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The goal

To identify housing models for mass production based on a small number of building components capable of generating a wide range of volumetric solutions without falling into homogenization and repetition of building types. A system with a limited number of easy-to-assemble, standardized and prefabricated components that can generate controlled, but extremely varied and flexible, configurations of domestic space, in order to accommodate different needs in relation to individual taste and different locations.

The main issues

- -The search for architectural quality corresponding to the need for customization and modification of the house in time.
- -Technological experimentation related to the issue of low energy consumption houses, during the entire cycle from construction to eventual dismantling and recycling of components and materials.

Research method

The research investigated the expressive possibilities of two prototypes of modular prefabricated houses to be massively produced allowing customization in two different locations: in a Northern and in a Southern region of Italy. During the planning stage we collaborated with production companies: Polifar srl of Mogliano Veneto (Treviso) for the residential housing "Idea 108" and Rubner Haus AG, Chienes (Bolzano) for the wooden prefabrication system "Dadomus".

The projects

The design of the two prototypes concerns two different spatial concepts, of distribution and formal features, but in both cases the choice is for "hybrid" construction systems.

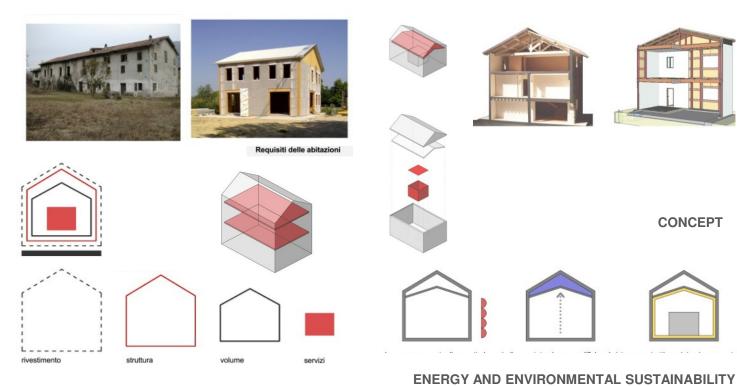
The purpose is to obtain versatility of the open system starting from a set of predetermined components (bearing panels, steel skeleton, curtain walls, roofing) similar to "Lego" parts, to which functional finished and furnished kitchens and bathrooms can be added, which complement the structural dimensions.





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Idea108 housing prototype



The house is inspired by the essential volumes of typical rural residences in Veneto.

This spatial concept follows the logic of the constructive system Idea 108.















In terms of energy and environmental compatibility wood has optimal characteristics in all phases of its life cycle, from production of raw materials, to processing, disposal and recycling.





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elemento fonadmentale per la produzione di sistemi prefabbricati









libertà compositiva per lo sviluppo di differenti architetture







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CONCEPT





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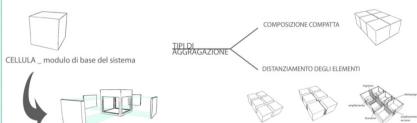


LA STANZA costituisce l'unità di base della progettazione





SYSTEM COMPONENTS





Partendo da un elemento semplice, una cellula di dimensioni minime, man mano che aunmento il numero dei moduli posso generare un'infinita serie di composizioni, come nel gioco educativo dei vecchi dadi.

ESEMPIO possibili aggregazioni degli elementi a partire da una forma compatta compio un serie di traslazioni e aggiunta di moduli













The house develops the idea of the Mediterranean house consisting of addition of rooms that can compose complex structures with infinite configurations, suitable for expansion over time.





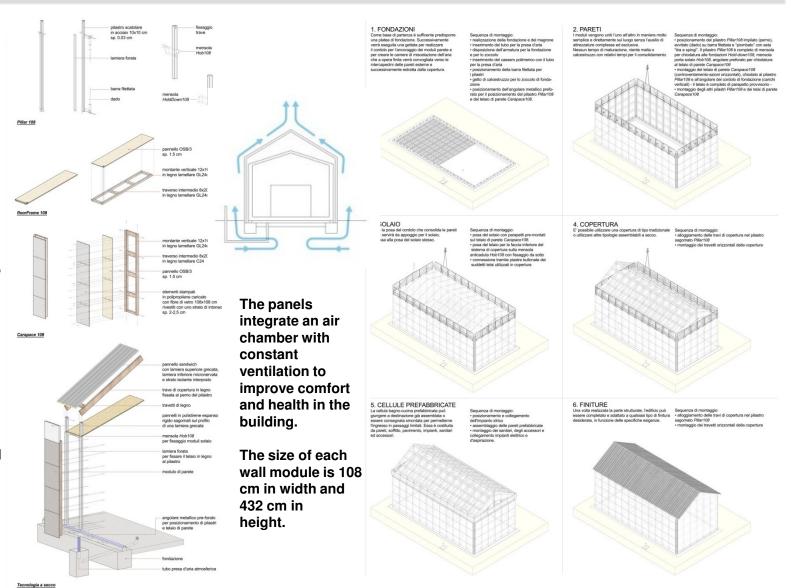
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Idea108 housing prototype

The component of main structure:

structural steel pillars and infill panels consisting of a wooden lamellar frame braced with OSB/3 boards, covered by insulating material with a layer of plaster, used for wall.

