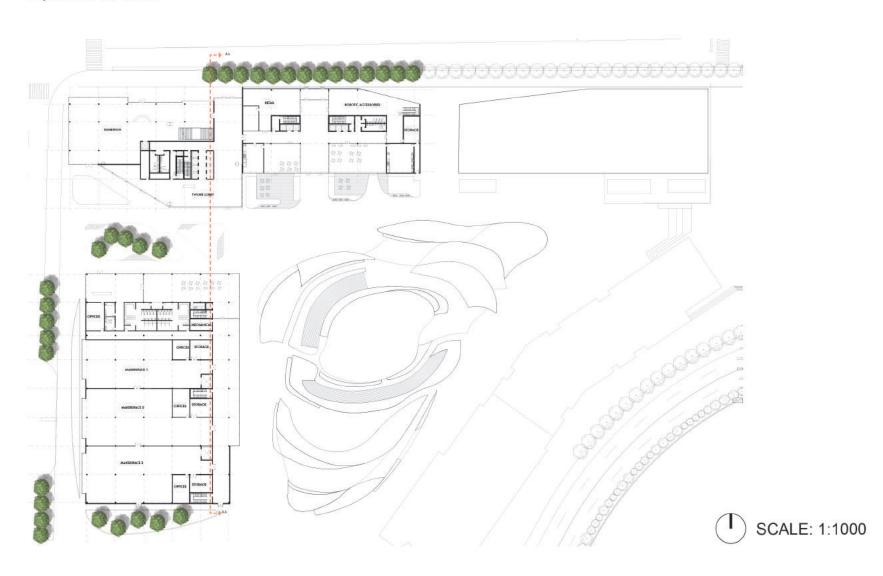
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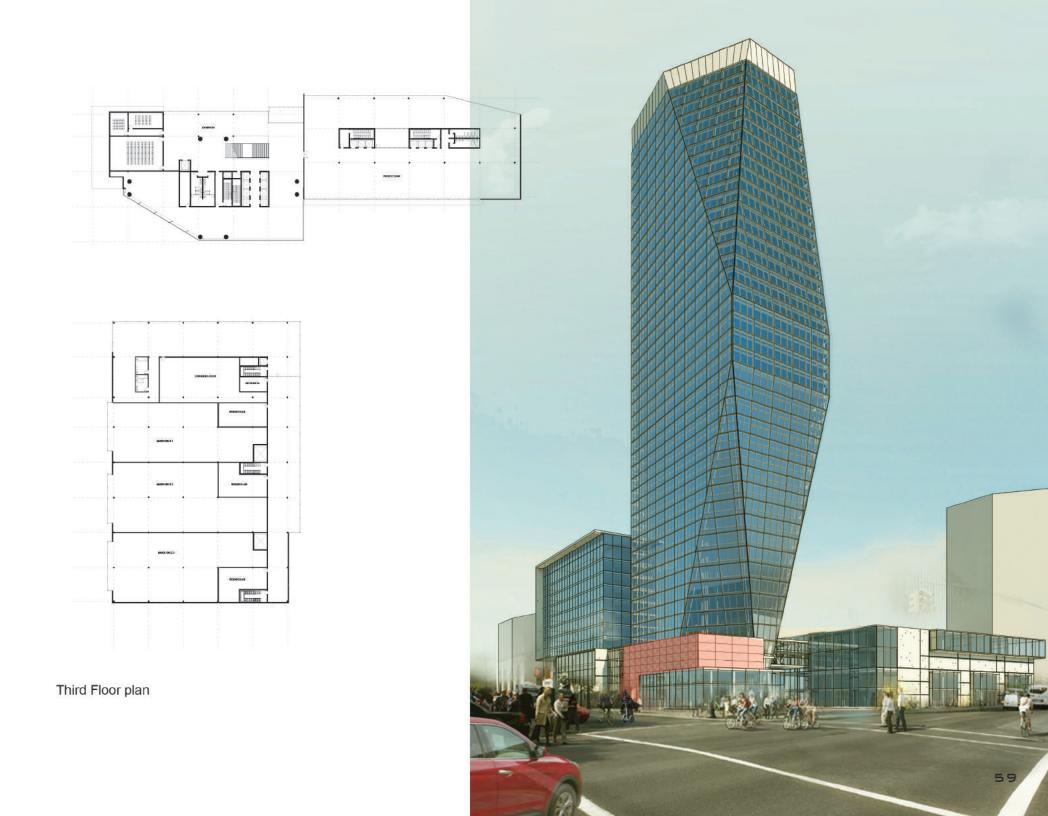


