

**TRACE - Timbuktu/Mali Memory Museum and Research Institute for Manuscripts**

Timbuktu gerek sahip olduğu coğrafya gerek kültürel özellikleri nedeniyle birçok kültürel katmana sahiptir. Ancak kent içerisinde artan saldırılardır ile bu kültürel katmanlaşmanın ve önemli hafıza öğelerinin izleri silinerek gelecek nesillere aktarılmasında zorlukları meydana getirmektedir. Saldırılar aynı zamanda halkın kendi benliği ile olan beraberliğini de koparmaktadır. Timbuktu'nun en önemli hafıza öğelerinden biri olan el yazmaları saldırılardır ile yok olmaktadır. Kentsel ve kültürel belleğin oluşmasına katkı sağlayıp bu elyazmalarının korunarak gelecek nesillere aktarılması tüm halkın ve insanlığın görevi olmaktadır. Bu bağlamda kent içerisindeki belirlenen çalışma alanında araştırma merkezi ve müze yapılacaktır. Yapılacak olan müze ile kentin yaşamış olduğu katmanlaşmayı son dönemlerde artmış olan saldıruları, elyazmalarını hem gelecek nesillere sergilemek hem de turist olarak kenti ziyaret eden kişilere aktarmayı sağlamaktadır.

Kent mimarlık, kimlik, bellek, unutma ve hatırlama üzerinden her defasında başka türlü yazılabilecek büyük ve zor bir hikayedir. Temsil ettiği geçmiş hikayesini bugüne yalnızca sunmakla kalmıyor aynı zamanda geleceği inşa ederken onuna bir bağ kuruyor. Kentin kent olmasını sağlayan tarihi ve kültürel dokusunun içimize isleyen bu hafızaları oluşturan eserler ve o kentin geçmiş ile olan bu bağlarından. Bu bağlamda Timbuktu kentinin kolektif belleğine günümüze kadar yapılmış olan tüm saldıruların asıl da bu bellek kavramına zarar vermekte ve onda bir iz bırakmaktadır. "iz" kavramı Jacques Derrida'nın dekonstrüksiyon adını verdiği eleştirel düşünce yönteminin en önemli konseptlerinden birisi. Fransız felsefecisi, başka kavramlar için de yaptığı gibi, izi pozitif veya negatif olarak tanımlamaz, hatta böyle bir yönelimden bile kaçınır. Böylece "iz" kavramı, birçok anlamı içerisinde barındırarak dogmatik bir "tek" yönelimi geçersiz kılmaktadır. "iz" bu bağlamda, bir yokluğun varlığını, daima şimdide yokluğu var olan bir belirsizlik durumunu göstermektedir. Bu bağlamda kent dokusu üzerinde veya kent belleği üzerinde bırakılmış her "iz" altında toplumun şimdiden önceki deneyimine dayanır. Geleceğin inşa edilme sürecinde bu "iz" lerin gelecek nesillere aktarılması geçmiş tecrübelerin onlarla paylaşılması ve sahip olduğu değerlerin farkına varmasını ve bilinçlenmesini sağlamaktadır. Timbuktu da var olan ve sadece yerel halkı değil tüm dünya halkın ortak mirası olarak değerlendirebileceğimiz el yazmaları da en önemli "iz" lerdendir. El yazmaları günümüze kadar hem Timbuktu halkını şekillendirmiş hem de nesiller boyunca onlar tarafından şekillendirilmiştir.

Jacques Derrida'nın da belirttiği gibi "Bu bir gelecek meselesi, geleceğin kendisi meselesi, yarın için bir cevap, bir söz ve sorumluluk sorusudur."

Yapının tasarımda kent içerisinde kentin hafızasında önemli roller üstlenmiş olan yapılar, eserler referans alınarak bu noktadaki veriler soyutlanarak tasarım versiyonuna dönüştürülmüştür. Soyutlanan mekanlar yapı içerisinde kullanıcı hareketlerine göre şekillenerek duvar noktalarına dönüştürmektedir. Bu duvarlar bazı noktalarda yapının ana taşıyıcısı, bazı noktalarda enstalasyon noktasına ve bazı noktalarda da zemin altı havalandırma elemanlarına dönüştürmektedir. Yapılacak olan yapı içerisinde hem müze hem de kentlinin ihtiyaçını karşılamak üzere atölyeler, kütüphane ve çeşitli araştırmacılarla olanak sağlayacak olan içerisinde konaklamayı da barındıran bir araştırma merkezi içerecektir. Müze alanı deneyimsel noktaları içeriğinden dolayı yer altında yapılmakta olup aynı zamanda el yazmalarının sergilenebilmesi güneş ışığından direk olarak etkilenmelerini engellemek hedeflenmiştir. Yer altında bulunan müze alanının doğal bir şekilde havalandırılmasını sağlamak için sıcak iklimlerde sıkılıkla karşılaşılan bagdir adı verilen rüzgâr kulelerinin çalışma prensiplerinden yararlanılmıştır. Yapı hem kentin parçası olmayı amaçlamakta hem de içerisinde bir kenti barındırmayı amaçlamaktadır.

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## WHERE IS THE TIMBUKTU



Africa, the second largest continent (after Asia), covering about one-fifth of the total land surface of Earth. The continent is bounded on the west by the Atlantic Ocean, on the north by the Mediterranean Sea, on the east by the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean, and on the south by the mingling waters of the Atlantic and Indian oceans.



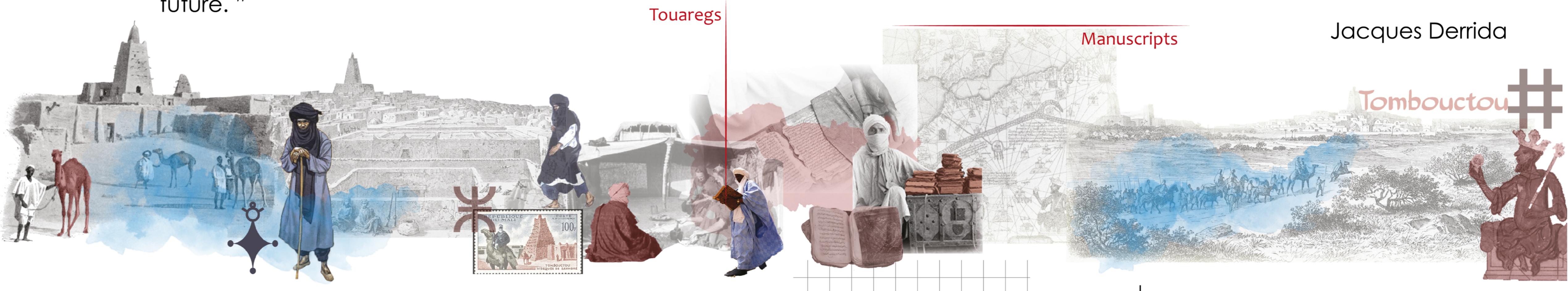
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## CITY MEMORY

"The past is never over, it is a continuous process that is processed into the texture of today, which is transformed into the past at any moment. There is no fixed and definable border line between the past and the future. The past is the interface of the future."