The other elements are customizable on the basis of the building's location and the taste of the owner.





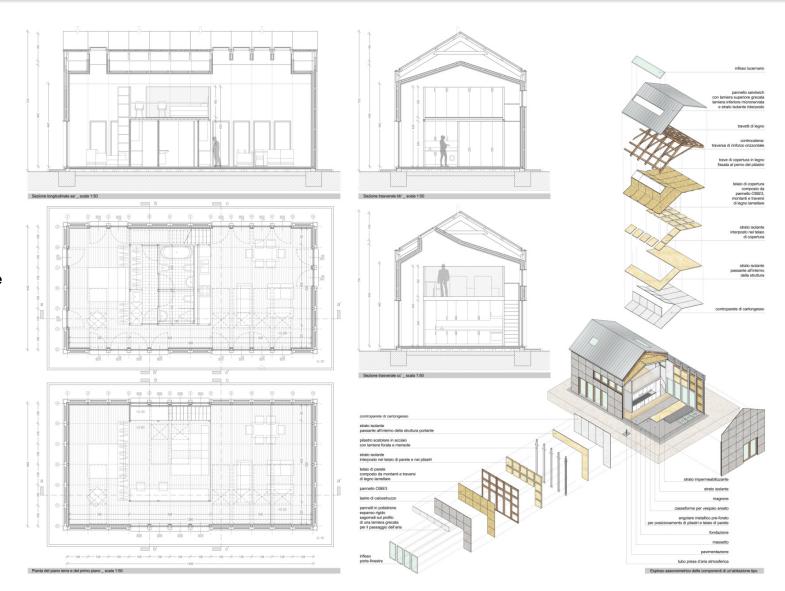


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Idea108 housing prototype

The house is based on a single fullheight space that can be organize in two levels.

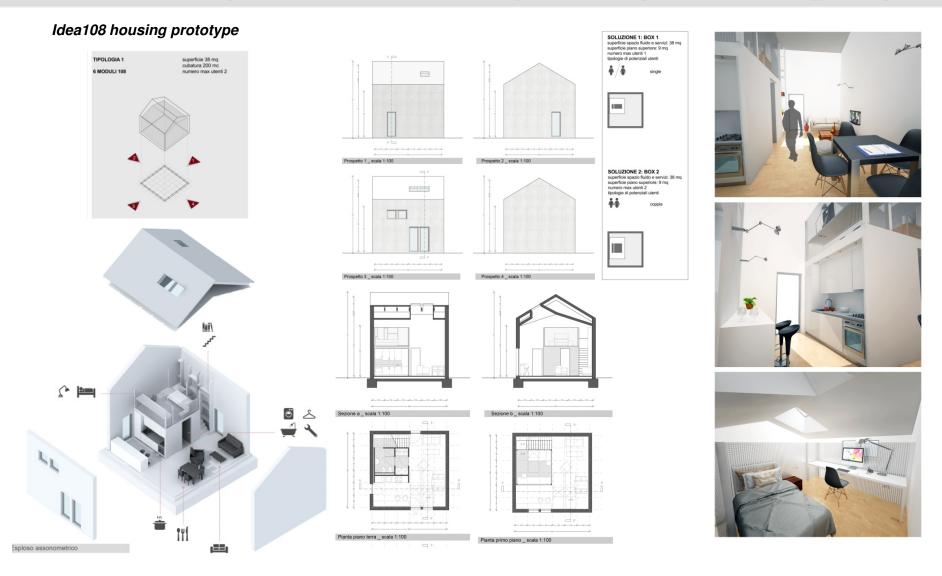
The presence of continuos ventilation chambre along the perimeter walls makes possible the passage of air from foundation to covering, realizing an organism with a controlled microclimate.







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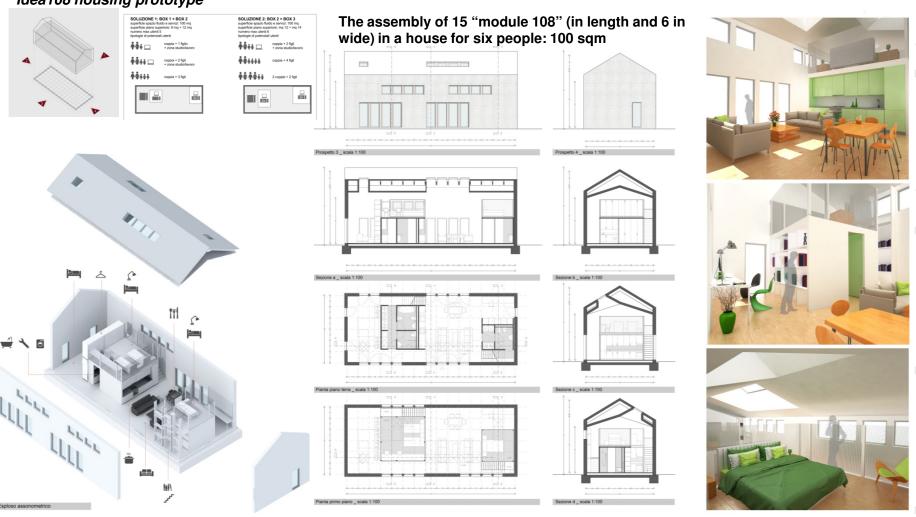






