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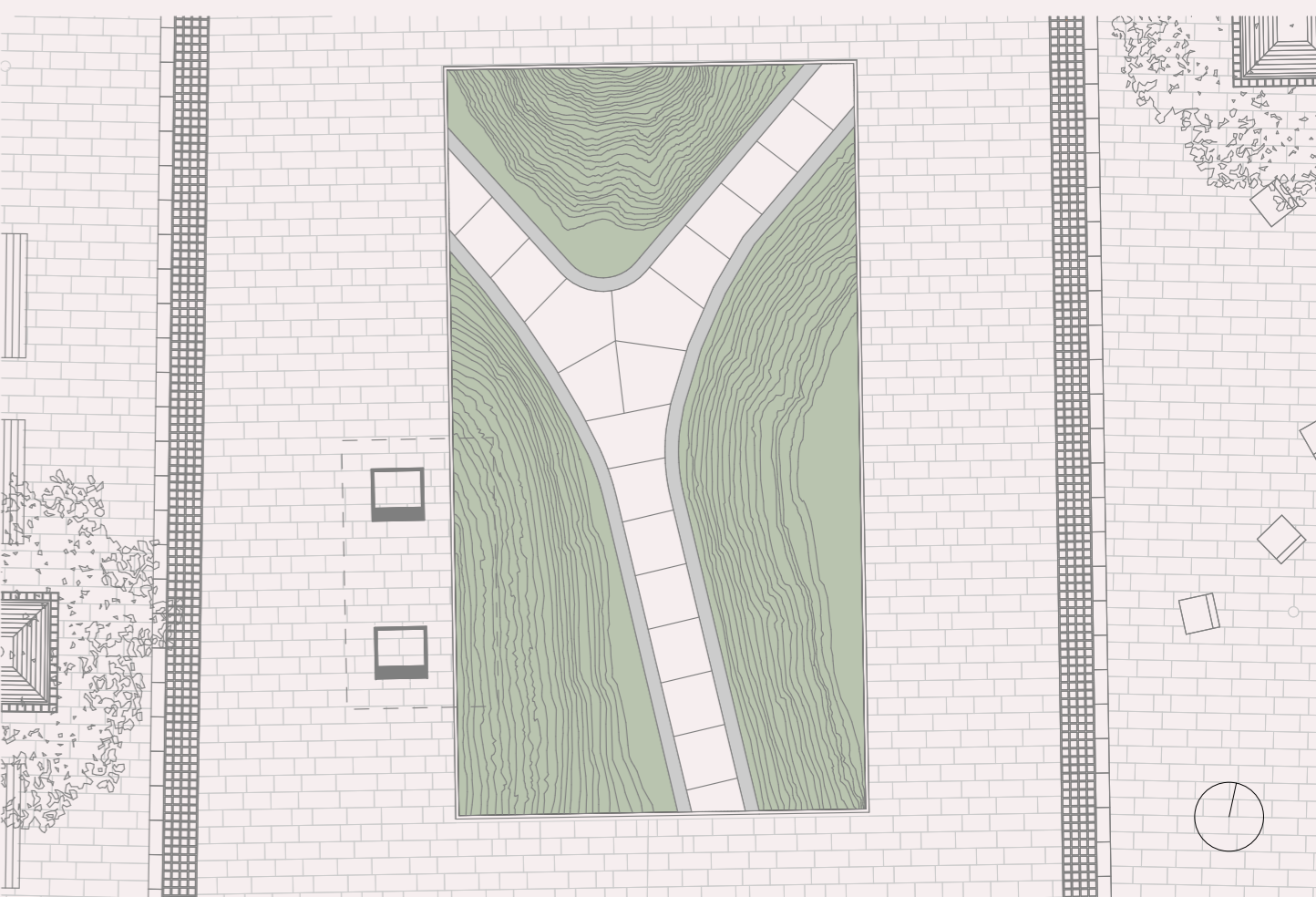
