



GOA 2100

Sustainable Cities
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The Goa 2100 logo was developed by visualizing the logistic leveling off of the exponential growth trend of the 20th century to a more sustainable state by 2100. This is enabled through the negative feedback of reduced population growth, consumption and anthropogenic emissions driven by greater equity, efficiency and ecological sustainability symbolized in the contra-rotating 'infinity' symbol.

Cities . . .

The blood of the villages is the cement with which the edifice of the cities is built. - M K Gandhi

Cities have been engines of growth of empire, trade and culture

for over 5,000 years.^{17,58} These human artifacts extract resources

from across the planet and transform them within complex ecologies.^{12,29,57}



Rome footprint, c. 100 ACE



Dholavira, India, c. 3500 - 2500 BCE



They also spew waste into the ecosystem threatening living systems across the globe.^{29,60}

The secret of the sustainability of ancient Indian cities lay in :

- a balanced regional urban hierarchy
- a high regional self-sufficiency for food, water and energy
- a culture of community and sufficiency, and
- a long inter-generational view of the future

Many cities have lived for over a millennium, evolving functions and forms very different from that of the westernized industrial city.^{57,90}

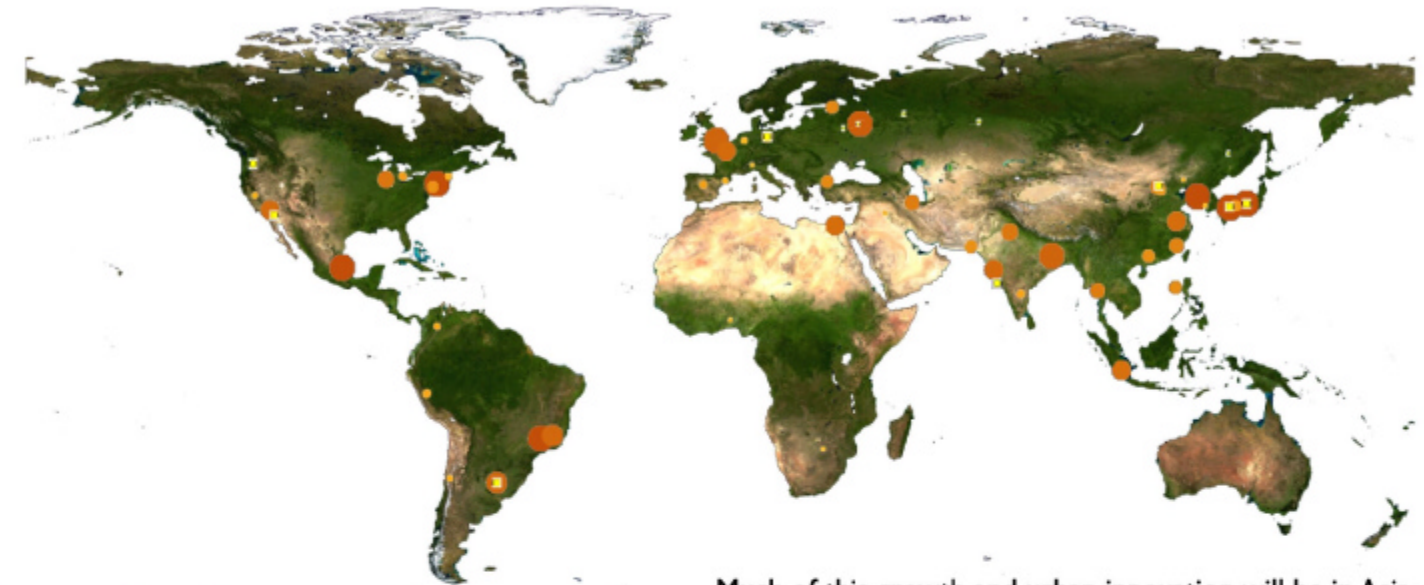
South Asia has witnessed many cycles of urban expansion and decline since 3500 BCE.⁷³

World cities 2500 BE to 1500 ACE

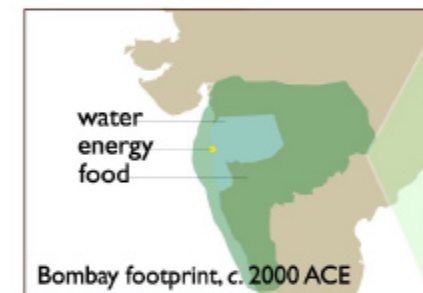


. . . in south Asia and the coastal tropics

The world will be predominantly urban in the first quarter of the 21st century.



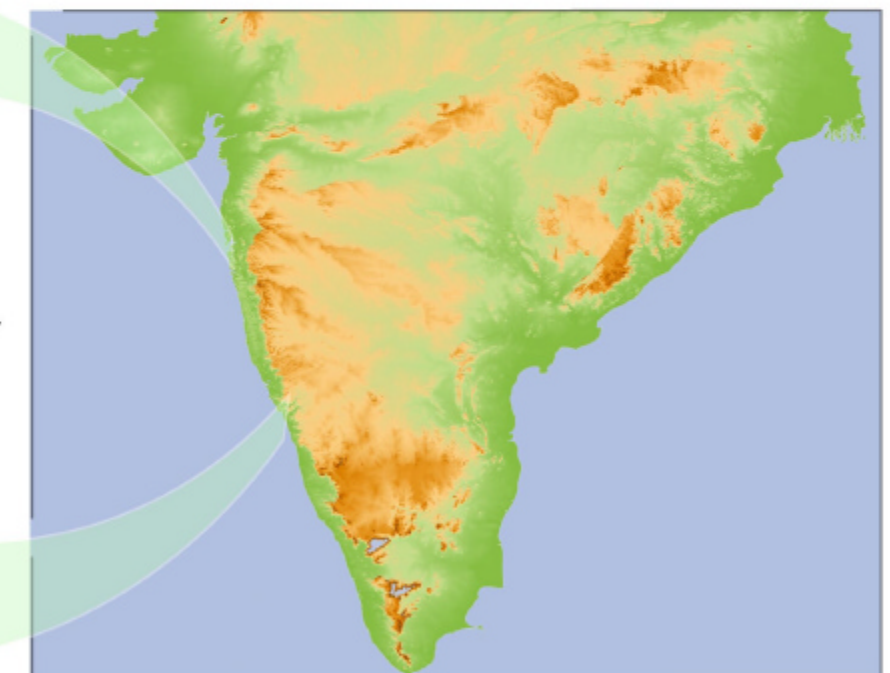
Much of this growth and urban innovation will be in Asia, along the coasts and in the tropics.^{47,81}



Mega-cities like Bombay are creations of global trade, industrial growth and empire, but are inherently unsustainable.^{29,57}



This new urbanism is only possible in smaller urban centers like Panjim, Goa

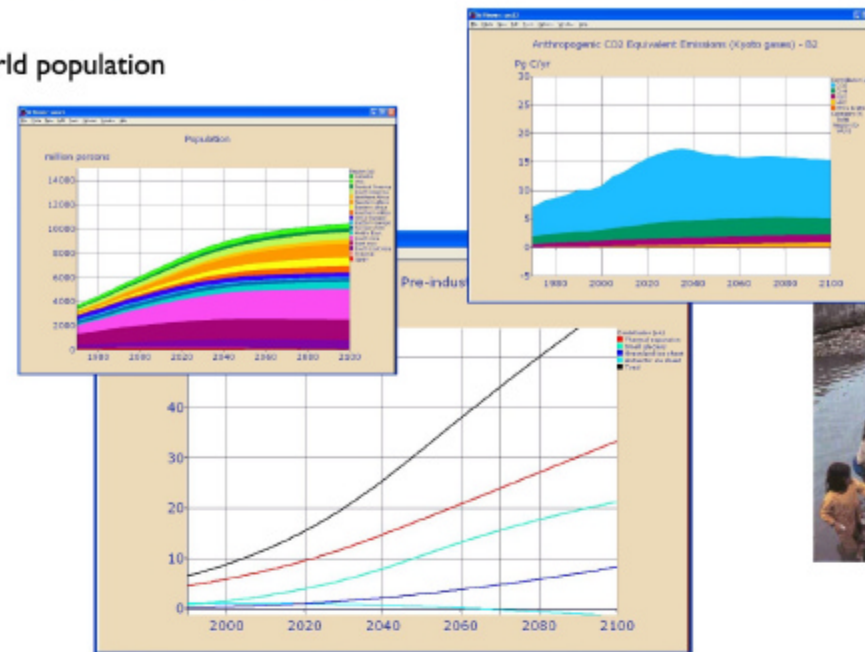


Addressing endemic urban poverty; a fossil fuel addicted metabolism and dispersal of huge ecological footprints will require a new urbanism: networked, human-scale and low-throughput.

Are cities unsustainable in a sustainable world?

Global futures need to be examined . . .

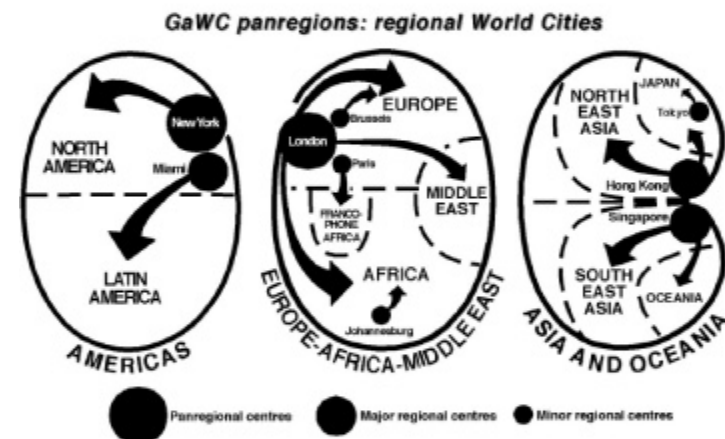
The 21st century will be marked by world population stabilisation at up to 10 billion; severe regional freshwater stress, health and food security challenges; loss of most natural forests; rising CO₂ concentrations and sea-level rise in an era of unprecedented rise in human wealth, knowledge and quality of life for a few.^{40, 50, 69, 82, 86, 91}



Scenario Structure with Illustrative Patterns

Scenario	Population	Economy	Environment	Equity	Technology	Conflict
Conventional Worlds						
Market Forces	↗	↗	↘	↘	↗	↗
Policy Reform	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Barbarization						
Breakdown	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Fortress World	↗	↗	↘	↘	↗	↗
Great Transitions						
Eco-Communalism	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
New Sustainability Paradigm	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗

Some of these alternative futures have huge economic, social and environmental costs. Others are more benign and potentially liberating for the bulk of humanity in keeping with the Millennium Development Goals and Agenda 21.^{15, 21, 80, 82}



The role of the nation-state, global corporations and civil society will be redefined as world-cities and regions jockey for dominance in a networked world.^{14, 44, 70, 76, 79}



This will lead to new conflicts and alliances induced by the increasing co-option of net primary production, fossil fuels, wealth and the lifetimes of poorer populations by knowledge and technology-enabled societies.^{20, 25, 39, 87}

Resolving this may lead to a re-alignment of the global political economy and the redefinition of many social, management and environmental sciences into a new Sustainability theory and practice.^{9, 11, 32, 72, 24}

The intensity of these trends can vary considerably based on the ethical, socio-economic, technological and governance-related choices we make.^{10, 50}

Most current analytical methods are inadequate to explore this terrain. Scenario-based dynamic modelling is the most advanced available tool to explore the multiple bifurcations and uncertainty associated with these futures.

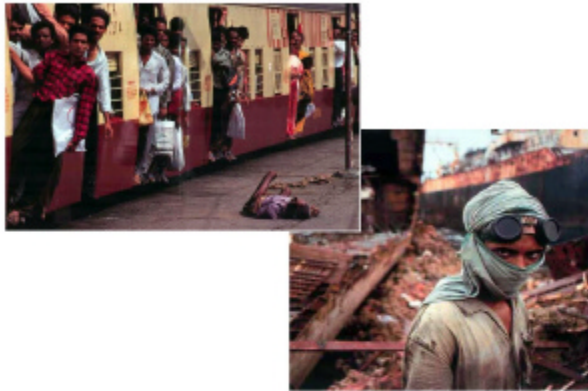
The IPCC-SRES scenarios provide some indication of possible trajectories for India and Goa over the 21st century. The B2 scenario was chosen as the most appropriate to benchmark the Goa 2100 design against. The SEI-Tellus Polestar model was also used to explore long-range regional possibilities apart from a custom model building effort for Greater Panjim.

. . . because a sustainable city **cannot exist** in an unsustainable world

India: the challenge of Sustainability

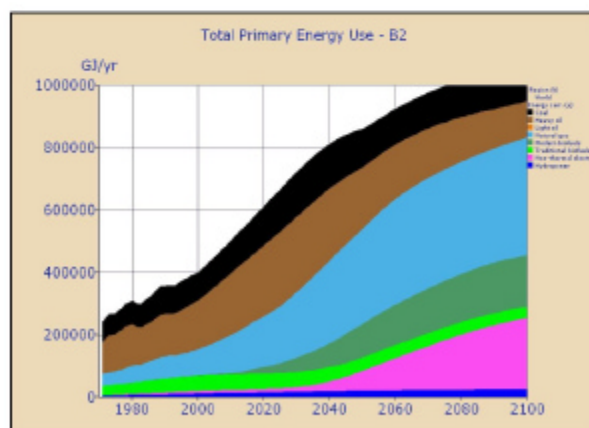
Let us, set the ... national vision (for India) ... to make it one of the largest economies of the world, where the countrymen live well above the poverty line, their education and health is of high standard, ... bringing all-round prosperity and ... the ability to sustain and improve these over very long periods of time ...

– A P J Abdul Kalam, space scientist and President of India ¹

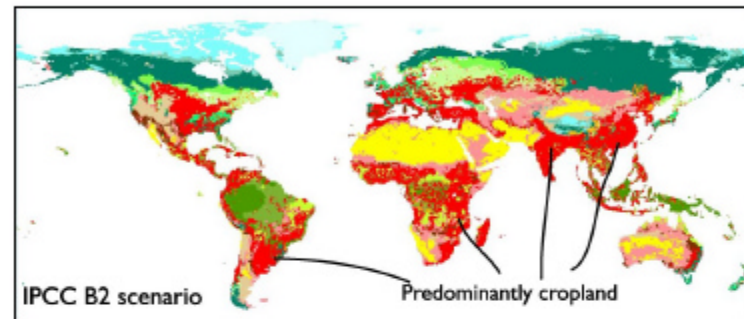


Overpopulation: Poverty, dirty industry and overpopulation put increasing pressure on the environment. Low levels of human development, inadequate fossil fuels and investment capital and degrading public institutions constrain economic development. This poverty of physical and human resources and good governance lies at the core of the sustainability debate. ^{3, 16, 54, 61, 66, 85}

Nevertheless, food self-sufficiency, a rapid growth in literacy and the growth of renewable energy use and water conservation and are positive signs.



Energy: this century will be based on gas, coal and an enlarging niche for renewable energy. Improved accessibility and functioning markets will enable balanced regional development. ^{4, 49, 77}



Land: most forests will be lost to cropland, but food security may be maintained with post-Green revolution eco-technologies and empowerment of local communities. ^{4, 16, 78}

Water: Over 70 percent will live in water stress, conjunctive use, agricultural end-use efficiency, zero-emission urban and industrial eco-technology and local regulation and social control can change this. ^{5, 16, 28, 78}

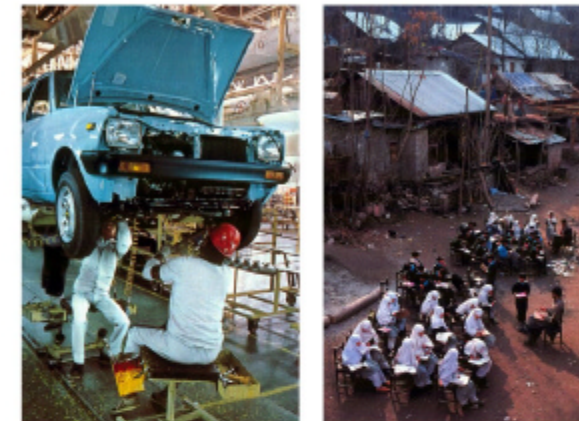


Environment: carrying capacity will be severely strained. Contracting ecological footprints while maintaining entitlements for the vulnerable, using Factor 4 efficiency, effective regulation and social control on consumerism will be necessary. ^{16, 88, 89}



Development: Over 200 million poor people will live in India - the largest concentration in the world. Sustainable livelihood initiatives alone can reduce, but not eliminate poverty. Expanding literacy and health will facilitate social change and help stabilize population. ^{1, 78}

Technology: often heightens contradictions, but will provide fillip to export-led growth and the development of domestic markets. ^{1, 3, 49}



Conflict: international, regional, inter-community - hovers below the surface, erupting in occasional spasms of violence. New social movements rise to address perennial challenges of caste, gender, religious and ethnic exploitation. ^{18, 33}

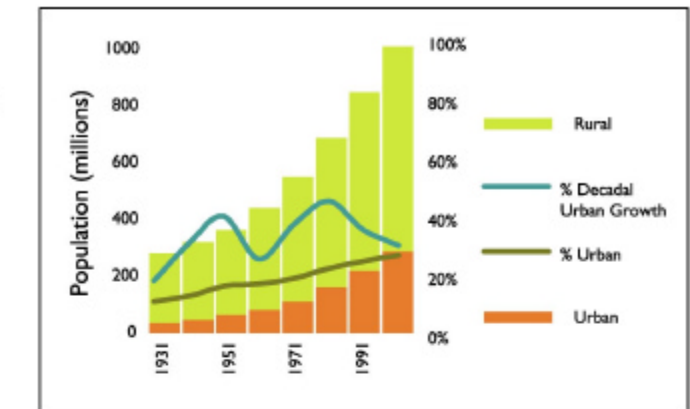
Good governance: with the weakening of the State, onslaught of global forces and erosion of social and public institutions will be challenging. Devolution, empowerment of women, communities and minorities and the rise of new political formations may lead to a new plural political settlement. ^{18, 35}

Cities will be the fulcrum of these social, economic and environmental transformations.