INDIVIDUAL DESIGN | ABDUL NAHAS

- Providing environment for social interaction and knowledge gain.
- Designing buildings loaded with sustainable performance features.
- Encouraging knowledge gain by providing visual and physical learning experience for users.



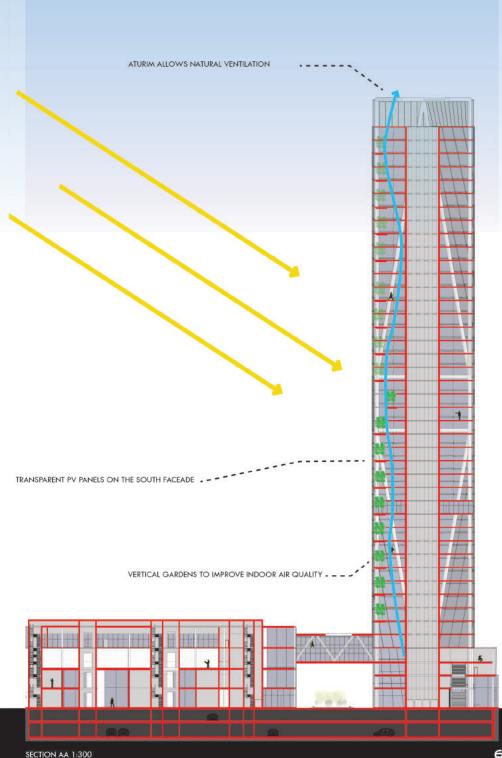




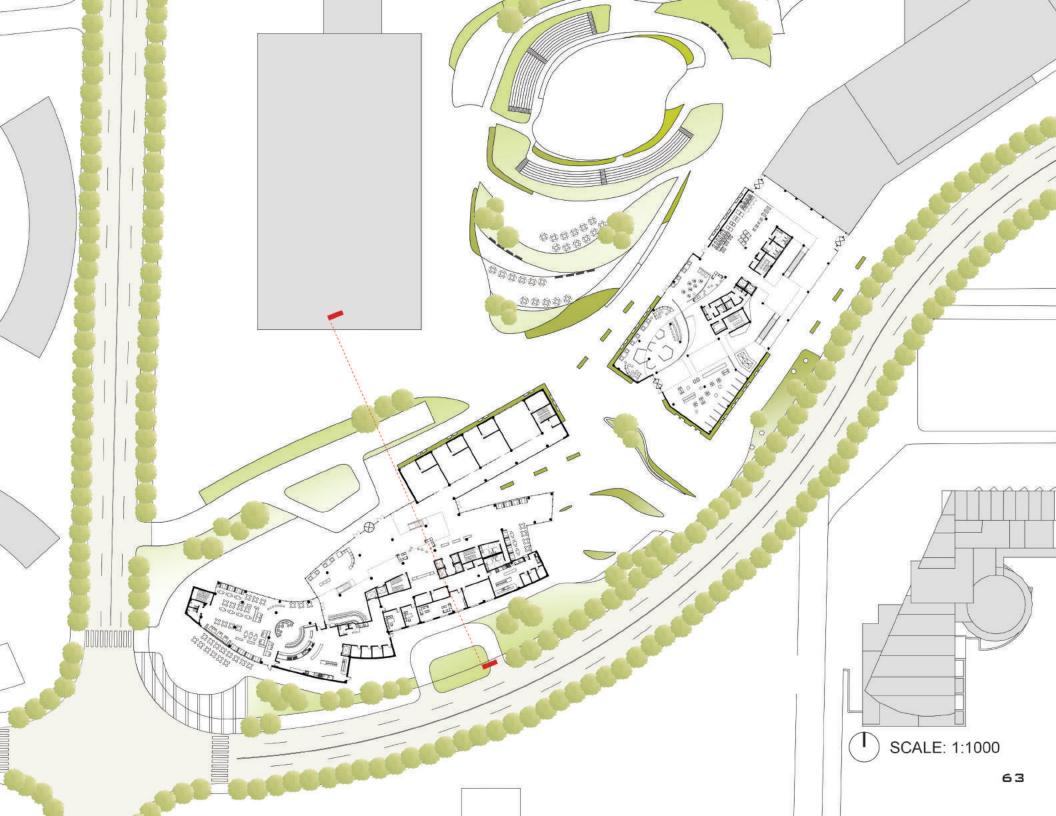








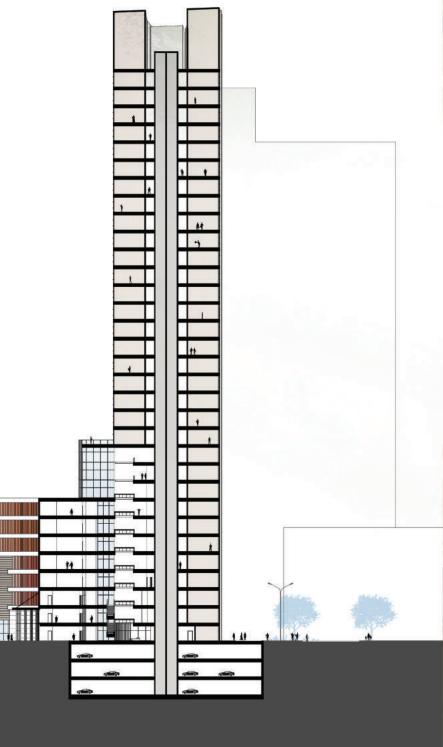




Sustainability performance of the project is achieved through a series of strategies such as:

Optimize design for passive strategies. The southern glazing wall facade are made out of transparent PV panels to produce energy on site as well as getting daylighting