

Population  
84 300

Nom du lieu  
Université République

Surface de la zone d'étude  
22 ha

Surface du site  
3 ha

## Theme

Within the context of the development of the last, large plot of land in the heart of the town, the challenge is to create a block that is representative of this "active town". It must associate diversity of use, functional mix (housing and business activities); it is to ally different existing, mono-functional urban fragments, by improving the liaison between the districts and which enhancing the standard of living, by a quality treatment of the public spaces and urban ambience.

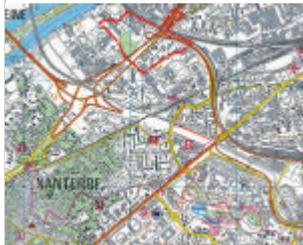


## Conurbation

Nanterre, the principal town of the department of the Hauts-de-Seine, to the north-west of Paris, is bordered by the Seine to the north-west, and by the La Défense business district to the south-east. Nanterre's rapid urban growth since the 1960's is the result of the planned construction of a number of operations of far-reaching territorial importance (university, La Défense tertiary sector, administrative headquarters of the préfecture, etc.), of major infrastructures, and large social housing estates. Today, the town is seeking to improve the links between districts, reinforce the balance of social mix, diversify economic possibilities, and contribute to improving the environment.

## Site

To the north of Nanterre, the site is at the junction of the university campus, a students' residence, and a social housing development (all designed as autonomous urban fragments), and of major road networks (A86 motorway, interchange/intersection, two national routes). Its environment dictates its evolution in the coming years in the context of the "Seine-Arche" project, an overall regeneration of the heart of the town on the last major parcel of land at its disposal.



## Programme

The programme brief concerns the creation of a local focus point at the junction of the university and Avenue de la République. This new neighbourhood nucleus must include: rented housing, both social and other types of housing, as well as houses for subsidised first time buyers; craft industries, and tertiary activities (research, services); retail businesses; as well as residential public spaces and liaisons between neighbourhoods. Exchanges between the populations who live, work or study in the area are to be encouraged by the association of housing, amenities, local services, and shared public spaces.

## Issues

**functional**: The aim is better to link the different sectors that make up this district, to treat the interface between the proposed new developments, and the existing road and rail infrastructures, while taking into account their long-term evolution, and incorporating the passage of a future tramway.

**social**: Social mix must be achieved by providing housing for the variety of populations it is destined for: university professors, students and university staff, those living in the contiguous housing estates; young couples living in the commune, or a completely new population from outside the commune.

**perceptual**: The urban framework in which people live/work/study is to be enhanced by the creation of a network of landscaped public spaces that link the site, the university to the south, the planned Chemin de l'île park and the Seine to the north-west, and the planned sports-grounds to the north. This is to be done with due consideration given to environmental quality and sustainable development.