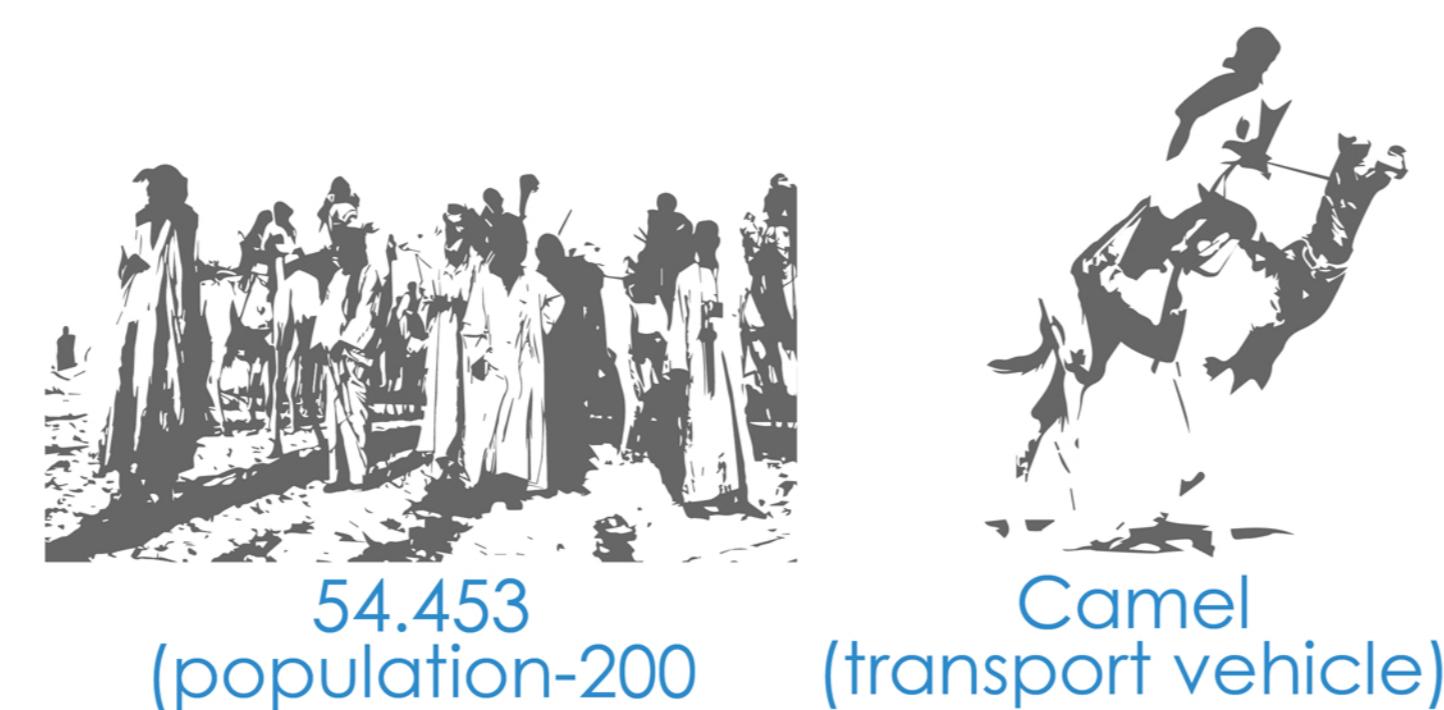


Jacques Derrida

Tombouctou



## SOCIAL STRUCTURE ANALYSIS



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(population-200)



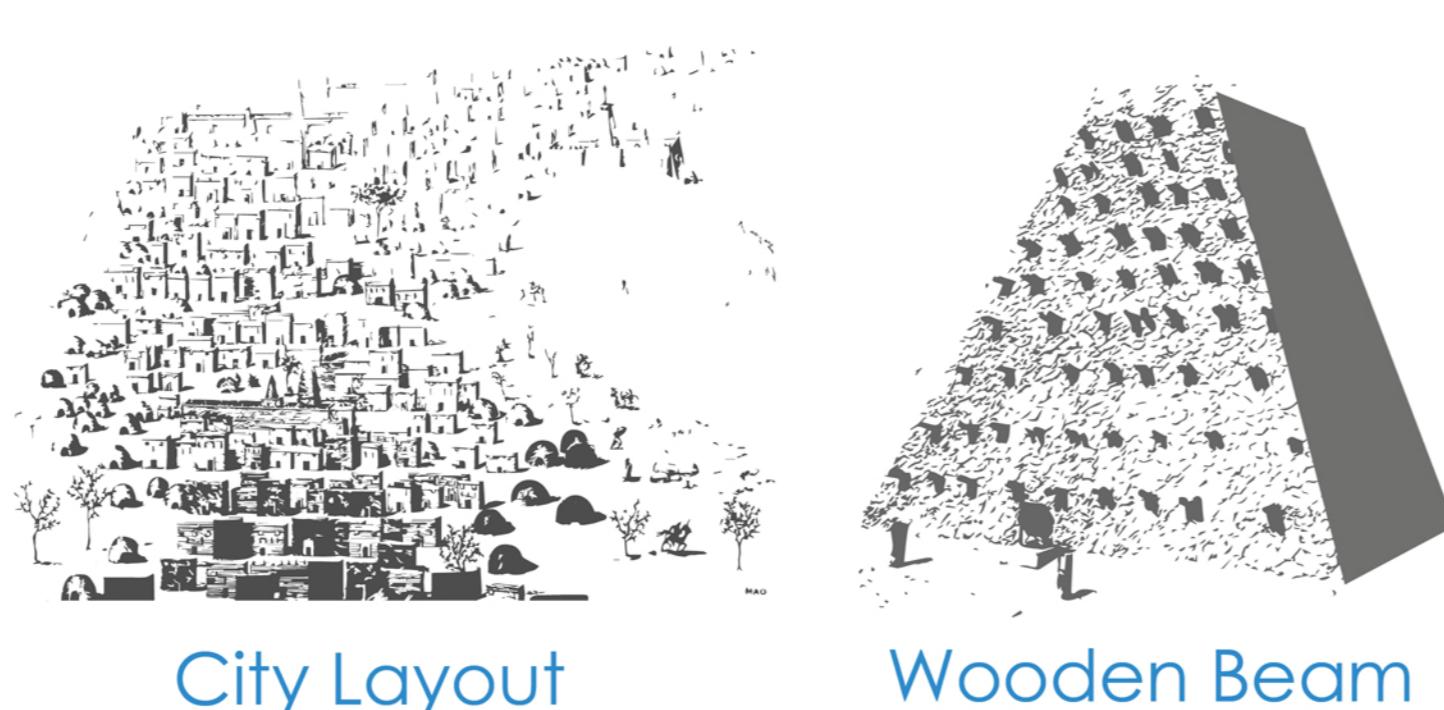
Camel  
(transport vehicle)



Tuareg Man  
(traditional)



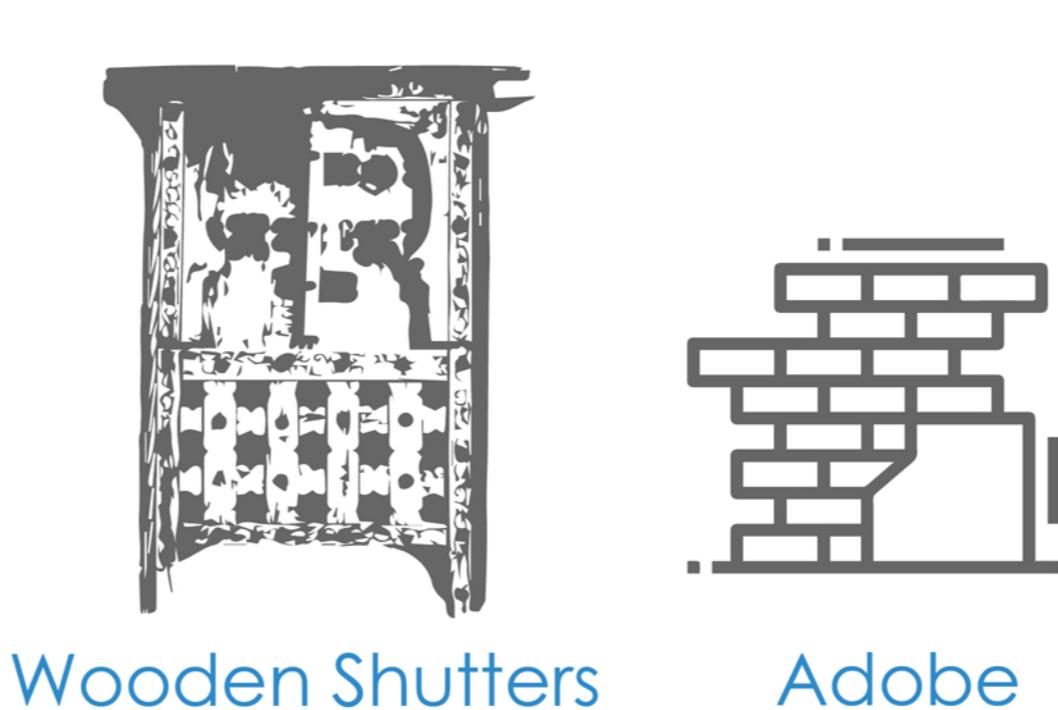
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(alphabet)