into the building. The atriums allow for natural ventilation. Multiple levels of green space also plays a key factor in achieving the sustainability perforamance goals.

Optimize design of active system, which means using purchased energy, including heat pumps, radiant panels and forced-air HVAC system. Using HVAC equipment with a high coefficient of performance or energy efficiency ratio would be beneficial because HVAC often accounts for 30% of building's total energy use.

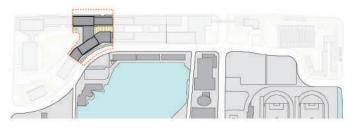


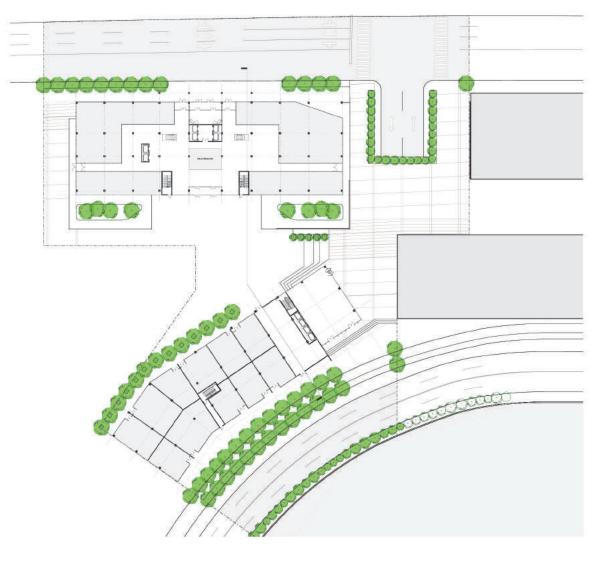
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INDIVIDUAL DESIGN | MEGHAN JANDUSEK

