

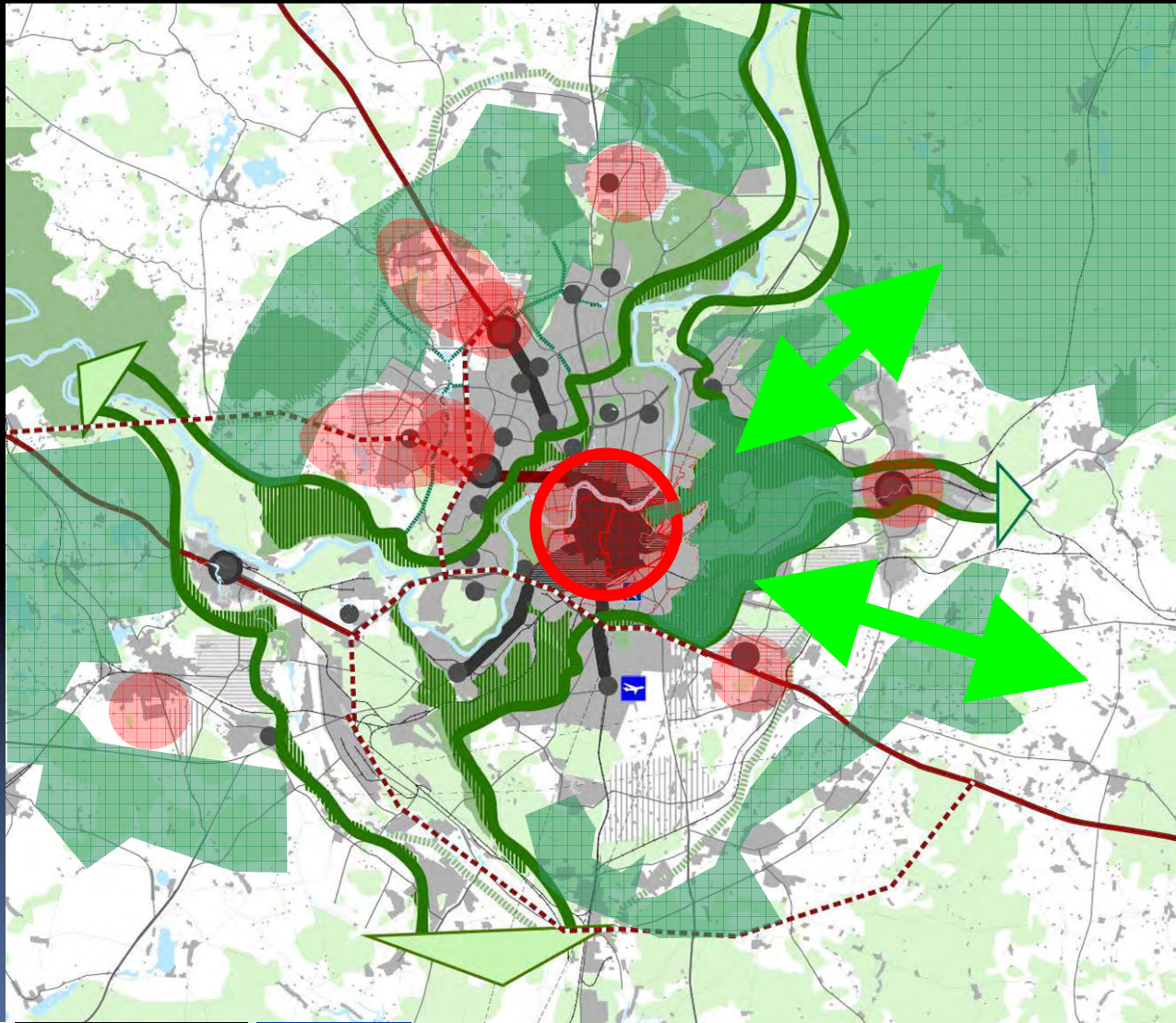
# Integration of new developments in Vilnius Old Town – Park of Architecture



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# Uniqueness of Vilnius city structure



Hilly landscape.

Fantastic views.

Preserved greenery in  
the city centre.