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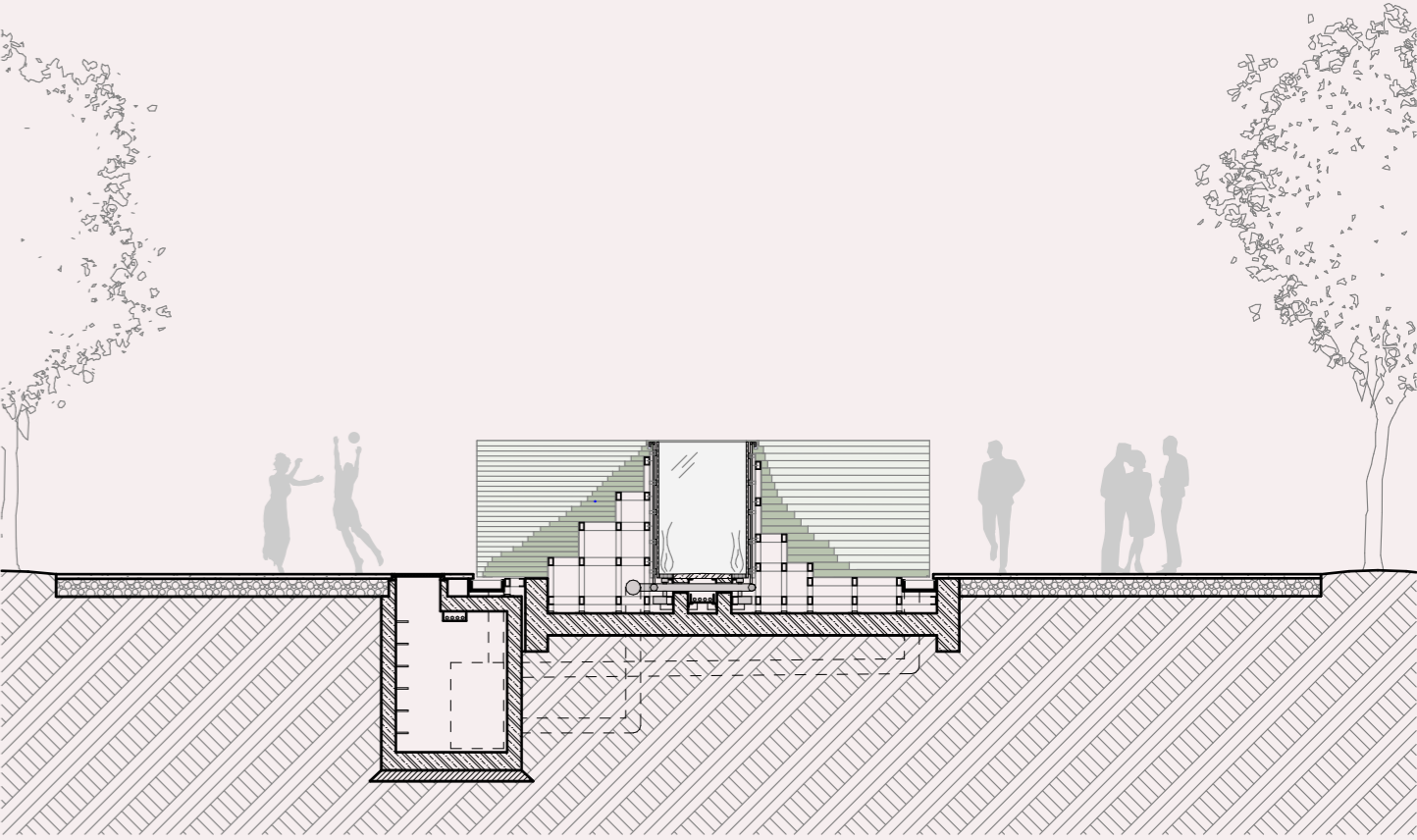
In harmony with the existing urban context



