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## SUBJECT MODULE :

Architeciural Design
Technology Design in BIM environment
Restoration
Materials for preservation
Structural Design
Building services Design

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The project development was considered as an opportunity to deepen the up-to date topic of the conservative transformations within the consolidated urban contemporary city fabric.
Such subject of analysis was critically analysed under several points of view, with the exploitation of the knowledges and skills aquired along the educational path followed at the Politecnico of Milano and at the Alta Scuola Politecnica.

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## ABSTRACT

I/ nostro ambiente costruito è in costante cambiamento poiché le città contemporanee si evolvono continuamente. La crescita della popolazione, le dinamiche sociali ed economiche potrebbero avere un impatto sostanziale sul modo in cui progettiamo e sul nostro approccio agli edifici. Anche se gli scenari futuri per l'ambiente costruito sono sulla necessità di svilupparsi per aggiunte, c'è anche un approccio conservativo di restauro, insieme a conversioni e ampliamenti dell'edificio originale.

La popolazione di Milano aumenta di giorno in giorno ed è una delle città più popolate d'Italia e la città più popolata della regione Lombardia. La crescita della popolazione, porta la necessità di nuovie strategie per accogliere le persone, - la necessità di un riutilizzo adattivo per riportare in vita gli edifici abbandonati, poiché molti edifici della città soffrono di essere sfitti, silenziosi e trascurati.

Per risparmiare tempo e denaro e valorizzare al meglio gli edifici esistenti abbandonati, il "ripensamento dell'esistente" sta diventando un tema importante in architettura.

Alla luce di questi temi, il progetto esposto in questa tesi considera la riqualificazione di un dato blocco urbano, nella città di Milano, trasformando edifíci e spazi esistenti in un complesso polifunzionale che funge da unità di housing sociale con più Servizi per la collettività.

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## ABSTRACT

Our built environment is in a constant change as the contemporary cities evolve continuosly.
The population growth, social and economic dynamics could have a substantial impact on the way we design and our approach to the buildings. Even if future scenarios for the built environment are on an urge to develop by additions, there is also a conservative approach of restoration, along with conversions, and extensions to the original building.

Milan's population increases day by day and it is one of the most higly populated cities of Italy, and the most populated city in the Lombardy region.
The population growth, brings the need of new designs to accomodate people, or the need of adaptive reuse to bring the abandoned buildings into life, as many buildings in the city suffers from being vacant, silent and neglected.

In order to save money and time and bring the existing abandoned buildings to proper use, rethinking of the existing" is becoming a significant topic in architecture.

With the light of these issues, the project explained in this thesis considers requalification of a given urban block, in the city of Milan, by transforming existing buildings and spaces into a multifunctional complex that serves to the community as a social housing unit with several public services.




Having a look at the planimetric evolution of the Umanitaria site, it appears clear, once comparing the proposed trasformation with the intervention realized by Giovanni Romano, the intention of defining, once again the border of the urban block, even though with some localized permeability.

The new intervention, in fact, could, somehow, be seen as a reminder of what was the planimetric footprint of the buildings within the urban block, before the second world war bombings, as manifesting itself as a statement of definition of the urban block's corner.



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Re-writing the existing

## . 1 The Challenges

The 21 st century society is called to quickly address several emerging challenges. Contemporary cities are on an urge to develop progressively fast and this brings the challenge to deal with the increasing amount of inhabitants, public services, daily circulation of users, community needs and urban arrangements in the context. Designers should work to turn those constraints into opportunities and benefit from them.

As we build and build in the contemporary city, we put loads that might be too much for the city that could actually bare. In some cases, transforming the existing could be the solution to inhabitate the new function and use. In this context, restoration, conservation and adaptive reuse could be the way to rehabilitate the old and merge it with the new to serve the community, again and in a better way.

The NUA, new urban agenda, states: "By 2050, the world's population is expected to nearly double, making urbanization one of the 21 century's most transformative trends. Populations, economic activities, social and cultural interactions, as well as environmental and humanitarian impacts, are increasingly concentrated in cities, and this poses massive sustainability challenges in terms of housing, infrastructure, basic services, food security, health, education, decent jobs, safety and natural resources, among others". Our society is undeniably constantly changing, asking for new ways of living and new built environments, more flexible and more sustainable.