Still existing contact  
of old town and  
suburban area.

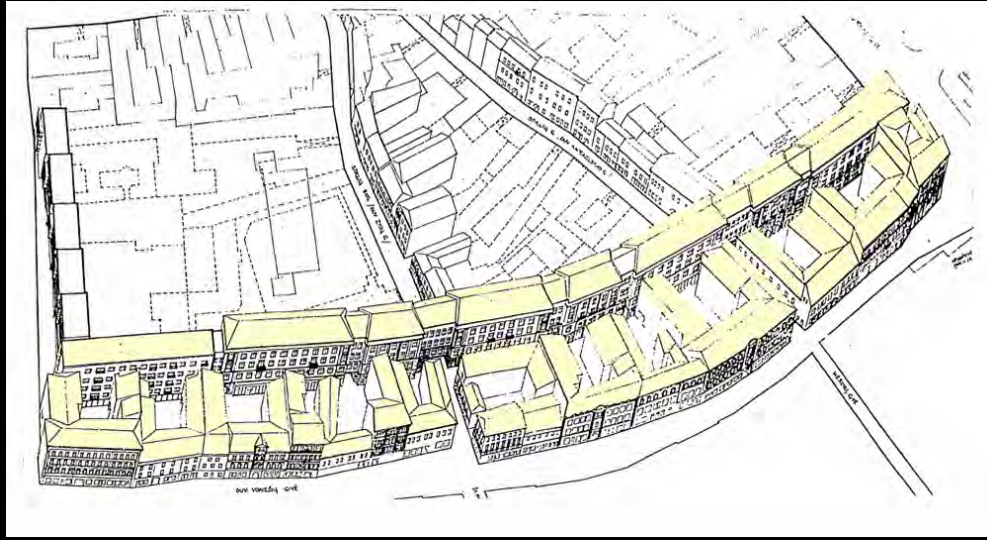
# Integration of new developments in historic landscape

- Objective - securing identity of historic urban landscape maintain his urban quality, ensure competitiveness, vitality of historic town, support economic and social cohesion through the possibility of integration of new developments in it's fabric;

## Means:

- Promote new jobs creation, provide services, enable better knowledge of historical values of the Old town;
- Engage investors, local businesses and community to invest sufficient amount of financial and human resources into cultural heritage assets through supplementary funding schemes and tax incentives;
- Create clear and transparent legal and administrative framework for establishing a equal playing field and opportunities to arise new developments in historic urban landscape;
- Reducing the tax and bureaucratic burden, respectively require developers strictly and consistently follow the regulations of heritage protection and achieve the exceptional quality of new developments.

# Integration of new developments after the II World war



Reconstruction of Vokiečių str. in 1950



# Integration of new developments after II World War

## Jewish Ghetto



Google satellite  
 Karolio Grunerto žemėlapis, publikuotas V.Drėmos knygoje "Dingęs Vilnius".



1808 m. K. Grunerto planas, 1px-0.7metro  
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Regions for economic change



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# Integration of new developments in 70-80



**MODERNISM – Moscow cinema theatre, 1977, reconstructed in 2003**



**MODERNISM – Center of Contemporary Art , 1967**



# Conservation/restoration of authentic heritage for new development

Recreation of the Grand Dukes Palace of Lithuania



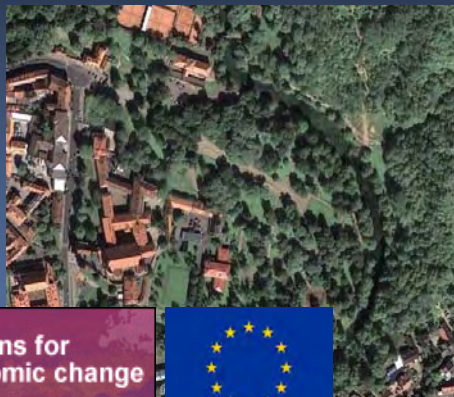
Restoration of St. Michael church and monastery buildings