City Layout



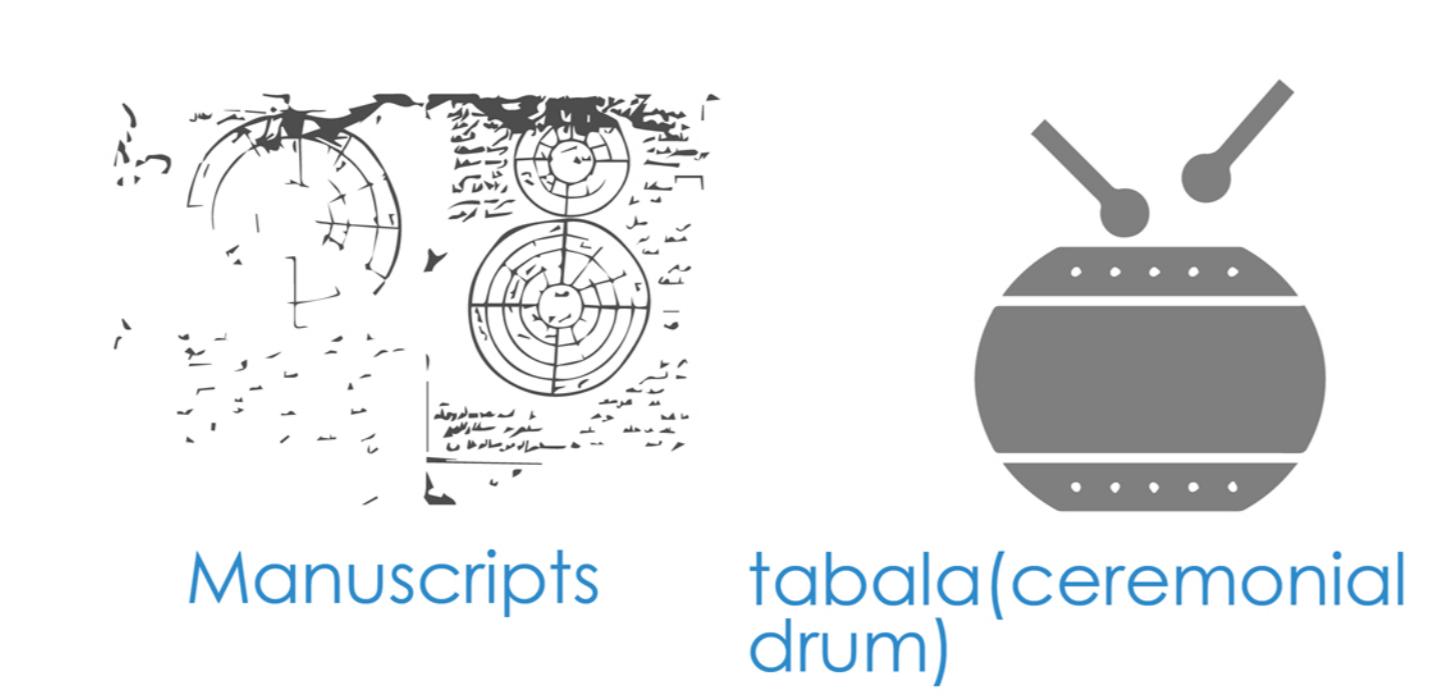
Wooden Beam



Wooden Shutters



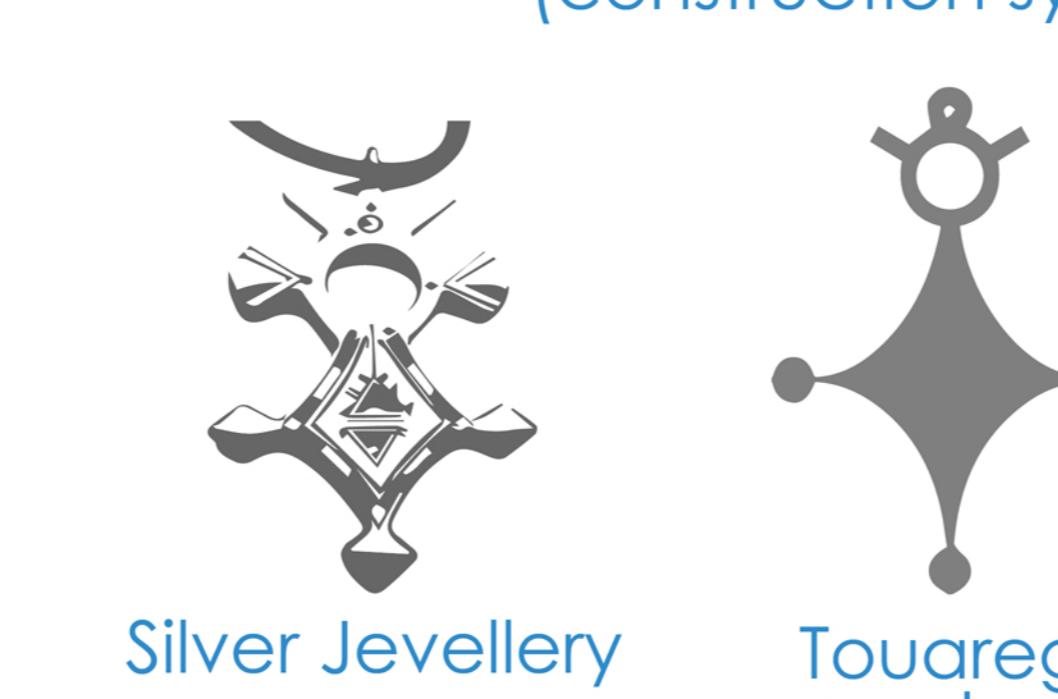
Adobe  
(construction system)



Manuscripts



tabala(ceremonial  
drum)



