



## split 3.22 | intensifying the social realm

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Split is the second largest city of Croatia and the main urban area in the region of Dalmatia. Due to its strategic location on the eastern shore of the Adriatic Sea, it has been an intraregional transport hub since its founding - long before Diocletian, the last Roman Emperor, began building his fortified palace in 293 AC. The Diocletian Palace has, over the centuries, become the framework for a modern, lively city where tradition and innovation, locals and tourists meet.

The very same Diocletian Palace encouraged the young Team X architects to refuse the tabula rasa methodology of modernism during the 1956 CIAM congress in Dubrovnik. Instead, they used it as model for a new methodologic strategy for modern architecture. In 1968, one of the attendants of the CIAM congress in Dubrovnik and GSD Harvard graduate, Architect Braco Mušič, led the winning team for the urban design competition of the Split III district. The competition comprised 14.000 housing units for approx. 50.000 residents and the corresponding schools, kindergartens, playgrounds, department stores, offices and restaurants plus university campus and even beaches and facilities for sports and recreation.

Even though not everything was built as originally planned, Split III is nowadays, more than 50 years after completion, a very popular neighbourhood among *Splicani*. During this course, we will learn from its merits (the iconic combination of the urban and the architectural scales, the potential of

the pedestrian zone, the balance between public and private areas, etc...) and will work on the upgrade of its western border area.

For this task, we chose a site located at the corner Poljička Cesta / Ul. Bruna Bušića. Originally planned to house a market for the residents of Split III, it is currently severely underused as parking lot and fast food court. We take on the original purpose of the plot and update it in terms of environmental and social sustainability, thus **intensifying the public realm** in Split III.



Plot size: ~9.000 m<sup>2</sup>

Program: ~ 30.000 m<sup>2</sup>

Uses: sustainability & food chain  
community & public health  
education & culture  
accessibility & mobility

We will start the semester with a meet & greet breakfast followed by input lectures by local experts. After this warm-up phase we will **travel to Split from 20.03. to 25.03.2022**. During this time and together with the group from Politecnico di Milano, we will visit many architectural highlights of Split (the Diocletian Palace, the Poljud Stadium, other modern housing developments...) and of course, Split III. We will also have a workshop together with some local professors for an in-site analysis and to develop the first ideas for your projects.

Please note that the TU Graz will support these activities through a *Grant for Courses with International Universities* so following **travelling expenses can be refunded**: travelling costs up to 300 € and the full accommodation costs. You can find all the details concerning this grant at <https://tu4u.tugraz.at/en/students/study-abroad/mobility-programmes-and-funding-opportunities/joint-courses-with-international-universities/joint-classes/> .

Our **working space** will be the studio rooms on the roof floor of the main building (ATDG026) so you will have 24/7 access to your working space. The attached seminars (Spatial Structure by Jörg Schröder and Typology and Context by Eva Kuss) will also take place there. Our weekly meetings will take place mainly on Wednesdays and Thursdays – you can check TUGonline for details.

Any further questions?

you can join the Q&A session on the 28.02.2022 at 4.30pm:

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