Museum and bank offices after renovation



Restoration of the hotel Kempinski

# Renewal of public spaces

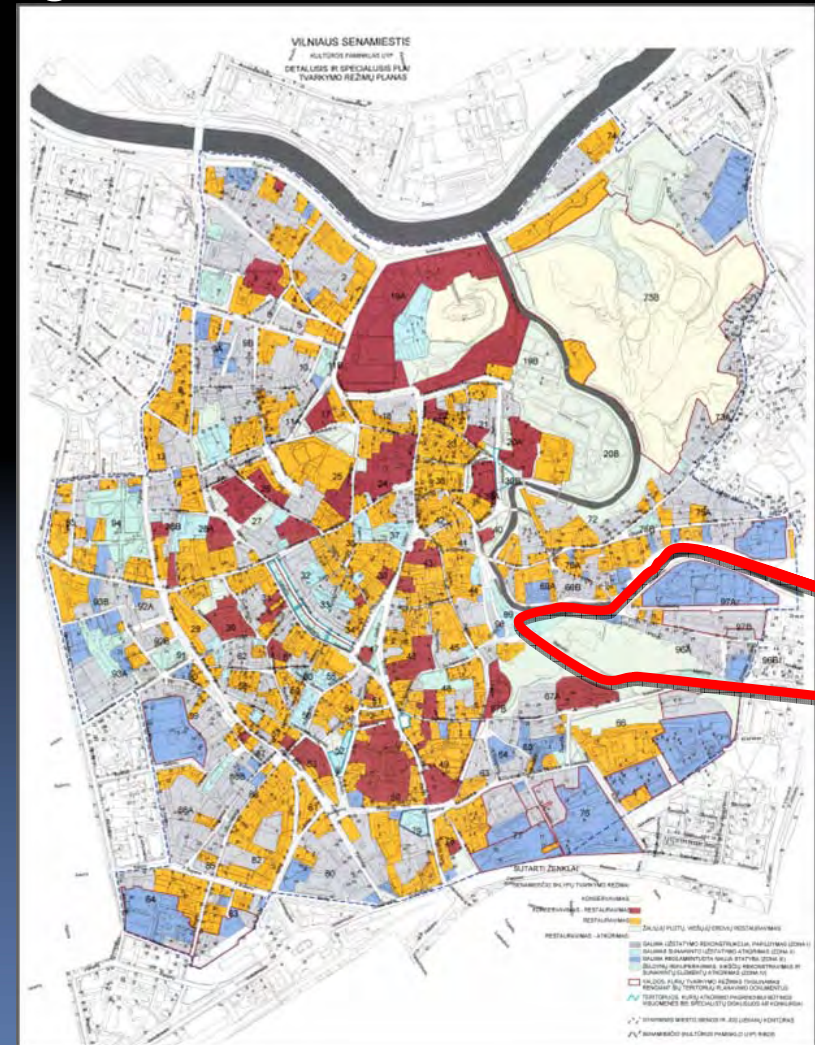
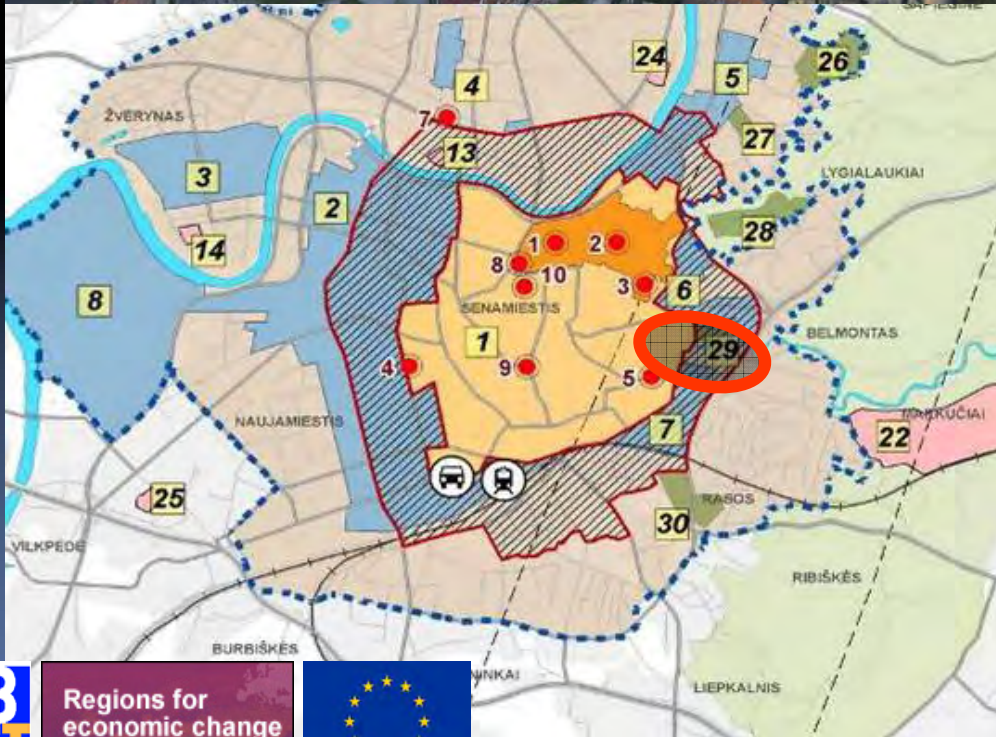