Fig. 01.1 : Urban Agenda for the EU


Fig. 01.2-11 Cross-cutting issues of the Pact of Amsterdam, 5 issues in color related to the Convitto transformation project

Furthermore, countless are, all over the world, the examples of disused, decaying, and abandoned built environments. We are increasingly in need of more space, yet, hidden, within the densely built-up cities, several are the buildings which are unused or poorly used for their potentialities.
For a long time, built environment repurposing, has
heritage conservation.
Nowadays, however, considered also the blurred border line in between what is in need to be "preserved" and what not, the idea of built environment re-use and reconstruction are at the forefront for facing the emerging challenges. In such a context, also the concepts of preservation need to be re-considered, today,
more than ever, as Koolhaas stated, it "represents a contemporary reality, in which everything we inhabit is potentially susceptible to preservation".
The concept of preservation itself has evolved alongside with society changes, and what yesterday was regarded as a "retroactive activity", today became a "prospective activity".

Furthermore, this new prospective activity, it is unavoidably linked with the concept of " sustainability of our acting/ designing within the built landscape."

All of these are the bases upon which the architect of the 21 st century is supposed to work on, and set his priorities. The need is to take advantage of these opportunities in order to face the emerging urban challenges.


Fig. 01.3 - Connections between Urban Agenda for the EU partnerships and Sustainable Development Goals

The architectural paradigm has to be changed, cities need to be re-thought, re-written.
The biggest challenge and priority of the 21 st century architect is, therefore, to find a strategy to transform the existing built environment, giving value and re-purposing with major flexibility and sustainability to the old and tranforming the cities into more resilient built environments.

In 2010 Venice biennal, the Dutch pavilion raised awareness on a part of this issue. "Vacant NL" exhibition was a brilliant example of how the topic of "adaptive
reuse" could save the miserable beautiful buildings that had been left abandoned and unused.
The exhibition gives an idea of the amount of vacant buildings in Netherlands by providing their scale models, covering up almost the entire space in exhibition rooms, drawing attention to the need of transformation of the existing.


TO SUM UP :

- New challenges are emerging in the 21 st century society :
- facing rapidly increasing population and urbanization;
- achieving sustainability of built environments;
- optimizing resources;
- preserving existing values and heritage;
- promoting systems' and infrastructures' effectiveness;
- Countless buildings with a lot of potentiality all over the world are abandoned, disused or poorely used.
- Preservation is no longer a retroactive activity but a prospective activity, nowadays strictly linked with the concept of sustainability. It can be considered from the Architects as a great opportunity of action.

Why not to change contemporary cities starting from these built up resources?

## Preservation and Transformation of the cities is the biggest priority, challenge and opportunity of the 21 st century Architects.



## . 2 Conservation and Transformation

Designing for the existing built environment means "taking care" of the built-up as a collective resource, whether it is regarded as a cultural heritage or not, whether it is constrained or not. Nicola Emery, in his "Progettare, costruire, curare. Per una deontologia dell'architettura", affirms that "taking care means to show relationships and preserve them, facing with the existing built in a different way from the colonizing one". Indeed, taking care of the existing built-up is a challenging task, mainly concerned with identifying the best potentialities of the building and trying to spot the relationships which are able to instate with its surrounding urban fabric.

For such a complex problem, surely, there is no standard process, repetitive and automatic for every case, there are no rules which can be followed, as every built-up entity has its own characteristics and features. However, at the base of every good project dealing with the existing urban fabric, there is a knowledge process, comprising a geometrical, historical, material, decay, architectural and structural survey.

Fundamental, however, is to be able, in such a process, to find the proper balance in between conservation and transformation. It is of uttermost importance to carefully and sensitively learn to read and understand the stratified nature of the existing city, as well as to understand the vocation and the potentiality of the building, so as to determine, for each individual case, what to conserve and what to transform, what to rebuild and what to preserve, what to add and what to demolish, in a perfectly balanced interplay of conscious actions. All of this should be aimed at improving the quality of the specific building and its surrounding context, valorizing it in view of how the city has evolved, increasing the efficiency of its systems as well as its sustainability and making it more flexible and adaptable to the needs of nowadays society.