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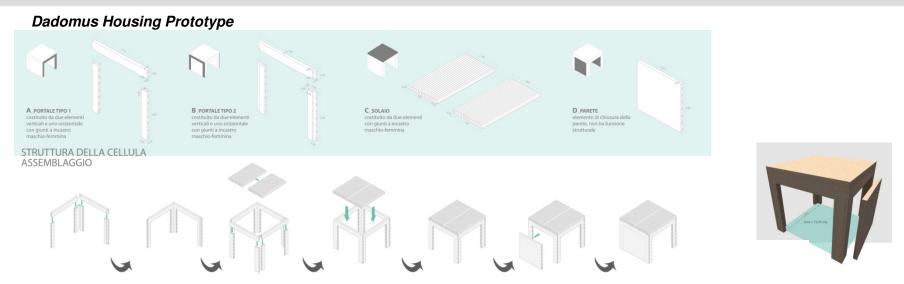


The assembly time for rough construction of a 100 square meters building is estimated at about 2 working weeks with a team of three persons. This housing prototype lends itself to the realization of single - and two-family houses and to the completion of urban fabrics.

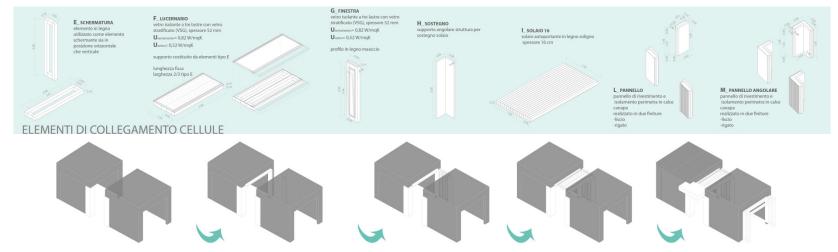




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The component of main structure: portals and wood pillars, bearing panels for ceilings and coverings, wall panels in solid spruce



The basic element of the system are cubes (base m. 4.46; height 4.20) and connecting elements in wood and glass. This combination makes the house particularly reversible and permeable, promoting interaction with exterior space, which benefits of natural ventilation.





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The alternation of rooms and void spaces (paths, patios, gardens), generates an articulated organisms varied in size and aggregations available for different configurations.

The finishes utilize natural fibers and wood fiber panels or fiber plaster obtained with a mixture of pure gypsum, recycled paper fiber and water.

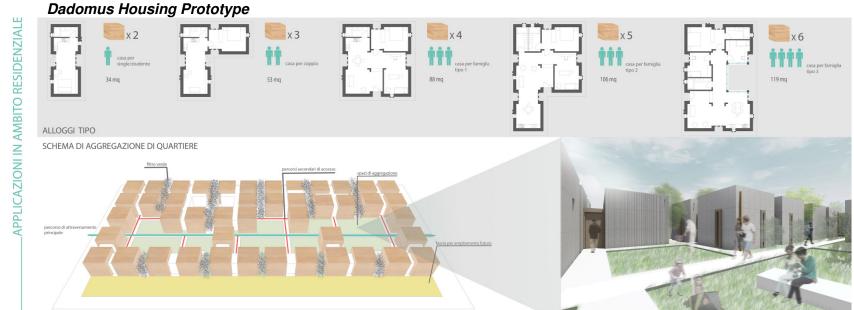




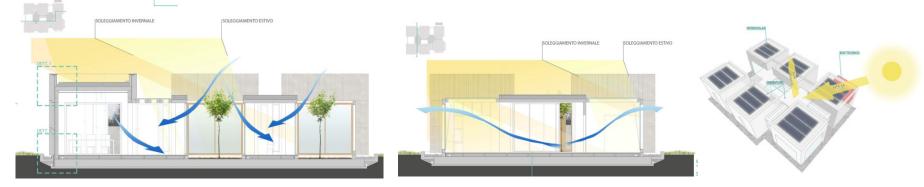




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This prototype lends itself to the formation of urban fabrics based on varied aggregations, highly adaptable to change over time and tailored to the need of the inhabitants.



The materials used the technological solutions (roof covering with integrated photovoltaic cells) and the proper plant design involving the use of heat pumps bring the building up to the A+ energy class.





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Conclusions

The idea of the house as an industrial product, as opposed to cars and other mass pro ductionobjects, can only work if mass production is limited to the basic elements of the system.

The configuration of the final product in terms of spatial and architectural quality depends on three main aspects:

- The location, including the climate and dwelling culture in the various geographical areas the house will become a part of;
- The morphological structure and space of the house in relation to the culture and attitudes of the inhabitants;
- -Flexibility, in type and size of the house, to respond to changes in family composition.





Differents spatial configurations and locations of *Dadomus Housing Prototype*



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Thank you.