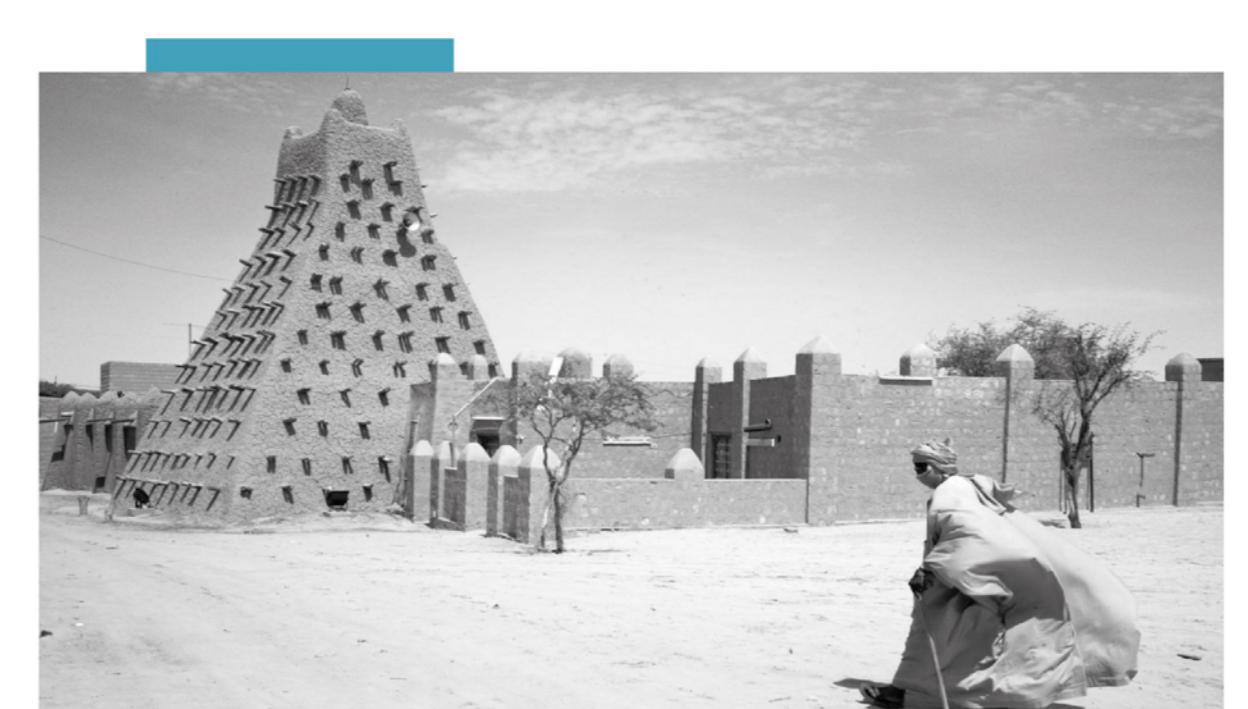
Silver Jewellery



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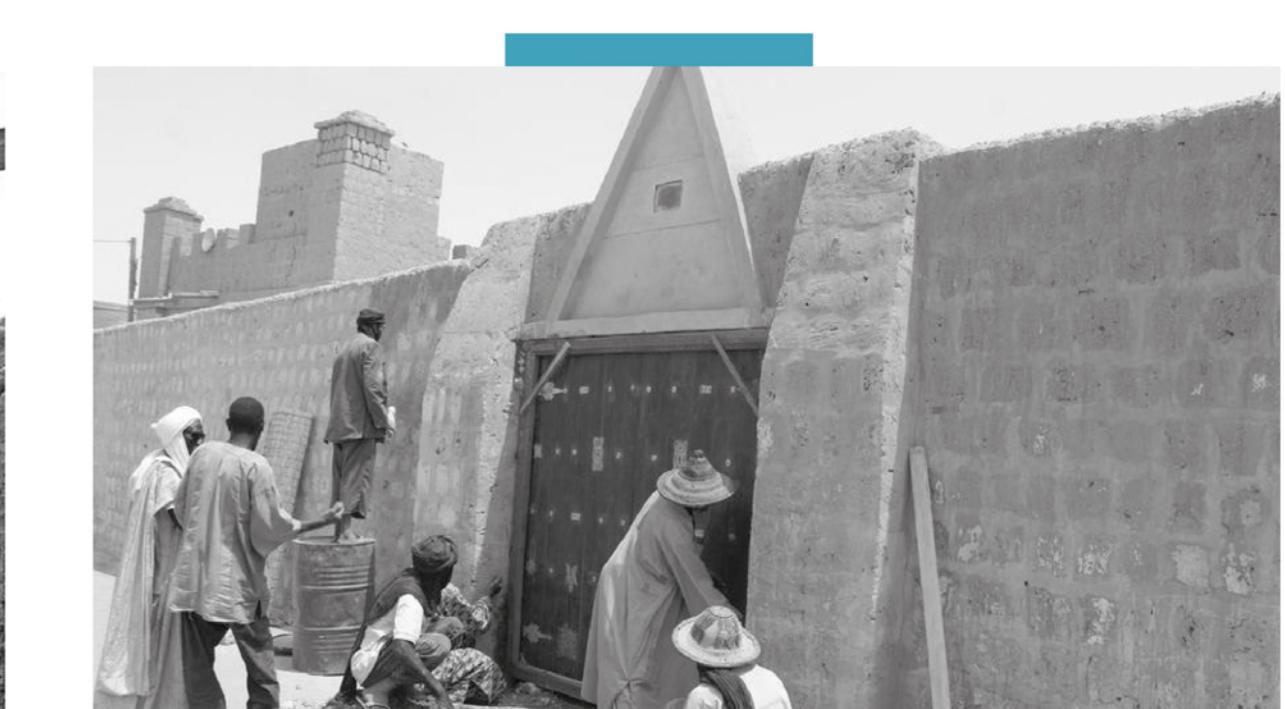
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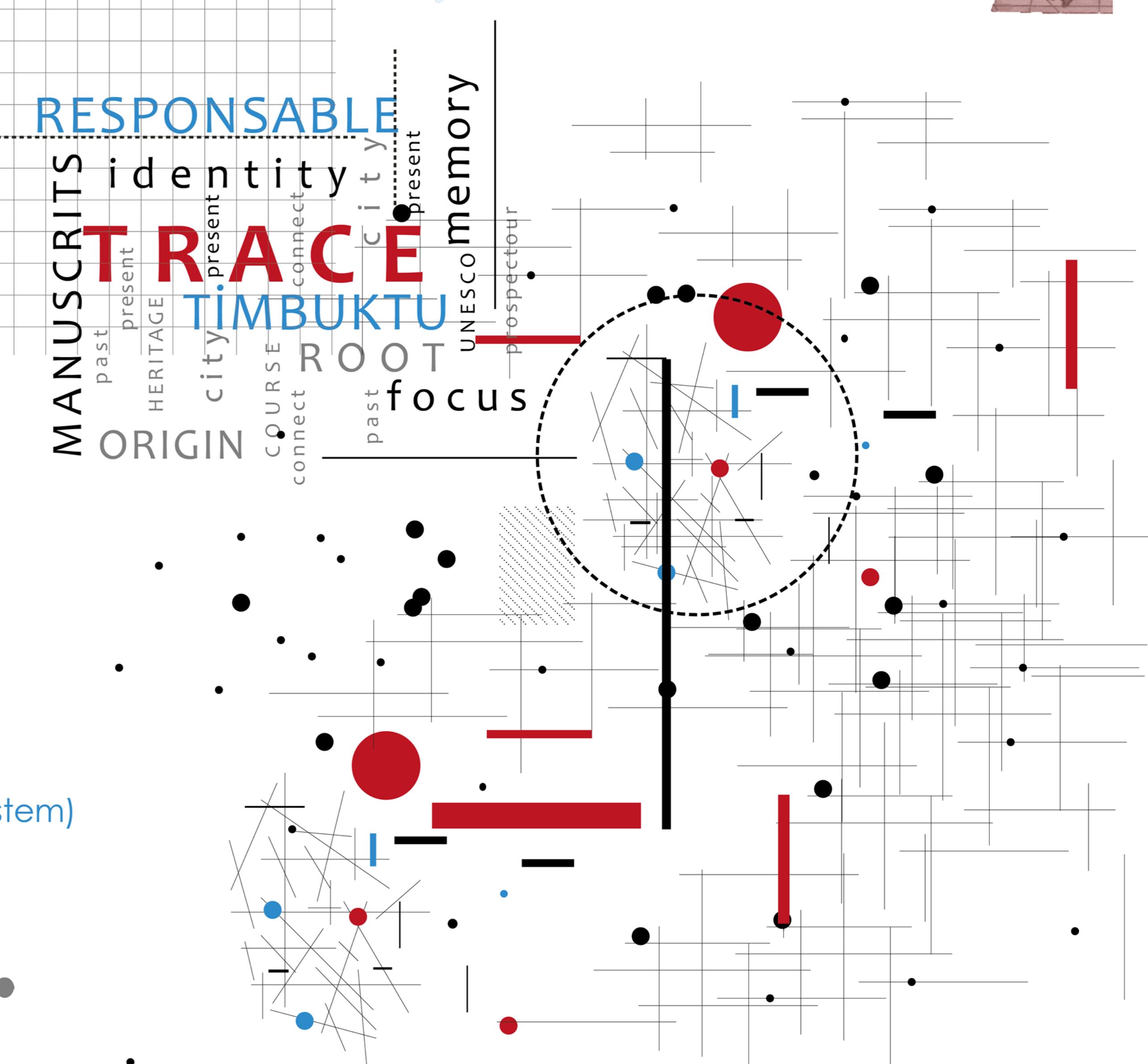
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Traditional Adobe Construction



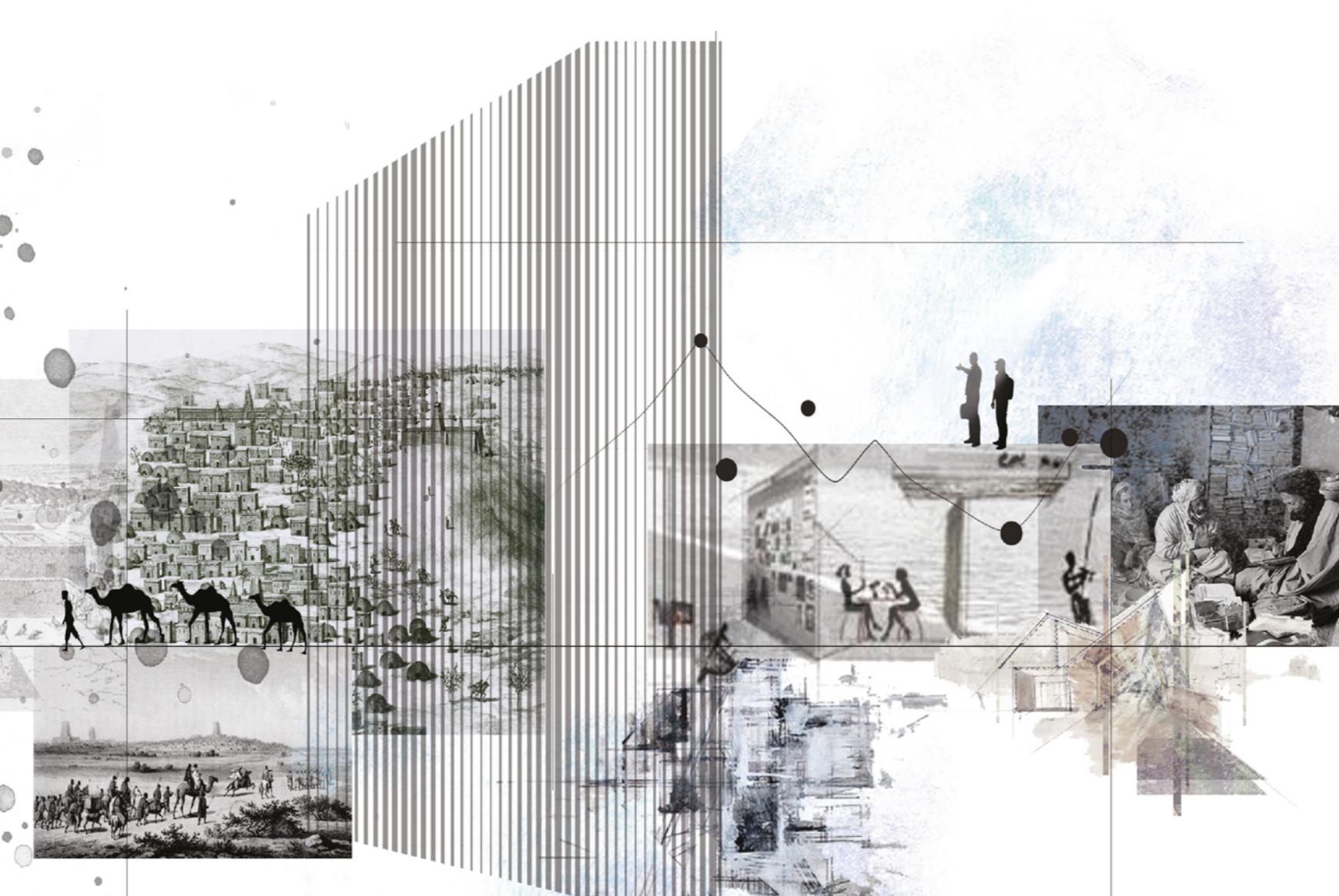
Sidi Yahiya Mosque



## CONCEPTUAL APPROACH

The city is a big and challenging story that can be written every time through architecture, identity, memory, forgetting, and remembering. Not only does he present his past history to the present, he continues to live with every other value. In this context, Timbuktu has many experiences in the process of existence and creates traces of urban memory. The "tracks" that are formed are the interface that connects the past and the future. Because the past is never ending, and it is a process that has always been processed into the tissue of the present, which has always

