The Gravity of Infrastructures

(Architecture Philosophy) —

The lure of infrastructures. We are magnetized by it. Regardless of mission and regardless of what program it offers, we are inevitably drawn towards it. In this case, infrastructures can control individuals like drones of a colony. Even in visual lull, we are always attracted by what is man-made within the landscape of the natural. What is the relativity of the user and the built infrastructure? Is the Theory of relativity apply to even the most philosophical notions of Architecture? We stand at it like the mass of people magnetized by the earth's platonic shape. What exactly drives us to be so drawn over infrastructures? Is it the comfort that it offers? Is it the visual aesthetic it offers? The cultural implication of what is built that identifies our society? What exactly is it? Like gravity, it is not visible but is felt without the need for complex calculations to be involved. We are magnetized towards infrastructures no matter what. With this in mind, it can always be exploited.

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