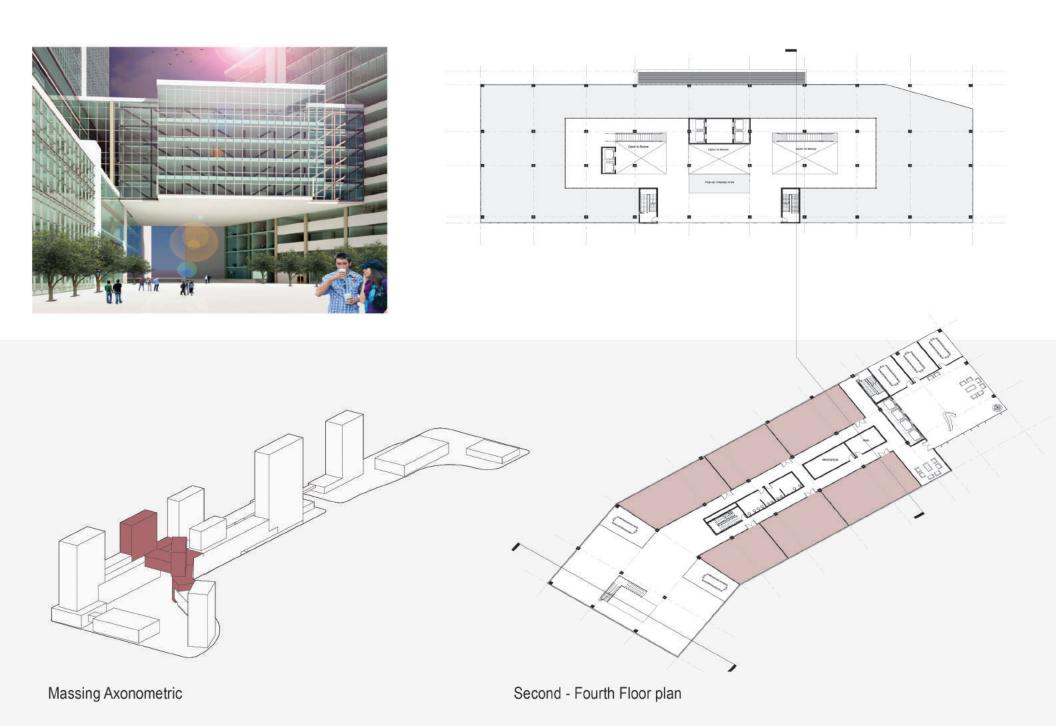
- Create a commercial main entrance easily accessible to the street
- Program division of more private to public
- Easily accessible to the pedestrian
- Take advantage of views of the lake and interior courtyards that are buffered from the street