Keeping a balance between the urban and the rural - RUrbanism - is the central challenge of sustainable urbanism in India. This project demonstrates that this new urbanism is possible - one that values human time and meaningful work, reduces poverty and deprivation, redefines consumption and shrinks ecological footprints - by balancing relationships between natural, physical, financial and human capital in a way that frees human time to create economic wealth, well-being and high culture.

Replicable, tropical coastal RUrbanism can be demonstrated

Indian RUrbanism



Slowdown of urbanisation: India lives in its villages. Its population may stabilize at fewer than 1.5 billion by 2050 with a rural majority. Urbanisation (now under 30%) has been decelerating for 20 years, even though the country has the second largest population in the world. ^{3, 55}



As the only tropical team in this competition, a shortlist of eight possible (less than a million population) cities was developed across India.

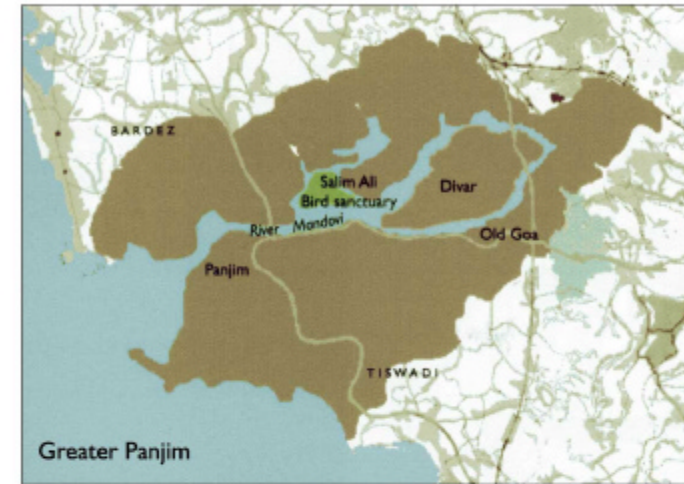
A detailed analysis helped select Panjim, Goa as representative of the region and international context, with its coastal location, rich biodiversity and resource base, post-colonial and convivial culture.

Greater Panjim (GP)

Panjim, the capital of the small western Indian state of Goa with an urban area of about 170 sq. km. and a population of 113,000. This urban, RUrban, rural and marine agglomeration is the chosen unit of analysis and design.^{7,34}

Located in the lower watersheds of the Mandovi river basin facing the Arabian Sea, its rich natural resource base and community-centric culture provides a powerful basis for an indigenously lead transition using renewable energy, gas, local food production with water and energy conservation. This is made possible by a culture of sufficiency and local governance, where non-material needs can be met non-materially.^{7,19,74}

Water and nature areas are interwoven into the urban fabric, yet both traditional and contemporary elements are well-balanced and integrated.⁷



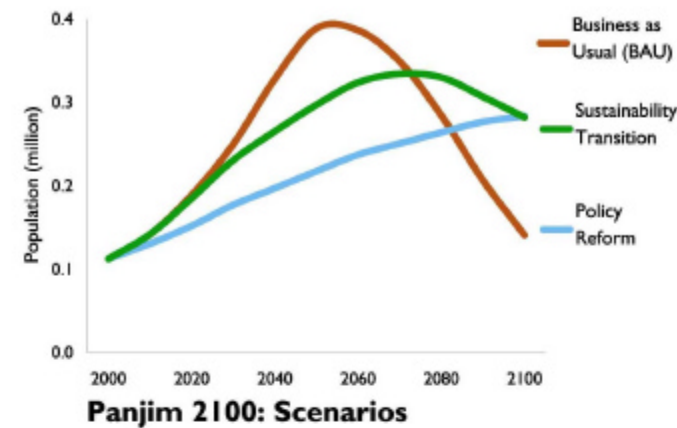
Old Goa: a 15th century world-city, capital of the colonial Portuguese empire, abandoned because of repeated epidemics linked to poor adaptation to the tropical environment, is now a world heritage site.⁷



As a coastal city, it **faces the loss of prime land, world famous beaches, and potable ground water** due to global warming and rising sea levels

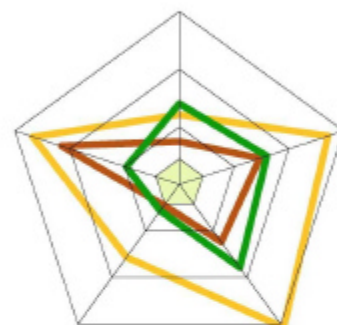
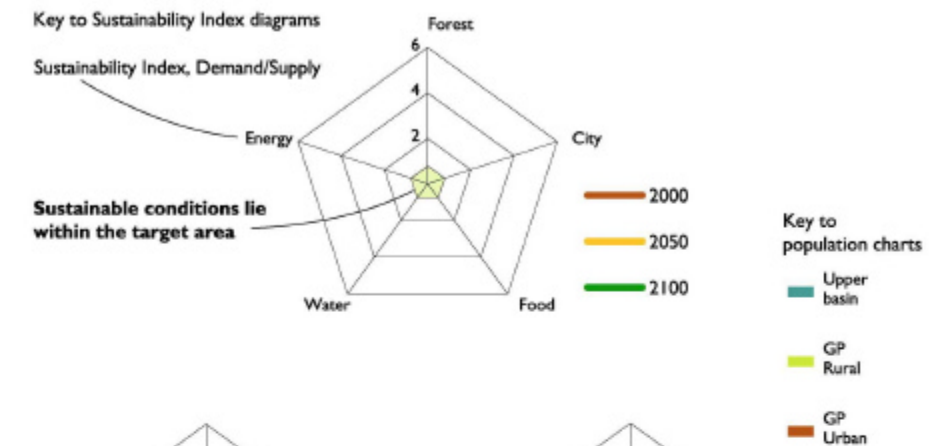
Greater Panjim: future scenarios

Goa is a small self-contained ecological and cultural region that has retained its identity in spite of almost 500 years of colonial rule. Change has been relatively slow in the state, but that is altering rapidly. Opportunities are appearing in the IT, bio-technology and eco-tourism sectors.³⁴

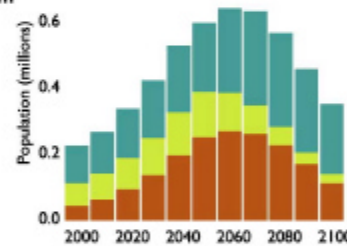


Hence, multiple potential development pathways are now opening. Three were selected for more rigorous analysis and design by this project. Each performs very differently in achieving sustainability of long-term resource security: 2, 4, 65, 75

Goa 2100 scenarios have been adapted from a set of global and national scenarios produced by RIVM, the Global Scenario Group and TERI. They have been significantly adapted to match the reality of Goa, but are still only illustrative and not definitive.



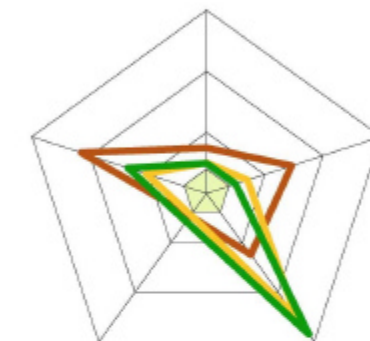
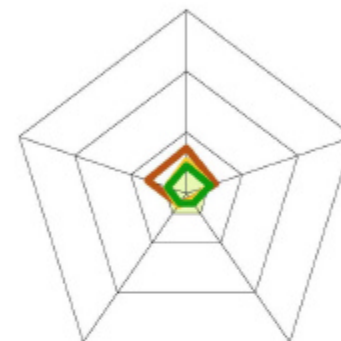
Business-as-usual (BAU)



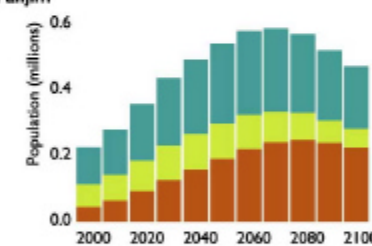
Maintaining a contemporary trajectory

of reactive development, leading to rapid economic, population and urban growth driven largely by in-migration in search of the fabled Goan lifestyle, leading to the devastating the environment and the easy-going 'fish, curry and rice' Konkani culture, leaving Panjim looking like the corridor towns that ring Bombay by 2050

The city is conceived within its ecological region, the entire Mandovi basin, from the hills of the Western Ghats to the ocean, with about six times the area of the city and about twice its population.^{7, 53}

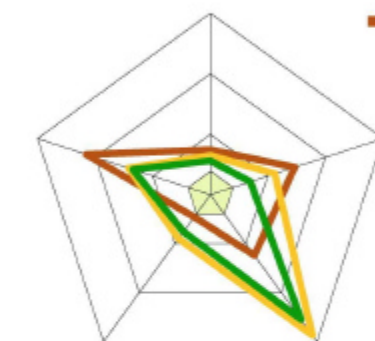
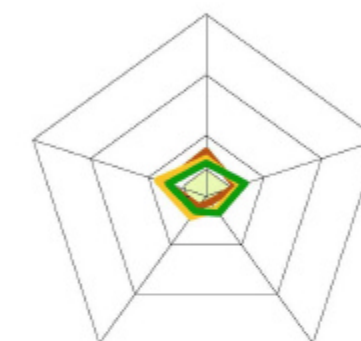


Sustainability Transition

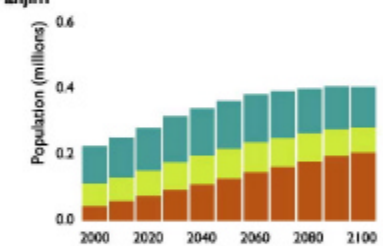


A radical departure

led by a process of intense community consensus building to rejuvenate local governance leading to: urban consolidation to reduce footprints and return to human-scale; integrated regional agro-forestry and ecosystem regeneration; transformation of energy and water systems, transportation and communication networks; building a high-tech green economy and transforming the identity of the city. A medium-term redevelopment plan receives international funding as commercially viable. Panjim becomes one of the top-5 quality of life cities in the Asia-Pacific region by 2030.



Policy Reform

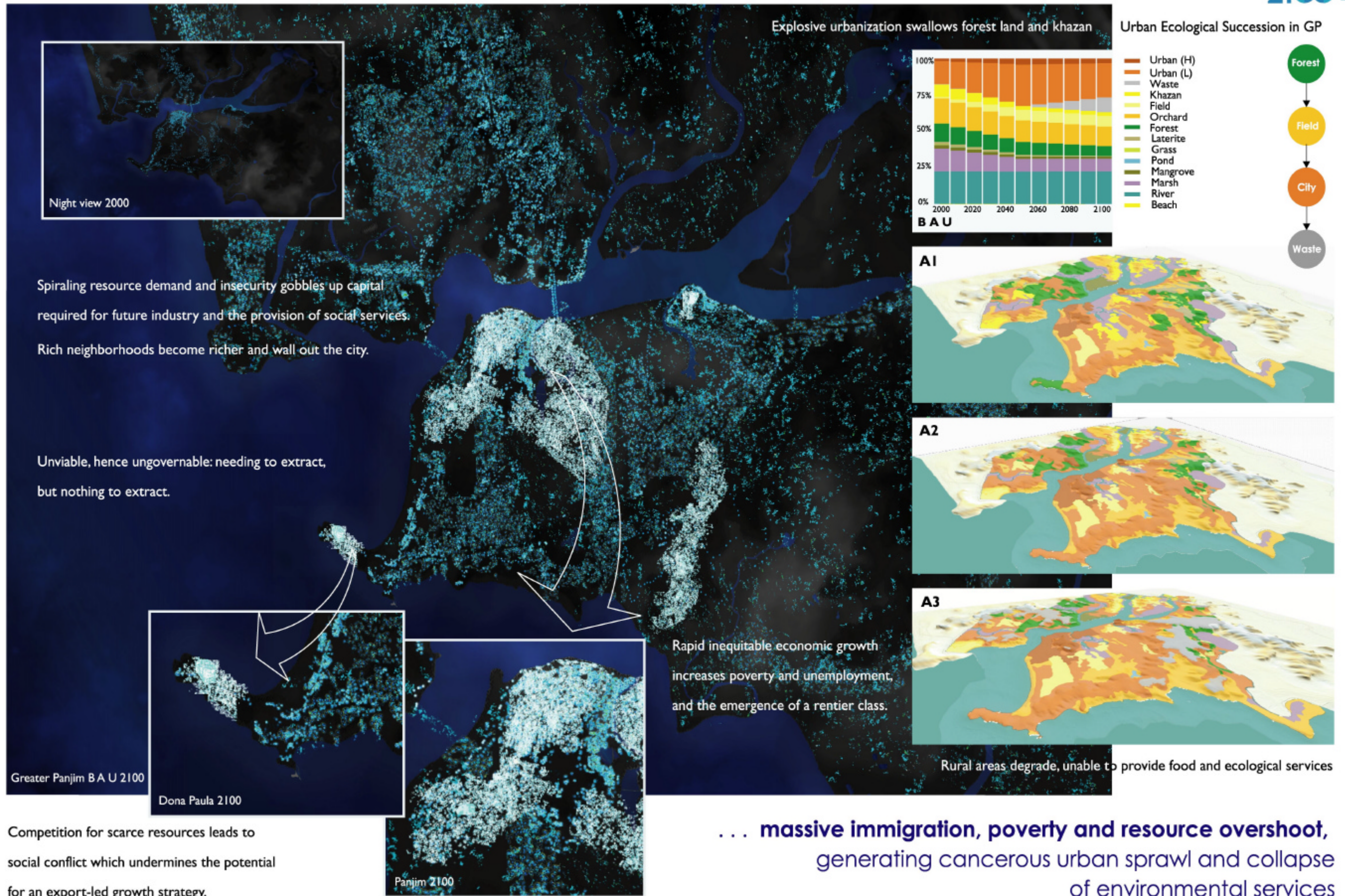


A good governance, community and

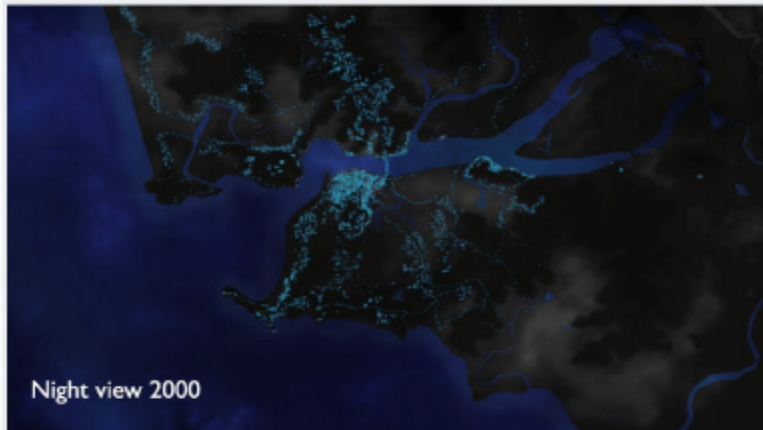
environment centric pathway that attempts to restrict population growth, improve human development and implement a local Agenda 21 while seeking to attract investment in clean industries (e.g. tourism and IT). Quality of life above the national average, but unplanned development and urban sprawl, the global blight of consumerism, degraded beaches and crowded roads makes Goa just another destination on the backpacker and charter tour map.