## CONCEPTUAL DIAGRAM



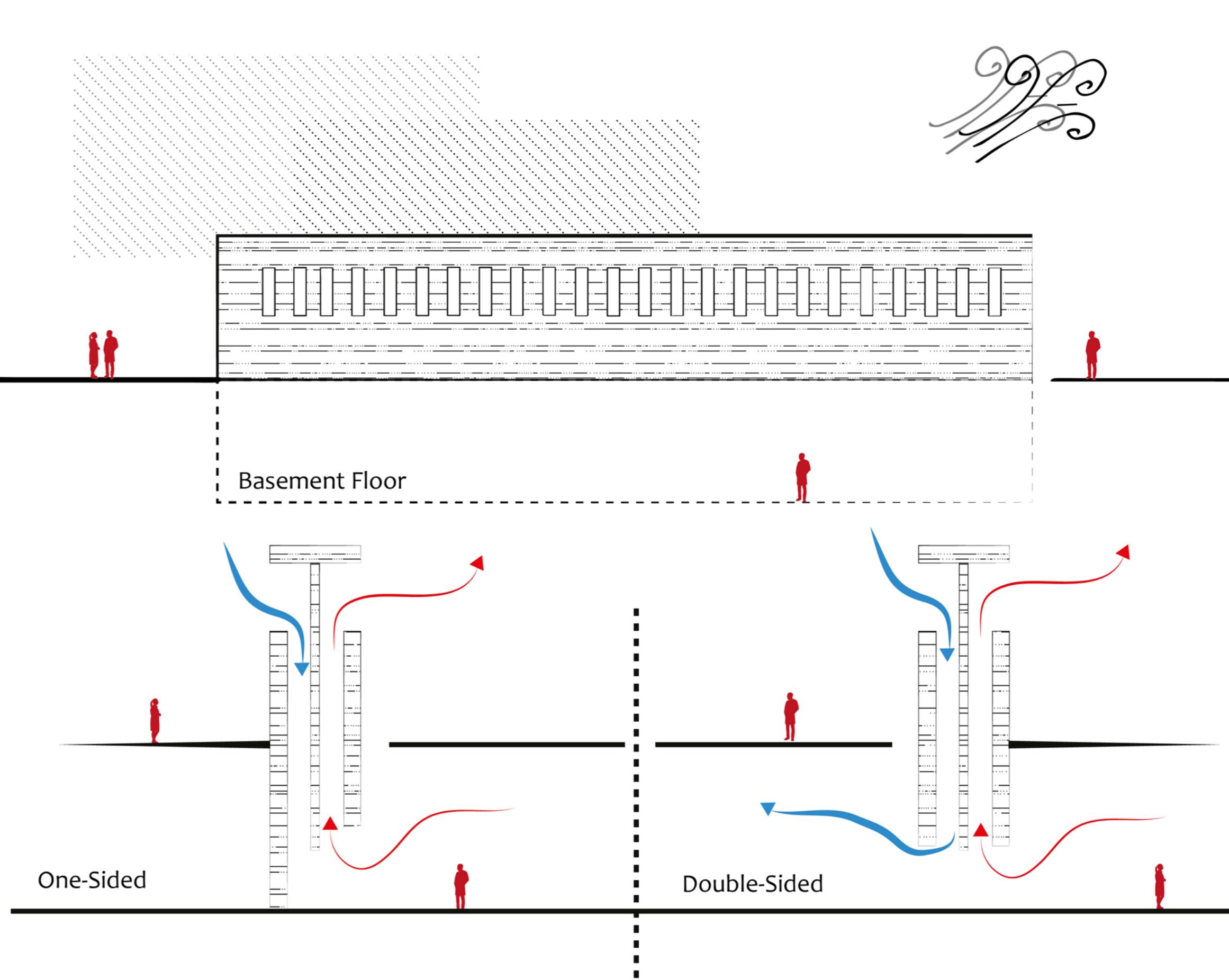
## First Floor

## Ground Floor

## Basement Floor

Rammed earth walls are constructed by ramming a mixture of selected aggregates, including gravel, sand, silt and a small amount of clay, into place between flat panels called formwork.

This element of the building, which is designed with reference to the Persian Architecture and hot climate architecture, enables natural ventilation of the museum and manuscripts archive under the ground floor. Designed as 1.5 m, the air enters from the top of the wall and reaches the AL quota and the polluted air comes out. An artificial ventilation is recommended for manuscripts. However, in adverse conditions, ventilation will be provided through these channels. They generally take the form of small towers installed on top of buildings, although they can be found in several different shapes and structures. The towers draw air from outside into a building, providing natural ventilation in hot, arid and humid areas. Windcatchers were typically built facing away from the wind to try and prevent ingress of blown dust and sand. Windcatchers are passive systems that require no energy for operation.

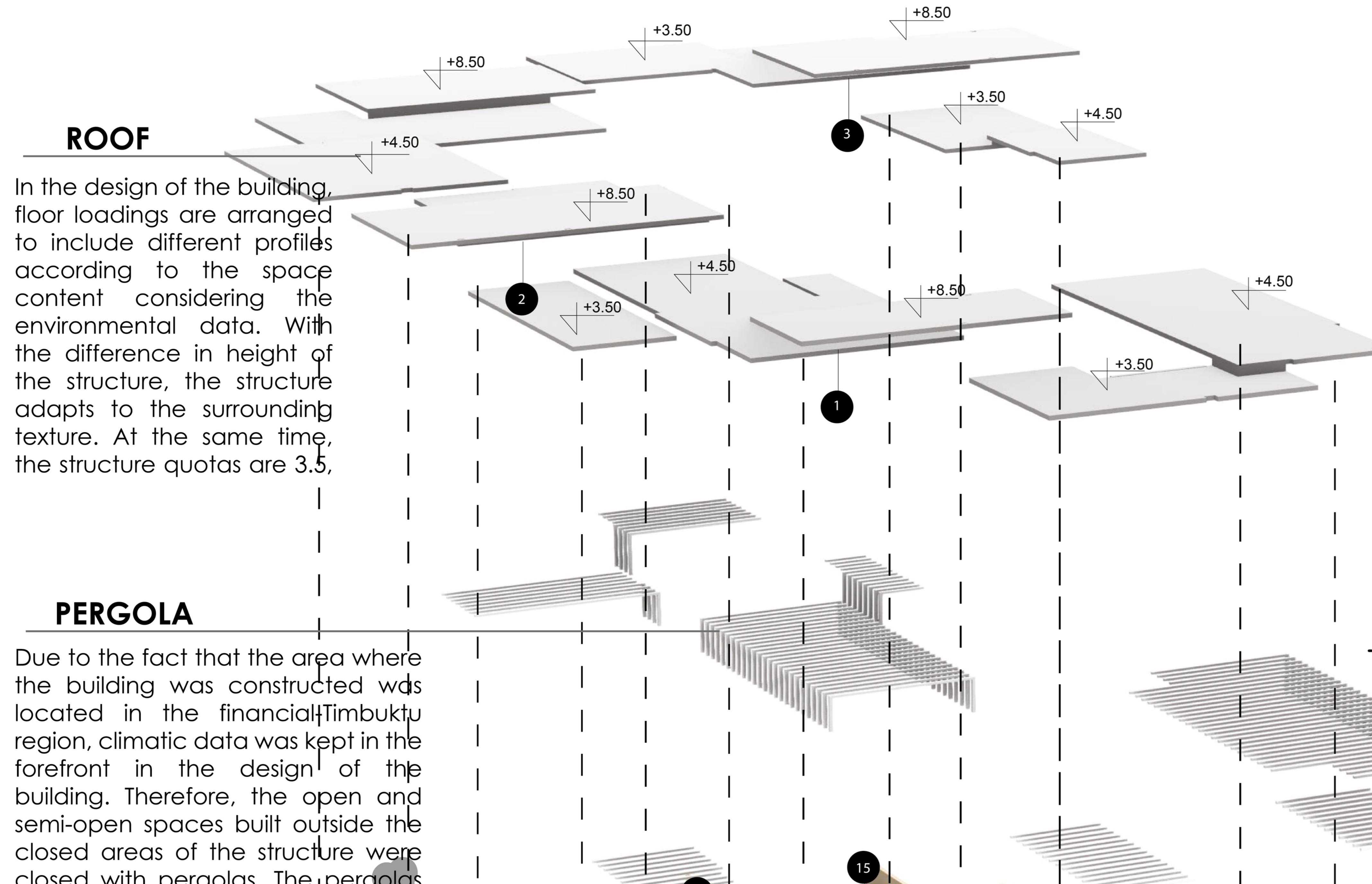


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## GROUND FLOOR

## EXPLODED DIAGRAM



## GROUND

Ground floor plan building entrance area, management units, manuscripts maintenance workshops and laboratories, public education workshops, library, cafes and research centers are located. In addition, the research center has designed a 6-unit accommodation area for researchers to stay in. The functions of the building were placed in the form of human movements of the walls isolated from the city. These functions are combined with a courtyard with an auditorium in the center of each other.

## BASEMENT FLOOR

In addition to keeping the museum functions within the basement area, it also contains the archive. The archive is connected directly with both the stairs and the elevator circulation networks as vertical. At the same time, there is a shallow water collection area on the basement floor, warehouses and technical volumes.