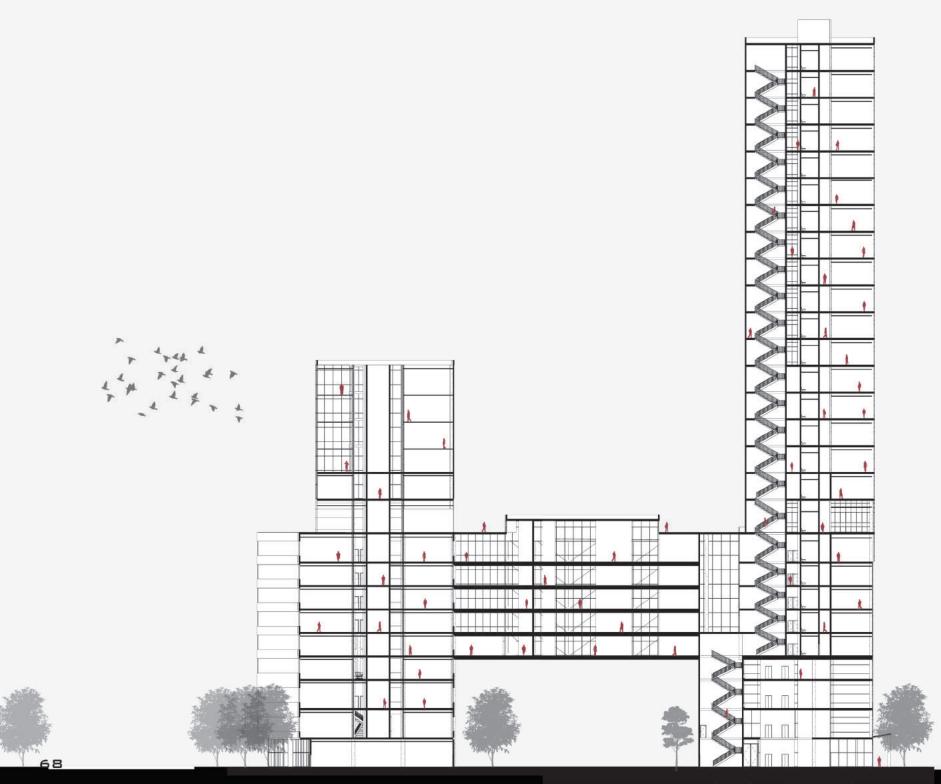




Tianjin's new Innovation Campus is a highly collaborative atmosphere that start up businesses and stable businesses alike will want to occupy. This scheme emphasises the importance of collaboration and moment of interaction by the users. The Business Incubator, Offices, and Makerspaces are sprinkled throughout the entire site which allows for users to cross paths frequently. This portion of the master plan acts as the 'heart of campus'. It becomes multiple gates for different areas of the project. The primary vehicular access coming off of Ashan Road enters into a parking garage situated below the project. The primary pedestrian spine that flows through the center of the project opens up to the main plaza at this kink as well. The Makerspaces float above this pedestrian spine which allows for iews into the space to see the interaction and novement in the project.

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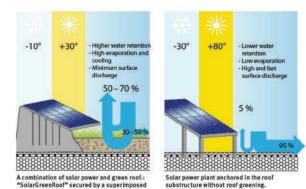
SUSTAINABILITY



SOLAR GARDEN ROOF

Adding planting around the solar panels on a roof not only makes for a more pleasent look but they also act like small air conditioners for the heat sensitive PV elements. The green roof technology also helps retain 50% more annual rainfall and prevents in from running off into our sewer systems. The PV elements are then able to produce more reliable power during high summer temperatures. Green roofs can also reduces the amount of pollutants and dust that is given off of a traditional roof system. Reducing the environmental footprint of the building and the energy that this large project will consume is important to sustainability in Tainjin. The combination of solar and green roofs is the best investment that can be made for the environment and the building.

http://www.greenrooftechnology.com/Solar_PV_Greenroofe

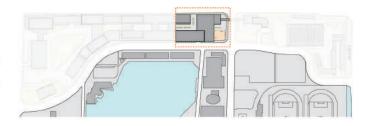


PHOTOVOLTAIC PANELS

PV Panels placed directly on the roof would be located on the tops of the business office towers. Green roofing was not located in these portions for maintenance purposes. The plants would need to be taken care of and the tops of the towers are not easily accessed. These PV panels would still collect a large amount of energy to be produced for the entire building.

INDIVIDUAL DESIGN | MATT KRUEZER

The design intention is to bring together various programs into a synergistic amalgamation of parts that provided for the chance encounter among inhabitants and also provided a public face through exhibition and retail spaces.

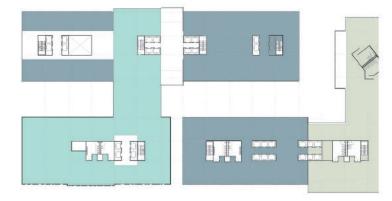




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Ground Floor plan



Floor 5-7





ROOF

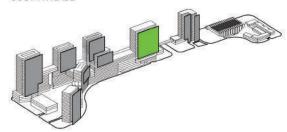


Total area: 3797.408 sq m # of solar panels: 3062 panels

Energy produced: 1,145,347.25 kWh/m2

= 3.062 solar panels

SOUTH FACADE



Total area: 9,720.3 sq m (298,192 sqH) # of solar panels: 7,838 panels

of solar panels: 7,838 panels
Energy produced: 2,931,767.9 kWh/m2





ROOF



Total area: 9000 sq m

Water collected: 675,000 liters/month

Water collected: 8,100,000 liters/year

COLLECTIBLE RAINFALL (based on a population

of 2,000): What becomes apparent is a need for the ability to pull water from other resources, to be able to supply the campus with the resources it needs. There are only two months where the campus can collect enough water to be able to support the various water uses.

