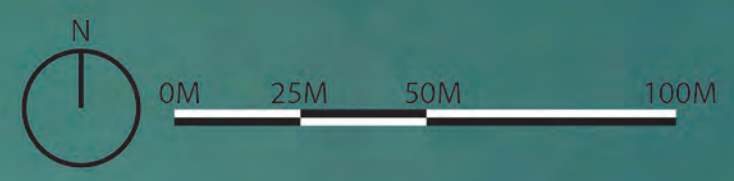


URBAN PACEMAKER

_Wan Chai North and North Point Harbourfront Areas



"Tradition is not necessarily obsolete, nor is it a synonym of immobilism. Indeed, it does not have to be old, but may be something that was recently built...When a tradition has solved a problem and stopped developing we can say that its cycle is complete." (Fathy 2009:34)

Here comes something new along the waterfront, which is going to play a role of pacemaker of Wan Chai traditional urban context

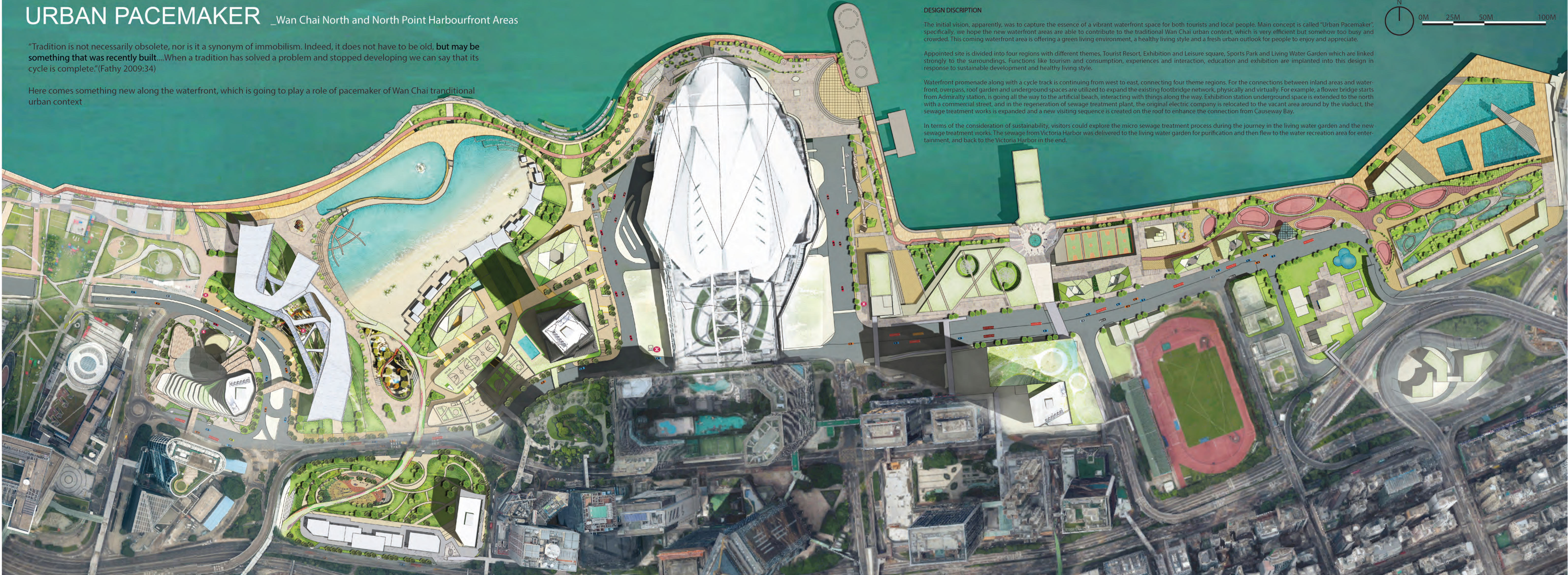
DESIGN DISCUSSION

The initial vision, apparently, was to capture the essence of a vibrant waterfront space for both tourists and local people. Main concept is called "Urban Pacemaker", specifically, we hope the new waterfront areas are able to contribute to the traditional Wan Chai urban context, which is very efficient but somehow too busy and crowded. This coming waterfront area is offering a green living environment, a healthy living style and a fresh urban outlook for people to enjoy and appreciate.