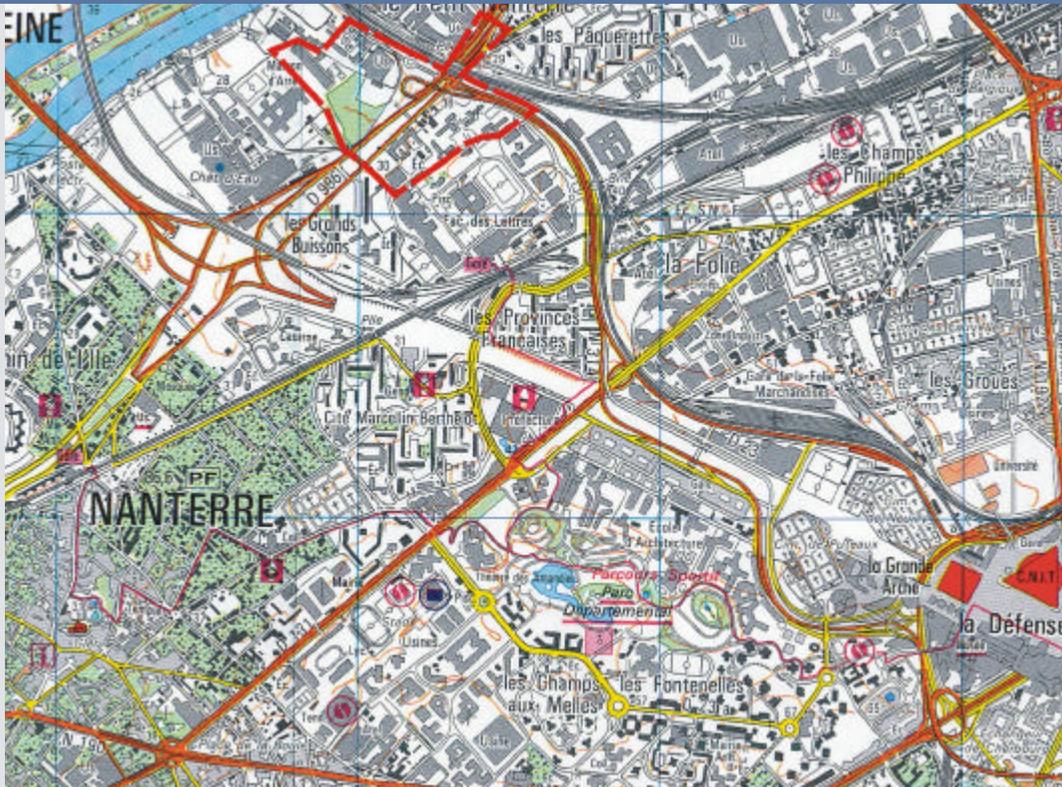


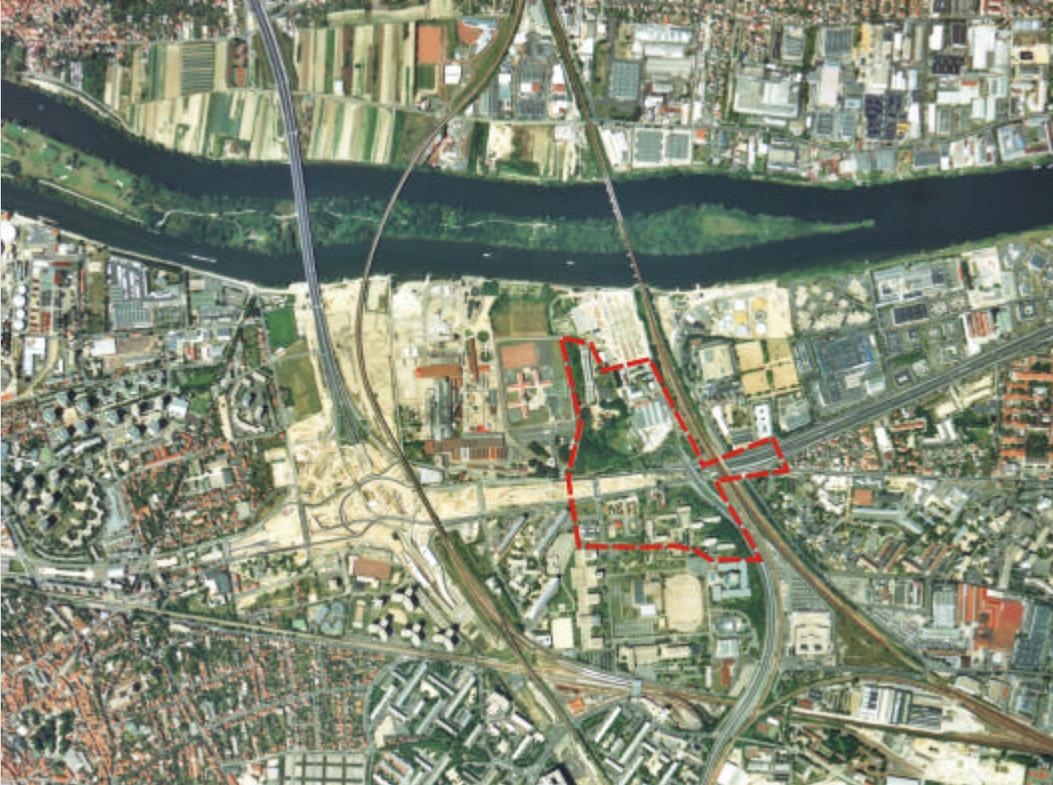
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