## MUSEUM FLOW ROUTE

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Manuscripts Workshops	10	Museum Main Entrance	1
Public Workshops	11	Free Market Place	2
Auditorium Area	12	Free Market Place	3
Library	13	Courtyard Entrance	4
Cafe	14	Management	5
Researchers Accommodation	15	Manuscripts Management	6
Research Laboratories	16	Manuscripts Resting Area	7
Courtyard	17	Quarantine Room	8
Focus	18	Laboratories	9

## BASEMENT FLOOR

Reflection	8	Museum Main Entrance	1
Construction of the Root	9	Sales Units & Courtyard	2
Shelter	10	Advisory	3
Water Catchment	11	History of Timbuktu	4
Technical Volume	12	Flashback	5
Material Storage	13	Beam Memory & Temporary Exhibition	6
Archive	14	Manuscripts Exhibition	7

## FIRST FLOOR

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The management, manuscripts, maintenance workshop and research center of the building are located in the areas that can meet the needs of the user. The management unit also includes the first floor management rooms planned as suspended floors. In the field of handwritten care, the meeting areas where the experts will meet together have been established. In addition, meeting rooms, group workspaces and individual work units are designed in the area where the research center is located.

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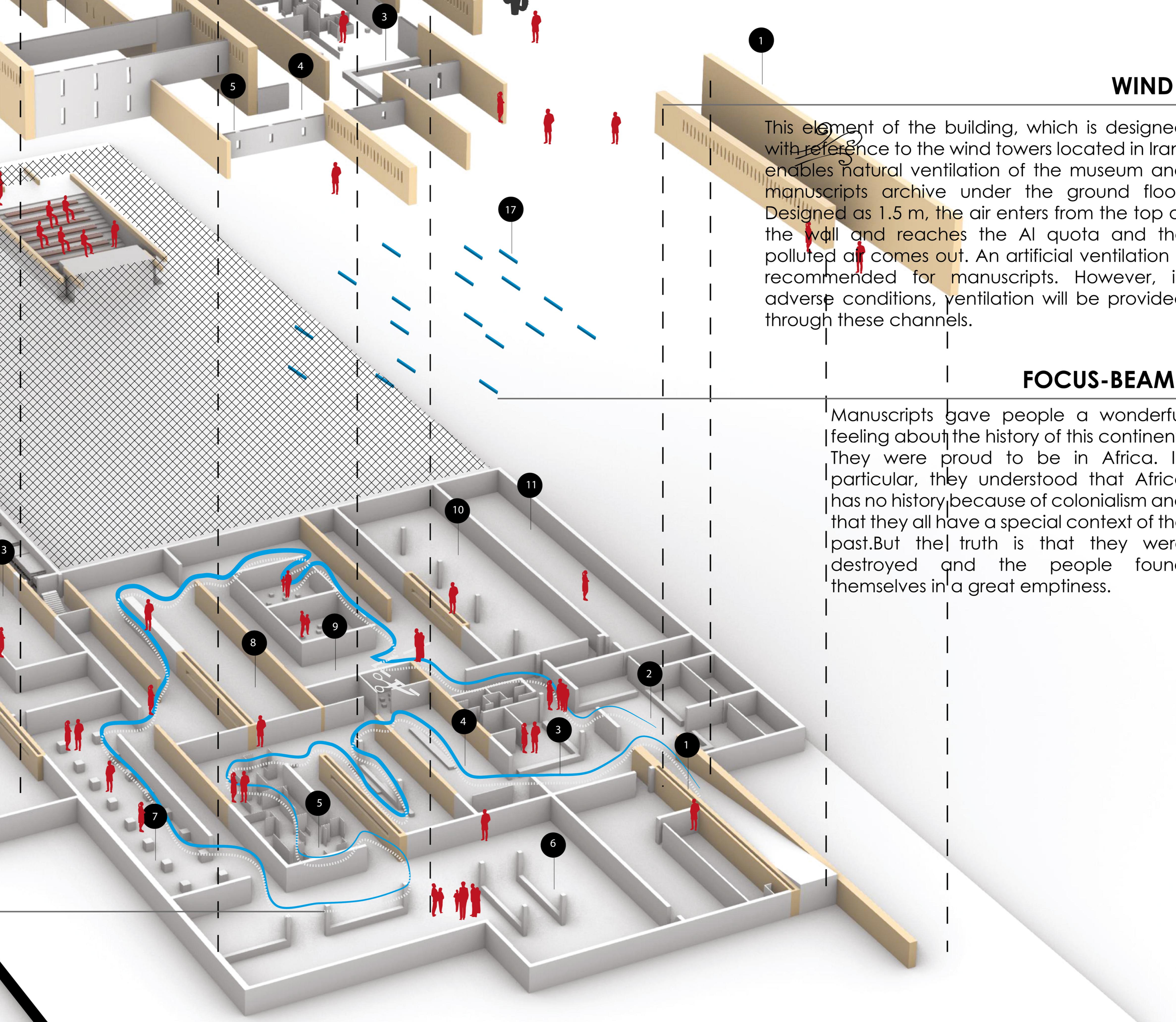
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Manuscripts Meeting Rooms	2
Research Individual Laboratories & Meeting Rooms	3

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## FOCUS-BEAM

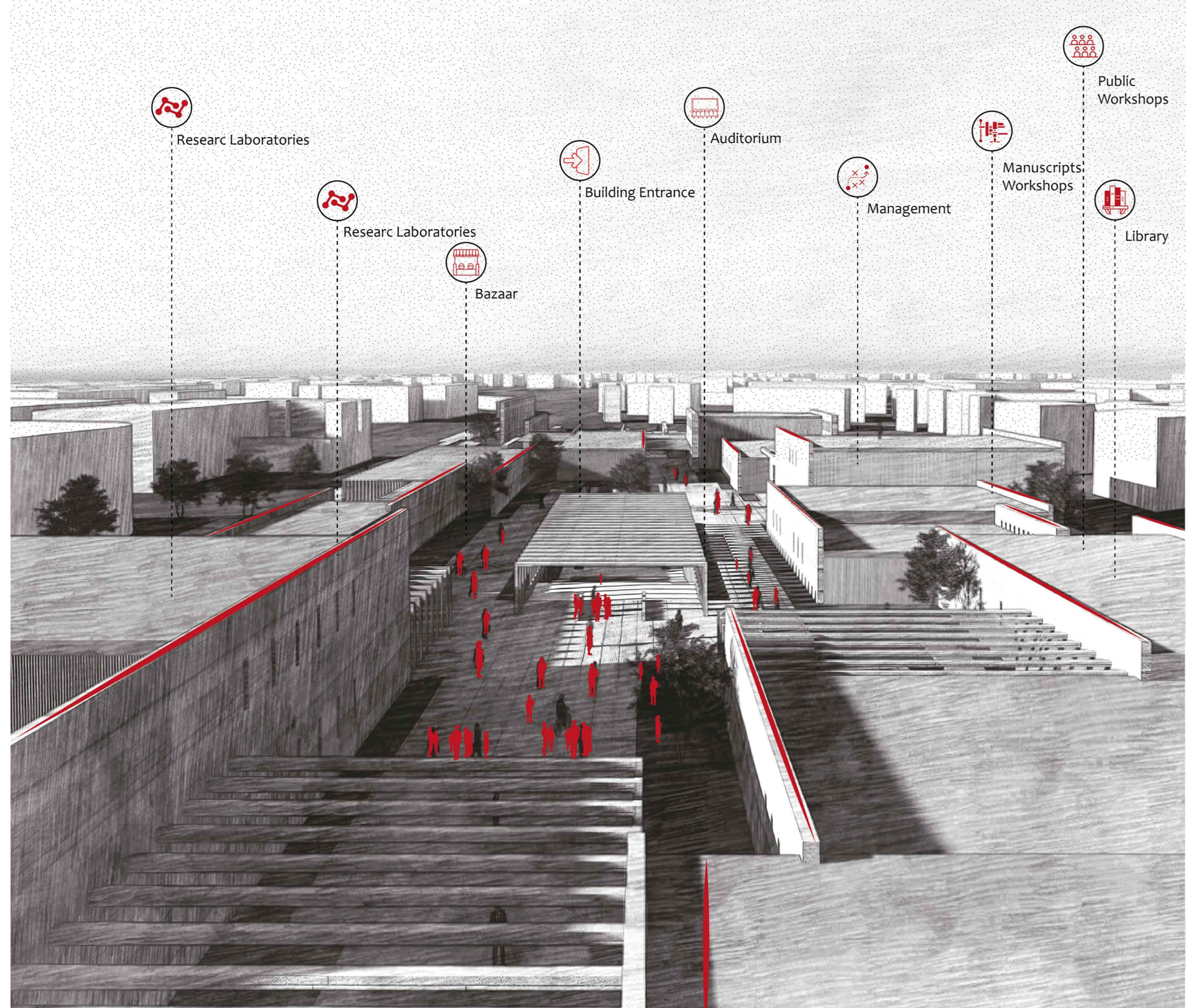
Manuscripts gave people a wonderful feeling about the history of this continent. They were proud to be in Africa. In particular, they understood that Africa has no history because of colonialism and that they all have a special context of the past. But the truth is that they were destroyed and the people found themselves in a great emptiness.