Sustainability demands that the **regional ecological footprint** lies within the Mandovi basin

Business-as-usual (BAU) scenario leads to **economic and population growth . . .**

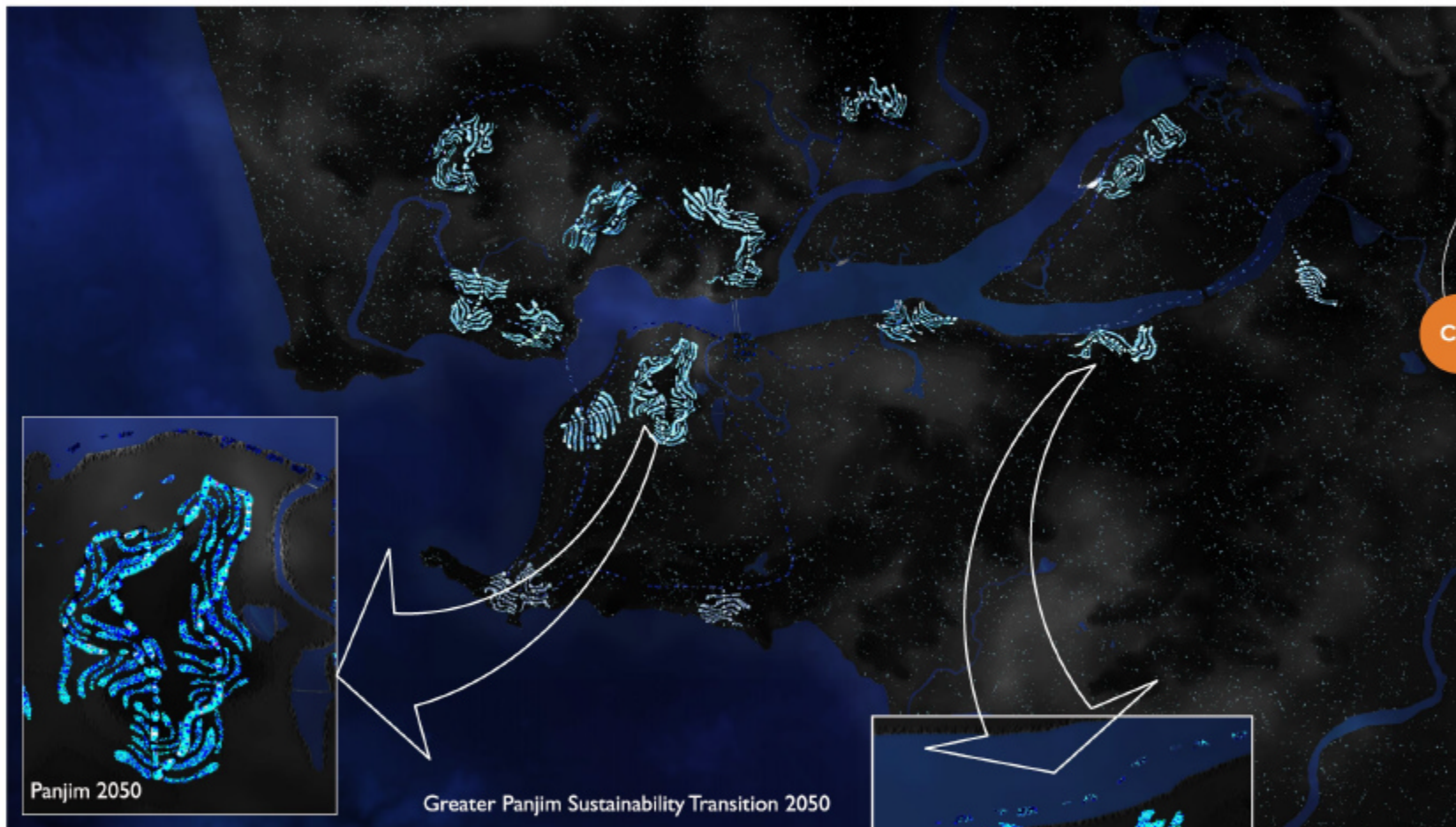


Instead, a **Sustainability Transition** ...



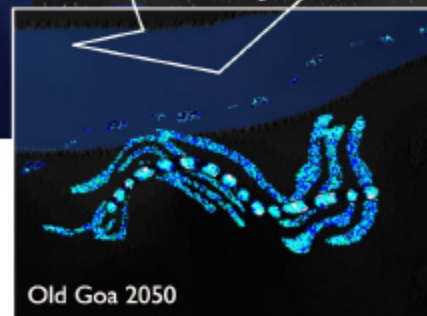
Renewable energy, sustainable transport and IT links enable consolidation of smaller urban nuclei, while dynamic components can swell or shrink, allowing interplay of city, forest and field^{6, 30, 38}

Resource security and contained demand makes energy, resources and savings available for efficient technology - recycling, reproduction, maintenance and de-construction - and the sunrise sectors of biotechnology, IT, advanced materials, human contact and info-edutainment



Based on creating governable cells with viable urban nuclei* that develop according to resource availability, natural limits of pedestrian mobility, and shared neighborhood cultural identity, creating an efficient, adaptive, low-stress infrastructure^{6, 13, 53, 64, 68}

* Not growth nuclei, but like living cell nuclei, serving specific high-density functions. A viable nucleus in this economic and geographic context contains 10,000-30,000 people, networked into a set of meta-communities forming a tissue of RUrban fabric

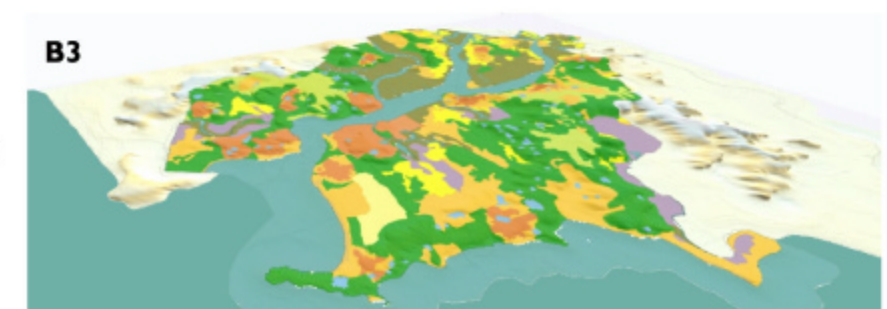
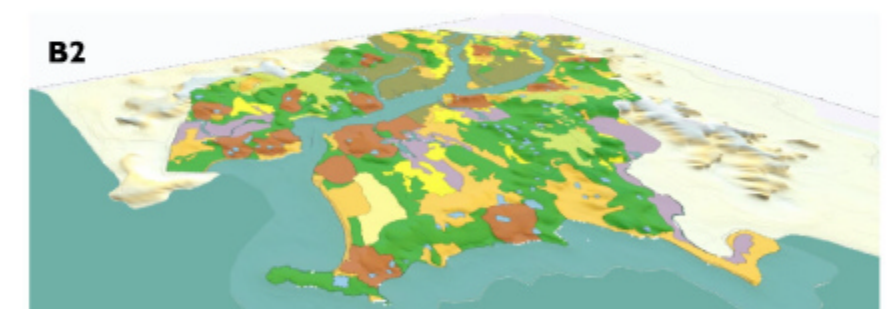
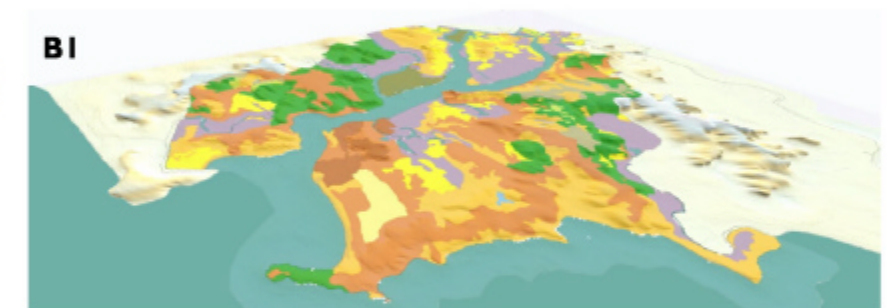
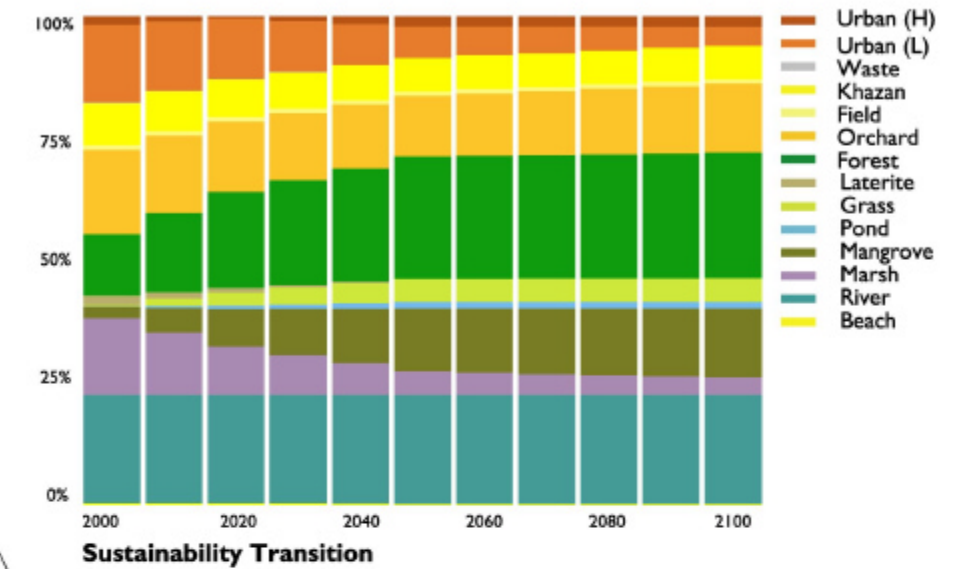


A viable city, providing primary ecological and economic services to its region^{52, 56}



Rural areas become viable in their own right with employment and quality of life that is better than the city^{6, 48}

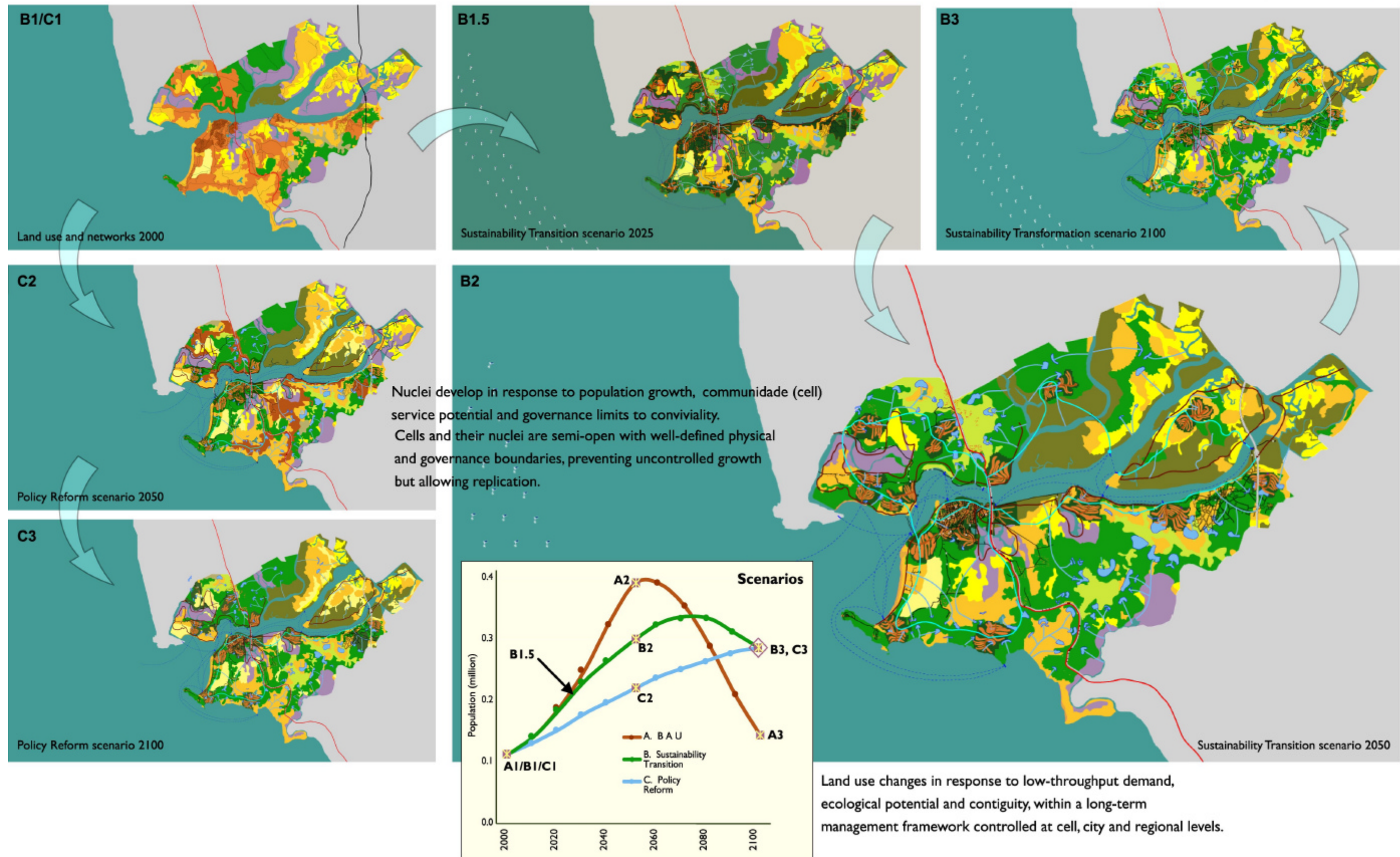
Urban Ecological Succession in GP



... in **dynamic balance** with its region, state, nation and the world ...

... responsive, robust, evolutionary ...

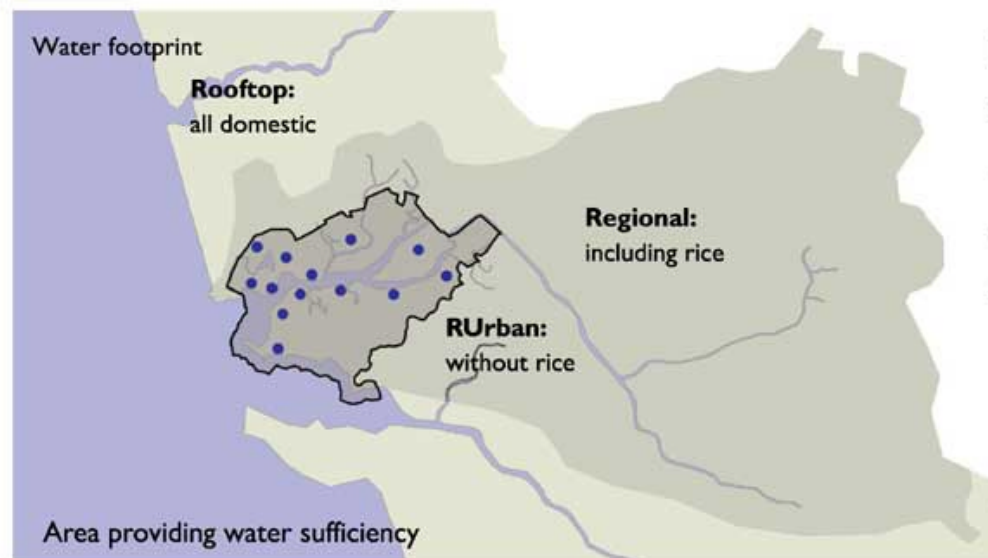
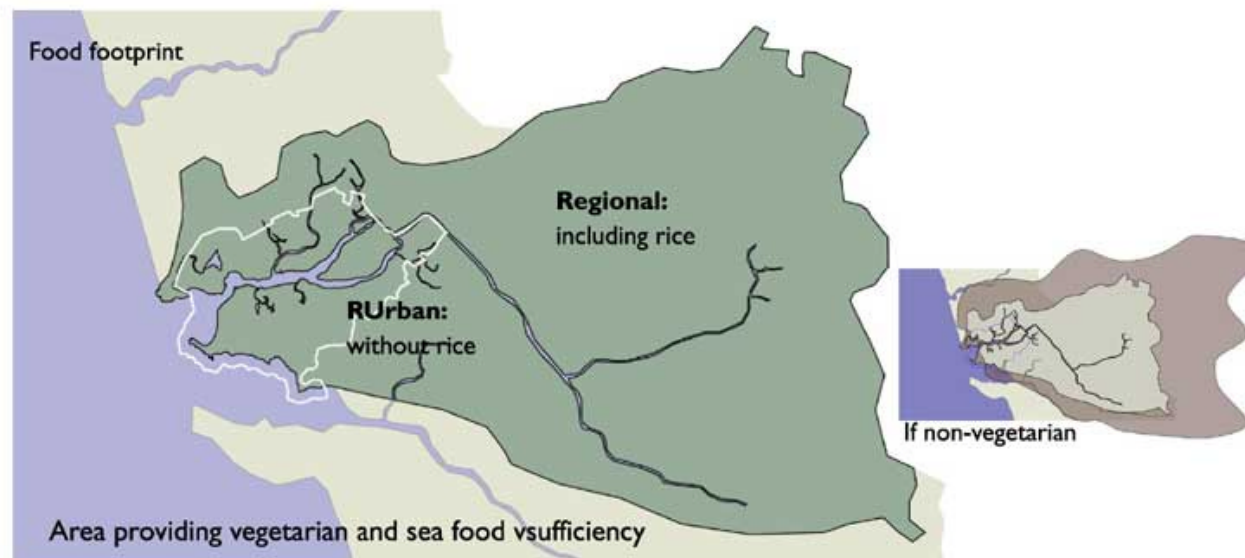
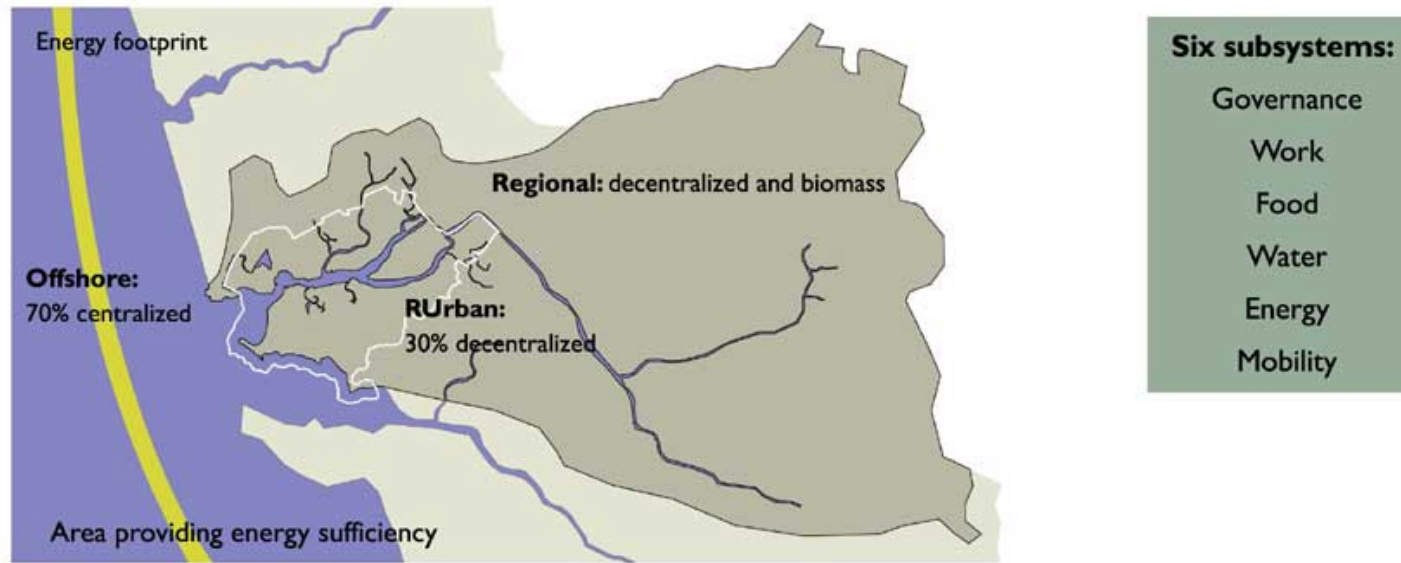
Resilient to long term and unpredictable environmental changes^{6,9}



... and sufficiently complex to withstand **changes in population, business cycles and social** transformation ...