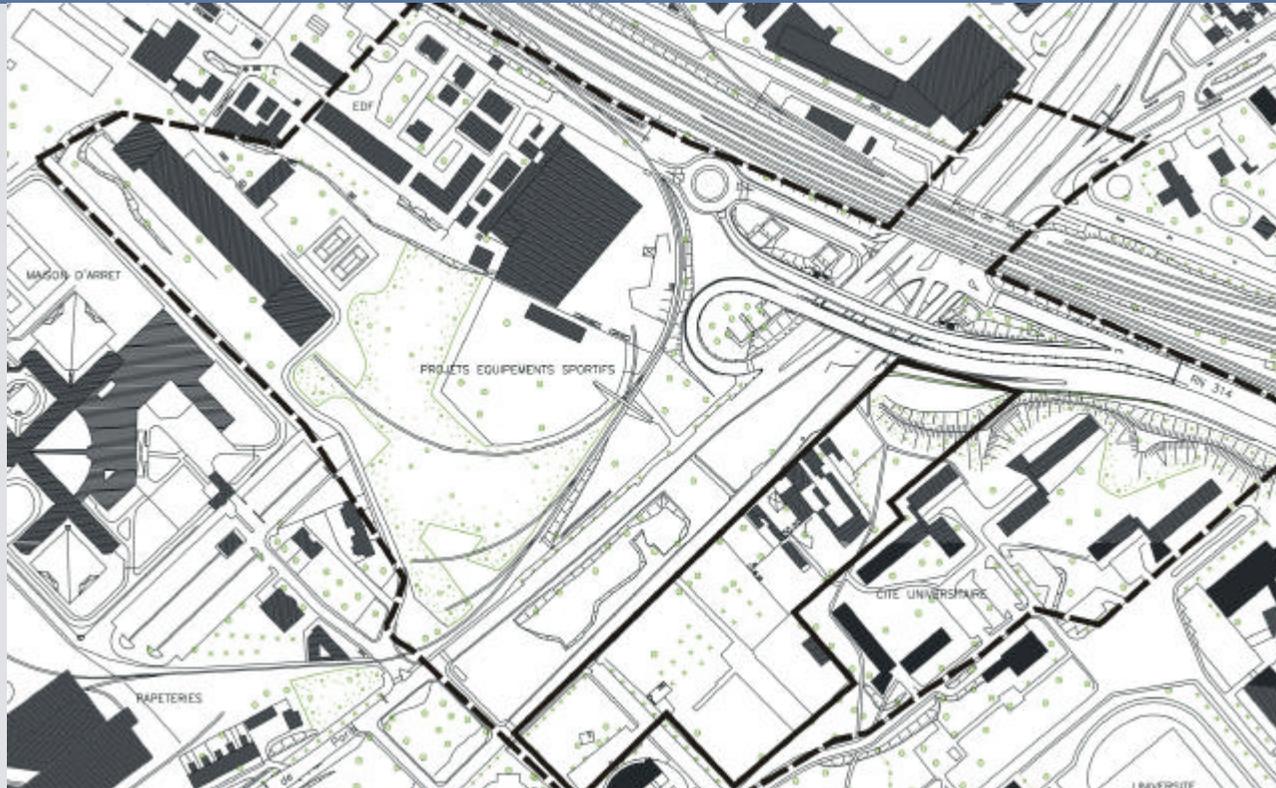
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