A 21.4% reduction in water from the LEED baseline, through use of low flow fixtures, is necessary to entirely use rainwater to be able to facilitate the basic functions of the proposed buildings on campus. LEED baseline would would not be adequate to supply water through rainfall collection.

Thus, with a 49% reduction from LEED Baseline, we have a surplus of water, possibly facilititating water movement to harness energy.

The water collection area is the maximum area not devoted to green space.

[1] Produce Energy On Site

= 10,900 solar panels = 4,077,115.15 kWh/m2

5.79% of TOTAL ENERGY USED

[3] LEED Gold

See attached LEED checklist

[5] Reuse Materials

Reuse of materials for paving of plaza and exhibition concrete

[2] Water Consumption

Building Usage		LEED Average	
Liters/person/do	ıy: 9.1	7.9	
Liters/day:	1,827.0	3,580.0	
Liters/month:	55,571.9	108,892.9	
Liters/year:	475,020.0	930,800.0	

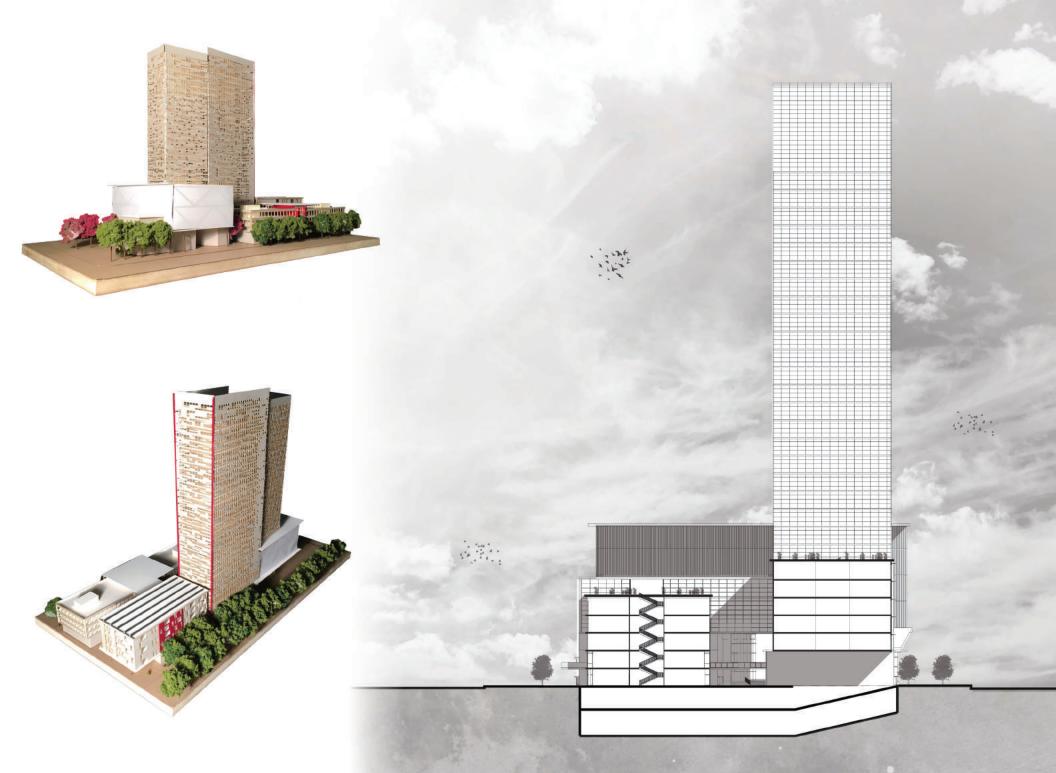
Reduction vs. average:61.5%% Reduction vs. LEED Baseline:49.0%

