

Transitional Territories

MSc 3|4 North Sea Landscapes of Coexistence.
A Topography of Chance



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Network of scientists, philosophers,
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and artists informing the project.

North Sea: Landscapes of Coexistence A Topography of Chance

For the academic year 2019-2020 Transitional Territories Studio closes the three year-long cycle on the North Sea territory, focusing on its altered state as the outcome of increased urbanisation and environmental degradation, and on the consequences of projected extreme weather and resource scarcity. These changes take place and are represented in different levels - from the transcalar and often invisible levels of processes to the scale of the architecture. Having explored the consequences of its altered geography in the past two years, this time the studio will project and delineate a radically different seascape architecture for the North Sea territory. Inspired by the 'Topographie Anecdotee du Hasard' by Daniel Spoerri, the studio will set in motion a conversation between strategic projects for the future of the North Sea region which were briefed together with a group of scientists, philosophers, policy makers, architects, engineers and artists.

Therefore, in the 'North Sea: Landscapes of Coexistence, A Topography of Chance Studio' we will celebrate the coexistence between different claims in the sea, ranging from extractivism, energy, protein, ecology and culture to carbon storage and risk management structured into four lines of inquiry: tension, release, mediation, and emancipation. Under this framework, the sea is not seen anymore as an extra-territorial space and a limit to the land, but rather as the central space through which the political, environmental, economic and societal questions could be addressed. In this way any spatial proposition, whether landscape, urban or architectural, would be challenged and revisited through the lens of the sea and its relational spaces, and by designed / desired associations between the identified strategic projects.

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