



LANDSCAPE MASTERPLANNING

Large-scale landscape
design with ecological
focus.

GORGORA ECORESORT

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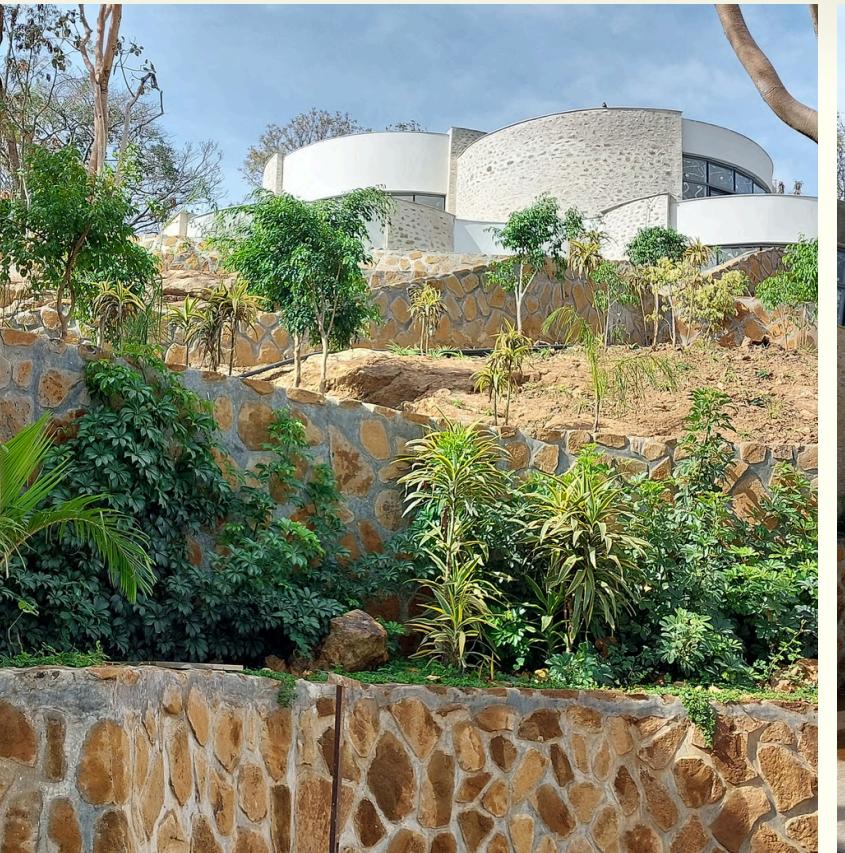
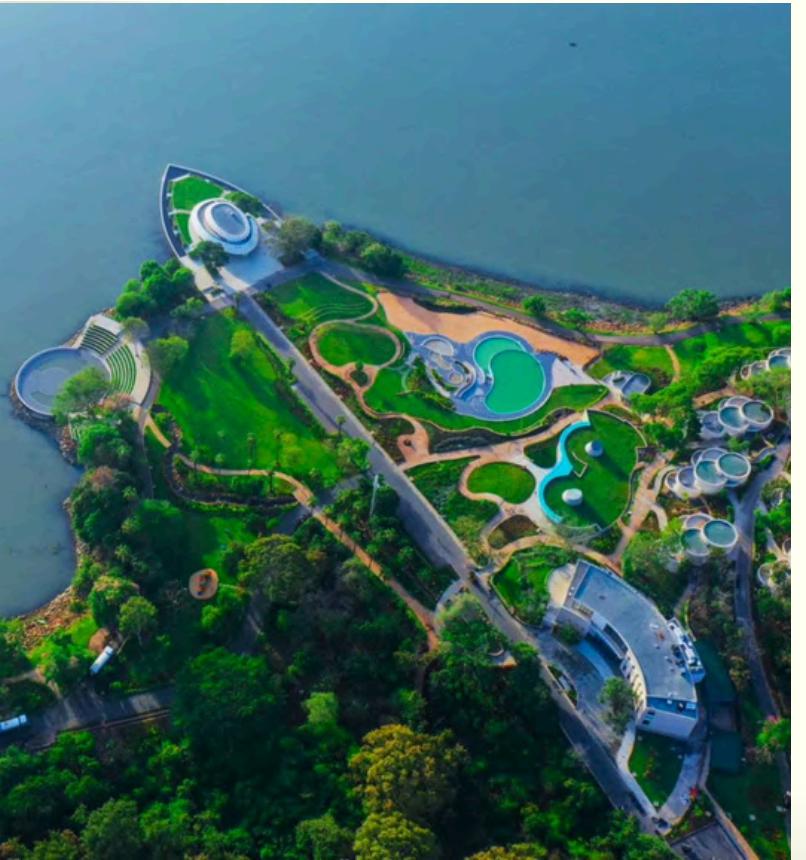
YEAR : 2022