CONSERVATION

PRESERVATION

ADDITION

## THE PROJECT

Valorize the existing building
Make the building flexible
Make the building resilient
Make the building sustainable Increase the building's efficiency

TRANSFORMATION

RECONSTRUCTION

DEMOLITION

In order to keep the traces and stratification of the past and combine them with the technology of the future, adaptive reuse method has been widely used by the designers and is still being used. This method has many benefits in terms of construction costs, time savings and energy use. When the total demolition is avoided, fewer materials are collected to be sent to landfills, therefore, less energy is required (Laefer 2008).

To keep the original building with all architectural features as a document of the history and the architecture of its time, requires preliminary works such as mapping all the materials and examining their state, deciding what to remove and what to keep in terms of restoration and conservation. Because when the issue is to sustain the life of the historically important building within a new function, interventions need to carry out proper stages to let it serve better for the future scenarios.

The intervention works require a careful approach when it comes to the transition from the old to the new. The touching points in between the original surface of the building and the new construction has to be designed in a way that would keep the design compatible and reversible if needed.

The additional volumes should be meant to draw the attention on the original building, and should not be overshadowing it. This could be an important issue when the new design is purposed to be in contrast with the new. Because, the contrast could be provided with the choice of material. In addition to that, enormous volumes with highly contrasting materials could overwhelm the identity of the original building and make it look insignificant by the side of the new architecture.


Fig. 01.7 - The Brigititines by Andrea Bruno in collaboration with SumProject


Another significant feature of this intervention is the approach of the architect to the touching points of the two buildings. The narrow connection volume in between the buildings is built so as to be reversible, by designing some rubber joints. This clearly marks an honest intervention respectfully done, to keep the original chapel walls safe. Overall the Brigittines, gave inspiration to Convitto transformation project with the way it approaches to these remarkable points.
As seen in the figure 01.8 , the extension project of an existing chapel/cultural forum in Brussels, called the Brigittines by Andrea Bruno in collaboration with SumProject are identical buildings in terms of geometry, volume,and even the proportions but totally in contrast in terms of materials.
The main idea here is to highlight the original chapel from 18th century by juxtapositioning the contemporary version of it, standing next to itself, aiming to serve as a cultural hub in the railway station area, in order to be able to respond to the increasing functional and artistic needs of the users.


## . 3 Case Studies in the World

Re-use method is applied in many major cities around the world due to several reasons such as reducing energy consumptions, environmental friendly and faster construction, socio-economical reasons to overcome the issue of accomodation and revitalize unused spaces and serve them to the community.
The approach focuses on revalorization and conscious preservation of the existing, to keep them away from a destructive fate, while programming honest interventions and bringing the future scenario to the past, giving the old building a new purpose.

## JaEGERSBORG WATER TOWER REFURBISHMENT DORTE MANDRUP

On the issue of social housing, adaptive reuse is an effective strategy for the re-consideration of non-functioning buildings.
As an example, Jægersborg Water Tower in Denmark is now a mix-used building with student housing units. The transformation proiect made by Dorte Mandrup optimized the functional destination potentialities of the once-damped and abandoned, water tower.
The additional triangle-based volumes to the irregular structure with a circular water tank and 12 columns, increased the valuable space for living, creating a better interior atmosphere for the creating of student housing.

Dorte Mandrup's aim in this transformation was to maintain the tower as a local landmark and keep the original characteristic large scale columns and circular watertank on top. Respecting the history of the old and balancing the connection of the new can be clearly seen in this project, which, is taken as a significant reference for the conservative transformation of Convitto.