[2] Water Treatment On Site

Treatment done in Living Machine

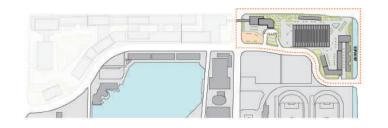
[2] Improve IAQ

Methods: Cross-ventilation
Floor to Floor Heights
DOAS system
Dedicated exhaust in copy rooms



INDIVIDUAL DESIGN | BEN BEDELL

- 1. Maximizing program (short stay hotel and conference center).
- 2. Initial massing model creating a terminus to the extended site.
- 3. Opening up pathway and dispersing the program.
- 4. Using GrassHopper to alter the form and make it more welcoming.
- 5. Finalizing the form and adding the facades.

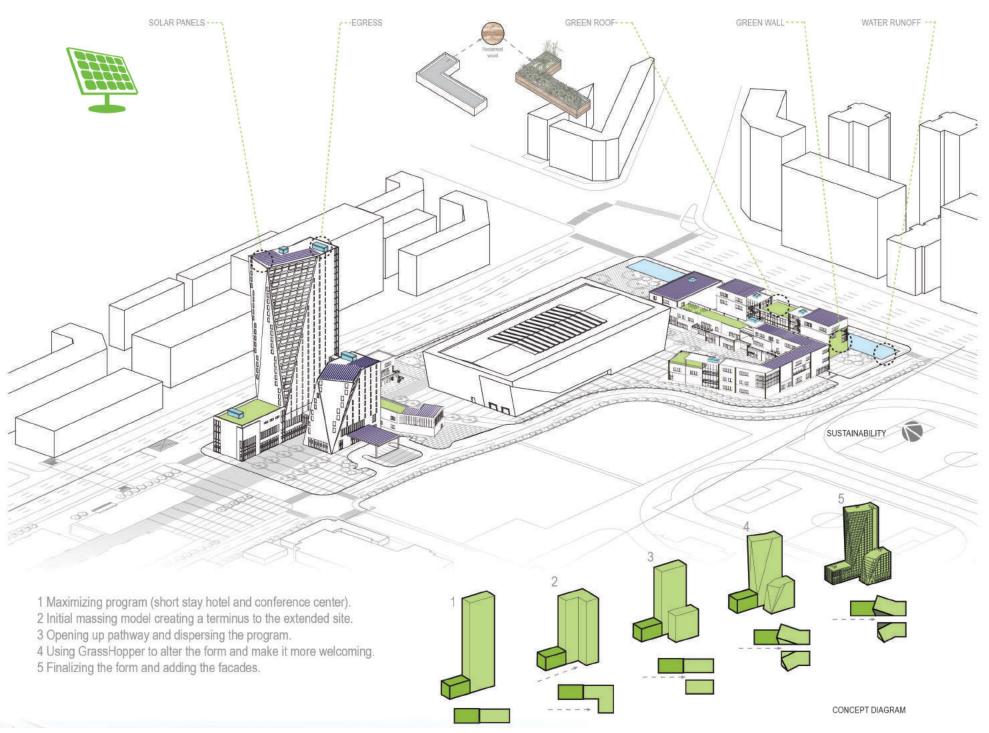




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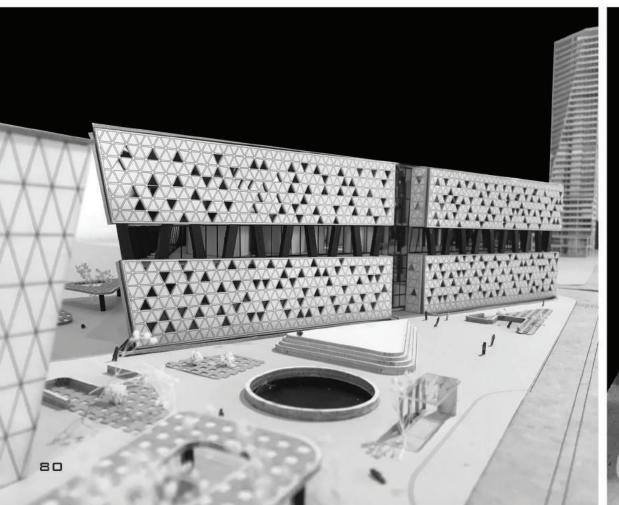




