

BESIKTAS FISHMARKET



Architects: Gokhan Avcioglu & GAD
Location: Besiktas, Istanbul, Turkey.
Floor Area: Birzeit Municipality, Palestine
Year: 2007-2008

Project Description

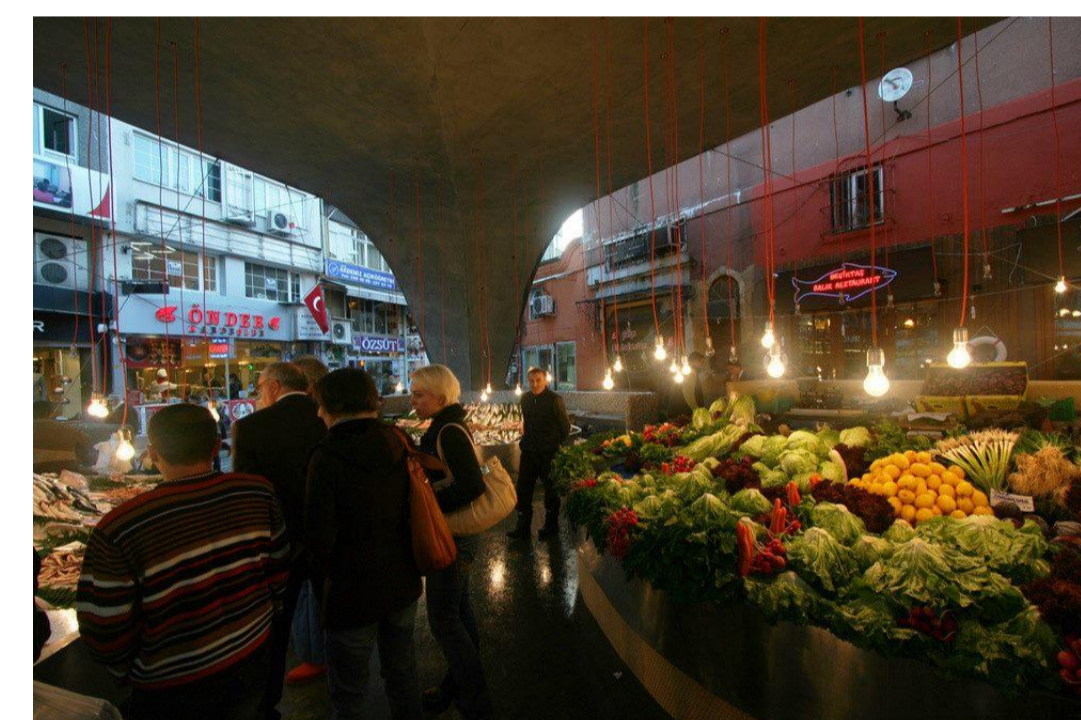
Located in one of Istanbul's most populated and diverse neighborhoods, Besiktas is an eclectic area with a village-like atmosphere that is in the process of urban renewal. The Besiktas Fish Market is located on a triangular site. It is an iconic venue where many locals and visitors buy fresh fish daily. The construction of the old fish market was in very poor shape and needed to be replaced.

The design solution was to maintain its iconic neighborhood presence, while also reaffirming its welcoming feeling. GAD designed a triangular shaped concrete shell covering the entire site with large openings at street level. The concrete shell provides a column-free interior space, optimizing the project's programmatic needs. The new design injects a contemporary and pragmatic solution, at once preserving the fish market's history



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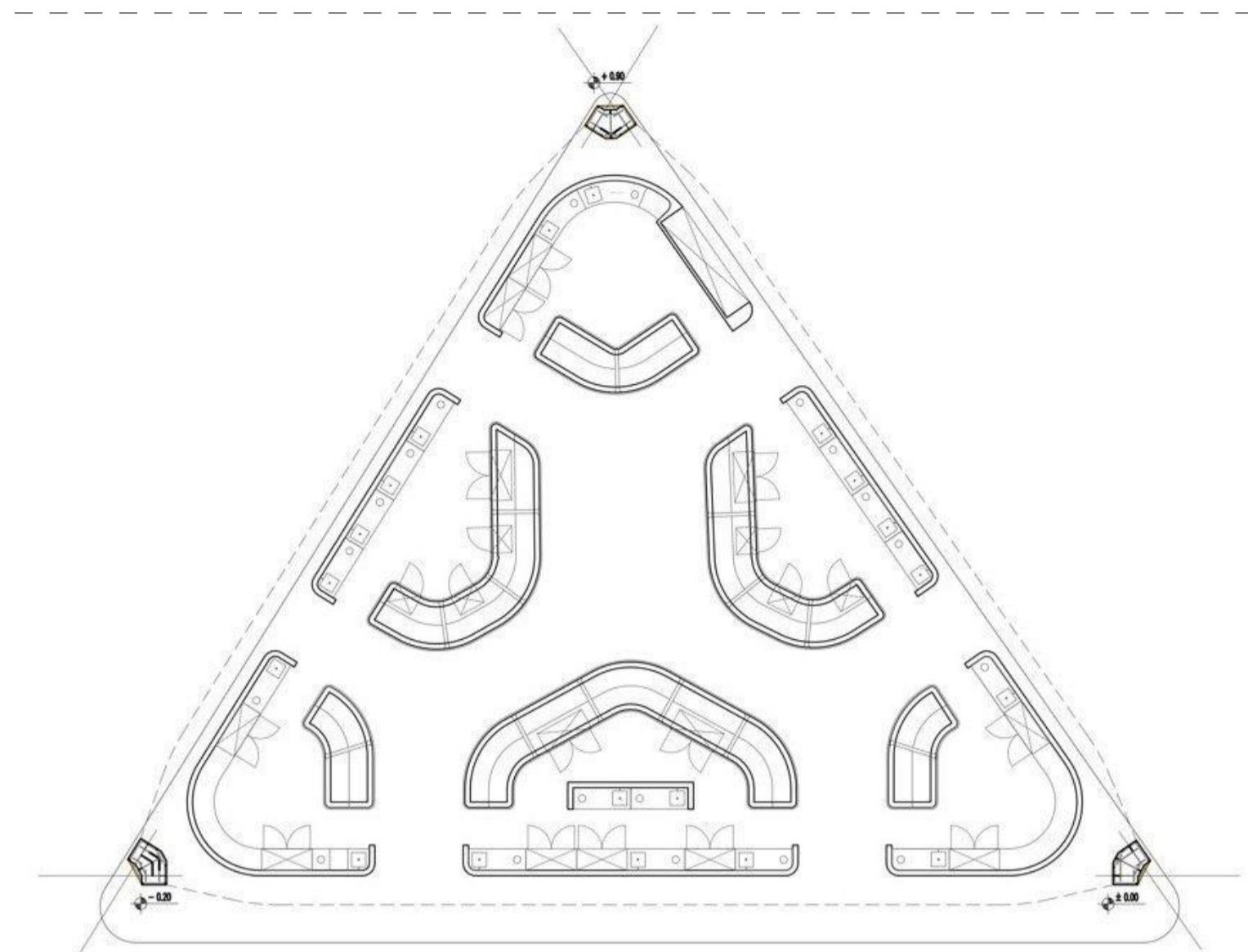