Fig. 01.10-The exploded axonometric drawing of the tower



Fig. 01.12- Koldinghus castle renovation by Inger \& Johannes Exner, photo by Enst Kollesoe

## KOLDING CASTLE RENOVATION INGER \& JOHANNES EXNER

Another remarkable renovation example is Kolding Castle (Koldinghus) in Denmark. A ruined castle that has been there over 700 years, playing an important role in the history of the country, recognized as a monument characterized by a deep historical value for the local community.
The restoration and reconstruction works clearly point out the importance of reinterpretation rather than applying a design that mimics the exact original structure. The importance of showing the historical and technological layers within the reconstruction can be seen in the "room of ruins". Additional wooden structure and roofing system contrast with the ancient masonry walls, keeping the interaction to the original surfaces minimum and covering up the hole of the ruins.


Fig. 01.14- Koldinghus castle renovation by Inger \& Johannes Exner, the reconstructed roof and additional column system

Fig. 01.13- Koldinghus castle renovation by Inger \& Johannes Exner, Steps of Renovation


## NEUES MUSEUM <br> DAVID CHIPPERFIELD ARCHITECTS

The project by David Chipperfield of the Neues Museum, as part of the Berlin's Museum Island, in Germany, is a very significative example of a sensitive and clear restoration of the existing and transformation of the urban built environment.
Originally designed by Friedrich August Stüler and built between 1841 and 1859, after the severe damages the building underwent during World WWII, a renovation project was launched for the reconstruction of the Neues Museum on Berlin's Museum Island.
In 1997, David Chipperfield Architects won the international competition, in collaboration with Julian Harrap. The design focused on repairing and restoring the original volume, respecting the historical structure and on
the addition of a newly built linear volume, supposed to integrate the old building, recalling, in a contemporary way, the same structural rhytm.

## 01.3

CASE STUDIES
IN THE WORLD

Both the restoration and repair of the existing is driven by the idea that the original structure should be emphasized in its spatial context and original materiality - the new reflects the lost without imitating it.
After the Second World War, the Neues Museum was left in ruins due to extensive bombing, with completely destroyed sections and severely damaged ones. Few attempts at repair were made after the war, but eventually the structure was left exposed to nature and abandoned.



The key aim of the project was to recomplete the original volume with the missing parts which had gone lost after the war. The original sequence of rooms was restored with new building sections that create continuity with the existing structure. The archeological restoration followed the guidelines of the Venice Charter, respecting the historical structure in its different states of preservation. The rehabilitation of this historical building involves the reconstruction of north-western wing and south-eastern bay.
The significant features of the work is related to the reinterpretation of the existing architecture by means of volume, height, proportion and circulation, instead of mimicing them and creating a false version of the existing.

Fig. 01.17- Neues Museum reconstructed sections and additional building


Within the restoration work applied, especially in the main room of museum, the core with the big staircase is easily recognizable, the new and old materials are contrasting, being a document of the history of building, indicating the straffication, building techniques, architectural styles of the existing building has ever had.

All the gaps in the existing structure were filled in without competing with the existing structure in terms of brightness and surface.
Every newly added component of the intervention was supposed to be as "neutral" and "honest" as possible, so as to declare itself truthfully as new and not overlwhelm the original parts of the building.
Very striking is, in fact, the neutrality and clearness of the large format pre-fabricated concrete elements, consisting of white cement mixed with Saxonian marble
chips, of which the exhibition rooms are made out of. The resulting contrast of this interplay of different materials, such as the red bricks and the white concrete, appears to be elegant and extremely easy to read. In this sense, the main purpose of the intervention, displays itself as the willing to reproduce the memory of what is lost, without trying to falsely imitate it realistically.

Chipperfield Refurbishment and Transformation project could be described as a " silent homage to imperfection, to history and to memory, by the elegant exhibition of the ruin".


Fig. 01.20- Neues Museum renovation by David Chipperfield Architects and Julian Harrap, Berlin


Fig. 01.21- Neues Museum section showing the interventions


Fig. 01.22- Neues Museum section showing the interventions





## . 3 Case Studies in Italy

## INDUSTRIAL BUILDING REFURBISHMENT

STUDIO MACOLA
The residential building refurbishment project of the Italian architecture firm Studio Macola converted an abandoned factory in Murano, Venice, into a group of housing units.
The main constraint in the project are the original walls of the factory.
The design is carried out maintaining the industrial atmosphere but changing the function, transforming the unused space into a 32-dwelling building.