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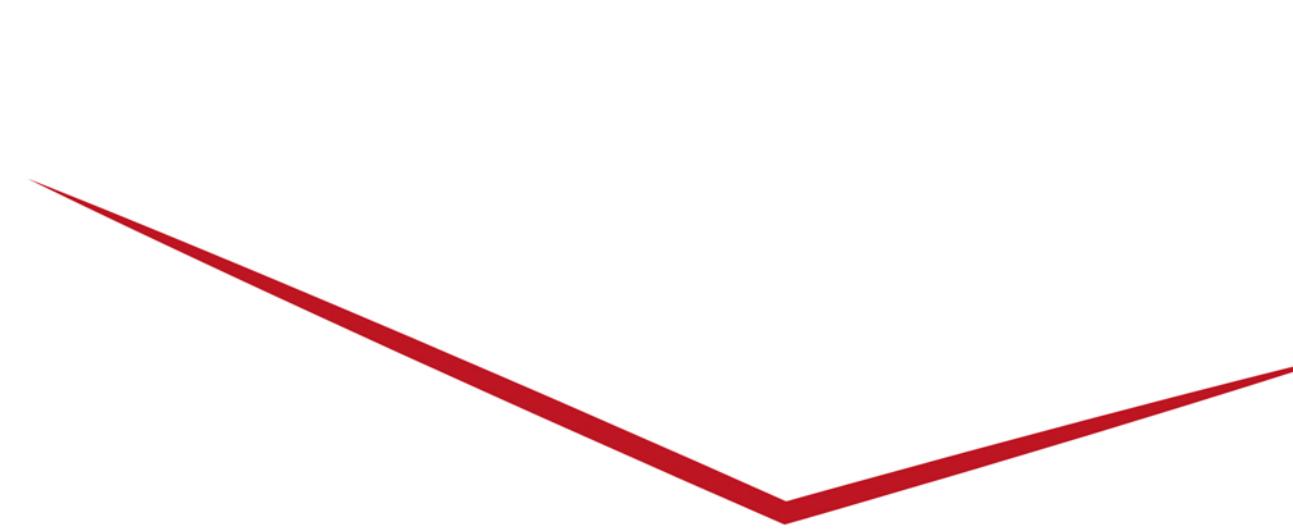
Manuscripts have been shaped by Timbuktu people for centuries and were shaped by Timbuktu people. Although it is believed that there was no written source in African culture for centuries, Timbuktu has hosted many manuscripts written in different languages. As a family tradition, every family's manuscripts have moved to Bamako, led by Haidara, the head of the family, with increasing threats in recent years. As Derrida's philosophy states, it is our responsibility to establish appropriate conditions for these manuscripts to be able to return to their homes that link the layers that existed in the past. Many points in the city's memory of the people have been damaged because of the ssaldırılar occurred and both the people and the city memory has worn out. It is aimed to strengthen the connection of the building with the city by giving priority to these in the construction design. In this way, the building that will refer to each part of the city will remind the user that they have lived.

The buildings, which played an important role in the city's memory in the design of the building, were converted into design data by abstracting the data at this point by referencing the works. Isolated spaces are shaped according to user movement within the structure and become Wall points. These walls are the main carrier of the building at some points, at some points the installation point and at some points the underground ventilation elements. The building will include workshops, libraries, and a research center that will allow for a variety of researchers to meet the needs of both the museum and the city. Since the museum area contains experiential points, it is also aimed to prevent manuscripts from being directly affected by sunlight on display. In order to ensure natural ventilation of the underground museum area, the working principles of the wind towers called bagdir, which is frequently encountered in hot climates, were used. The walls that turn into this element at the partial points will be used in the structure where artificial ventilation of the structure is inadequate.

