

BETWEEN MASS HOUSING AND EXCLUSIVE ENCLAVES

DESIGN ACROSS SOCIAL REALMS & SCALES

RIGA

INTRO WEDNESDAY, 11.10.2023, 12:00
ISU SEMINARROOM

WITH THE MASTER THESIS WE FOCUS THE RE-PURPOSING AND RE-DESIGN OF AN INDUSTRIAL BUILDING COMPLEX IN THE KENGARAGS AREA OF RIGA, LATVIA. THE THESIS IS CO-SUPERVISED BY THE INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABLE URBANISM (ISU) AND THE INSTITUTE OF BUILDING DESIGN (IEB).

Based on the observations and analysis during a joint excursion to Riga from 17.10.-22.10.23, in the first phase of the semester, the students will envision a program and development concept for the site. They will develop a master plan as urban setting for concrete architectural interventions and are guided by ISU through that. In the further in-depth study, guided by IEB, a building block of the urban design will be elaborated in more detail. By selecting a building block in its own urban design, in particular questions of contemporary housing in combination with other functions are to be investigated at all levels, from the urban scale to detailed housing types, whereby synergies with the existing context are to be developed.

The Master Thesis „Between Mass Housing and Exclusive Enclaves“ is therefore divided into three design complexes, which accompany the work on the project in the leaps in scale from the urban planning level to the building design level and building detail, supervised by ISU and IEB jointly.

