

Superdesign world

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In this collection of images, the impact of mankind in the world environment is shown as a patchwork of infrastructure networks, constructed topographies, artificial landscapes, urbanized patches, industrial zones, and toxic rivers. The constructed narrative is fragmentary and disjunctional, bringing together ambiguous elements, different scales, and time frames.

According to Luigi Ghirri “Photography is in any case always surreal in its changes of scale and its constant juxtapositions, and in comprising both the conscious and unconscious images of reality no longer present. Reality is being transformed into a colossal photograph, and the photomontage already exists: it’s called the real world.”

In these over-designed and saturated landscapes, the ordinary can turn into extraordinary, the small into big, the megalomaniac into the everyday and vice-versa. The assemble of images becomes a project, its reality, small fragments of architecture.























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