

Convoluting Geometries, Hybrid Programmes, Intertwined Spaces

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Students in Year 5 focused on Istanbul, Turkey, one of the world's greatest urban hubs; a convergence of East and West located across two continents. The buzzing urban, historic, religious, political and entrepreneurial background of the city created the framework for projects that aimed at the urban contextualisation of public institutions where global and local needs are juxtaposed and confronted. Istanbul emerged from the cultural torrents of civilization. Today, in a time of extreme religious and political confrontations between the Western and Islamic worlds, and one of migrations and crises, the city has gained once more a pivotal importance with regards to the world's future stability.

Students in Year 4 focused on Kigali, Rwanda. Scared by the 1994 genocide and civil war, Rwanda is nicknamed the Land of Eternal Spring. With a small population that is expected to triple by 2040, Kigali, the capital city, is becoming the economic and cultural hub of central Africa. Our projects revolved around the brief of the world's second Islamic Church-Mosque where hi-tech (computer-aided, digitally skilled, innovative) design proposals were translated into low-tech (affordable, easily and locally assembled, basic materials) building strategies, aimed to be realised and built in Kigali. The brief was developed in collaboration with the humanitarian association Grünhelme, Germany and in partnership with several other academic institutions that were also involved in charity projects in Africa.