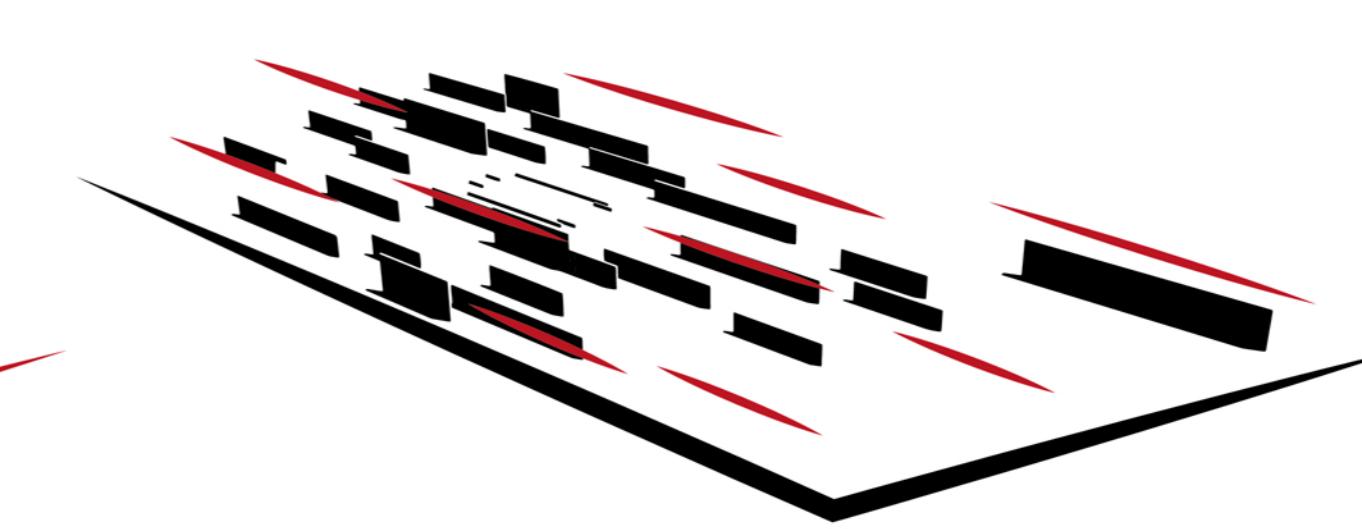


Working Area

Abstraction of the data in the city into the walls of architectural elements

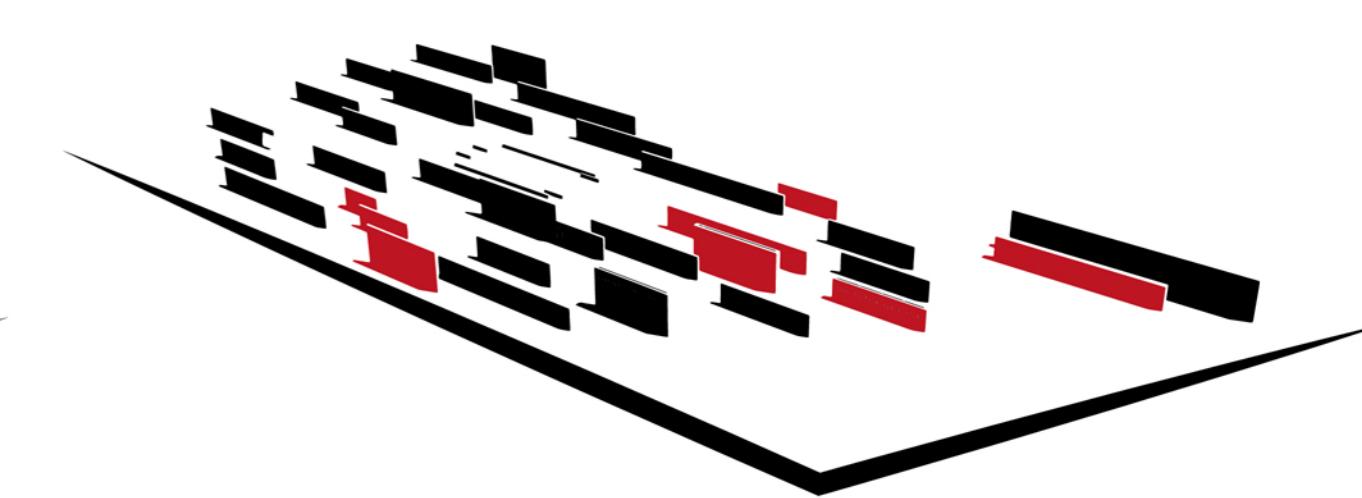


Determination of function and space planning

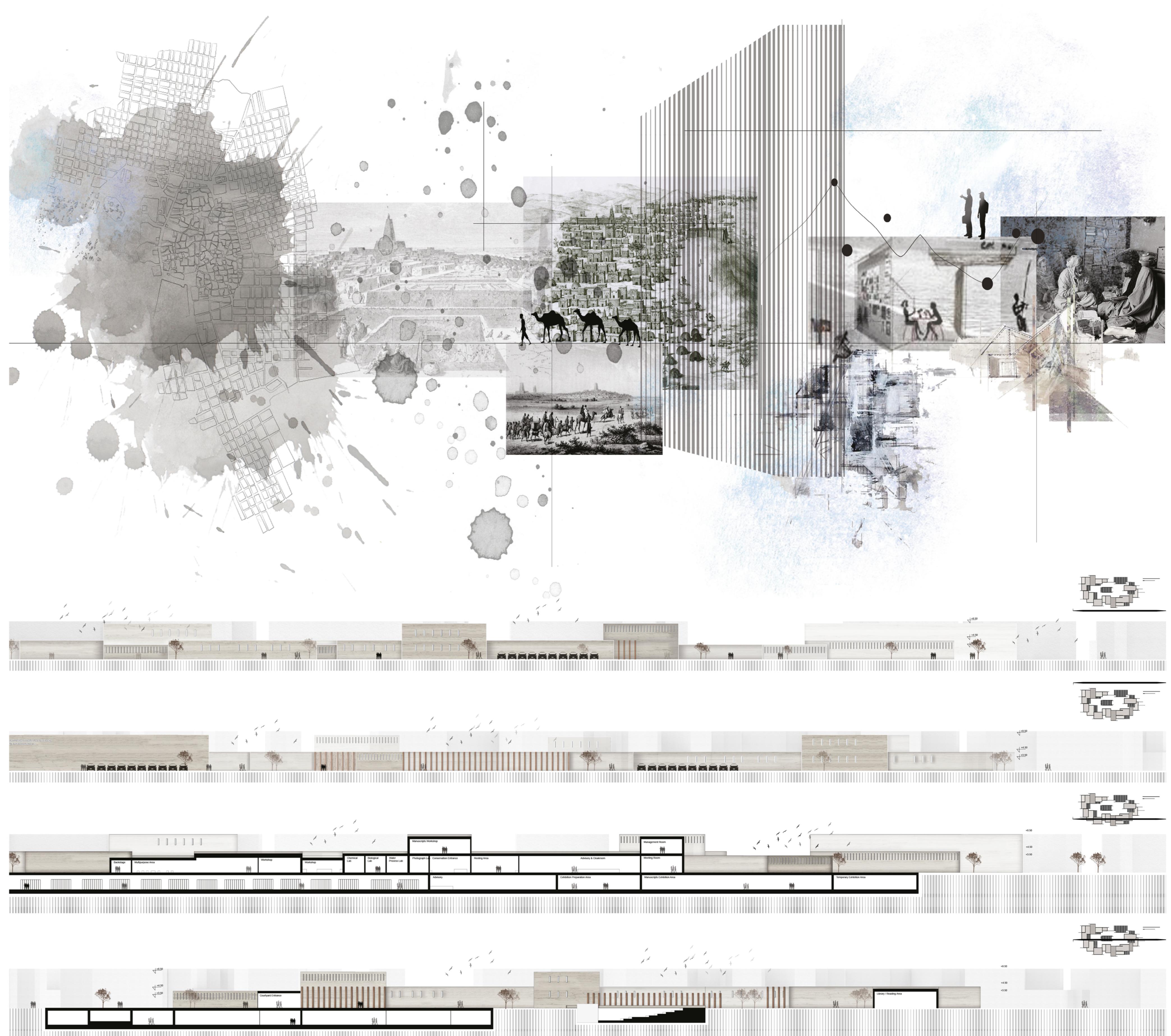


Determination of building floor heights

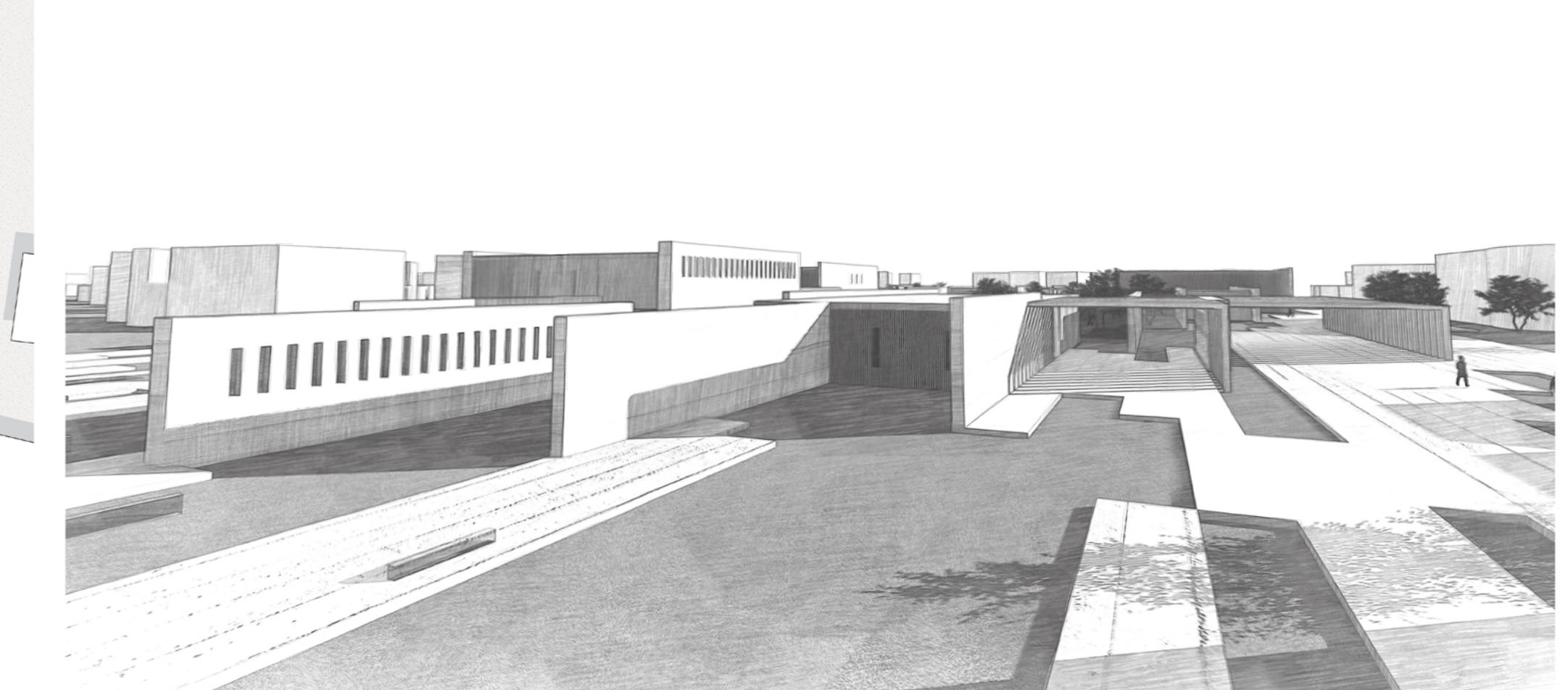
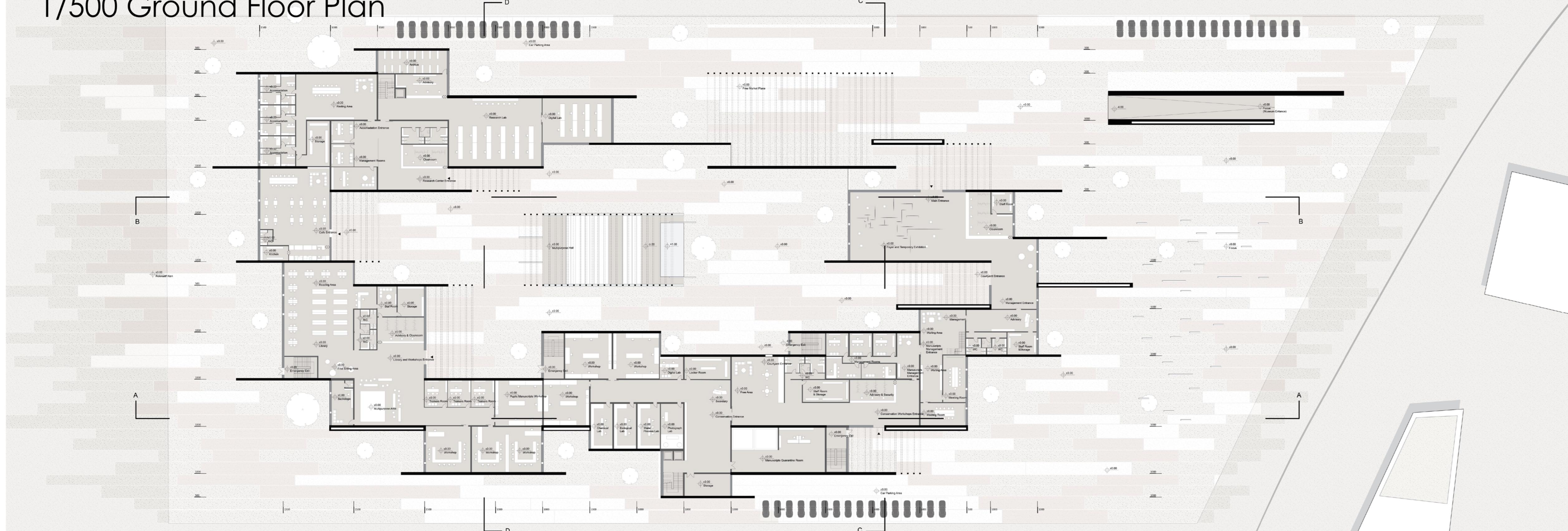
Some of the walls in the building were converted into windcatchers to be ventilated on the basement floor.



Memory Museum and Research Institute for Manuscripts



1/500 Ground Floor Plan



1/500 Basement Floor Plan

