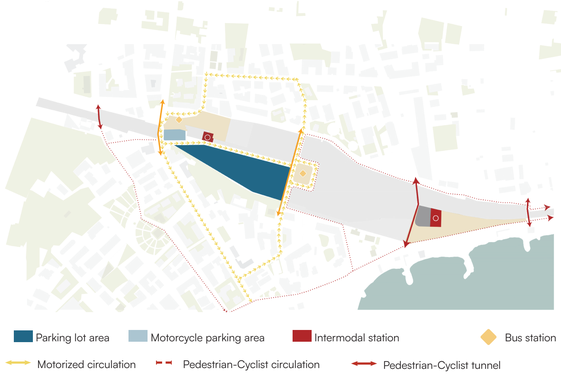
THE RAILWAY AS AN URBAN CONNECTOR

Ground Level: Reconnecting The City

Pre- Existing conditions

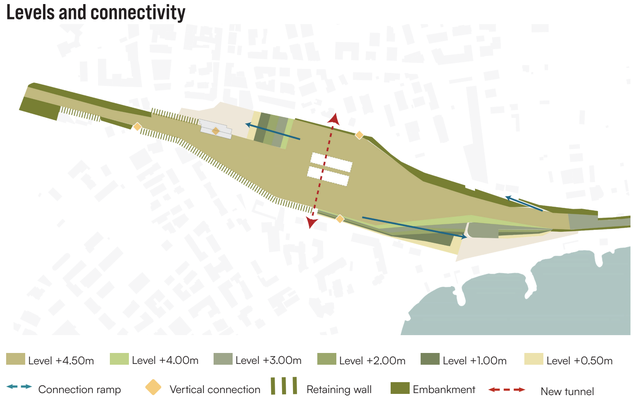
The existing railway infrastructure acts as a physical and visual barrier between the historic city, the coastline and the surrounding landscapes. Elevated approximately four meters above the urban level, the railway limits transversal connections and creates residual and underused spaces around the station area.

Mobility network



The project transforms the former railway into a linear mobility landscape prioritizing pedestrians, cyclists and public transport connections. A continuous promenade and new transversal crossings reconnect fragmented urban areas while supporting intermodal mobility throughout the city

Levels and connectivity



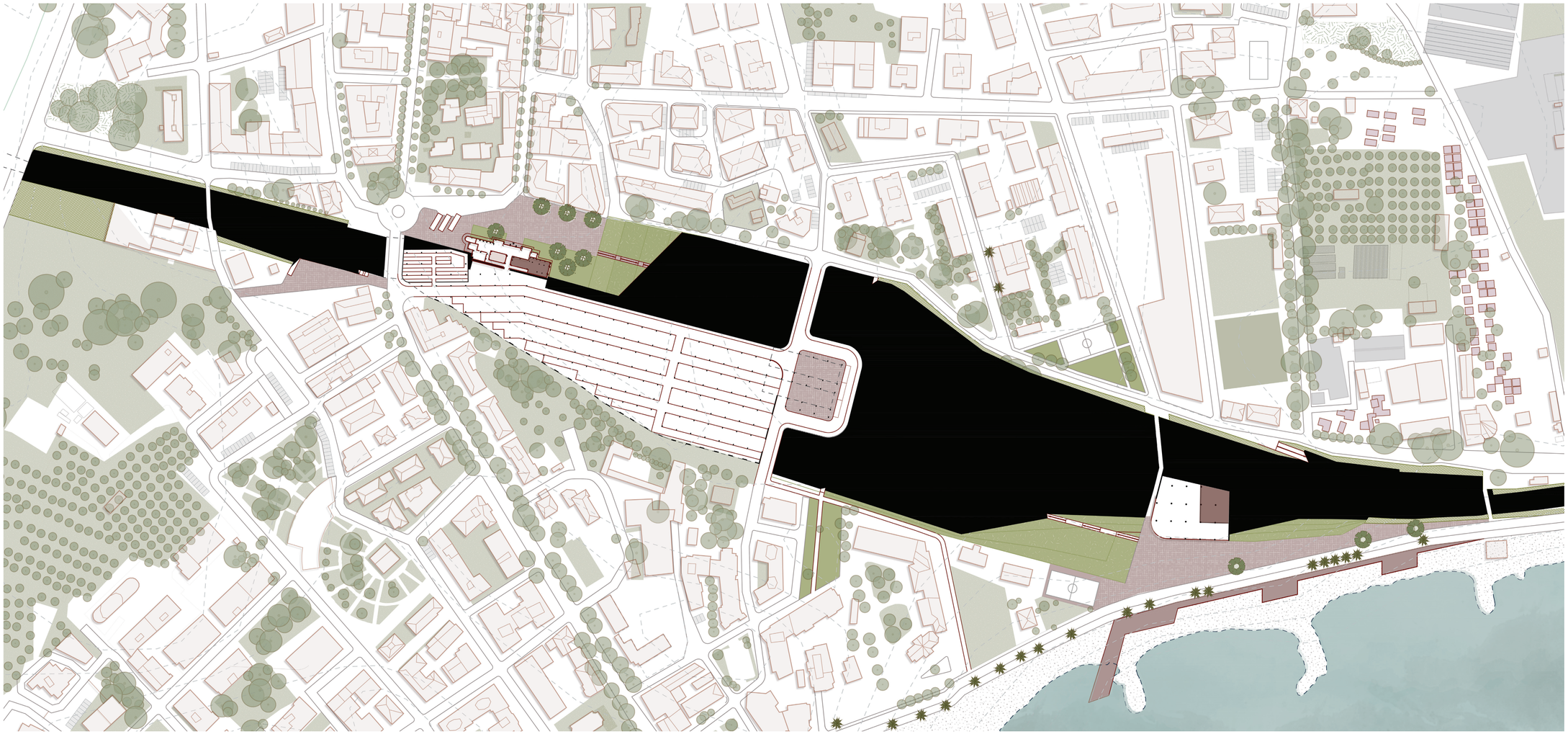
Topography and level changes become spatial opportunities rather than obstacles. New bridges, openings and terraced connections create visual and physical relationships between the upper railway park, the lower urban level and the intermodal station below.

At ground level, the project transforms the former railway embankment from a physical barrier into a system of urban connections. New transversal openings cut through the infrastructure, allowing pedestrians, cyclists and public transport to move across both sides of the city and reconnecting the urban fabric with the coastal edge.

The lower level becomes an active mobility and public layer. Bus circulation, bicycle facilities, pedestrian routes and lower plazas are integrated beneath the railway park, forming a continuous intermodal system that improves accessibility and strengthens regional connectivity.

At the same time, the railway embankment is reinterpreted as a terraced topography. Instead of a solid mass, the slope is opened, stepped and planted, making the transition between city, park and coast visible and inhabitable.

Masterplan level +0.00 m

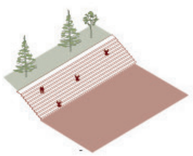


Transformation strategies

01. Expand the Green Network

02. Create an Intermodal Hub

03. Transform the Embankment



04. Reactivate the Historic Station

05. Open New Connections