... can allow **120 million people*** to live on India's western coast ...

Like all living systems, this living future subsists on renewable energy and sustainable food from terrestrial and offshore sources ^{41,56}



Poverty, income and entitlement deprivation - the bane of urban India - decline as participation and equity in economic and social life increases ^{3,31,36,37}

Coastal cities have the great advantage of utilizing marine resources. Panjim is no exception. Some terrestrial resource deficits (e.g. renewable energy) can be made up by using the additional coastline. ⁵

The living city is not an island: its metabolism is **interlinked to surrounding ecosystems and its people and culture networked to other viable urban cells** to form a living and developing tissue, a net primary producer, not a parasitic system ^{13,29,38,53}



Instead of cities colonizing ecosystems to create fractured natural landscapes, dense urban islands emerge and melt into a sea of biodiversity.

A high quality of life and vibrant culture is possible within a dense but dispersed and dematerialized settlement structure, integrating a respect for ecological footprint with economic pragmatism. **This is financially viable, and can be done now.** ^{2,10}

* 8% of India's population in 2050 on 5% of its land

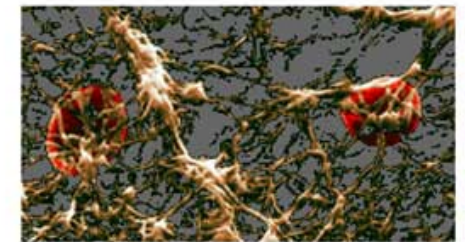
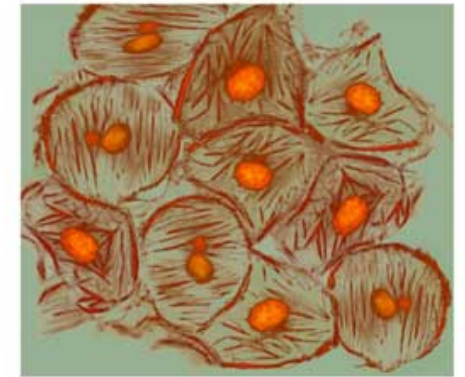
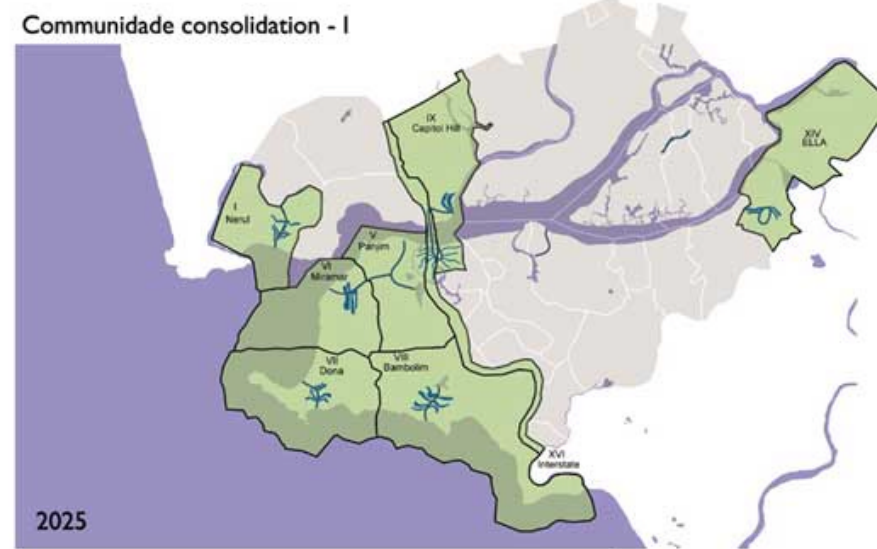
... meeting people's basic needs **without endangering biodiversity**

Governance

In Goa, the *comunidade* was the traditional unit of viable village self-governance, organized around an oligarchy of consensus and not adversarial franchise, controlling lands and managing water and public works in an ecologically consistent and socially equitable manner.^{7.34}

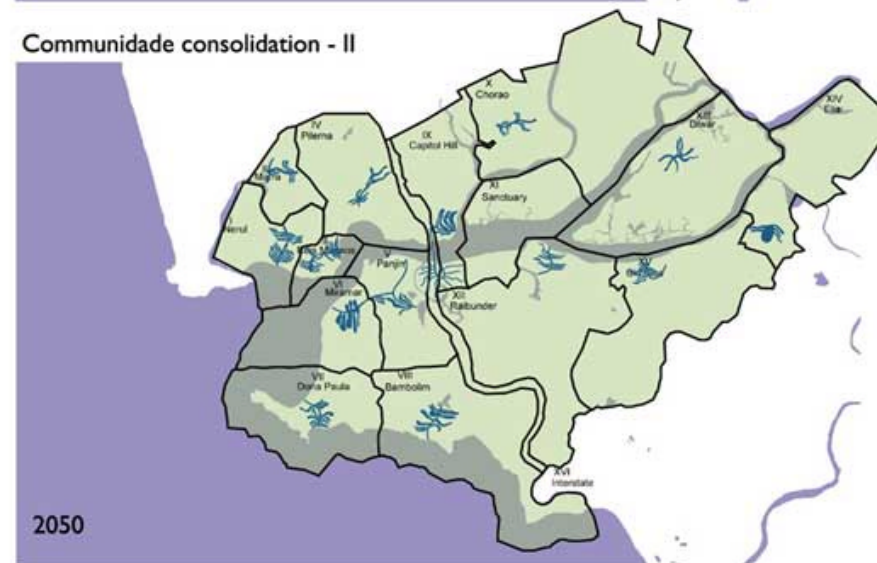
Empowered to raise taxes and control land use, this basic cell becomes autonomous on local issues. The city addresses inter-communidade and regional governance, while fiscal federalism enables a viable link with the state and the nation.

The structure of governance is cellular, hence viable at all scales

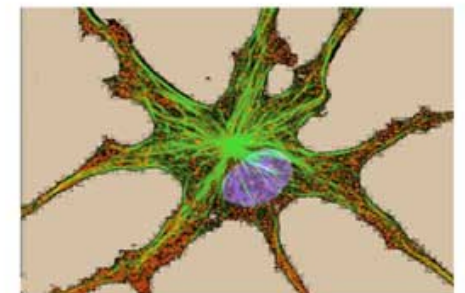
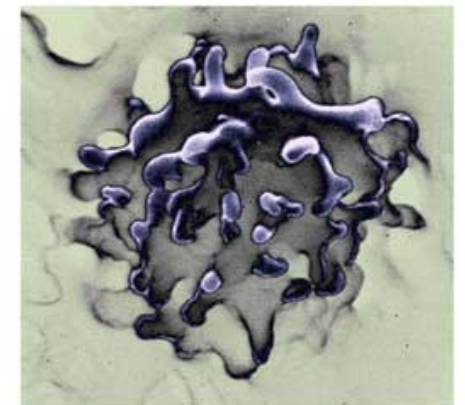


Overlaid by modern elected local councils, comunidades are a shadow of their former selves. A new Constitutional amendment and transparency law provide the space and powers to change this.⁶²

A primary organizing principle for a Sustainability Transition would be to transform and empower these comunidades



Comunidades will be restructured around ecological and resource boundaries to enable better governance and viability. 23 villages will consolidate into 14 comunidades over time, reflecting topography and resource boundaries, and changes in technology and communication.



Connected by infrastructure and information networks, comunidades can have a dynamic **urban or rural** character, adapting functional specialization to need

A Sustainability Transition builds **convivial livelihoods** and values

Spatio-temporal boundaries between home and office, field and forest blur with broadband wireless communication, virtual reality and sustainable transportation systems.



Remote and virtual work allows seamless office work from RUrban areas and agro-forestry in urban forests and home gardens.¹⁴

Yet, working with one's hands is an honored part of everyday life -

- growing food;
- tending the coconut palms and cashew orchards;
- recycling waste water in ecological sewage treatment facilities;
- protecting the mangroves and forests;

that provides rice, coconut, water and fish to the city

As is the -

- monthly production of a 1 MW wind turbine for export to Japan from Ella;
- stem cell therapy from the high-value medical biotechnology unit at Chorao;
- world-famous Panjim music conservatory that has daily web-casts with its conductor who works from Berlin;
- twenty-year long conservation effort at the Old Goa world heritage site and the pre-colonial temple tanks on Diwar;
- ten-minute long trip to watch birds fishing as the tide goes down in the Salim Ali bird sanctuary

Industrial labor markets exclude and limit human development through competition between unequals. In a services-led economy flexible patterns of work, exchange, leisure and learning develop displacing outmoded forms of wage compensation.¹⁴

In law and principle, the value of each person's life is similar to every others - *if the accumulation and use of time can be appropriately tracked.*⁵¹

A new vocabulary of work and time-use:

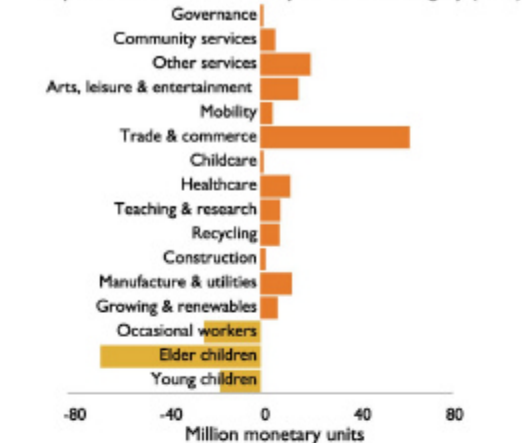
- **Living**
- **Growing**
- **Processing**
- **Exchanging**, including:
 - **Trade**: retail and financial
 - **Moving**: people, goods and information
 - **Info-edutainment**: learning, media, and entertainment
 - **Human contact**: healing, caring, re-creating
 - **Cleaning and maintaining**
 - **Governance**: community, state, national

Greater Panjim Time-use Budget (2100) (2.7 billion person hours per year)



LifeTimes is a human capital currency for a sustainable economy.

Imputed Net Annual Income by Livelihood Category (2100)



LifeTime is measured in person hours, which can be traded to pay for human and professional services: from waste recycling and health care to entertainment. With IT and e-commerce support successful time-sharing programmes run across the world. Some even interface with conventional occupations with a wage premium on special education, skills and some livelihoods within socially determined bounds.

Progressive Livelihood policies

Universal secondary education,

but expensive tertiary education financed via future earnings

Gender neutral occupation structure and equal sharing of home making and childcare

Time use patterns structured to value the building of:

- Personal human capital (via learning and study) and
- Social capital (via participation in community service and governance)

Enabling cultural practices

Children don't work, except older children in community service

Child support is the right and duty of all adults

The aged only work at teaching, community service, governance and child care

All adults are involved in:

- Play, exercise and leisure for a physically and mentally active life
- Life-long learning with a time contribution to teaching-learning,
- Governance and community service to ensure a balance between paid and other time use

A socially mandated upper bound on the ratio between

highest and lowest mean wages

Discounting of LifeTimes permitted only over a person's life,

not transferable between generations

Greater Panjim: the evolution of the **New Economy** in action

A new livelihood metric for a new Age

Even 3 meters of rain in a rice-eating culture is not enough . . .

Land, food and water availability are intimately connected, hence their importance to sustainable resource planning. ^{4, 25, 27, 53, 56}

Indians (and Goans) have 3,200 sqm of land per capita, which shall reduce to about 2,000 sqm by 2050 - one-third of 'overpopulated' Europe.

Therefore, the Goan water ration = 2,000 sqm x 2500 mm/yr = 13,600 liters per person per day (lpcd).

Half of the land being flat and one-third of the water harvestable, yields only 1.1 kg of rice per person per day!

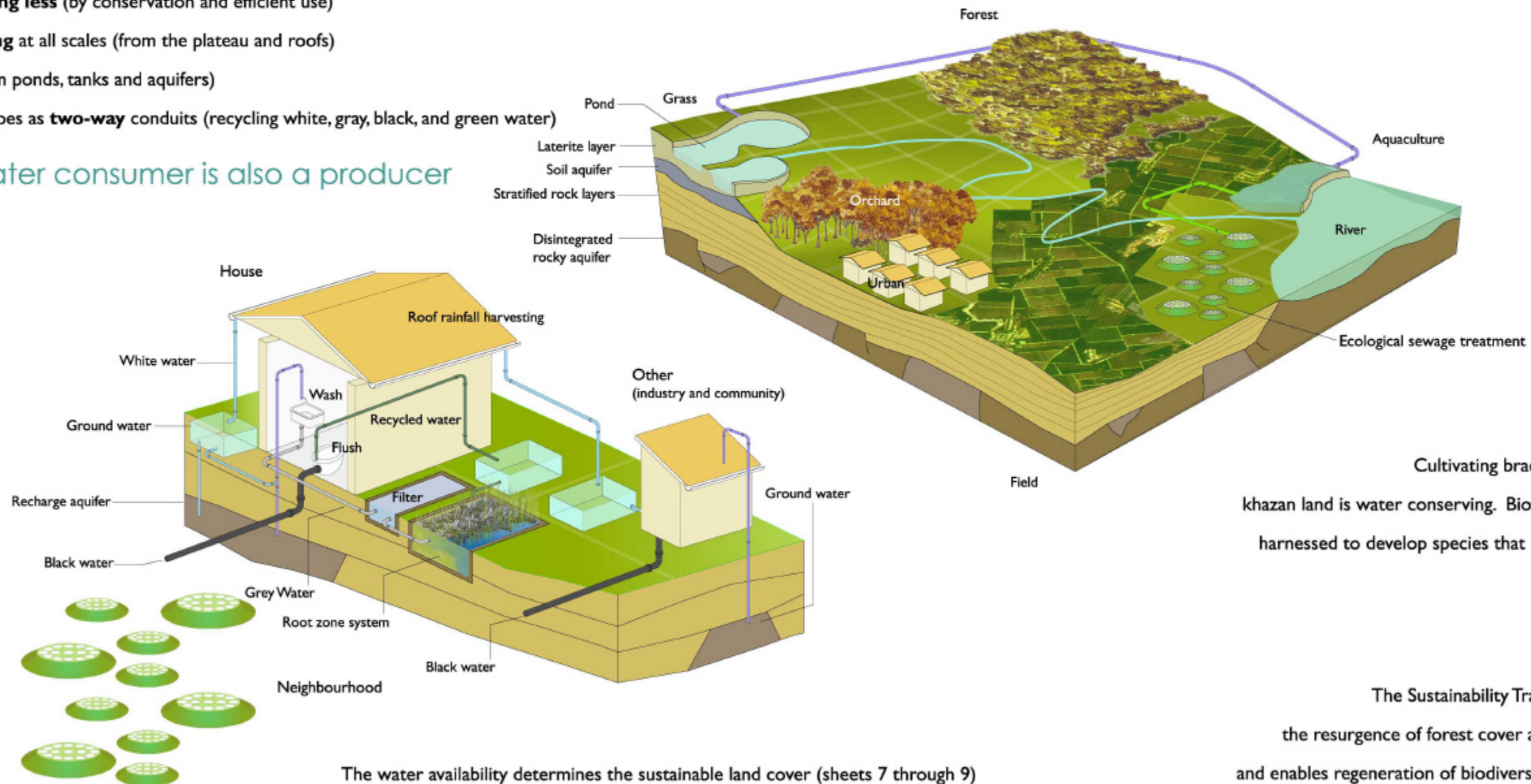


Without permaculture linked to multi-stage aquaculture and a vegetarian lifestyle Goa, like India today, will continue as a subsistence economy. ^{7, 41, 63, 56}

Water security can be achieved by:

- **Demanding less** (by conservation and efficient use)
- **Harvesting** at all scales (from the plateau and roofs)
- **Storing** (in ponds, tanks and aquifers)
- Treating pipes as **two-way** conduits (recycling white, gray, black, and green water)

Every water consumer is also a producer



Cultivating brackish-water rice in khazan land is water conserving. Biotechnology will be harnessed to develop species that require less water.

