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Permanent Daylight:

No Stars (2019)

9 digital pigment prints on photo archive paper, framed

Presented at KODE 1



Los Angeles Reservoir, 2017

Since August 2015, the surface of the **Los Angeles** water reservoir is covered with 96 million plastic shade balls to reduce evaporation. A recent study suggests that the production of the plastic balls has used more water than they have saved. Others are afraid the balls might fragment and produce microplastics.



Qarani Street, 2017

Wherever you go in **Tehran**, the sides of large buildings are covered with vivid murals. They dominate the cityscape.

Gaffiti is illegal in Iran - and spray-painted slogans are quickly removed. Instead, the city has an arts commission that must approve public murals.



Paranet Care Dome Moabit, 2015

“Cared Domes” are inflatable air halls. In the fall of 2014, the city of **Berlin** set up these temporary housing facilities for up to 500 refugees.

An air blower is applying constant pressure; the tents can only be entered through a special airlock door. In the summer, the structures heat up dramatically.



St. Peter and St. Paul Bastion, 2014

This lower part of the St. Peter and St. Paul fortification in **Valletta, Malta**, hosts the Lascaris War Rooms, the Allied Headquarters during the Second World War.

Right above these lower floors sits the iconic Garnision Chapel, a former church which is now the blessed home of the Malta Stock Exchange.



Garzweiler, 2014

The opencast brown coal mine in **Garzweiler, Germany**, is one of the largest surface brown coal mines in Europe and radically transforms the landscape.

A sprinkler system is installed all around the mine: the water sprayers are used to suppress the toxic dust in the air.



Altmarkt Dresden, 2016

Dresden's famous Altmarkt Square has been the heart of the town since the city's foundation. In 1945, it was completely destroyed. Since 2014, it serves as a weekly meeting point for the infamous PEGIDA, a German nationalist, anti-Islam, far-right political movement.



Pomnik Chrystusa Króla, 2018

“Christ the King” is a statue in **Świebodzin, Poland**, and is currently the largest statue of Jesus in the world. It was finished in 2010 and was entirely financed through crowdfunding.

Secretly, equipment for the commercial broadcasting of internet signals was installed in the crown. In 2019, the system was taken down due to protests of the religious.



Stadio di Polo di Giarre, 2019

This olympic Polo stadium was built in the small town of **Giarre, Sicily** in 1985. Even though Polo is not a popular sport in Sicily at all, the stadium was built for 27.000 visitors: concrete production and supply was famously under Mafia control at the time. Due to serious static miscalculations it will never be finished.



Llano Del Rio, 2014

The Llano del Rio socialist colony was conceived in 1914 in the **Californian desert**. The cooperative promised a gender neutral environment and required its members to invest in it by buying stocks. At its peak, there were around 1100 members in the colony. It was abandoned in 1918 due to internal power struggles.