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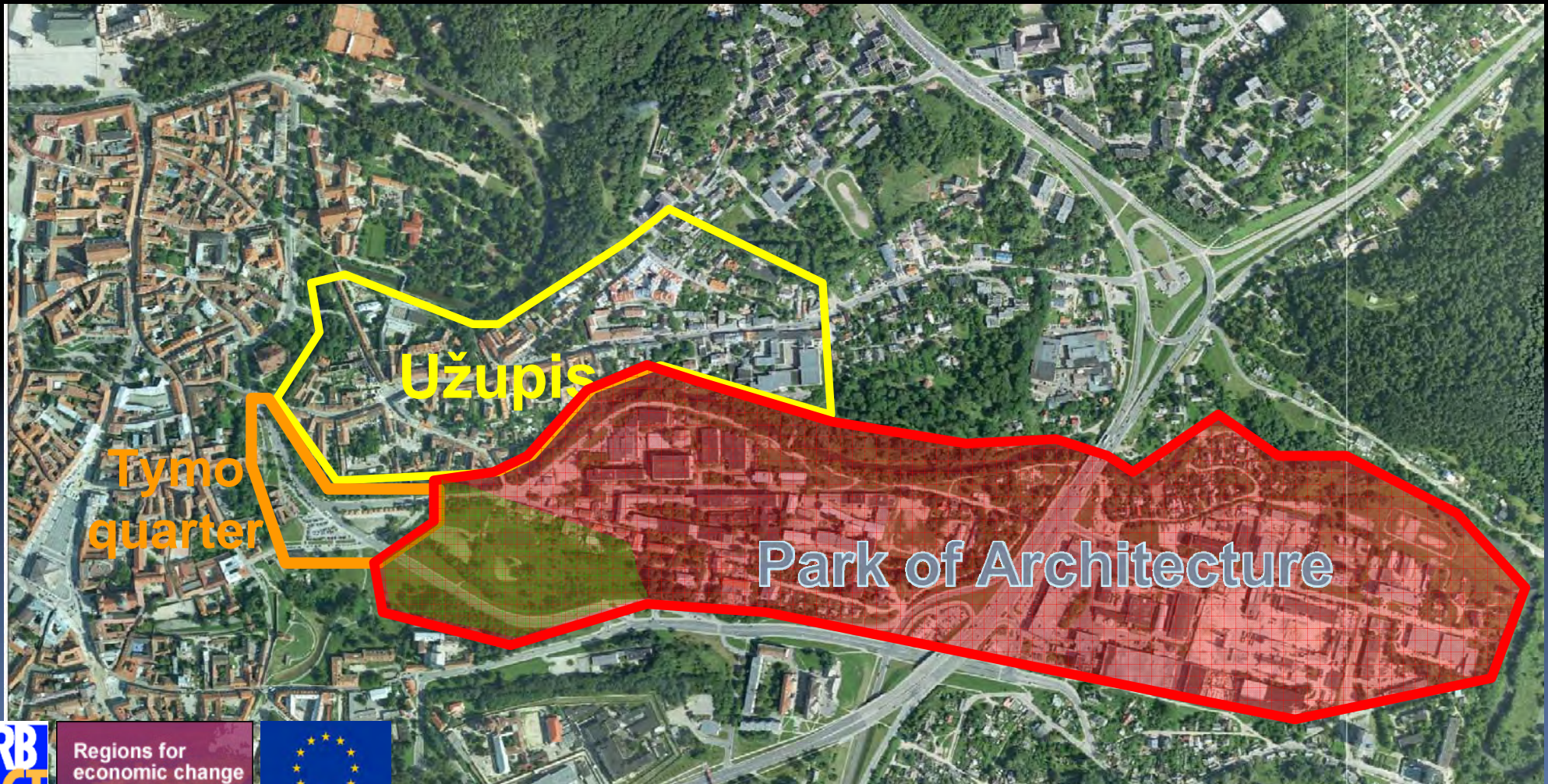


