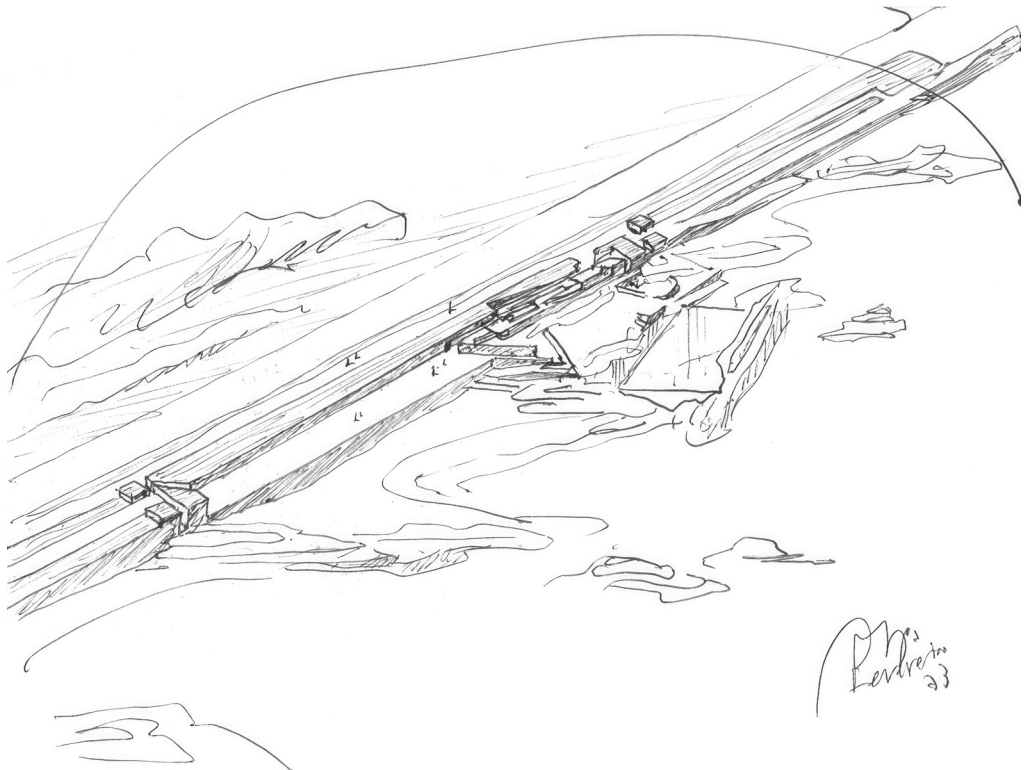


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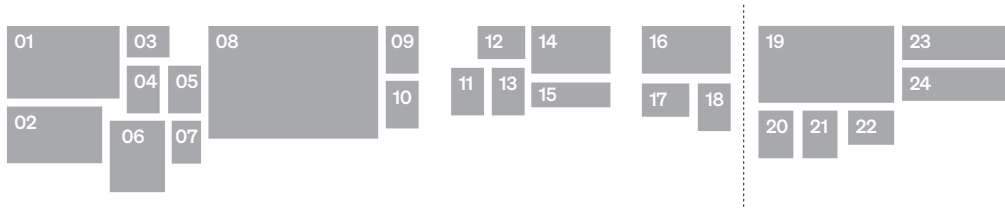
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The title of the exhibition draws upon Álvaro Siza's famous aphorism on the multiplicity of references (natural, topographical, built, immaterial) an architect finds on site that provides a creative catalyst for the design.

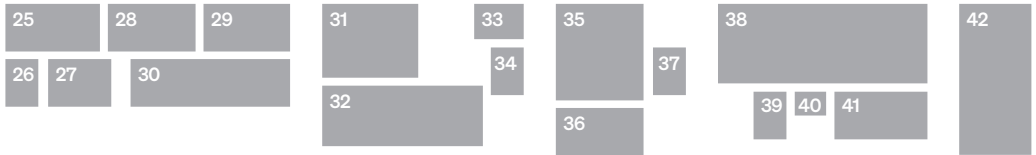
Contrary to what one might think, the Leça da Palmeira Swimming Pool, designed and built between 1960 and 2021, was not conceived as a single project but rather resulted from consecutive commissions and revisions that dictated the gradual growth of the bathing complex, from the construction of a tidal pool through to its recent renovation and extension to the north.



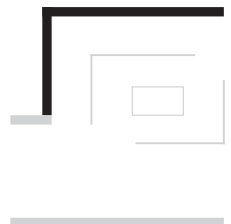
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- 16** Álvaro Siza / Topographic Plan / n/d (AS / CCA)
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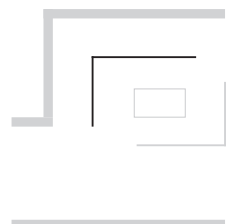
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01-06 Photographs previous to the Ocean Swimming Pool's construction (AMM / EFP)

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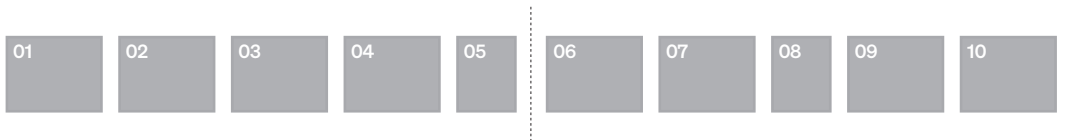
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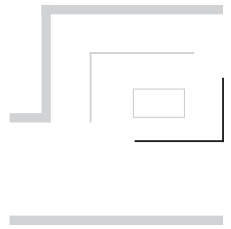




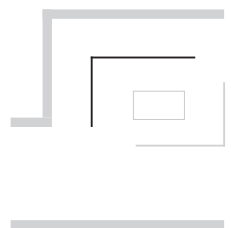
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- E** Ocean Swimming Pool model (current configuration) / 2022 (CEAU)



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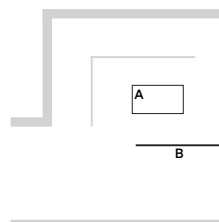


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- A** Objects, Samples and Mockups / 2021
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1971 (CDUA-FAUP)
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