Fig. 02.32 - Industrial building refurbishment by Studio Macola



## FONDAZIONE PRADA OMA

Fondazione Prada is an iconic restoration and tranformation example in Milan, Italy. The project realized by OMA, is a requalification work of an industrial complex into a museum, exhibition and event space.

As its architects say "the abandoned industrial space has become art's default preference" and while making it possible they successully settled exceptional architectural gestures, by adding to the industrial complex 3 new buildings, a cinema, an exhibition pavilion and a tower that stands baldly as a new landmark of the area.

The challenging diversity of the spaces within the industrial complex is seen as an opportunity to play with the volumetry of new spaces, creating oppositions between the old volumes and additional ones in terms of height, shape and proportion, but making them all harmonize within the context and blend each other despite them reflecting contrasting effects such as the stone look and the golden finishing.
And by doing that, the new architecture does not dominate the old, keeps the character of original language and materials, highlighting it while being in permanent interaction.

The concept of oppositions defines the new Fondazione, making it a iconic place of where art meets architecture and where they feed eachother.


Fig. 02.36 - Casa Albergo Corridoni 22 - Luigi Moretti


Fig. 02.37 - Casa Albergo Corridoni 22 - Luigi Moretti


## CASA ALBERGO IN VIA CORRIDONI 22 LUIGI MORETTI

After the second world war, as one third of the edification of Milan was destroyed by the bombings and the fires that broke out, on November 1946 the municipality of Milan launched a preliminary program for the reconstruction of the city devastated by bombing. The program included the construction of 22 Apartment house-hotel to be built, on public municipality's land, with the goals of facing the high demand of low cost dwellings, give a contribution for the reduction of unemployment and display a set of criteria for the postwar reconstruction(even though eventually unattended). Being part of this program, the building in via Corridoni 22 is one of the only three Apartment house-hotel (via Bassini, via Lazzaretto, via Corridoni) which were actually built, developed by Confimprese.


Fig. 02.39 - Casa Albergo Corridoni 22 - Luigi Moretti - Masterplan

To face the post-war necessities, the architect studied a repeatable typology, composed from a minimum of two to a maximum of four high-rise buildings, each containing more than 100 small apartments that should have been rented to homeless, single persons, small families, workers and students.

The different blocks were completed by plate-shaped volumes that would serve as a reception, connection and distribution spaces, composing a system that included main hall, restaurant, library and collective spaces.
Set on a square, the building has an H -shaped plan consisting of two main high-rise linear volumes, which were articulated on central low plate-shaped body, and are elevated like blades up to six and fourteen storeys and crowned by a flat roof and a terrace.


On the west border of the block, aligned to the edge of the road, the shorter body was intended for female guests, originally for "women graduates," while to the east, the tall volume, reserved for males, it was very backward from the edge of the lot.

On the ground floor, the main entrance to the common reception of the guests would be from the northern side of the block, accessing to the plate-shaped volume. Here, a collective area is perpendicularly intersected by a linear corridor which is leading the access to the two sections. Developing on the two sides of the corridor, the linear bodies are provided with two staircases and lifts to reach the upper floors. The space of each floor is divided with apartments of 16 square meters, for a total of 122 for women and 286 for men, each of which is providing a minimal accommodation with bedroom and bathroom, arranged so as to host an entrance space,


Fig. 02.40 - Axonometric scheme of the Volumetric Concept of Casa Albergo

CASA ALBERGO IN VIA CORRIDONI-MILANO




Fig. 02.44 - Casa Albergo Corridoni 22 - Luigi Moretti - Study Sketch


Fig. 02.45 - Casa Albergo Corridoni 22 - Luigi Moretti
the bathroom with shower, sink and wc, the sleeping-living area, a small wardrobe and a very small kitchen. The project strongly reflects Moretti's experience and conception of architecture as far as regards several architectural features.
When approaching the site area the project, appears, in all its strength, from the short side of the taller volume, as a plastic and distinctive urban symbol, in its simplicity and geometrical essentiality.