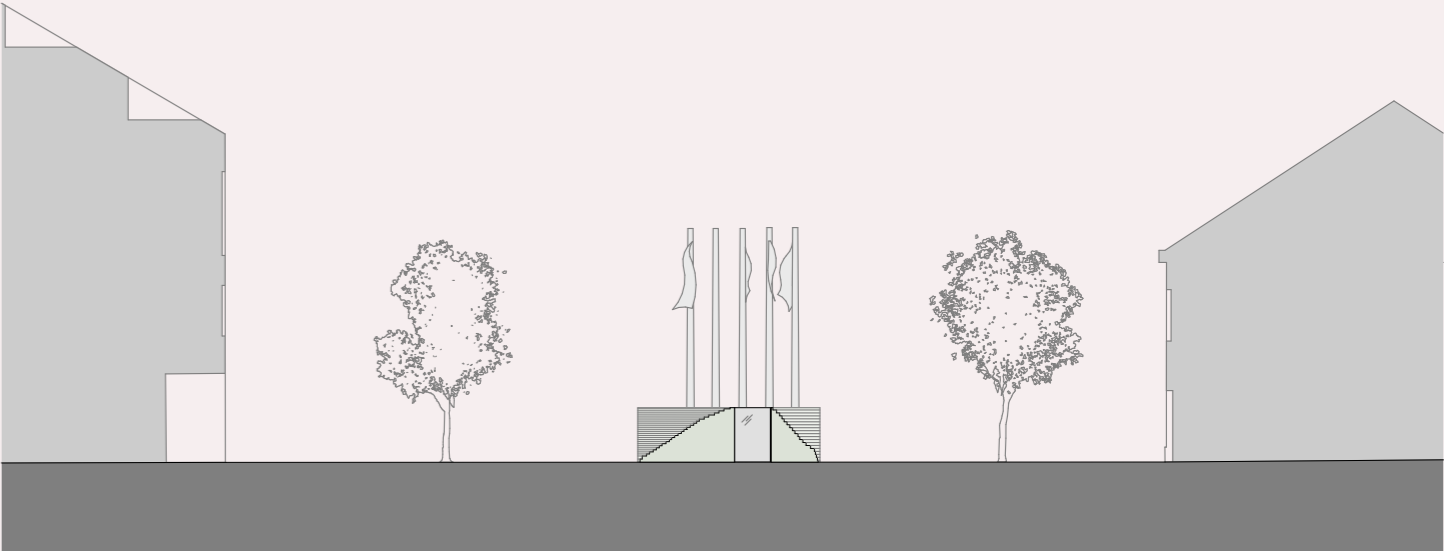
A playful and informal catalyst



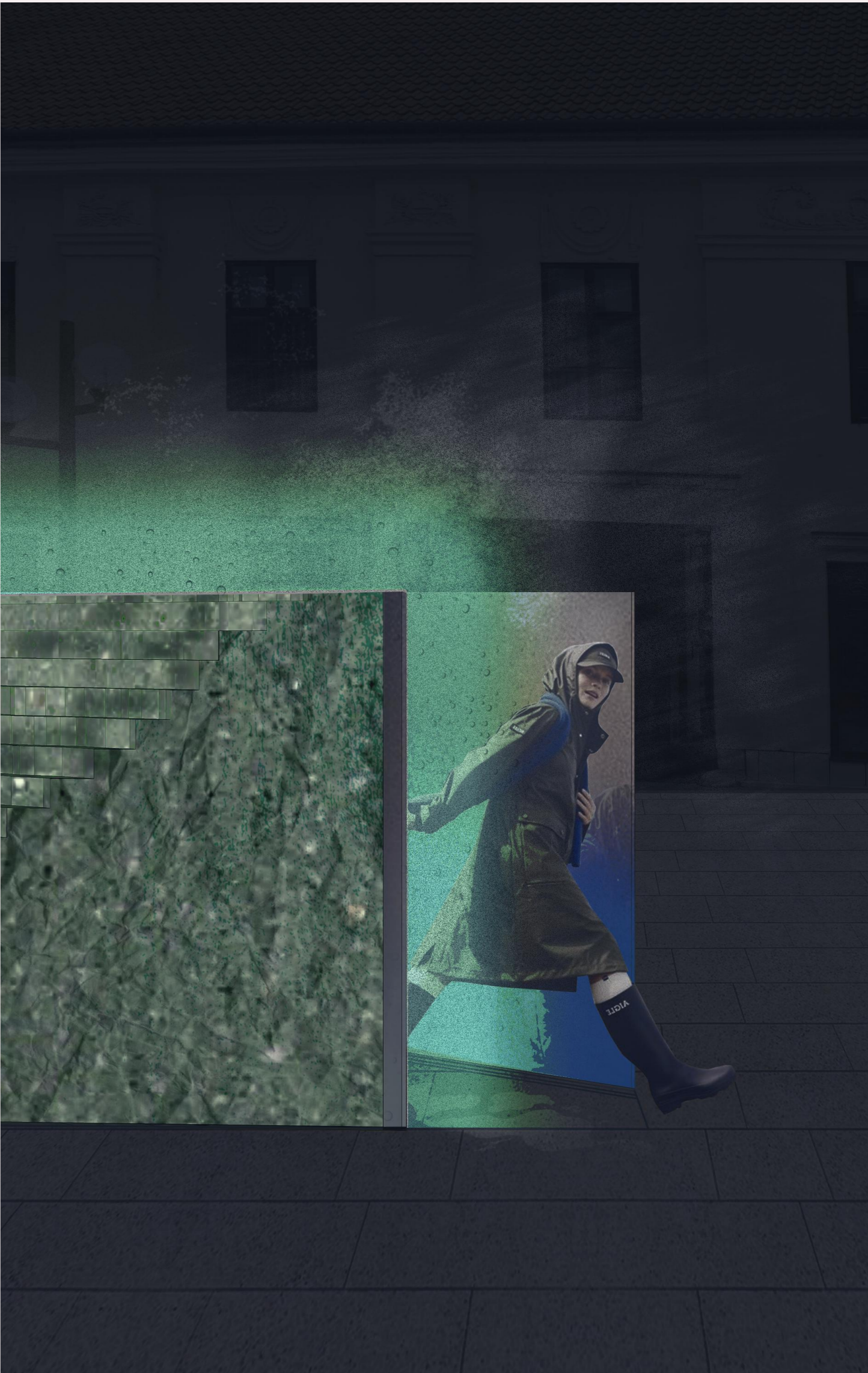
Detailed plan | 1:100



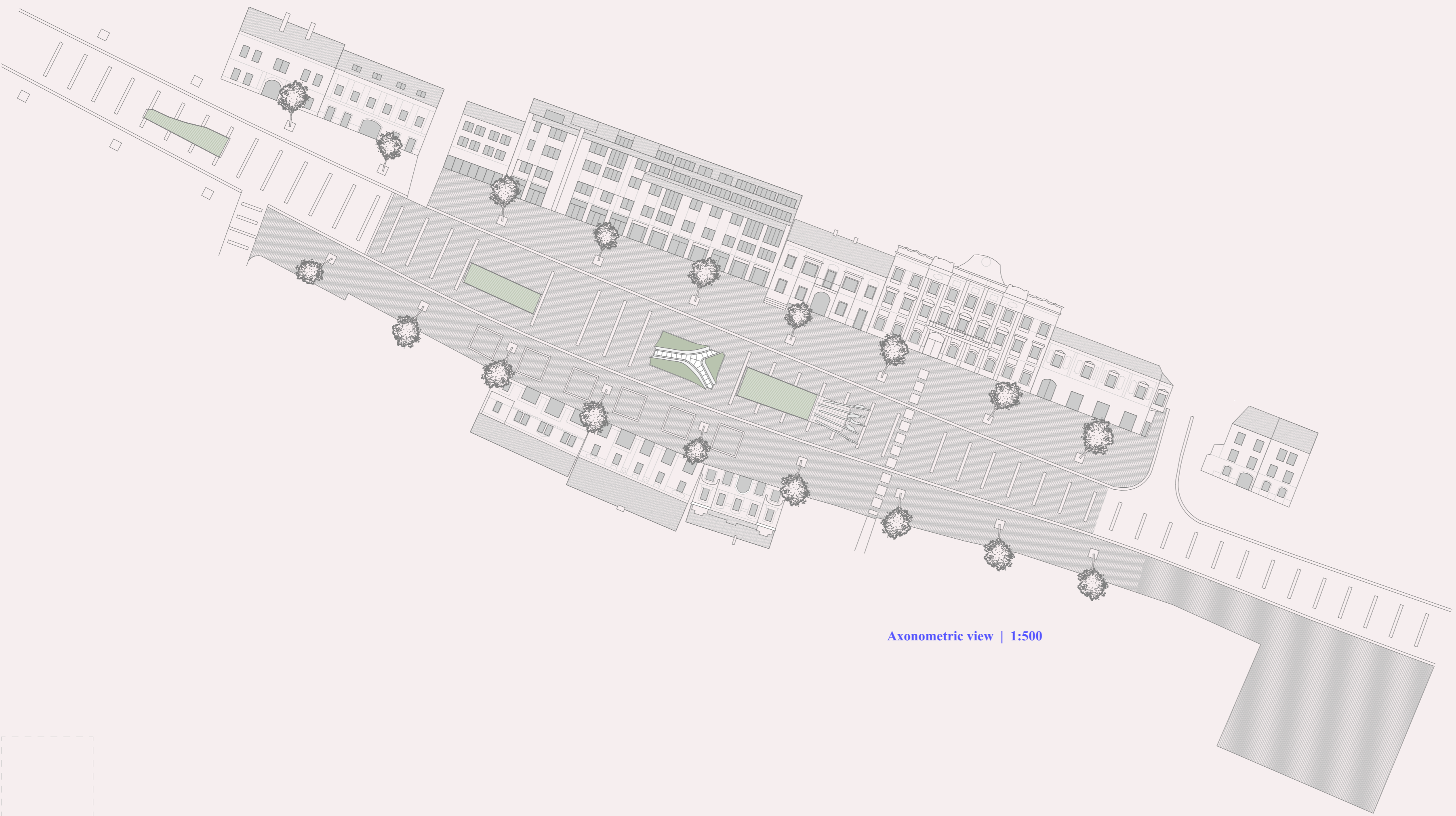
Detail Section B | 1:100



North Elevation | 1:250



Magic as a reflection of a togetherness



Axonometric view | 1:500

New Ground

A sense of togetherness and mutual dependence has manifested from a scar of the past, in the form of a rubble containing remnants of the former fountain. Instead of erasing and forgetting, the New Ground realises Trnava's shared history, seeks to entrust, and bring people together.

Sustainability & Urban Strategy

New Ground is sustainable in that the existing footprint of the former fountain is maintained, minimising its size, and uses crushed pieces of the former fountain's polished granite to create a unique terrazzo. The rectangular form of the fountain is kept, respecting the existing urban plan which activates the pedestrian circulation, while also creating a new passage and experience that allows for a brief disconnect from the street, creating an introversive and reflective moment for realisation. The passages are cut in accordance with the direction of pedestrian flow, opening up in the centre of the sculpture, creating a communal pause.

Construction & Cooling

Fog and LED lighting installations create a sense of 'magic' at night and is cooling during hot summer days. The terrazzo elements and mirrors are suspended from a structure that is anchored onto the concrete foundations, providing enough space for on site assembly, maintenance, and the technical gear required. The edges of the passage are lined with grills for the fog installations.

Conclusion

A subtle and playful fountain creates a stage for an optimistic togetherness, through magic and reflection, emerging from the cracks of a shared past. The New Ground is a humble and conscious catalyst for what is to come.