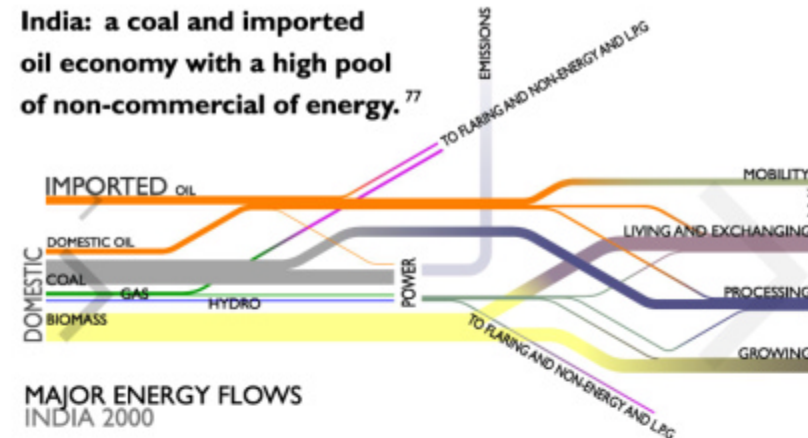
The Sustainability Transition implies the resurgence of forest cover and mangroves, and enables regeneration of biodiversity and springs.

Ecological sewage treatment produces (in succession): algae, snails, carp, high value flowers, prawns and fish.

The water availability determines the sustainable land cover (sheets 7 through 9) and sets the roof area requirements for the urban nuclei.

. . . unless every raindrop is harvested and recycled many times

India: a coal and imported oil economy with a high pool of non-commercial energy.⁷⁷

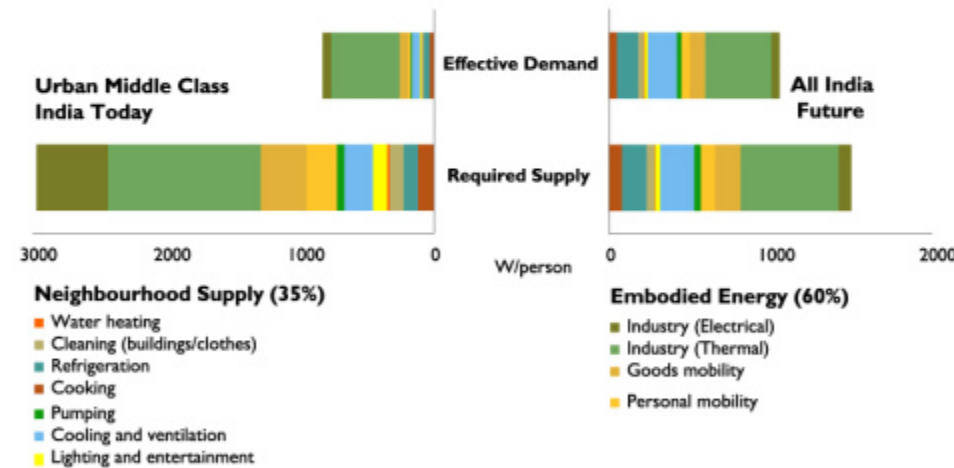


GHG emitting technologies dominate the supply today; China is an equivalent energy economy. Biomass keeps the poor of India alive, but endangers forests (though the poor do not denude forests; exploitative industry does this with a ferocious efficiency).

Energy demand scenarios:

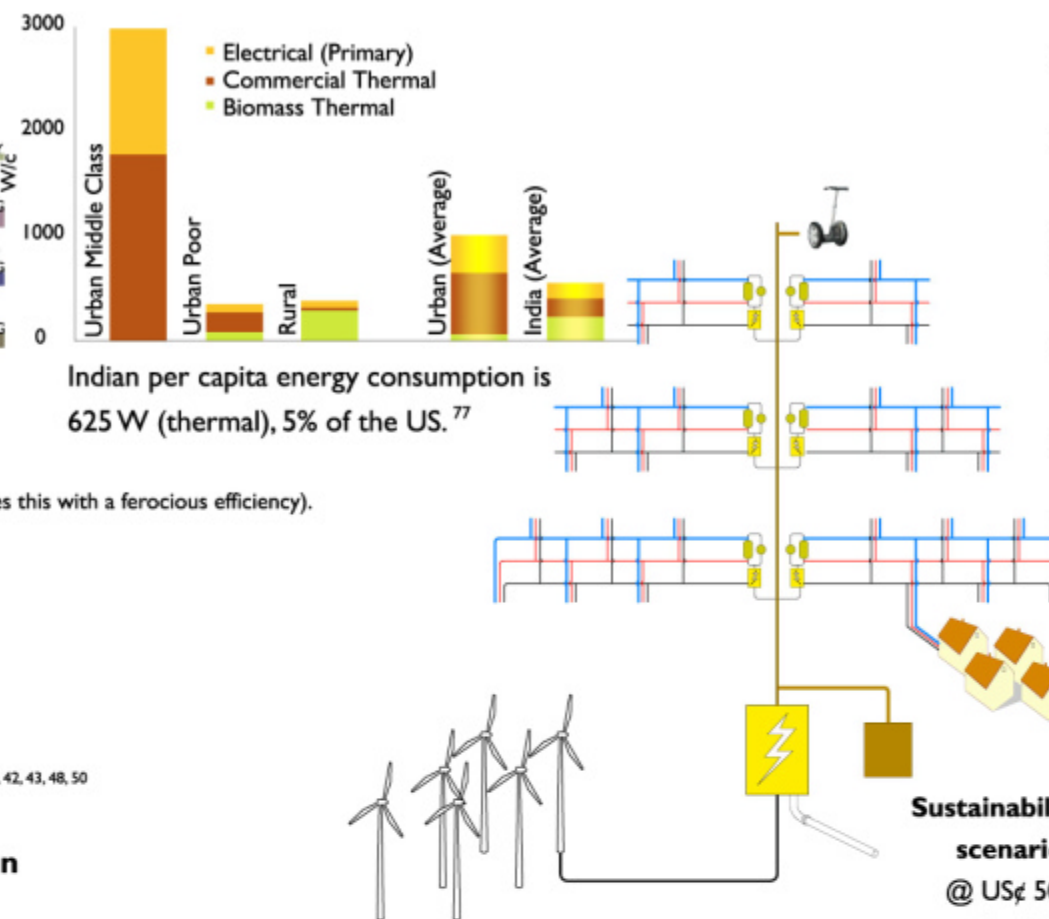
- BAU would demand impractically high carbon sinks globally, especially if China is included.⁴
- Practical conservation and conscious, ethical limitations can restrict demand with an acceptable future lifestyle.^{10, 30, 42, 43, 48, 50}

Energy Demand and Supply: Sustainability Transition



India: Two scenarios for increase of per capita consumption along with population increase

- Business-as-usual: 10 x today per capita (16 x gross), 6500 W/c
- Sustainability Transition: 2.5 x today per capita (4 x gross), 1500 W/c



Energy supply scenarios with coal as base

Attributes	1. Gas	2. Nuclear	3. Wind*	4. Renewable**	5. 'Magic'***
High-demand met?	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Auto-storage?	Yes	Yes	No	No	Unknown
Possible soon/now?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Term applicable	Transition for 50 years	For 30 years till replaced	Now, forever, offshore soon	After 30 years, with wind*	Unknown
Renewable?	No	Yes, but waste!	Yes	Yes	Unknown
Disposable waste?	Ok for a while	NO!!	Yes	Yes	Yes
Zero emissions?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secure for India?	NO!!	No	Yes	Yes	Unknown

* Including decentralized solar thermal and improved biomass, household and neighborhood production and conversion

** Direct solar photoelectrical, photo-biological hydrogen processes, biomass conversion, and related processes

*** Cold fusion, clean fission, something that cannot be anticipated today

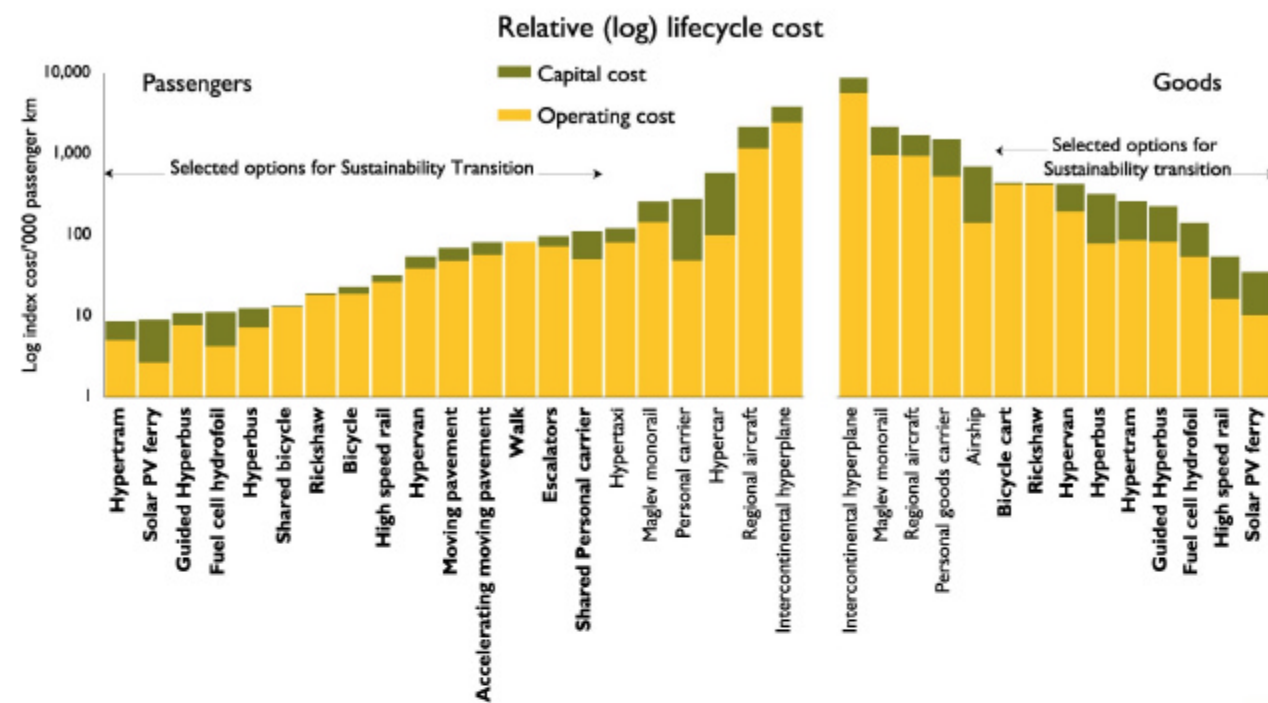
Insecure possibility

Possible with conservation

- **2004** Local electrical grids become legal with comunidade empowerment
- **2006** Ella becomes node for manufacturing with a gas pipeline (and coal), rail, road and water
- **2010** Wind turbine manufacturing plant commissioned in Ella
- **2014** Nerul converts to Metal Hydride storage with ultra-high frequency distribution and grid backup
- **2018** Fuel Cells displace combustion engines for mobile, low temperature, processes
- **2020** Offshore wind farms overtake terrestrial power production; investment by Panjim, Dona Paula, and Miramar
- **2030** Choraio begins neighborhood Tri-generating fuel cells for stationary, high temperature, processes

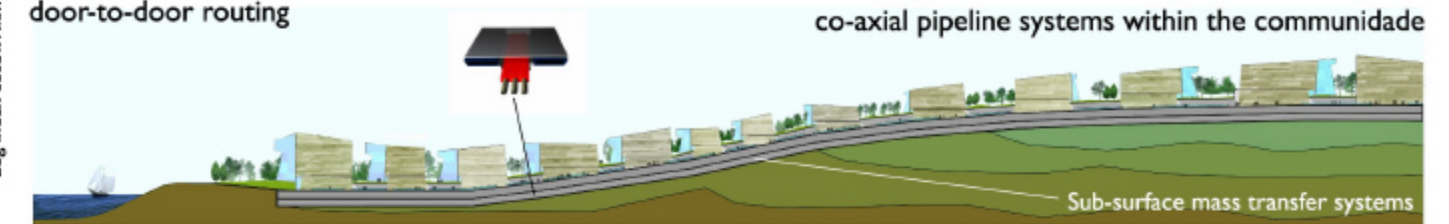
Water (and land) for biomass growth can be deployed for either food or energy in a tropical economy. Drawing on offshore resources in a post-fossil fuel era with technologies like wind harnessing does not reduce the biomass growth potential of the land. These are financially viable, first-choice technologies requiring rapid deployment.^{42, 45, 46}

. . . and meeting it with **decentralized** production and **renewable** energy within a **Hydrogen** economy



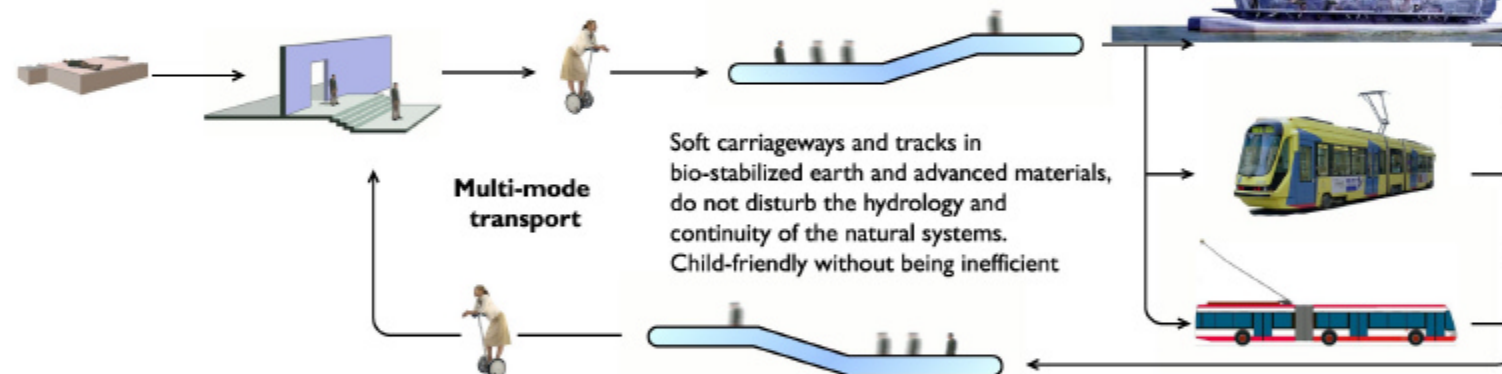
Containerised goods movement: on common rapid

transport network using micro to full size containers with wireless tagging, automated mode transfer and door-to-door routing

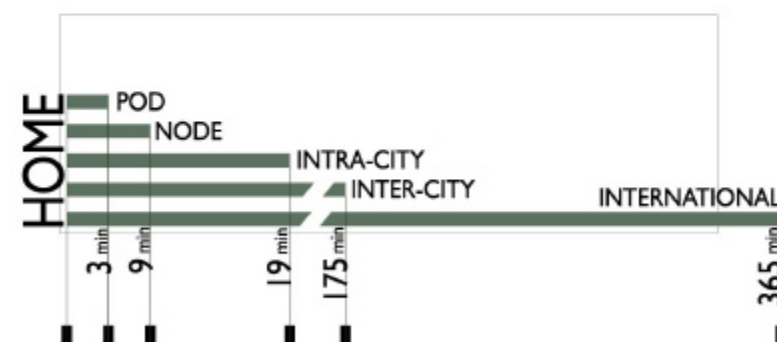


Least (life cycle) cost systems using a unique mix of water, rail and pedestrian carriageways for both passengers and goods. Integrated high-density multi-modal systems mix high efficiency with accessibility ^{29, 68}

Local travel on pedestrian and child-friendly walkways: walking, cycling, skating combined with fuel cell based personal carriers, moving pavements and escalators ^{38, 89}



The mean transit time between locations in the city is 20 min and the maximum 45 min



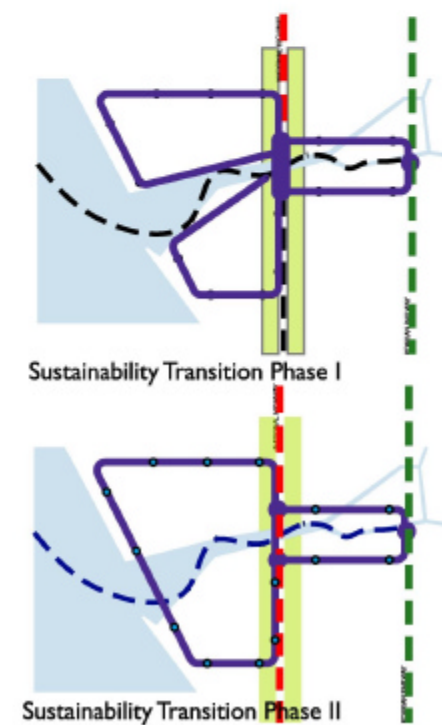
Inter-city: high-speed links

- high-speed city-centre rail interchange makes air travel largely redundant,
- central rail line reduces traffic density on the interstate expressway that is buffered by a 0.5 km wide green zone,
- container ships from adjoining port service offshore areas and national and international trade

Turn around times control the size of cells and their nuclei

The flexibility, weatherproofing and personalization of the personal car provided through a satellite-networked, information-rich transportation system providing mobility according to plan or on demand with online, context-sensitive, dynamic tariffs

Innovative transportation design enables urban consolidation to optimal densities and prevents cancerous ribbon development. A phased development plan permits flexible extension based on comunidade and demand growth without being financially unviable.



