17TH INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE EXHIBITION
LA BIENNALE DI VENEZIA
PAVILION OF TURKEY

→ ON THEIR WAY TO THE NEW LAND

AND THE CURATORIAL TEAM

MORE-THAN-HUMAN, ENDANGERED SPECIES, EXTRACTION



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- •1 Ancient construction materials in the Big Warehouse
- •2 A paperwork in the Big Warehouse showing the Ancient Land (Anatolia)'s endemic plants and trees 1
- •3 A paperwork in the Big Warehouse showing the Ancient Land (Anatolia)'s endangered species next to ancient construction material extraction sites ²
- This paperwork depicts endemic trees from Anatolia, including Black Pine (Pinus nigra), Oak (Quercus), European Beech (Fagus sylvatica), Scots Pine (Pinus sylvestris), Turkish Pine (Pinus brutia), and plants such as Ferula mervynii (Apiaceae), Snowdrop (Galanthus trojanus), Sonchus erzincanicus Matthews (Asteraceae), and Cephalaria anatolica (Caprifoliaceae). Endemic species growing in Turkey are faced with various dangers, such as overgrazing, fire, unconscious cutting, removal, extraction activities, construction of thermal power stations, urbanization, herbicide use, and air pollution. These negative factors sometimes mean the extinction of the plant and, in a sense, its annihilation on the Earth.
- This paperwork is a geographic depiction of endangered animals next to the extraction and production sites of construction materials in Anatolia today. The map focuses on highlighting the extraction culture around the construction market by juxtaposing endangered fauna next to it. Some of the materials are brick, ceramic, bauxites, marble, asbestos, limestone, plastic, boron, copper, andesite, iron, quartzite, paint, timber, glass, barite, granite, cement, cellular concrete, and ready-mixed concrete. These materials are depicted next to Red Deer (Cervus claphus), Greater Spotted Eagle (Aquila clanga), Anatolian Leopard (Panthera pardus tulliana), Little Bustard (Tetrax tetrax), Sperm, Whale (Physeter macrocephalus), Eğirdir Minnow (Pseudophoxinus handlirschi), Sand Tiger Shark (Carcharias taurus), White Shark (Carcharodon carcharias), Green Turtle (Chelonia mydas), Beyşehir Bleak (Alburnus akili), Eğirdir Longsnout Scraper (Capocta pestai), Oriental Darter (Anhinga mclanogaster), Cinereous Vulture (Aegypius Monachus), Slender-billed curlew (Numenius tenuirostris), Sociable Lapwing (Vanellus gregarius), Red-breasted Goose (Branta ruficollis), Northern Bald Ibis (Geronticus eremita), Short-toed Snake Eagle (Circactus gallicus), Caracal (Caracal caracal), Indian Porcupine (Hsytrix indica), Wild Goat (Capra aegagrus aegagrus), Striped Hyaena (Hyaena hyaena), Great Bustard (Oris tarda), Marbled Polecat (Vormela peregusna), Blacktailed Gazelle (Gazelle subgutturosa), Persian Fallow Deer (Dama mesopotamica), Spiny Dogfish (Squalus acanthias), and Anatolian Wild Ass (Equus hemionus anatolicnsis), which are all endangered animals.

- •4 Containers
- •5 Ancient artifacts and more-than-humans on their way to the New Land
- •6 Uzunyayla Horse on its way to the New Land
- T-shaped megalithic stone pillar from Göbekli Tepe on its way to the New Land
- •8 Alexander Sarcophagus, a late 4th century BCE sarcophagus, on its way to the New Land
- ullet Rudist fossils from the Ancient Limestone Quarries on their way to the New Land 3