In the monolithic volume of the taller building broken by vertical cuts projecting the corridors on the side facades, we can read the architect's interest and studies in the composition principles of the Baroque as well as Classical figurative art and architecture.
The space is not conceived as a void but as a volume full of matter. As so, it is modified by the architect by means of cuts, incisions and extrusions so as to create an interesting and clever interplay of shadows and cavities on the external surface of the building.

The shorter block, dedicated to women, follows the street course to converge to the entrance to the north, breaking the perpendicular direction of the ensemble. The short sides are closed by concave walls following the plan shape.

The taller building, rising split in two symmetrical parallelepipeds by a cross, passing through slit. The monolithic volume is once again mitigated by the vertical cut projecting the corridors on the side facades, , according to a procedure that Moretti himself declared to borrow from the composition principles of the Baroque and Classical figurative art and architecture.

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THE CONTEXT OF THE PROJECT

# 02 

## . 1 THE SITE

.1.a The City and the Block


The Project site area sits within the context of the historical city center of Milan.
The requalification project is to be found within the Umanitaria Block, in the Guastalla area, being just one kilometer away from the Duomo square and the Vittorio Emanuele Gallery, and two kilometers from the Sempione Park and the Castello Sforzesco.
The area lays in the urban city fabric in between the old Milanese Medieaval walls, known as "cerchia dei navigli" and the Spanish walls.
The site immediately appears as a very important hinge for the city of Milan, being at the intersection in between several well known Milanese urban landmarks, such as : the Cà Granda, or Ospedale Maggiore, nowadays headquarter of the Università degli studi di Milano; the Rotonda della Besana;
the Courthouse, "palazzo della giustizia", designed by Piacentini;

Furthermore, the main street connection in between the two ring of walls, starting from the Cà Granda, passing by the Umanitaria block, and reaching finally the Rotonda della Besana, also passes troughout an important green area within the neighborohood, known as the "Giardini della Guastalla".
Something to be mentioned, additionally, is that the neighborhood is also undergoing some new project developments, such as the project of the Policlinico designed by Stefano Boeri's studio. In between "via Commenda", "via Lamarmora" and "via Francesco Sforza", a new building for the existing Policlinico complex will rise within the existing Policlinico "Citadel".
The Urban block of the Umanitaria, specifically, has been undergoing several changes over the years. Considered that it was severely affected by the Second World War bombings, in fact, it had to be subject of several restoration and transformation projects.




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THE SITE


2012_Carta tecnica comunale di Milano

1965_Carta tecnica comunale di Milano





The Umanitaria site is surrounded by various urban blocks with different functions.
The Courthouse block made by Marcello Piacentini represents a monumental volume and a significant role as a landmark, as well as a constraint for the design. Along with all housing blocks, the area lacks open spaces with greenery, escape points from the density of concrete.
The block is occupied by historical buildings, affected by the bombings during World War II such as the historical church of Santa Maria delle Grazie, historical cloisters of Societa' Umanitaria headquarters, educational
buildings such as San Raffaele University, Scuola del Libro and primary school and other buildings such as Court of Milan (Tribunale) and Convitto building, an old housing unit for the students, today serving as Public Prosecutor's Office.
Furthermore, as already anticipated, the neighborhood is undergoing a very relevant requalification and Transformation project within the Policlinico complex, carried on by Stefano Boeri's Architects' studio.
Such intervention, besides for having a strong impact on the city and on the quality of the Policlinico complex itself, will undoubtedly highly influece the site area as well, as the Umanitaria block is just 100 m distant to the new ongoing project, along via Fanti. The new project, in fact, plans to implement a new pedestrian corridor starting from via Fanti, passing throughout the new monumental volume of the central building which well be realized, and finally reaching the Cà Granda.
This certainly represents, for the project area within the Umanitaria block, a huge oportunity of connection to a wider urban requalification framework.

