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the Lebanese structures political discourse and serves to justify major planning actions, as well as individual or collective strategies. Even more than the end of the fighting, the promise of a new era of coexistence and prosperity legitimizes ambitious reconstruction projects. In return, the construction of equipment and infrastructure, the resumption of development dynamics, as well as the rehabilitation of the living environment are supposed to promote reconciliation. This CERMOC book is the result of research and reflections by a team of anthropologists, geographers, sociologists, political scientists and town planners, led by Eric Huybrechts, head of the Beirut and Reconstruction Research Observatory. , and Chawqi Douayhi, professor at the Lebanese

University. The authors have identified and studied various representative places of reconstruction and reconciliation, chosen either for their originality or from particular angles: the reconstruction

of the villages around Saïda, the new political and social balance between Tripoli and Zgorta in through the study of the space of the Lebanese University in Qobbé, the social mix on the Corniche and in the commercial centres of Beirut, the forgetting of the old line of fighting in the reconstruction of Beirut and its suburbs, etc. . Several readings can be made of these recompositions: a normalization of social relations, the resumption of metropolitan and globalizing dynamics, a complexification of society, or even the continuation of the political struggle by means other than war.