



TOPIC

Reconvert an urban centre, up the hill - a social urbanism attitude.
 Wonderful landscape, ongoing through changes to become a new centrality. Area around Funchal.
 Social quarter to be refurbished, maintaining the (present) resident population + new facilities.
 Interconnect paths, create new environmental qualities, link the new surroundings.
 Highlights - Attractive site, topography, landscape. Surroundings ongoing changes.
 Public property - implementation viability, clear intervention program.

CONURBATION

Capital city of Madeira Island - Autonomous Region. Disperse population, settled throughout the south slope. Hard topography, with little vacant spots. Tourism is the main economic activity.
 Creating strategic uses for new centrality (University + sports facilities + business/offices companies) and proximity, are the ongoing goals of the Municipality.

SITE

Close to a narrowed stream, an ancient rural zone later occupied by social quarters.
 Today the surroundings are going through a qualification process with new uses - "technopolo" + university + sports centre.
 Intervention Area is completely occupied with one family houses (to be replaced, better equipped and better connected to the surroundings).

Population: 103.961 (Council). 21.931 (St. António parish).
Study Area: aprox. 2.50 ha.
Project area: 2.78 ha.



PROGRAMME

To replace the existing housing keeping the resident population (102 houses), half of which in 2 storey/floor houses.

Implementation of facilities and shops. To offer new quality to the public space (environmental, facilities).

Study Area: permeability and new connections to the transforming surroundings.

ISSUES

Social / functional

To preserve the existing social relations of neighbourhood.

Sensitive

Visual relation with ocean and stream. To create connecting (pedestrian) paths.

Sustainability

To preserve the trees/plants and create a "green" network.