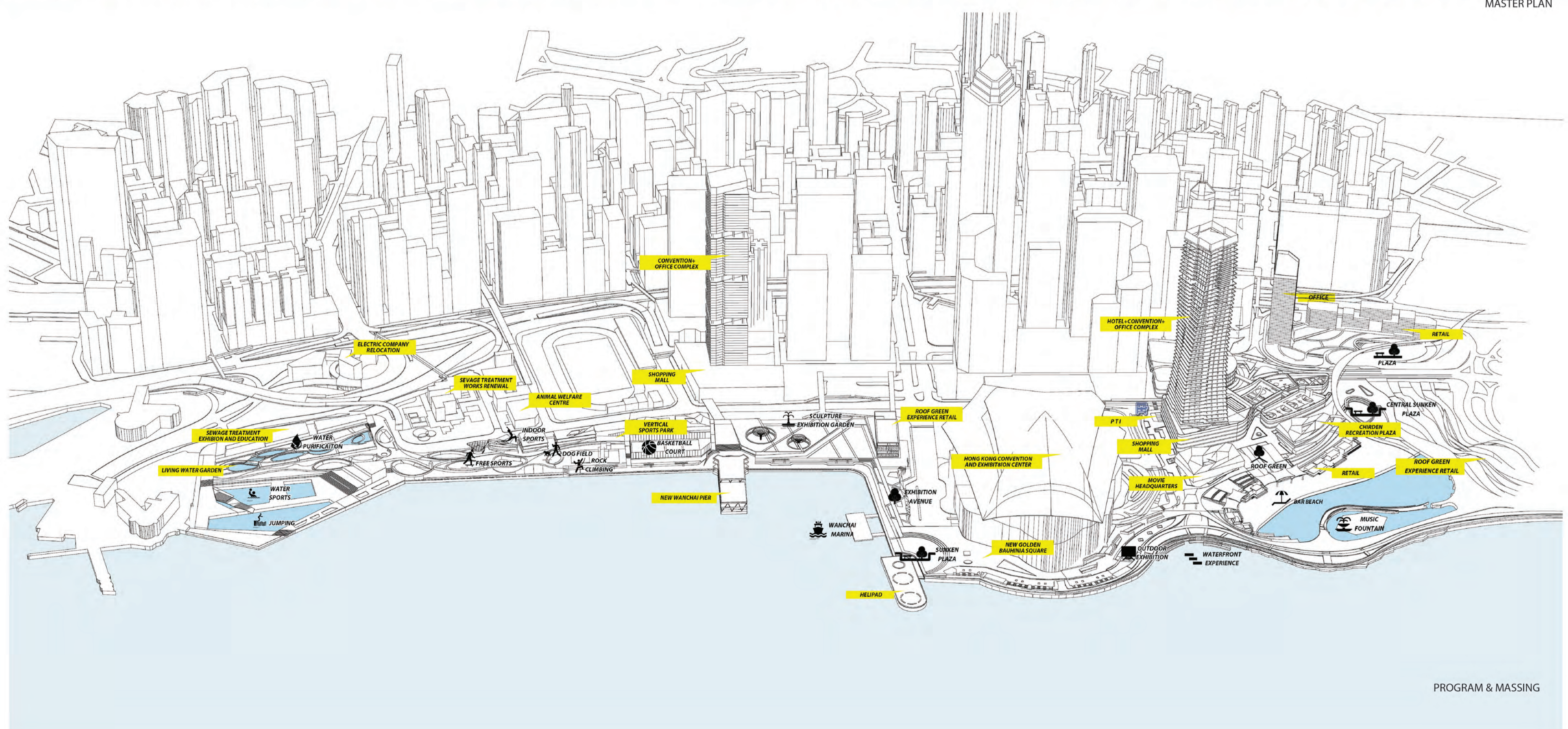
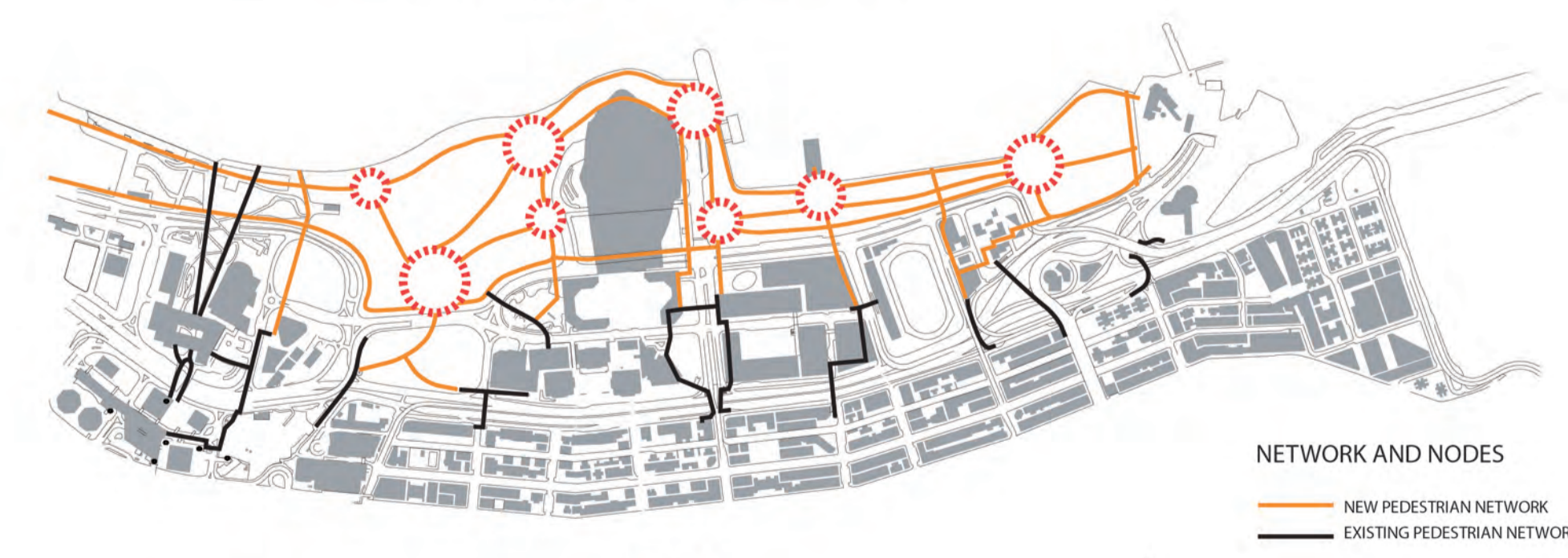
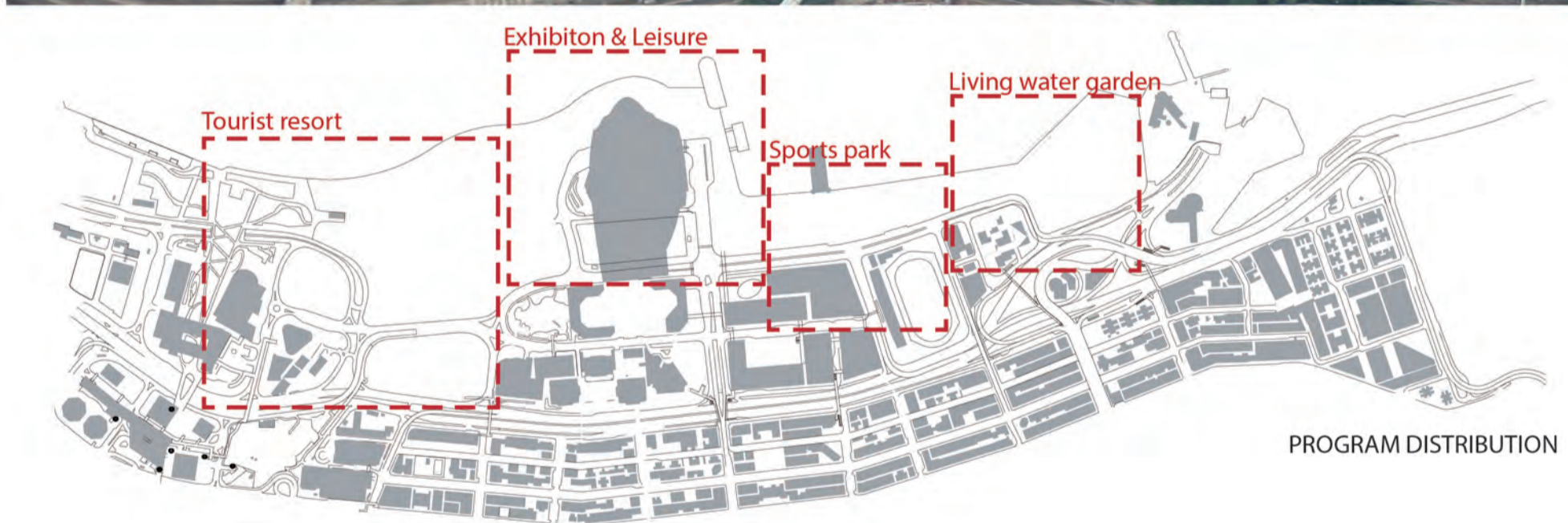
Appointed site is divided into four regions with different themes, Tourist Resort, Exhibition and Leisure Square, Sports Park and Living Water Garden which are linked strongly to the surroundings. Functions like tourism and consumption, experiences and interaction, education and exhibition are implanted into this design in response to sustainable development and healthy living style.