- Part of territory belongs to Vilnius old tow, which is included in Unesco World Heritage list;
- Territory borders with Vilnius Regional Park



# Park of Architecture

- In 2007 Vilnius municipality has initiated the project, aimed at management and innovative planning of new development in cooperation with private investors and property owners ;
- Project goal - conversion of the former soviet industrial property located in historical urban area into multifunctional sustainable quarter .



# Park of Architecture – official start

- January 2008 - Vilnius city municipality has initiated the project;
- March 2008 – cooperation agreement signed with Ministry of Environment, Union of Architects, Association of Real Estate Developers of Lithuania;
- April 2008 – public invitation for investors to participate in the project;
- July 2008 - established partnership with 4 companies;
- January 2009 – one more partner joins the project.



# Park of Architecture – main goals

- Modern urban planning - principles of sustainable development.
- Contemporary architecture in the historical context.
- Efficient use of eco-materials and energy resources.
- Social cohesion in healthy and safe urban environment.
- A new tool for the architectural-environmental education of society.
- Create possibilities for Užupis creative district physical and ideological expansion



# Park of Architecture – project partners



# Colorful history of Paupys and Paplaujos area- background for Park of Architecture



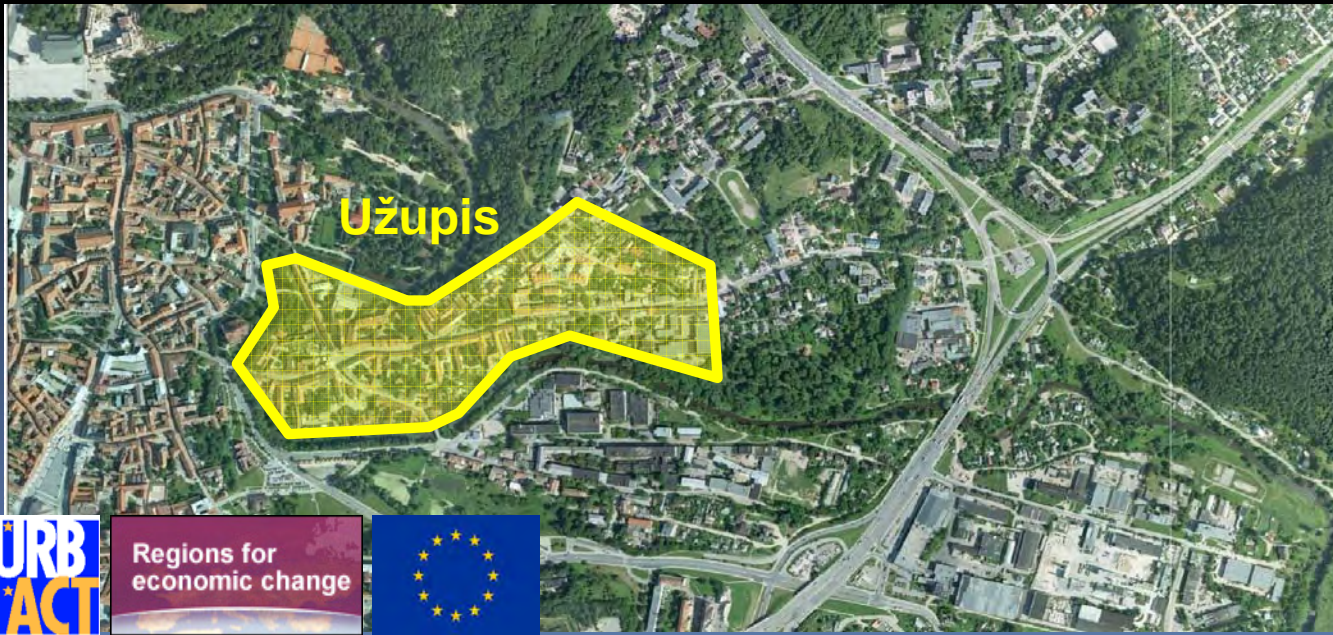
- Poor suburban areas outside the medieval city wall.
- Paupys and Paplaujos – territories, where the industry was born in Vilnius.
- Still existing charm of the suburb.