Large eco-resort designed as a pilot-project for eco-tourism in the remote northern lake Tana-region.

Public parc and recreational facilities: pool, spa, open-air amphitheatre, playgrounds, restaurants, leisure port.

Management of steep slopes with stone retaining walls and plantations largely composed of indigenous trees and shrubs.

Establishment of local plant and fish nurseries.





AMHARA COUNCIL

FIRM : ABBA Architects

YEAR : 2014

A complex of buildings consisting of a Parliament Hall , a Convention Center, various multi purpose halls and an 11 storey Office Building, embedded in a vast Park landscape along the Blue Nile river. The generous public space is designed for cultural and political events and forms a view platform of the city on the legendary Blue Nile river.

The landscape alternates between hard and soft, grey and green spaces, stones and plants, forming living representations of this region of Ethiopia, made out of craggy mountains, savannas and rivers, dry but fertile plateaus, and cultivated by mankind since prehistorical times.

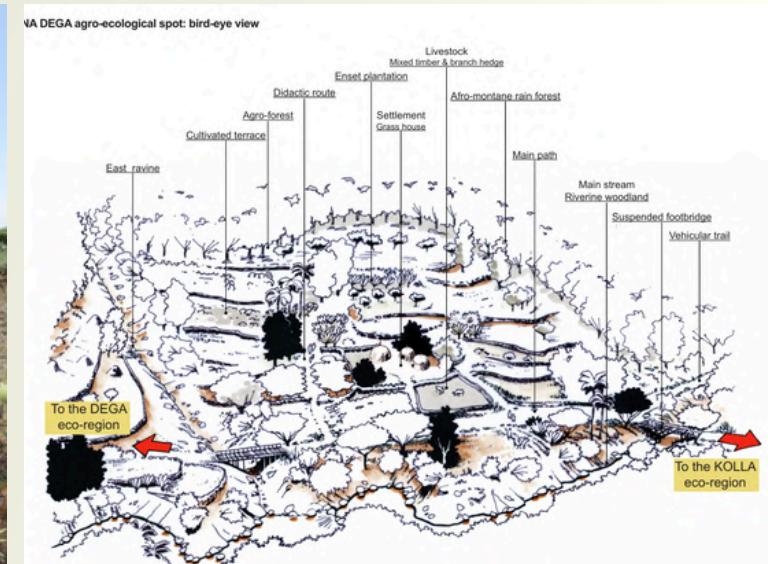
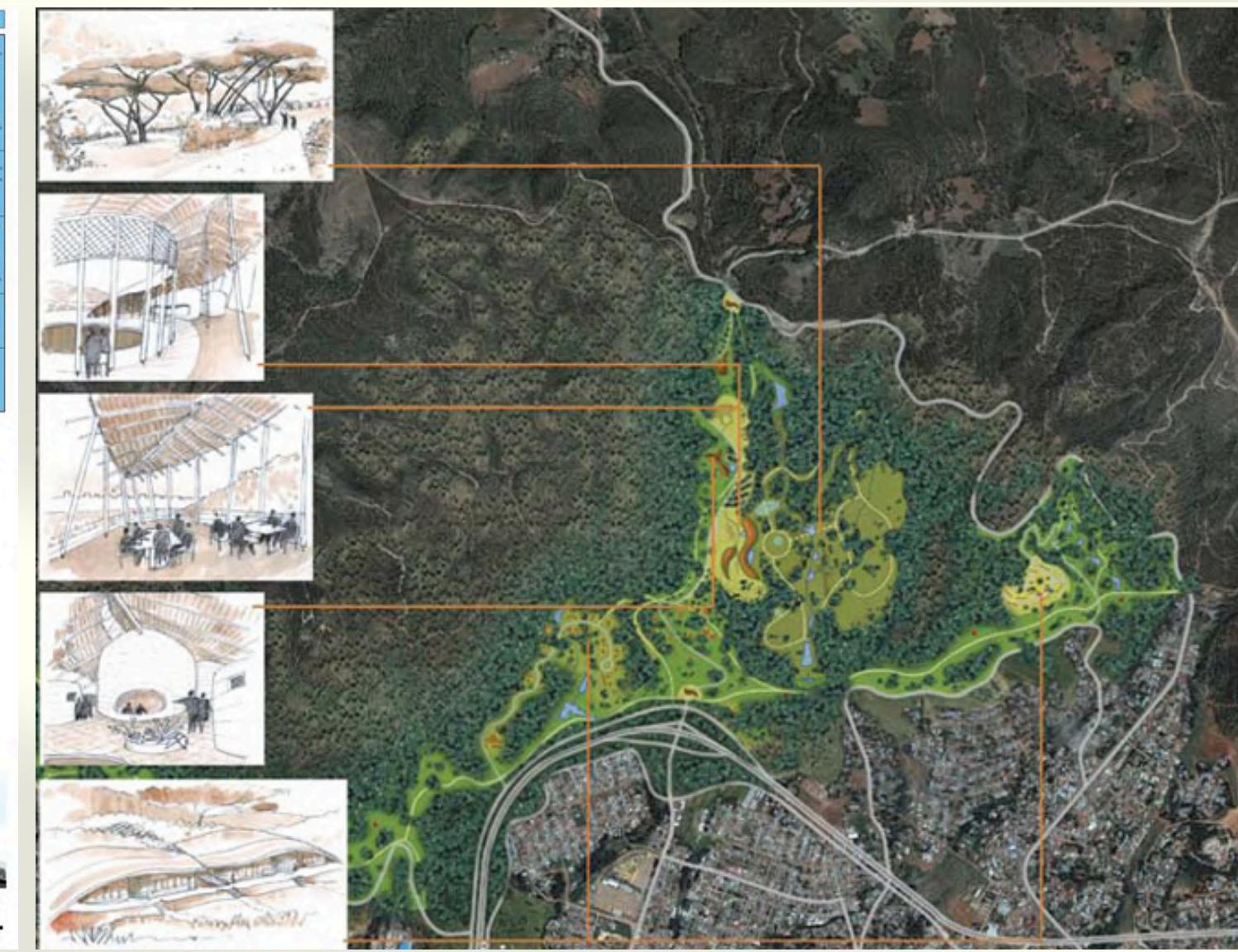
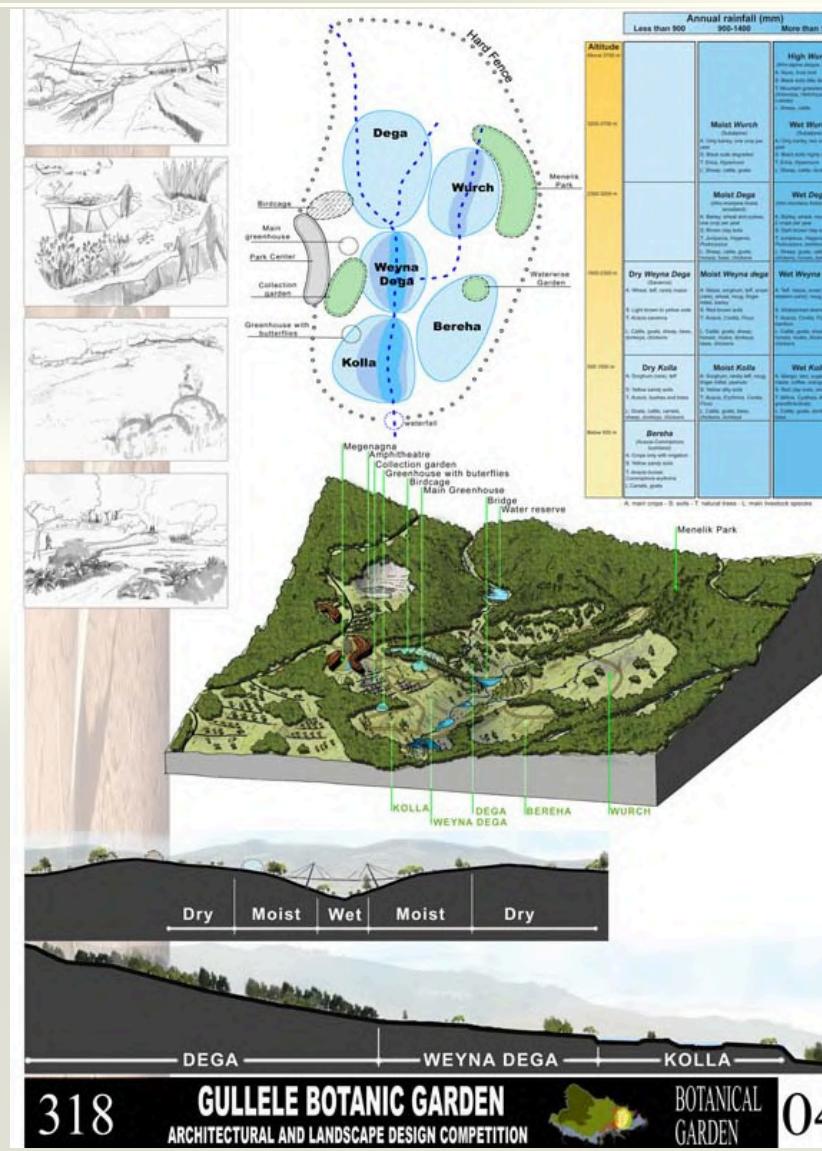
GULLELE BOTANIC GARDEN

