

Urban development, programming and design

Creating the urban fabric

Urban issues identified and tailored to meet specific local needs

The concept of urban development can be defined as a set of actions, strategies and mechanisms needed to transform the city with the primary objective of economic, social and environmental development.

The identification of the specific stakes and constraints requires the implementation of a clear and structured method.

Designing and visioning are the two levers of this approach. This involves identification, location, programming, feasibility and sizing of the projects that are necessary to the community as well as their implementation schedule.

A multi-level intervention in space and time

The quality of our intervention is nurtured by the interaction of the different scales that constitute the urban fabric and its organisation: landscape, public and community spaces, facilities, and specialised areas. These different levels are themselves part of a moving entity with its own time and rhythm: the city.

We work to develop and manage urban projects, from the initial idea to its implementation, in an iterative and participative way, as close as possible to local realities and timescales.



Our service:

- > Programming
- > Development plan
- > Identification and prioritisation of investments
- > Feasibility study
- > Preliminary and detailed design
- > Regulatory and operational urban planning
- > Design, schedule and cost of operation
- > Facilitation of co-design workshop
- > Tender documents
- > Technical assistance
- > Project evaluation

Our expertises

DESIGNING AN INTEGRATED AND SUSTAINABLE CITY

DEVELOPMENT

- Local regeneration and restructuring
- Public realm
- Urban fabric
- Environment sensitive areas (coastline, riverbanks, wetlands, etc.)
- Protection and development of built and non-built heritage
- Circular economy

PROGRAMMING AND DESIGN

URBAN, SPATIAL, ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPE

- Affordable housing
- Special development zone and urban cluster
- Brownfield
- Public realm
- Green space and landscape
- Infrastructure
- Public facility (market, station ..)

RESILIENCE AND MITIGATION

- Adaptation to climate change
- Nature-based solutions (NBS)
- Protection and development of natural environment
- Densification of green space

Locally integrated design

Our work is based on a structured and integrated community approach, ensuring the quality of our services by incorporating social, land and economic constraints and adapting them to the local context.

We also aim to comply with local and international regulatory frameworks, while aiming to control and optimise operating and maintenance costs over the long term. This integrated approach aligns the challenges of all urban sectors to ensure the positive impact of each of the project's components.

Development and protection of local heritage

Groupe Huit operates in diverse cultural contexts which, despite their unique specificities, are faced with limited financial resources and the existence of threats to the local built and non-built heritage.

Committed to their local economic, social, environmental and cultural value, our interventions are designed to promote heritage as a major asset for consolidating local identities.

Promoting sustainable development

With the current climate threats and environmental challenges that most emerging cities are faced with, the importance of preserving natural spaces and encouraging the development of biodiversity in urban environments has become a key lever.

Our team gathers the technical expertise and skills needed to guide sustainable development through simple, effective, nature-based and economically viable solutions: water resource management, densification of green spaces, reduction of urban heat islands, green corridors, etc.

Some references



MAYOTTE

Urban and operational design management of the special development area of Doujani

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LIBERIA

Identification of an investment program and pre-feasibility study for the upgrading of informal neighbourhoods in Monrovia

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RWANDA

Feasibility study and design for the rehabilitation of urban wetlands in Kigali

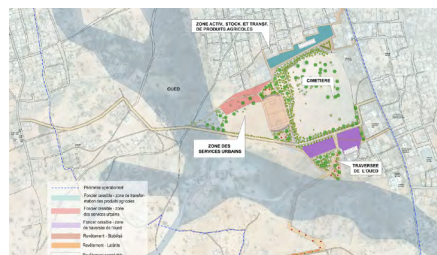
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VANUATU

Pre-feasibility study for affordable and resilient settlements

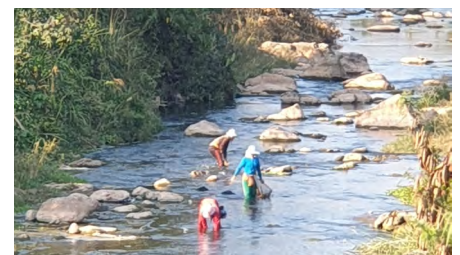
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MAURITANIA

Programming, design studies and associated tender documents for the development of the fluvial domain of the Lemsila Wadi

WB - 2022-2023



LAOS

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WB - 2020-2021