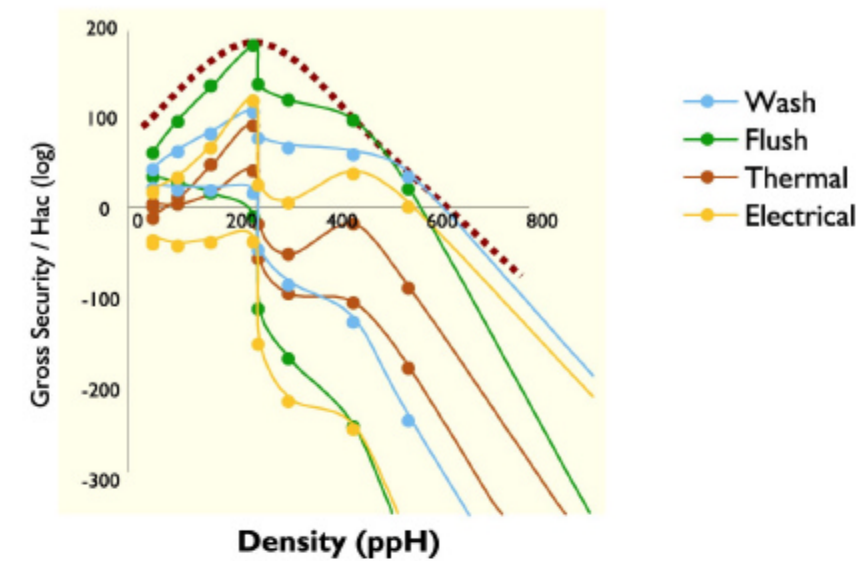
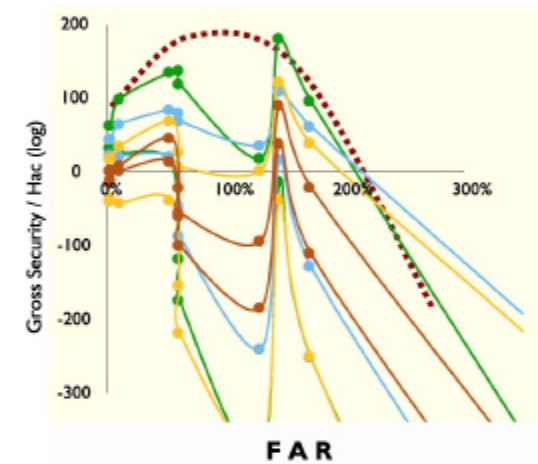
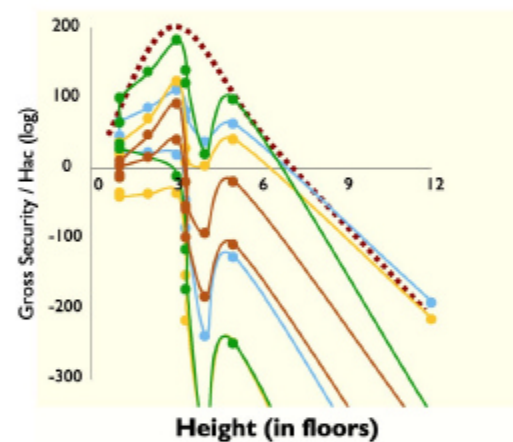
. . . can provide better service quality than the **inefficient personal car**

Urban space and building form affects water and energy security . . .

A range of real cases were analyzed for current and future potential for more substantially harvesting water, heat and electricity in this climate, lifestyle and geography.

The estimates were expressed against reduced future demand along with better technology, as a logarithm of the excess or shortfall of each resource, so as to make them comparable.

150 to 300 persons per Hectare (ppH) densities are most secure, but better lower than that density than higher
Two to five stories is secure, but better single story than high-rise
Covered area per person or ground coverage is not closely related to security, but Floor Area Ratio (FAR) from 50% to 150% provides optimal security, a lower FAR being better than higher

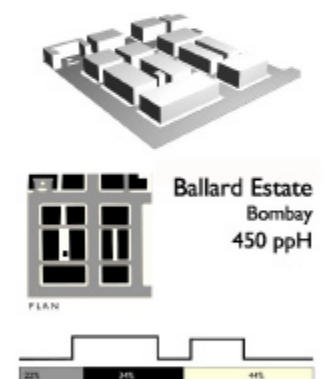
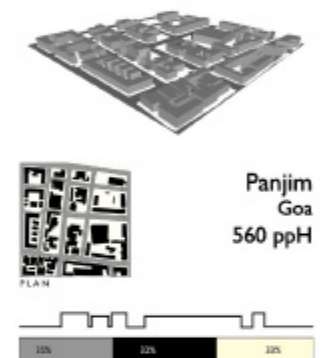
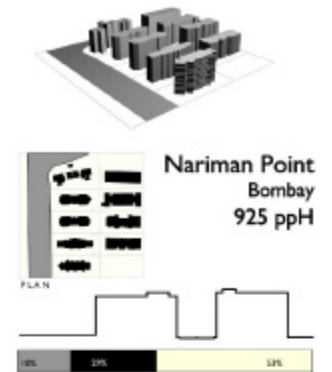


It is easier to be secure on water by following these principles than on energy

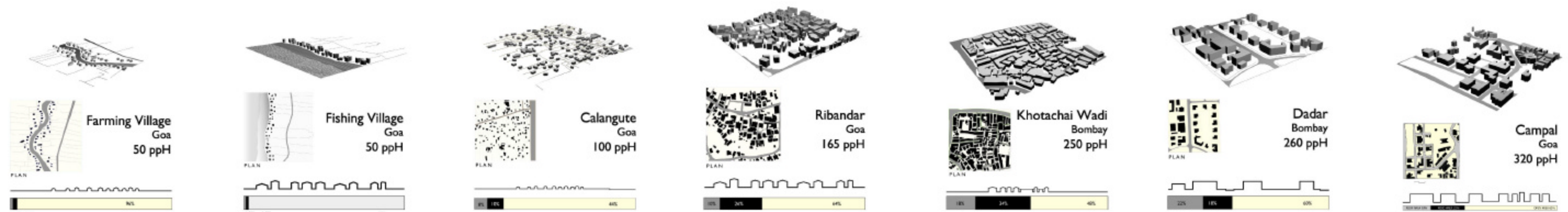
Thermal security is easier to achieve than electrical autonomy

Settlement structure and morphology, building height and density strongly affect the potential for local harnessing of food, water and energy.

There is an optimal set of settlement parameters that enable sustainability. This often matches the best vernacular forms.

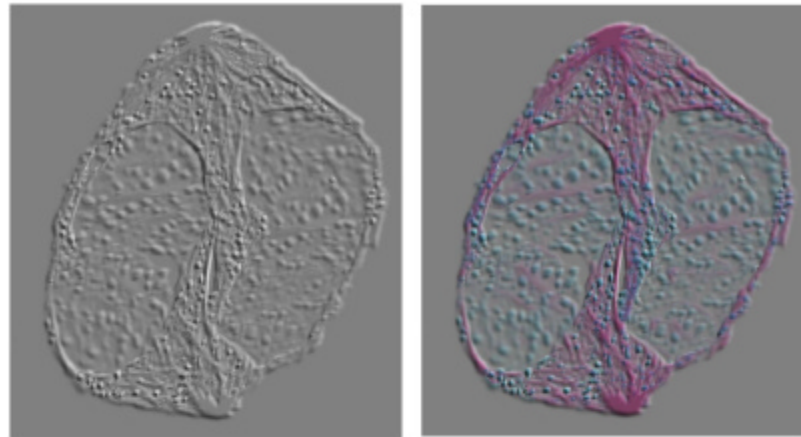


. . . allowing **autonomous decentralized harnessing** of resources . . .



. . . yielding tangible pointers for planning a sustainable city

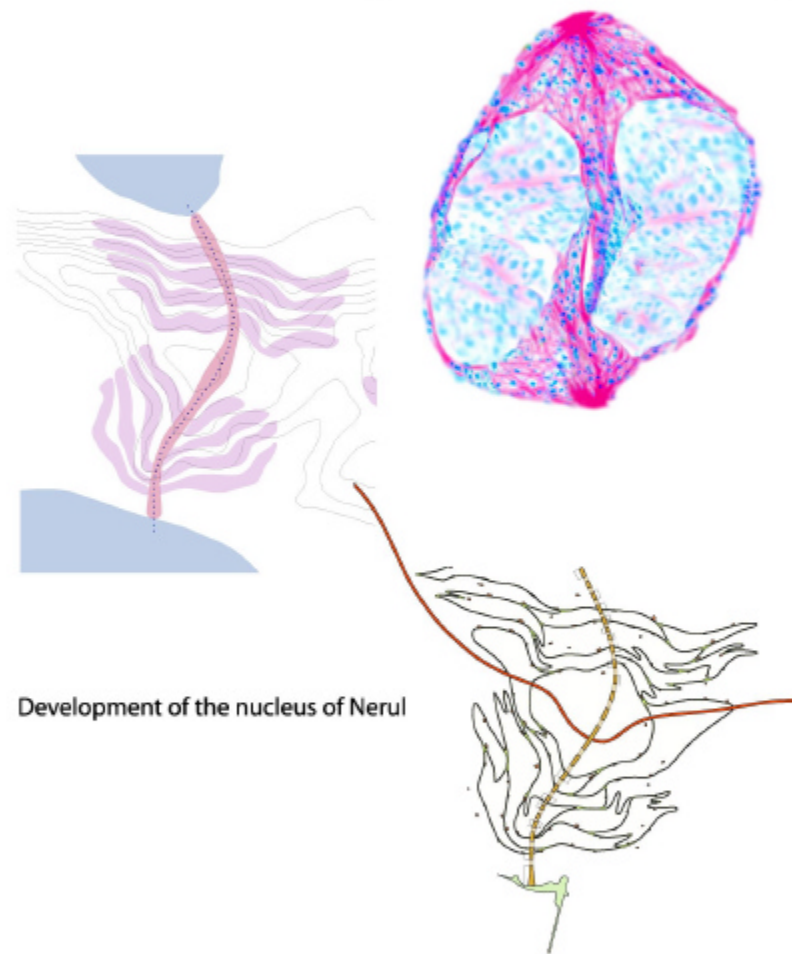
Living urban nuclei . . .



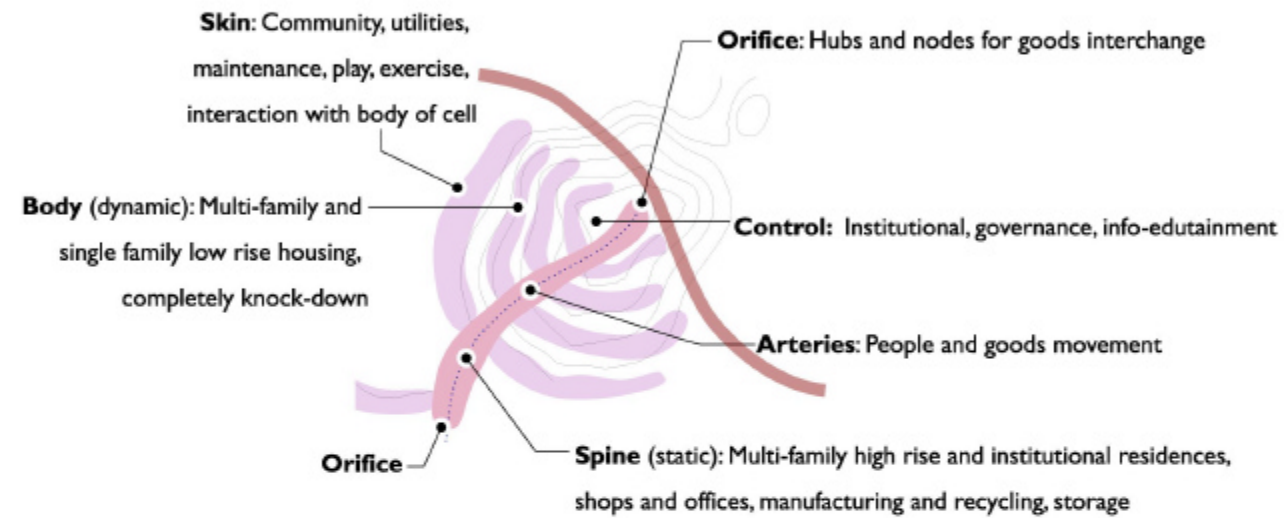
High investment, intensive, static components are concentrated in the center.

A spine-like linear arrangement links static components.

A hub connects the spine to nuclei in other cells.



Development of the nucleus of Nerul



Pedestrian and cycle pathways enable horizontal movement.

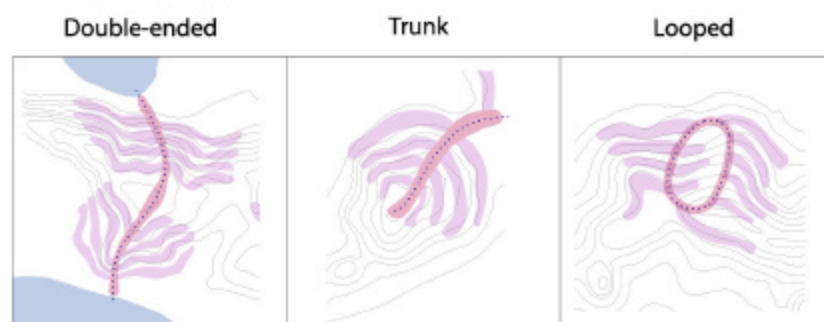
Nature interpenetrates the body of the nucleus.

Each nucleus is bounded to prevent cancerous growth.

These skins inter-connect with the surrounding RUrban environment.

Walking time from one end to the other determines scale.

Three spinal typologies



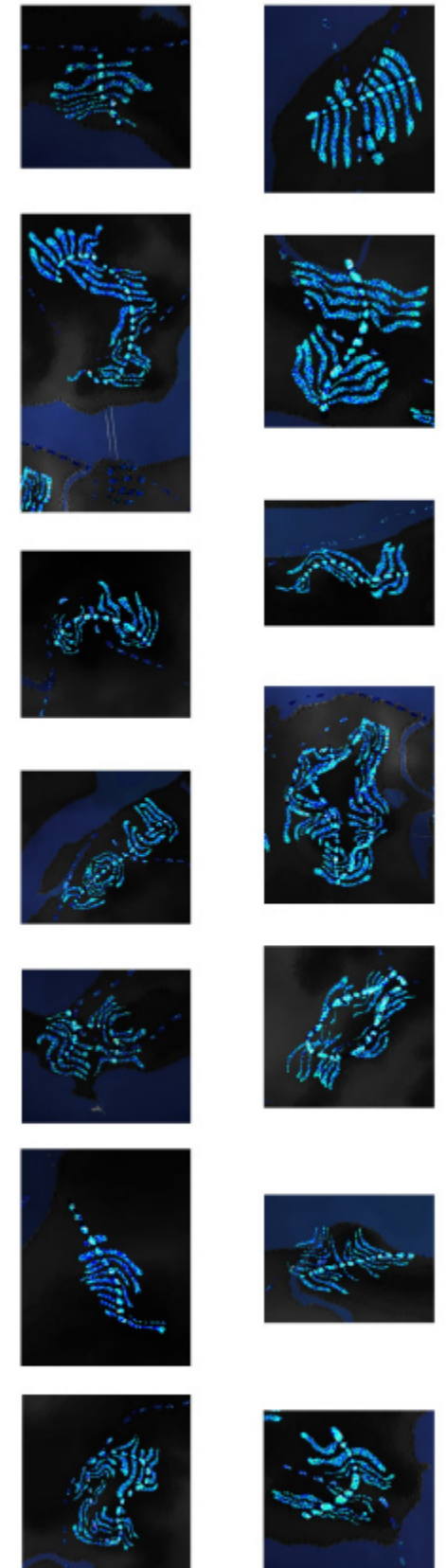
The spine provides all up-and-down mobility, mostly automated.

Networked services run through a subterranean tunnel.

Arterial goods and services networks also recycle waste.