05 STUDIO CULTURE

INTELL - STUDENT TESTIMONIES

The keyword to mention after taking the sustainable Urbanism studio is Teamwork. We worked as a team, five members, from three different countries, have diverse culture understandings. A variety of different ideas gathered together and crashed into each other, condensed out of a unique result which not any individual one can be done. Of course, the "teamwork" is not only for people but also for the project itself. Sustainable urbanism design has complicated systems and interrelated elements, the relationships in amount of human beings, infrastructures, environment, climate, history, culture, economic and policy are as a group which all need to be considered in the design and find out a long term solution.







LIDALU

In Mark Hoistad's Studio, I learned a lot about the sustainable aspect of the design, such as the black water treatment and recycling, energy efficiency, capture or generate the nature energy. The most important goal is exploit local environment resources, and nature conditions, energy-related factors such as daylight, solar heat or ventilation is the use of site analysis.



LEUL YOSEPH

Being in Prof. Mark's studio
helped me see and understand the
relationships between design, users
and environment. Throughout this
project I was able to identify those
relationships and seek possible
innovative solutions which would
provide safety, comfort and lessen
the carbon footprint of the building.



MORTEN LYDISEK

I'm an International student from
Denmark. Mark helped me gain a
better understanding of the human
relation to the built and natural
environment. The studio provided
me a wide range of knowledge in
how to approach a dense urban
cityscape and how it can influence
the city image. I found the individual
supervisions very helpful where I learn
to be critical to my own architectural
design development and how my
ideas were translated into the design.



MINA GENG

Mark Hoistad's studio is always my number 1 choice. I've been taking it for 3 semesters. I learned so much thanks to a comprehensive design challenge including site research, site massing design, architecture design which approach to energy, ecology conservation and built environment. I especially appreciate the aspect of seeking to minimize the energy consumption of the building. It is something I never get to learn in other studios.



PBAMM - STUDENT TESTIMONIES

It was challenging for most of us to work in such a large group at first. However, it really helped to foster creativity and learning, as well as brought our complementary strengths together. We were emotionally, intellectually, and aesthetically engaged in solving problems, creating products, and making meaning to the project. Making design decision as a team, taking healthy risks made our project even stronger. Spending time together during and after studio learning and having fun absolutely added to the success of the project.









Sustainable Urbanism Studio helped me to engage with different aspects of design and environment to find long term solutions. I become more aware of other fields and topics that integrate with sustainable designs; such as population, ecosystems, global change, energy, water conversation, policy, and cultural history.



PHUONG NGUYEN

My favorite thing about the studio this semester was the pizza treat every Saturday before a big review came up and the dog therapy sessions. The studio was intense, but I learned so much more from Mark compared to other studios I had. The design challenge ranges from big idea massing to intricate level of details. Mark was so passionate about teaching and he really cared about our learning progress. I'm so happy to have a good big scale project in my portfolio!



MEGHAN JANDUSEK

Being in professor Hoistad's "Sustainable Urbanism" studio helped me become a better designer by exposing me to masterplanning. Architecture is more than designing the buildings. It is about the exterior interstitial spaces we create in between the buildings. The masterplanning phase allowed for the design of those interstitial spaces.



MATT KRUTZER

I appreciated how the studio gave the opportunity to look at architecture from masterplanning phase up through design realization.

Additionally, I gained a better understanding of how sustainable design can be implemented on a large scale, as was the case for this project.



BENJAMIN BEDELL

"I really enjoyed the collaboration aspect among our team throughout the entire semester. I am extremely proud of how our models came together showing the project as a holistic development. That could not have been possible without the dedication and effort from all the five of us."

