RECOVERY OF THE BANKS OF THE RIO GÁLLEGO, RIVER PARK AND BULLRING - AMPHITHEATER
ZUERA, ZARAGOZA - 2001

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MEMORY
The project consisted in the sealing of a rubbish dump and the recovery of the space between Zuera village and Gallego River, a tributary of the Ebro, as public space. Three needs are the triggers of the landscape and urban recovery; on one hand the security problems of the southern part of the village, attacked perpendicularly by the river, on the other regain a connection with the river interrupted by two tailings, and finally, the desire for a permanent bullring.

-Aspects of public space, a riverside walk, a park equipped with an amphitheater, two squares and a pedestrian connection between the old town and the river were the main actuations that made open the village to this new space and river Gállego itself.

-Hydraulic aspects, the factors in improving the quality of water, protection of the old town, or improving the river positively affect the overall improvement of hydraulics.

-Ecological aspects, such as sealing of landfills, the restoration of the green corridor or the riparian forest restoration, by cleaning and planting on natural drainage channels of the land, the removal of river border roads and recovery of insularity from the riparian forest and water sanitation driving down to the position of the filter in the project.

-Aspects of urban planning as a new road and two connection squares to the town, management of the new facade built, ultimately incorporating the river as an element of urban structure.

Interventions are concentrated and austere as the meager budget (13.70 € / m2), is used largely in non-visible aspects (land consolidation, restructuring topographic, construction of collectors,...)
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