Fig. 02.6 - Masterplan Analysis of the project area's context potentialities


In the early twentieth century, just like many other European cities, Milan was experiencing a remarkable Industrial development as well as a demographic and productive expansion. Like a "Huge Social Laboratory", the city was getting crowded of unemployed people coming from the surrounding countrysides.
In such a context, Prospero Moisè Loria, an Italian entrepreneur who moved to Milan after making his fortune in Egypt, having witnessed the unfairnesses of such a "Social Laboratory", decided to found a Humanitarian Society, the so called "Società Umanitaria". Umanitaria's social mission was conceived on the base of two cornerstones : Work and Education. The main goal of the Society was to provide the underprivileged the instruments to help them improve on their conditions. Instating a network of relations with other noble modern institutions, public authorities, industrial businesses, societies and cooperatives in Milan, the society eventually managed to become a "powerful agent for the working classes' economic, intellectual and moral elevation". A wide range of Primary and Secondary schools, free of charge, as well as professional training school, was established (Workshop Schools for Arts applied to Industry, school for electrotechnics for workers, Book school). Aiming at providing also "moral elevation", the Society also bet on Art and Culture, as an indispensable education component, as "no injustice is more demeaning than cultural privilege"
The headquarters of the Umanitaria society in Milan, since 1904, settled in the area of the existing Cloisters of Santa Maria della Pace.

## ⓈOCIETAM UMANITARIA



Fig. 02.8 - Sociełà Umanitaria


Fig. 02.9 - Santa Maria della Pace church


## THE CLOISTERS OF SANTA MARIA DELLA PACE

"San Barnaba" Cloisters' history starts when the Church of Santa Maria della Pace was built, in 1466, as a donation to the Sforza family. In the following years, an adjacent convent was built and the whole complex was given to the Solari family.
In the end of 1500 the Convent included 3 cloisters, which would have became 4 after a century.
The Dining hall of the Convent nowadays hosts the so called "Salone degli affreschi", whose walls are decorared by the "Crocefissione di Bernardino Ferrari (1520) and by the "cena del Lomazzo" as well as workpieces by Marco d'Oggiono.
In 1967 the Church was bought by the "Cavalieri del Santo Sepolcro di Gerusalemme". The Convent, instead, was firstly acquired by the "Riformatorio Marchiondi", and eventually sold to Prospero Mosè Loria.
Within these four cloisters, the Umanitaria Society settled.


Scuole dell Umanitaria: Un corti'c.

Fig. 02.11 - Cloister complex- fishes cloister

## 1936_THE ORIGINS OF THE PROJECT

Already in 1938, the Umanitaria administration was considering the need to expand in order to accommodate the spatial needs of the social facilities provided, therefore commissioning Romano to study the new headquarters " with the intention of submitting it to the Duce", however the feasibility of the operation depended on the possibility of sale of the buildings on Via Daverio.
The area initially indicated for the construction of the new headquarters by the municipal government of Milan was the one of the gasometers of Porta Lodovica, however, as we learn from "Scuole del secondo novecento" on Casabella issue 750-751: "Emphasizing the small size of the indicated area (18,000 square meters) and explaining the necessity of having a larger one with better orientation for the program of the Umanitaria, Romano
asks permission to develop the project on the area facing Parco Ravizza (22,000 square meters), next to the building of the new Università Commerciale "(fig.02.12). Clear was the intention of designing a district of "modern" schools, involving industrial, technical and economic schools, around the area of the park. However, all the plans envisioned by Romano and the other Architects (Pagano and Predaval, designing in the same part of the city the new Bocconi Universitylexponents of the group active around the editorial offices of Casabella 4 and the Triennale), had to be re-considered after the war and the bombings of 1943, which had meanwhile revolutionized the whole Umanitaria block, freeing up a very big portion of the area.
The bombings of August 1943, in fact, destroyed or damaged almost $80 \%$ of the central buildings.