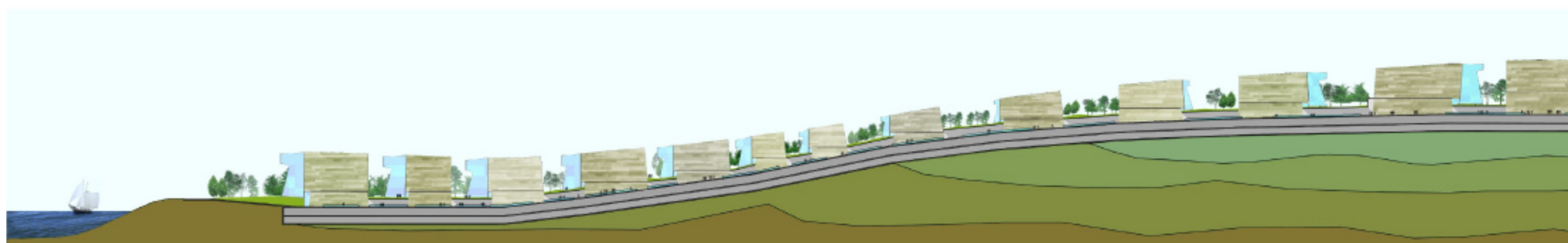
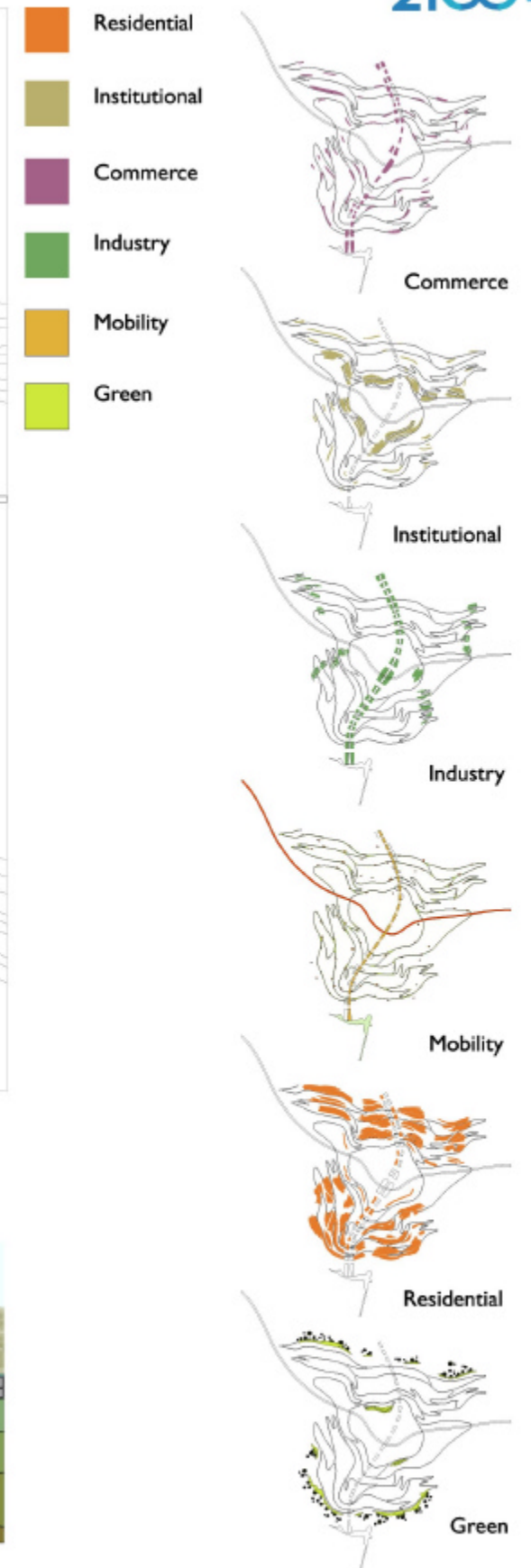
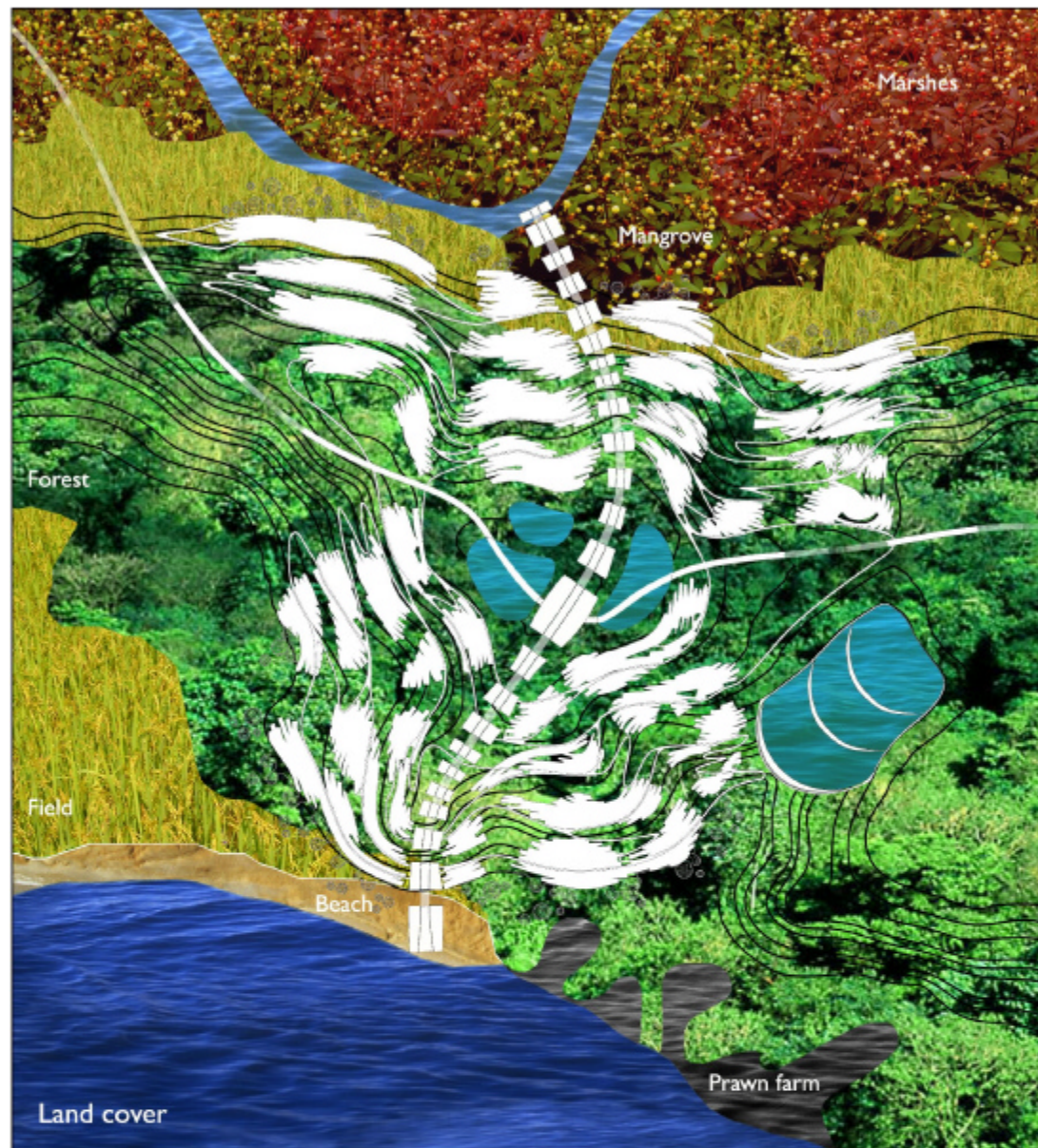
The body of the nucleus is flexible, its density can swell or shrink.

responding to changing population and economic needs.



. . . celebrate the **static and dynamic** in a city

The nucleus of **Nerul**, c. 2050 . . .

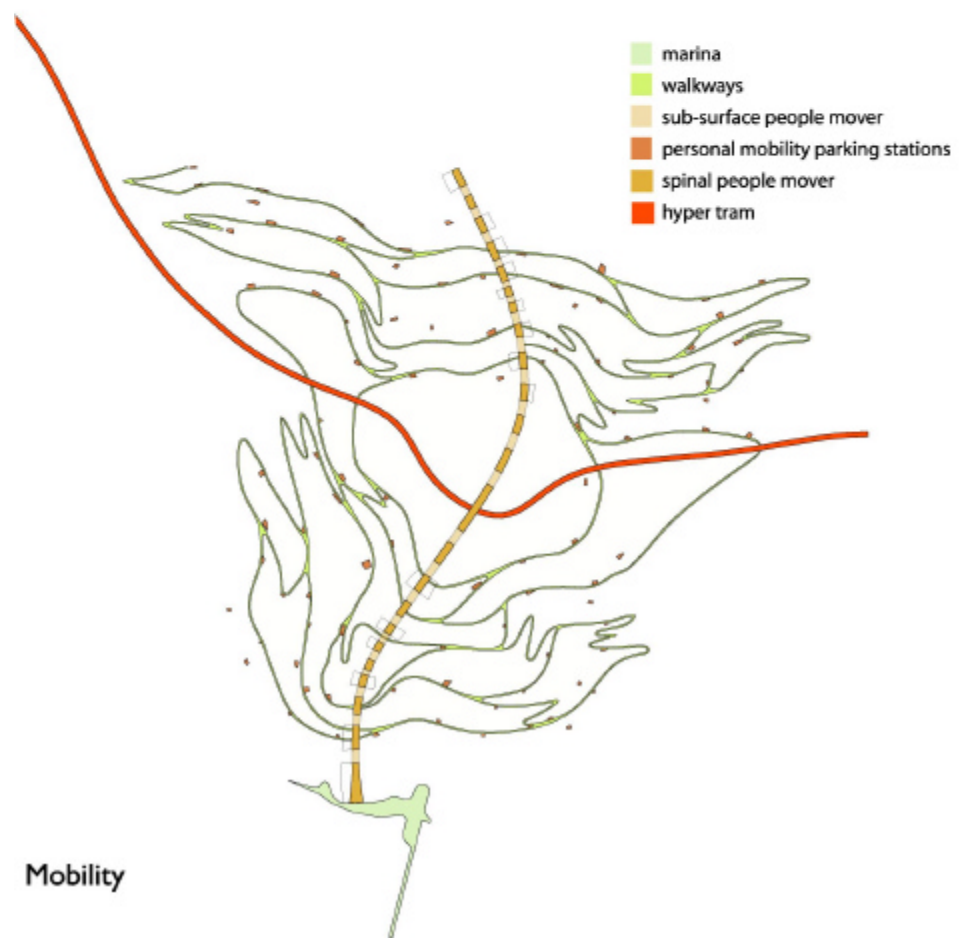


. . . a leisure comunidade which has **no waste**. No need to clean up after the party!

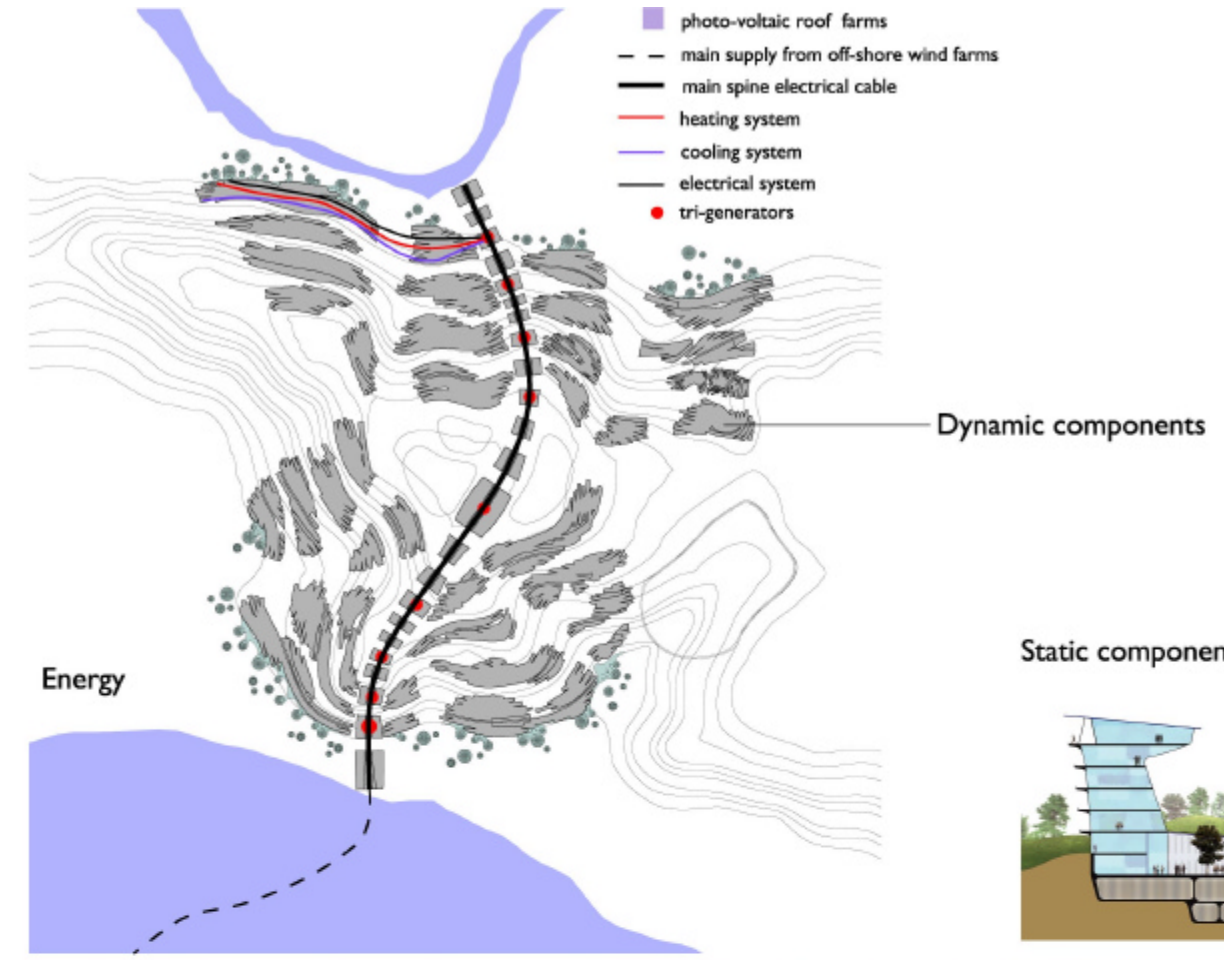
Nerul's structure. . .



Water



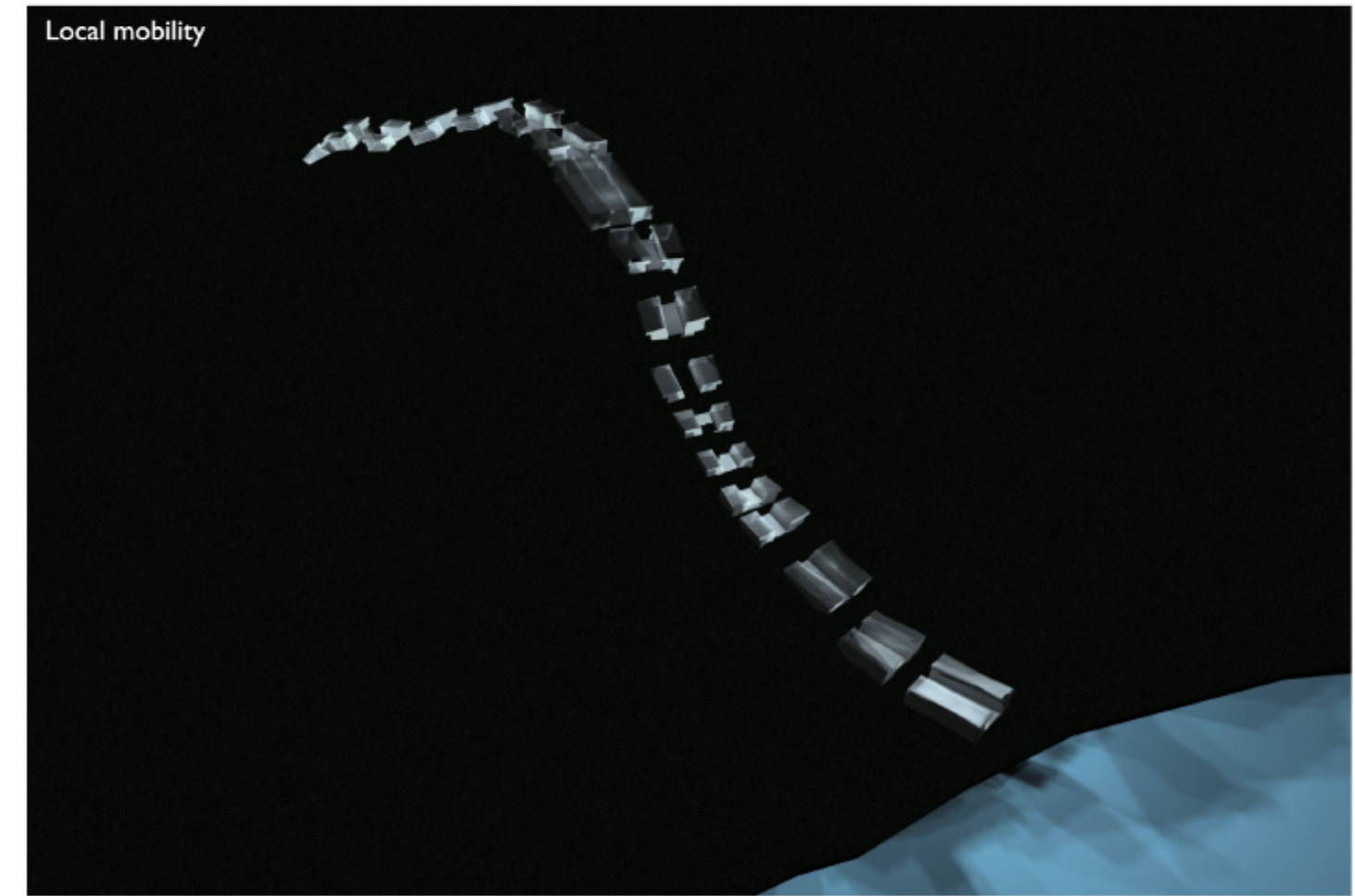
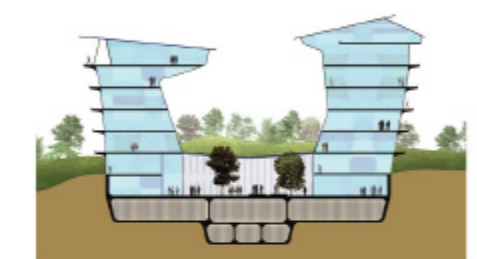
Mobility