# Park of Architecture – current situation

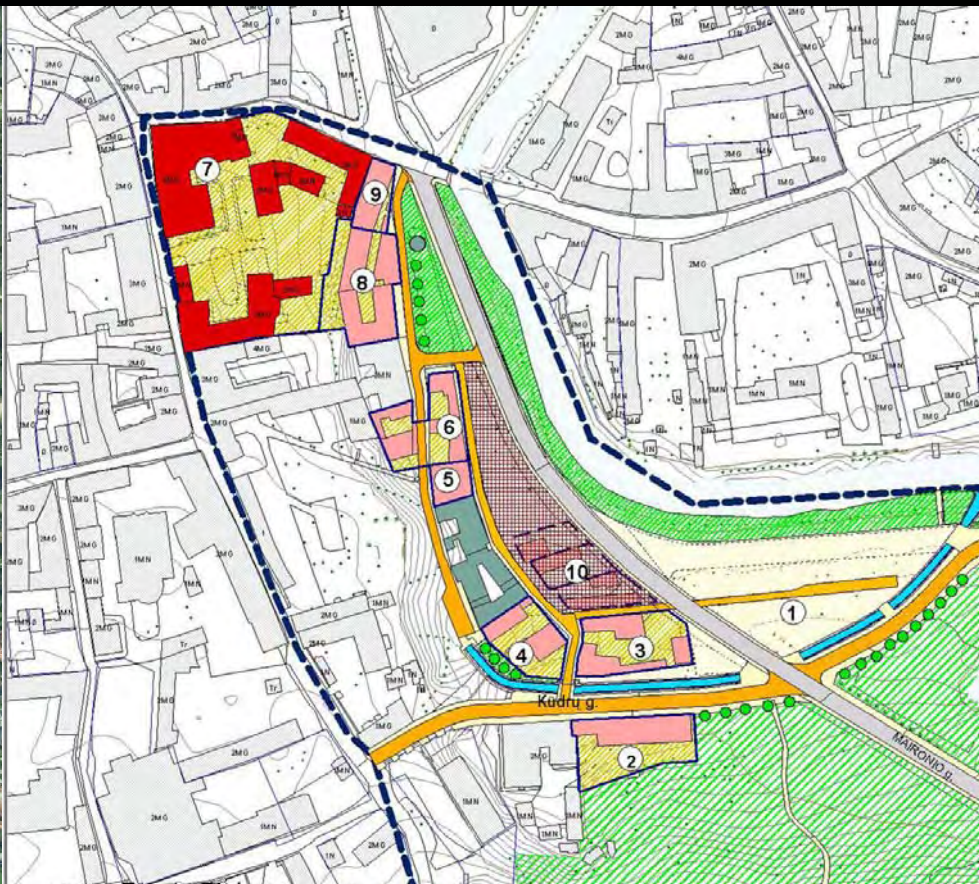


# Neighborhood- creative Užupis community





# Neighborhood - Tymo quarter, handicrafts and eco market



1. Handicraftsmen market, fair place (former "Žuvų" (Fishes) market). Temporarily buildings possible. Market area about 4400 sq.m.
2. Established Tanner's, smith's, potter's centre plot area about 1290 sq.m. building altitude 2 floor building general area about 1750sq.m.
3. Culinary heritage centre plot area about 1500 sq.m. building altitude 1 floor building general area about 700 sq.m.
4. Handicraftsmen workshops and retail. Living apartment on the upper floor. plot area about 820 sq.m. building altitude 1 floor building general area about 400 sq.m
5. Handicraftsmen workshops and retail. Living apartments on the upper floor. plot area about 290 sq.m. building altitude 3 floor building general area about 750sq.m.
6. Handicraftsmen workshops and retail. Living apartments on the upper floor. plot area about 1450 sq.m. building altitude 1-3 floor building general area about 940 sq.m
7. Established "Vilnius oasis" complex. Already started private investor's project.
8. Public purpose and retail buildings (living apartments on the upper floor possible) plot area about 1500 sq.m. building altitude 2 floor building general area about 1750 sq.m.
9. Public purpose and retail buildings. (living apartment on the upper floor possible). plot area about 680 sq.m. building altitude 1-2 floor



# Park of Architecture – development concept

- 2007- approved development concept of 22,7 ha in Paupys;
- 2008 - approved development concept of 35 ha in Markučiai;
- Main requirements for urban structure development, general solutions for transportation, engineering, public spaces and social infrastructure of the whole area.



# Park of Architecture –workshops

- 2006 – revitalization concept for the area done by the group of leading Lithuanian architects;
- 2008 –workshops for Vilnia river banks and public spaces.



# Community involvement

- Vilnius' citizens opinion poll about the project's public spaces:  
[www.archparkas.vilnius.lt](http://www.archparkas.vilnius.lt)

