## MIPIM 2024



# Herstal City Centre Masterplan Project



**City of Herstal** 

Location

4040 Herstal

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## Herstal City Centre Masterplan Project :

Herstal has been implementing an ambitious urban renewal policy for several years. A direct extension of the urban center of the Liège conurbation, it is the continuum of the City of the future which is being rolled out. The radical renewal of Herstal's image can already be seen at the Marexhe train station, the new City Hall and Jean Jaurès square. Other projects are still to see the light of day either as part of the urban renovation project or through FEDER structural funds (such as the urban heating loop). The Masterplan carries on and broadens the existing dynamics. Its object is to define an overall development goal for Herstal's city center.

Whereas in the past the road system has run along parallel lines between the canal and the railway line, the Masterplan proposes a new vertical backbone marking a radically new route from the upper part via Laixheau square and Jean Jaurès square as far as the boulevard and the Albert canal where it opens out onto the Meuse valley.

This will bring a new impetus linking the different areas and opening them up to the wide Mosan landscape. Henceforth Herstal will be anchored to the banks of the Meuse.

Public spaces with a variety of different themes will feature in a range of projects aimed at bringing new perspectives to the city, in harmony with its citizens and the environment.

These urban developments will be connected to and crossed by the future extension of the tram of Liège.

#### Architects

**Pluris SCRL / Bruno Bianchet** 

#### **Searching for**

Investors / Property developer

#### Timing

From 2023

### Sustainability project

The Masterplan aims to improve the living environment in Herstal's city centre by overseeing its development: creation of public spaces and high-quality green spaces, rehabilitation of wasteland, rational densification, integration of pedestrian and bicycle paths, connections to public transport... It encourages the renewal of the city on the city and fights against urban sprawl.

#### Foncier

100.000  $m^2$  of public land out of a total of 125.000  $m^2$ 