FIRM : ABBA Architects

YEAR : 2014

A large project conducted by the city administration and the University of Addis Ababa with international scientific support, covering more than 700 ha.

It consists of a fully fledged Botanic garden with Green houses and seed banks, a large Environmental park covered with indigenous Juniperus forest and exotic Eucalypt plantations (to be transformed into indigenous forest), the Horn of Africa Regional Environmental Center (HOAREC) head offices, an AGORA building, a Visitors Center, a Herbarium, guesthouses and condominium buildings.



FISTULA HAMLIN COLLEGE OF MIDWIFES

FIRM : ABBA Architects

YEAR : 2014

Training centre for midwives adjacent to a complex of medical and revalidation facilities in the mountains northwest of Addis Abeba. The campus buildings are set in a semi-natural park landscape reminiscent of the montane Acacia-Savannah. Buildings and infrastructure built with local construction materials such as Trachyte stone, adobe, grass thatch and Eucalyptus wood . Mountain slope run-off water buffering and rainwater harvesting with system of ditches, streams, cisterns and a large pond.

Educational and medicinal plant garden.

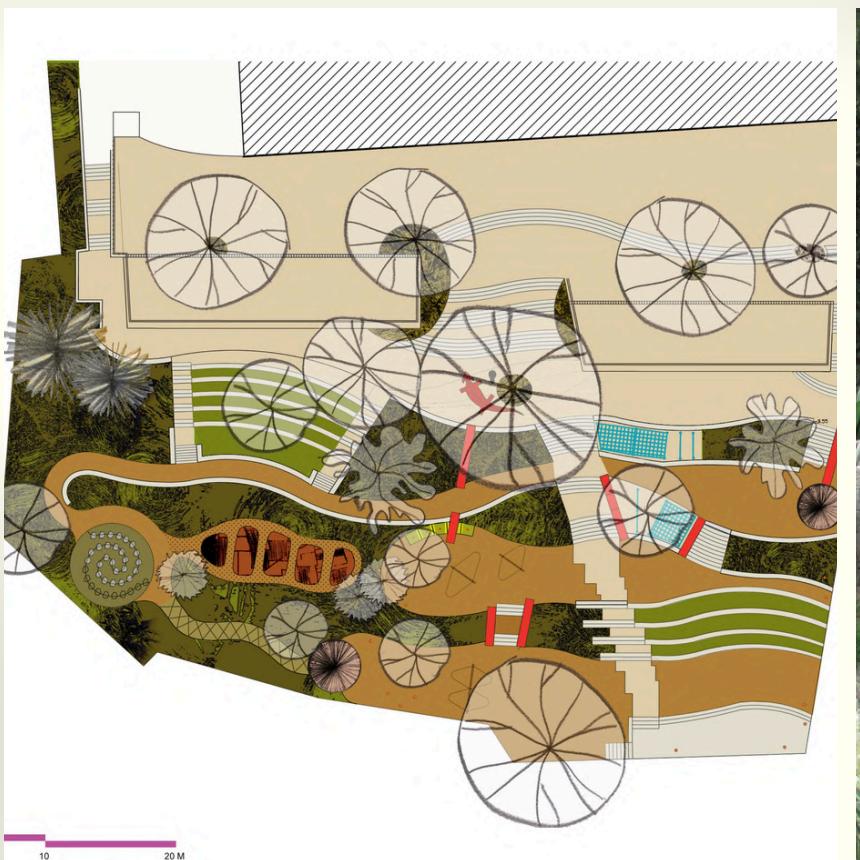
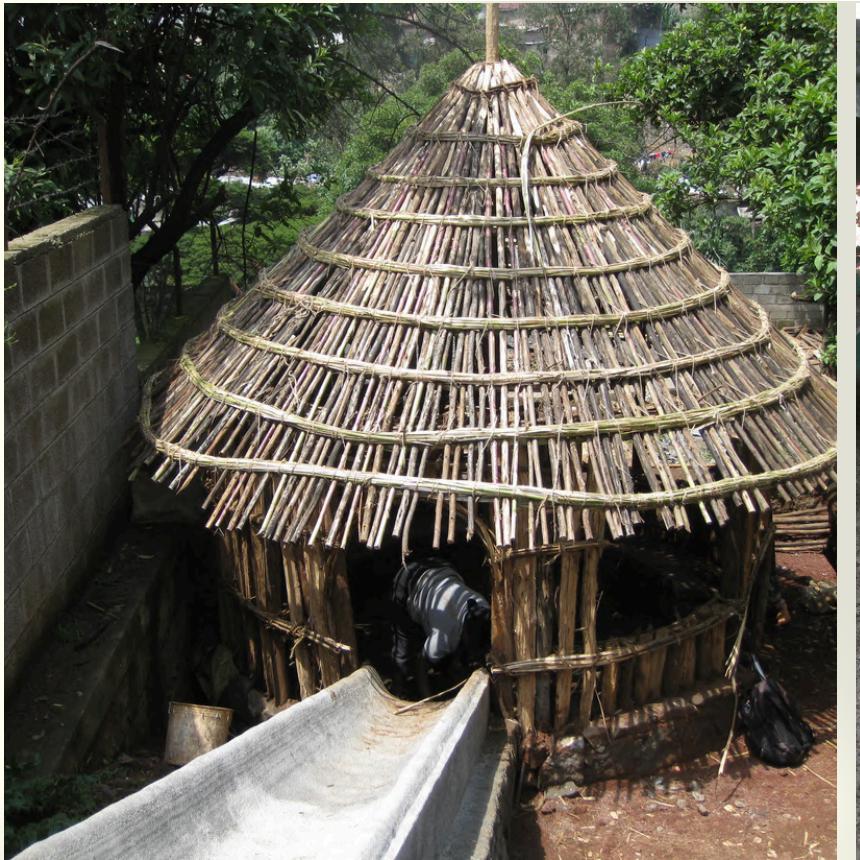


CATHEDRAL NATIVITY GIRL'S SCHOOL

FIRM : ABBA Architects
YEAR : 2013

An intricate space with playgrounds and gardens laid out on different levels and terraces, in a steep river valley in the central part of the old town. The former waste dump on the backside of the school, which is surrounded by a densely populated and poor neighbourhood of the old city centre, has been transformed into a children's paradise.

The garden is evolving on different levels: terraces are alternating with steep slopes full of rocks and indigenous mountain plants. Between the levels, slides are running downhill through the slopes, while children can get uphill again with climbing ropes and nets. Small shelter huts are built in traditional style. The calm, educational part of the garden includes open-air classrooms, an amphitheatre, a forest- and mountain plant garden, a meditative herb spiral and a vegetable garden.



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