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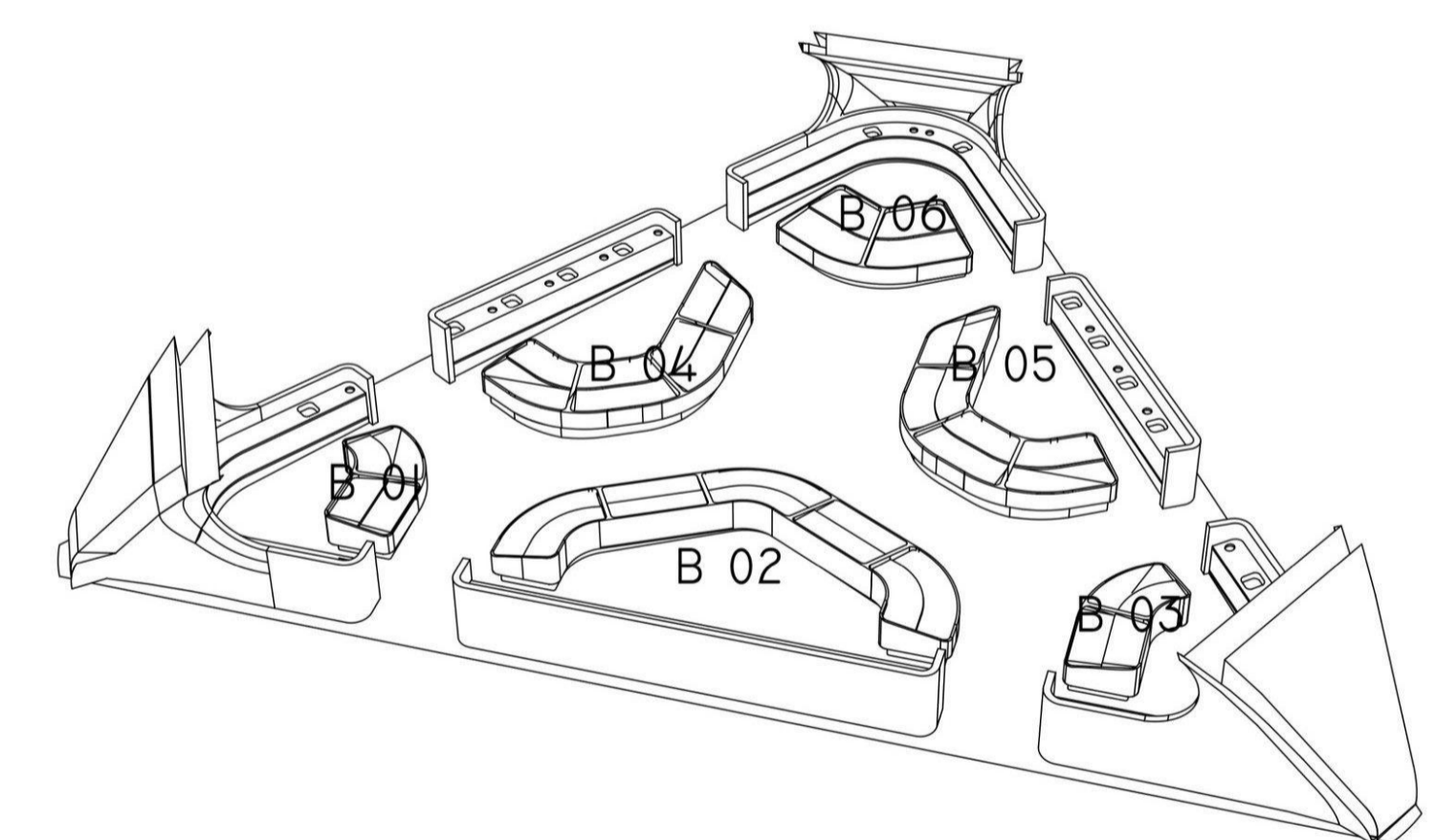
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Lessons Learnt

- **Fish Display.**
The fish is sold on open displays as it gives the customers proper interaction with the fish.
- **Cross Ventilation**
The market is simply ventilated not only for thermal comfort but also to ensure freshness of the fish.

