

M/S Walkommen: Bridging the gaps

The target area currently lacks connectivity to nature and between the local inhabitants.

We wish to utilise the unique qualities of the territory in a sensible and holistic manner, whilst keeping in mind both social and environmental issues.

In this regard, our main focal point was the underused waterfront and associated infrastructure i.e. the sub-bridge space.

Our proposal opens up the waterfront to the people in three dimensions - above, near and in the water:

1. by creating a unique space and vista point for the city, allowing for a previously lacking sight;
2. by developing a new waterfront pathway connecting the Årstaskogen to Hammarbyhamnen;
3. by introducing services that provide a corporeal experience.

We are preserving and utilising the local culture that is at risk of displacement due to nearby development. By bringing people together and giving them agency, we guarantee long-term ownership and a sense of belonging. By connecting locals with nature, we boost awareness of the socium and of the ecology and (also!) socio-ecological sustainability.

Additionally, our proposal implements established technology to provide sustainable, carbon-free heating by capturing waste heat produced by bodily movements at the local nightclub. Plus, dancing is fun and good for your health!