Waterfront promenade along with a cycle track is continuing from west to east, connecting four theme regions. For the connections between inland areas and waterfront, overpass, roof garden and underground spaces are utilized to expand the existing footbridge network, physically and virtually. For example, a flower bridge starts from Admiralty station, is going all the way to the artificial beach, interacting with things along the way. Exhibition station underground space is extended to the north with a commercial street, and in the regeneration of sewage treatment plant, the original electric company is relocated to the vacant area around by the viaduct, the sewage treatment works is expanded and a new visiting sequence is created on the roof to enhance the connection from Causeway Bay.

In terms of the consideration of sustainability, visitors could explore the micro sewage treatment process during the journey in the living water garden and the new sewage treatment works. The sewage from Victoria Harbor was delivered to the living water garden for purification and then flew to the water recreation area for entertainment, and back to the Victoria Harbor in the end.



MASTER PLAN



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Here, not only ornamented just with parks, green spaces, plazas, pedestrians, but also combined with the beauty of natural, ecological and humanity, which make it a livable city.



Section

Aerial View



Perspective_A

People go shopping and doing sports here intersected with both the nature and city, make a new sense of place.



Nightscape_Vision

PROGRAMMES

The Memorial and Golden Bauhinia Square

We suggest to make full use of the underground space of the plaza and build a **new triangle portal** in front of the HKCEC. And **expand** the memorial plaza to the east space, strength the sense of certain place.



Perspective Montage

The Exhibition and Leisure Park

We want to create a vibrant waterfront place with multiple functions **mixed** together. Here The main functions of leisure park are **experience commercial** area and some outdoor exhibition plazas and corridors.



Nightscape Montage

The Sports Park

Waterfront area can be more than greenbelts and pedestrians. Here, more than a normal sports park, we concerned much more possibilities about **family activities** and **intersections of people**. Both local workers and tourists can enjoy leisure time here, not only through practising, but also in watching, hearing, and touching.



The Living Water Garden

Visitors could explore the micro **sewage treatment process** during the journey in the living water garden. The sewage from Victoria Harbor was delivered to the living water garden for purification and then flew to the water recreation area for entertainment, and back to the Victoria Harbor in the end.



Space References

In light of the program creation, **experience economy** has been regarded as a new type of economy model. As one of the world trade center, Hong Kong needs to firmly seize the opportunity. In this case, experience economy and fitness entertainment are gathered together and a **leisure sports entertainment center** is combined with supplementary experience commercial programs. Hope by this way, this design could contribute to the vitality of this region economically, ecologically and physically.