The screenshot shows the website for 'ARCHITEKTŪROS PARKAS'. The main heading is 'ARCHITEKTŪROS PARKAS' in large blue letters. Below it, there is a sub-heading 'KŪRYBINĖS DIRBTUVĖS' and a timer showing '00:09:12:28'. A map of Vilnius is displayed with various colored areas representing different park zones. A blue box on the map contains the text 'Sostinės gyventojai kviečiami siūlyti, kaip turi atrodyti Vilnios pakrantės...'. Below the map, there is a section titled 'PASIŪLYMAI' (Submissions) with a sub-heading 'Užupio ir senamiesčio sandūra'. A grid of 18 small images shows various park design proposals, each with a name and a date. The browser's address bar shows 'http://archp...' and the taskbar at the bottom indicates the system is running Windows.



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SUTVARKYTI KRANTINĖS. IŠKIRTI KRUMYNUS, PRITAIKYTI VAIKŠČIOJIMUI

# Basic quality requirements

## for urban structure:

- Contextual diversity of urban planning principals, responding to the history of the area;
- Quality of public spaces and housing;
- Principal requirements for heights, density;
- Safety providing planning solutions;
- Intensive use of waterfront.

## for function:

- Mixed used area – housing, working places for SME;
- All required social infrastructure (schools, kindergartens, community centre, primary health care);
- Safe accessibility by foot or by bike.



# Basic quality requirements

## for housing:

- Diversity of dwelling types -from luxurious to social, do it yourself projects;
- Diversity of ownership -private apartments, flats for rent, even hostels for students.
- Apartments with workshops for artists and craftsmen.

## for traffic and technologies:

- Priority for pedestrians and bicycles.
- Priority for public transport.
- Less cars – less parking places , “car sharing” service.
- Advanced engineering technologies, reduced energy demand, rain water use.



# Project communication– information and education

- Planned means of communication:
  - [www.archparkas.vilnius.lt](http://www.archparkas.vilnius.lt)
  - Info center
  - Exposition on the building site
  - Adverts of equipment producers and suppliers
  - Creative activities on the site



# Oncoming activities

- Basic quality requirements approval by the Municipality and partners.
- Cooperation with all stakeholders and local community.
- Cooperation with companies, maintaining engineering infrastructure.
- Involvement of scientific and creative institutions.
- Potential financial support from EU funds.
- Architectural tenders on the ideas for different parts of the area.





# We will start from creativity again

Existing buildings for workshops and artist studios



New cultural infrastructure – establishment of the famous independent theatre



Thank you for your attention