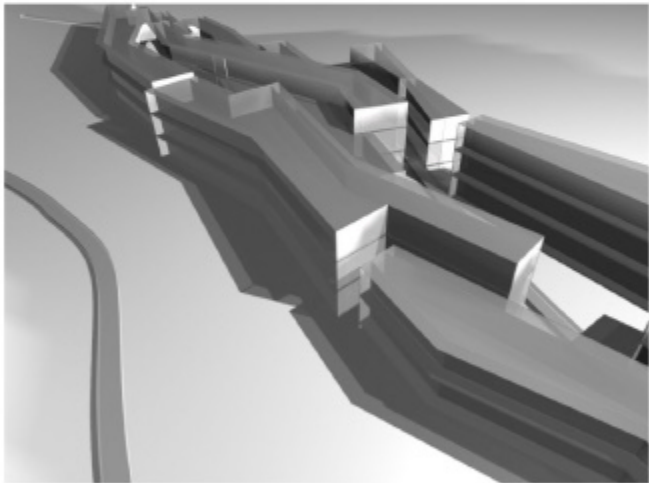
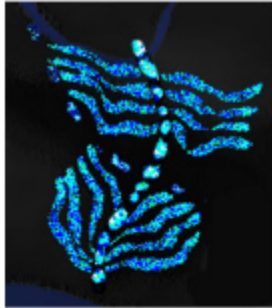
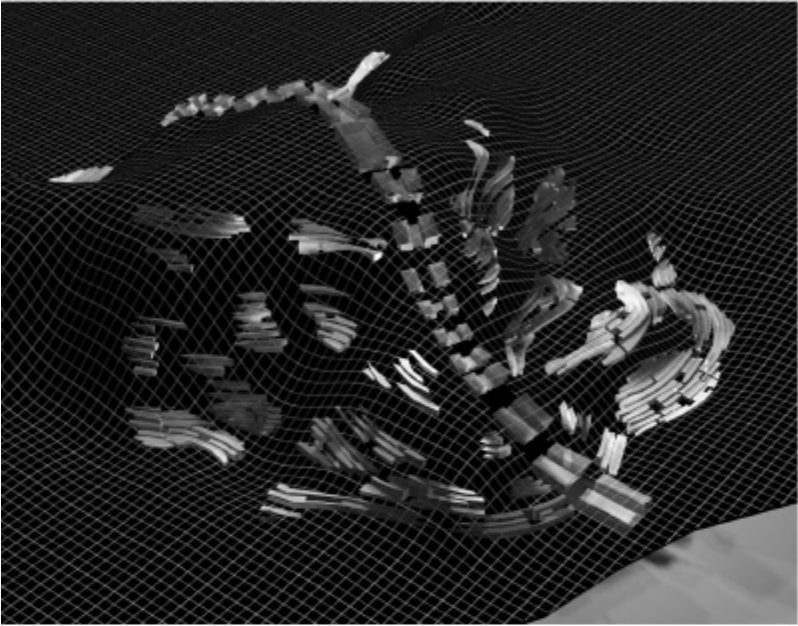
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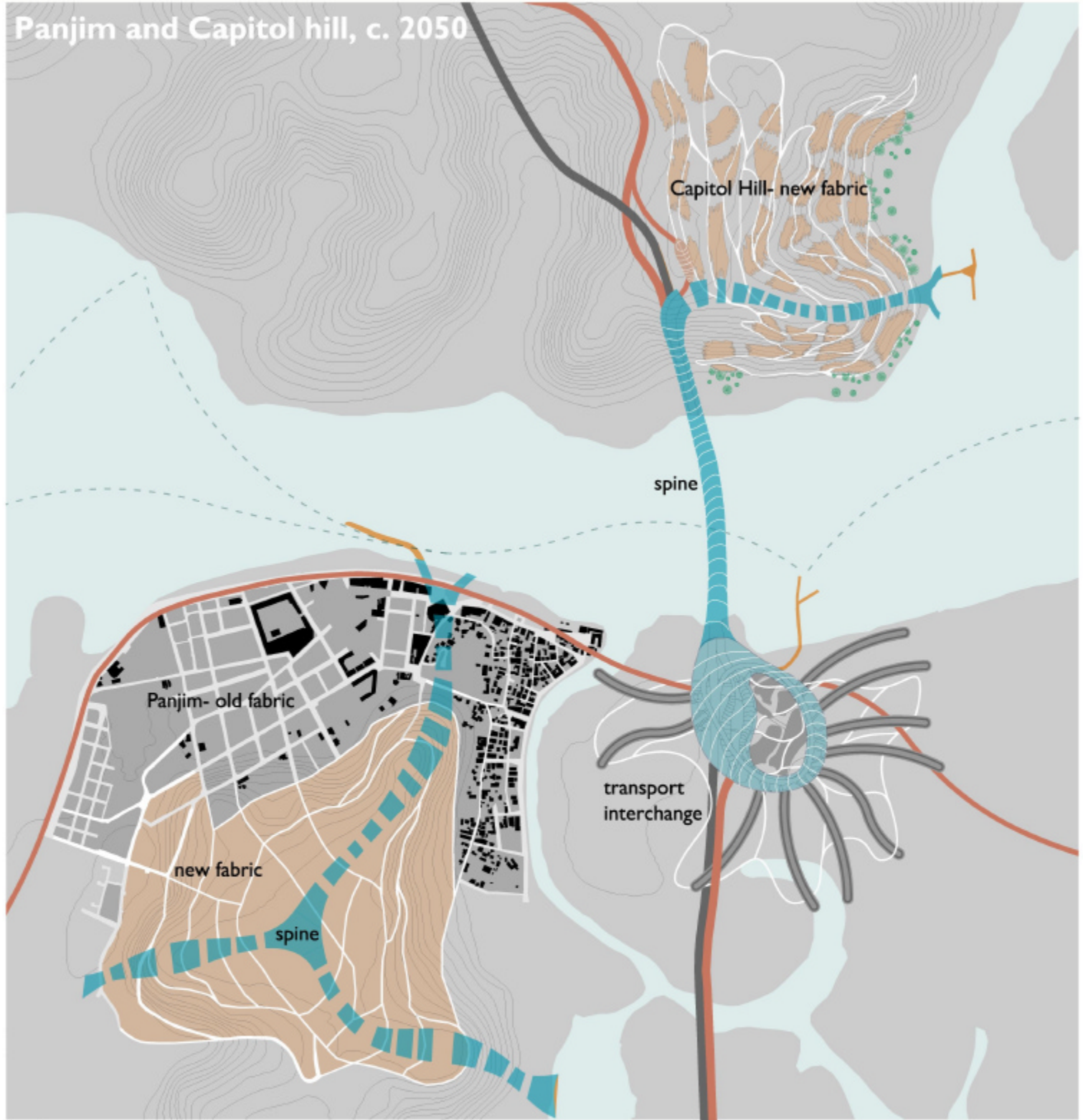
Dynamic components

Static components- spinal section

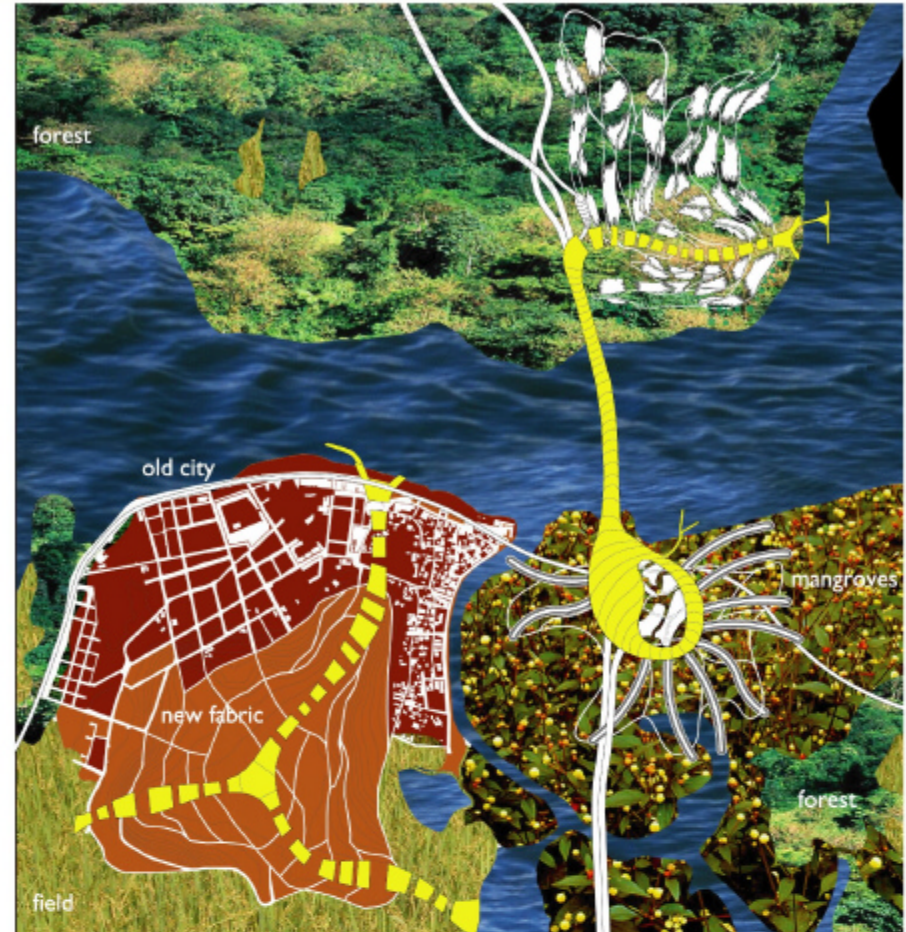


Local mobility

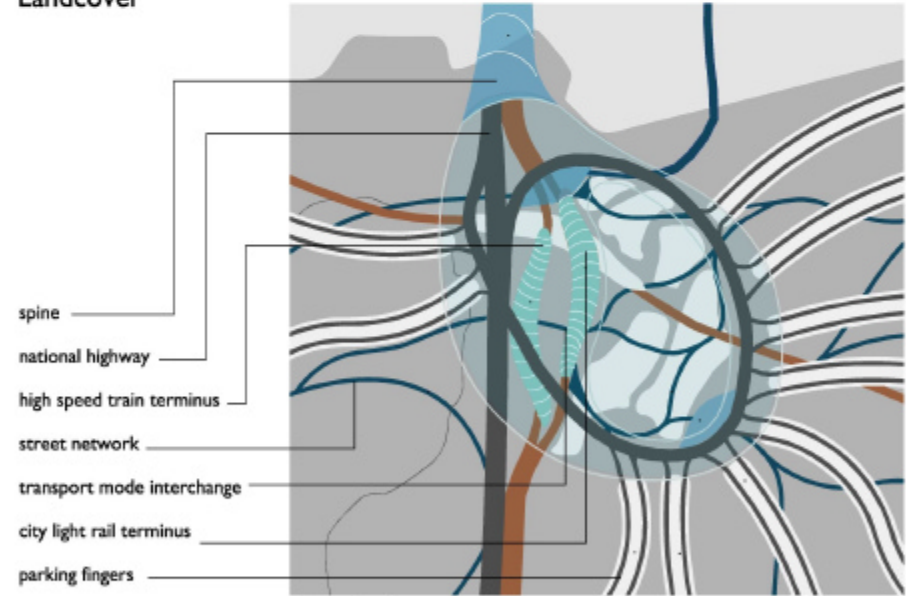




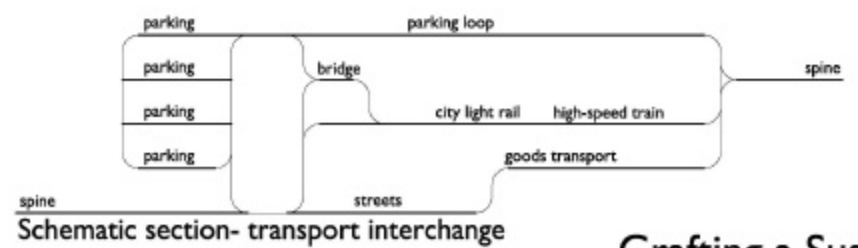
Landuse



Landcover



Detail of transport interchange



Schematic section- transport interchange

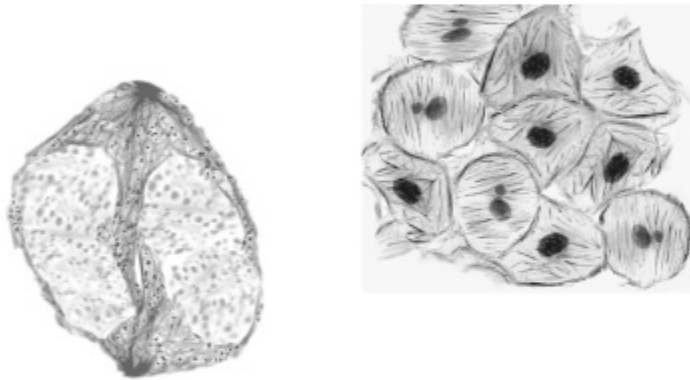
Grafting a Sustainability Transition on an existing urban pattern. . .

Principles of Sustainable RUrbanism

This project is one of the few attempts since the late 1970s to develop an integrative theory of design that views cities as ecosystems that spans from the city neighborhood to regional scale over a century-long time horizon. A few heuristic insights from the process:^{2, 6, 11, 12, 56, 64}

Three Goals^{10, 11, 23, 48, 84}

Well-being of all people, communities and ecosystems **(Sufficiency and Equity)**, using a minimal throughput of matter-energy-information **(Efficiency)**, with least impact on nature, society and future generations **(Sustainability)**



Seven Organizing Principles^{10, 22, 48, 50, 53}

Satisfying the basic human needs of all people and providing them an equal opportunity to realize their human potential.

Material needs should be met materially and non-material needs non-materially.

Renewable resources should not be used faster than their regeneration rates.

Non-renewable resources should not be used faster than their substitution rates by renewable resources

Pollution and waste should not be produced faster than the rate of absorption, recycling or transformation

The Precautionary principle should be applied where the 'response' time is potentially less than the 'respite' time
'Free-energy' and resources should be available to enable redundancy, resilience and reproduction

A Dynamic Fractal Morphology^{6, 53}

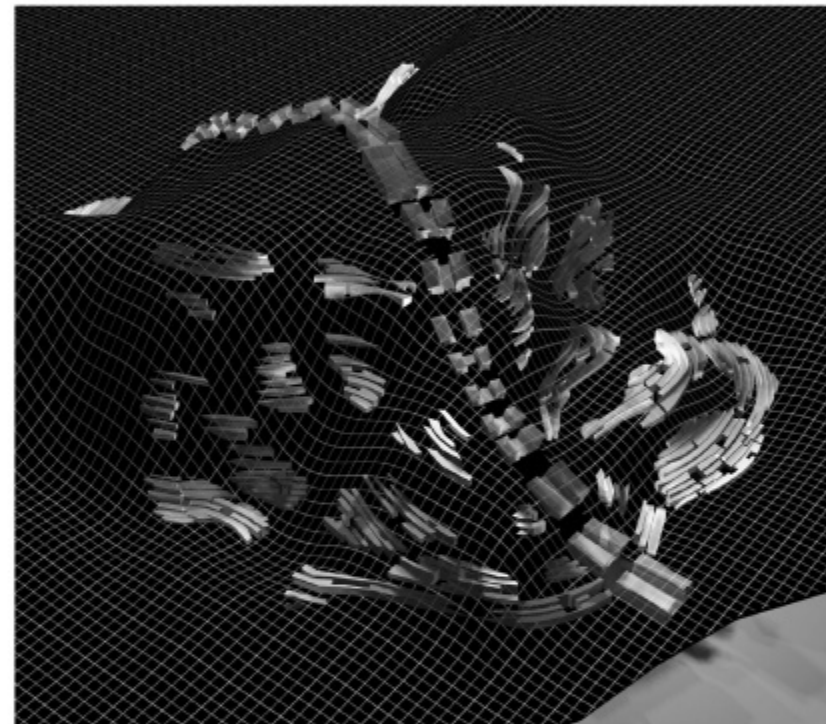
Cellular structure: nuclei, cores, spines and skins

Hierarchical networks adapting to topography

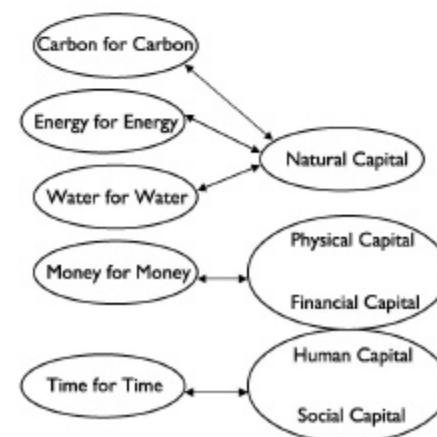
Optimal densities, settlement structure and heights enabling security

Contiguous and hyperlinked with interpenetration of living nets

Dynamic consolidation and nucleation around fractal boundaries and surfaces



Five Currencies for Five Capitals^{51, 59}



Six Tactics to manage physical stocks and flows^{38, 89, 56}

Use less with Factor 4 technologies for supply and social limits of sufficiency and equity on demand

Grow your own, tapping harvestable yields as autonomously as possible

Build two-way networks for security; every consumer is also a producer

Store a lot because renewable resource yields are often diurnal and seasonal

Transport less and over shorter distances using least life cycle cost technologies

e-xchange using intelligent wireless networks to enable real-time trade and delivery of goods

Five Strategies for Land-use Management^{9, 56, 41, 71}

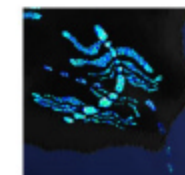
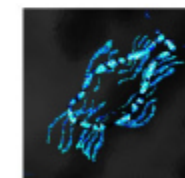
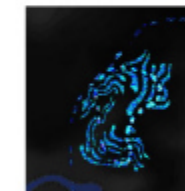
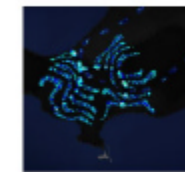
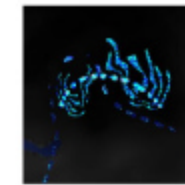
Enable a long-term ecological succession from forest >> cropland >> city >> forest

Design the landscape first; situate the city in the interstitial niches

Land-use transition 'rules' governed by the demand for ecosystem services, resource potential, natural ecological succession and contiguity

Identify static and dynamic elements in the city, design the former, and provide a dynamic vocabulary for the latter to co-evolve with the landscape

Devolve governance and taxation to the lowest viable



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