

Wieringerrandmeer >>>



# Wieringerrandmeer

Dutch entry for the Venice Biennale  
2004, yearbook landscape-architecture  
and urban design 2003-2007

## project

Wieringermeer 'Lago Wirense'  
area development

## site

Wieringen, Wieringermeer

## designers

Remco Rolvink  
Ronald Bron  
Berrie van Elderen  
Peter de Ruyter  
Hanneke Kijne  
Hilke Floris

## commissioned by

VolkerWessels Vastgoed  
Boskalis  
Witteveen+Bos

## size

approx. 2.000 ha

## year of design

2003 - 2005



imago

## **Wieringerrandmeer, Lago Wirense, winning plan designed by HOSPER**

HOSPER, commissioned by the Boskalis, VolkerWessels and Witteveen+Bos development consortium, designed the winning plan in the development competition for the Wieringerrandmeer (Wieringerrand Lake) 'Lago Wirense'.

'Lago Wirense is a development which pivots on a high water quality. The keen analysis of the water assignment is convincing: the solutions, which include a canal, are innovative and create space. Spatial interventions are made with an understanding of cultural/historical values. Water is always the guiding principle, and it will serve as a catalyst in initiating tourism and economic activity. The separation of the functions of the water will result in the enhancement of the economic, nature and water management functions', according to the development competition's jury.

The joint public parties specified three objectives in the assignment for the development competition: a socio-economic impetus, improvement of the water management and a robust ecological corridor.

In HOSPER's vision an island separated once more from the mainland, a robust polder with functional impetuses and an intermezzo of a supplementary nature relative to the polder and the island constitute a comprehensive development of the region. The combination of quantitative water solutions, creation of new quality water and enhancement of the values for nature lay the foundations for the later development of increased recreation, day tourism and overnight tourism. The fundamental change in the image will not only provide for the construction of housing neighbourhoods based on the existing qualities of the centres but will also attract a new economy which will offer opportunities for the development of new forms of country homes.

According to the jury this design of the process offers scope for both private interests and public goals and, consequently, is an extremely promising development proposal.



present situation



step 1: Waard-Nieuwland polder



Waard-Nieuwland polder



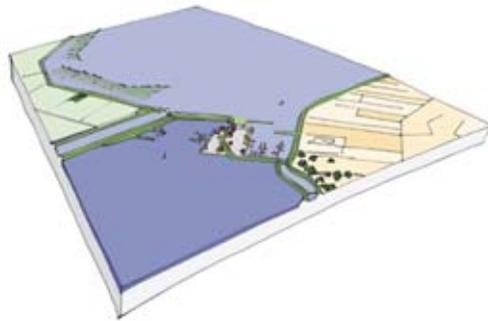
step2: the lake takes shape



step3: recreation on and around the lake



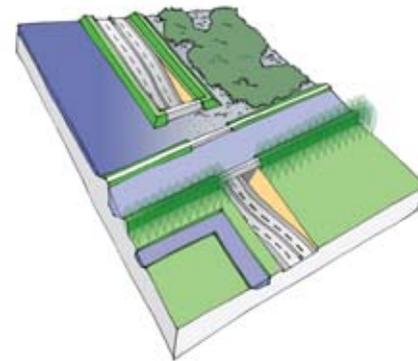
step 4: connecting canal in use



enlarged harbour at Haukes

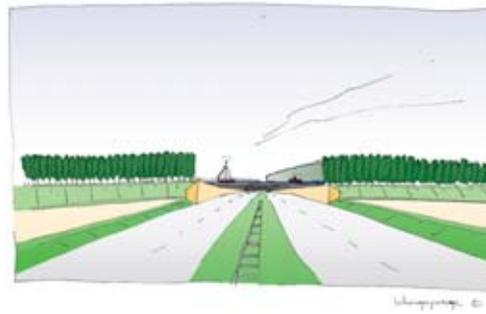


island kingdom on the south side

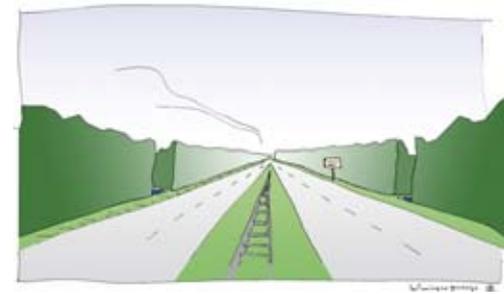


A7 aqueduct

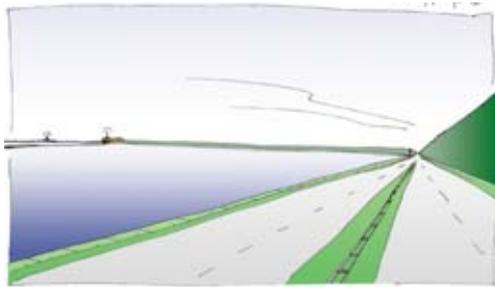
Sequence of pictures from the A7



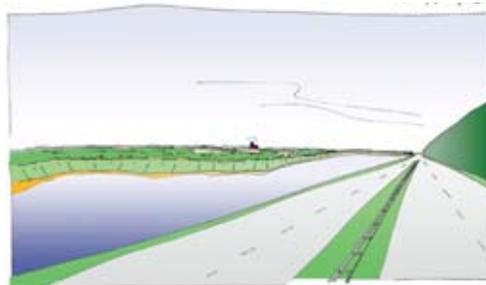
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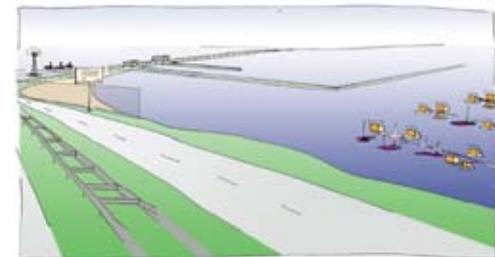
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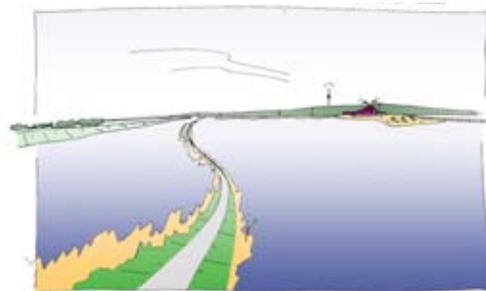
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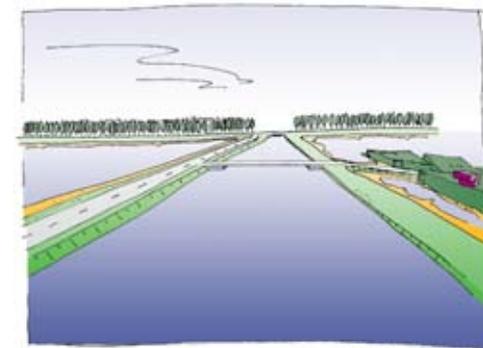


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