## 02.1.b

SOCIETA'
UMANITARIA



In the context of "clearing and repairing" what was left of the Umanitaria urban block, Romano was firstly commissioned, in the immediate postwar, "to make it possible for the school to function", therefore to restore and complete the the old cloister "of wisteria" and facing the garden of the northwest corner.
Approved by the municipal administration in 1945 and completed in 1947, the project was was signed by Romano and classified as UM/R (Umanitaria Ricostruzione), but it was prepared by the «studio Architetti Ingegneri I. Gardella G. Romano piazza Aquileia 8».
A volume with two above-ground levels, formed by classrooms, fills out the remains of the portico with its thickness. In the section, the new building rests on the foundations of the old one, but it subdivides the new
glazed elevations with pillars that are shifted outward by one meter, to form an external architectural order at the edge of the facade. This solution that was not implemented by combining the structure and the infill on the same plane, probably for economic reasons connected with the making of the reinforced concrete, avoiding a double foundation, is a forerunner of the solution later used for the southern facade of the new classrooms, ten years later, justified by the difference in exposure to sunlight. This is a constructive and functional issue that sheds light on a design culture interested in the expressive potential of technique. We can also notice the sloped inner configuration of the roof, and the resulting upper part, constituted by the difference between the light roofing and the uppermost slab supported by the structure. Once again, this solution was not built, and the light material was placed directly on the beam above the pillars. Precisely



these fronts were destined to represent the continuity of the Umanitaria in the publication in 1963 for the 70th anniversary of its founding. The book - with layout by Albe Steiner and printed by Amilcare Pizzi - features a full-page photograph on the back cover by Paolo Monti, in which the bust of the founder Moisè Loria stands out against the reconstructed elevation of the cloisters (fig.02.15).

## 1947

On the 10th of March 1947, Umanitaria Society, in need of reconstructing the destroyed facilifies necessary to cary on with its educational and social activities, launched an official competition "dovendo provedere entro il minor tempo possible alla ricostruzione del complesso edilizio necessario allo svolgimento della propria attività educative e sociale", drawing the attention of the attending architects an engineers to the constantly changing experimental character of every activity proposed by the Society l"tenuto presente il carattere constantemente sperimentale ed esemplare di ogni attiv ità svolta dalla società Umanitaria").
Baver himself clarified the meaning of the project: «Rising again from the ruins, the Umanitaria has traced and continues to trace new orientations with respect to the problems of the social life of the nation, and this constant approach is expressed in the construction itself...», plac ing it in the modern tradition.
Alongside Baver's text a photograph showed a bird'seye view of the buildings as a complex of modern constructions together with parts of older buildings, survivors in a world going through a phase of definitive transfor mation.
The "Società Umanitaria" was configured as a large facility composed of parts that divided up the area.
An entire block with a regular form in which the new buildings (1 13,000 cubic meters) were clearly identified as part of a complex: classrooms, heavy laboratories, light laboratories, the scuola del libro, the administration and the boarding facilities, along with reconstructed surviving cloisters and the Chiesa della Pace, outside the property


Fig. 02.16-1947, Giovanni Romano and Ignazio Gardella's project



The group of constructed buildings by Romano appears, as Giulia Veronesi writes in "le nuove scuole dell'umanitaria a Milano " as the natural ritmic amplification, in a modern key, of the original nucleuos formed by the cloisters of the adjacent church of Santa Maria della Pace". The Architect Romano, winner of the launched competition, had largely studied the necessities and functional requirements of the modern complex of Schools.
"Il suo Progetto era esemplarmente chiaro e funzionale, senza alcun compiacimento estetico, alcun lusso, e però non privo di eleganza, persino di raffinatezza nei delicati accordi cromatici, nelle armoniose proporzioni, nel sapiente comporsi in rigorosa unità stilistica di un corpo a superfici appena rilevate da fini nervature con altri di più forte rilievo plastico su vuoti volumi delimitati dalle robuste graticciate in cemento delle strutture ed altri che risolvono nelle immense vetrate"- states Giula Veronesi.
Specific fundamental requirement of the project was that of "flexibility", so as the buildings would be adaptable to the natural evolution of the job market, following, however, some essential requirements of the functional program.
The project was designed as a composition of linear volumes, organized in an open and asymmetric layout of the urban block, in contraposition to the historic closed block Milanese typology, as well as in contrast to the 1943 Planimetric before the bombings.
The whole complex was supposed to host : a building dedicated to cultural, scientific, tecnological and drawing classrooms; a light machinery building; the heavy machinery building; the school of book;
an administrative reference building;
a residential student housing, the Convitto, supposed to host 200/250 of the students of the complex of schools.

In order to face the economic restrictions of the project, every building shows a clear repetitive structural scheme, with prefabricated concrete elements, often exposed on the façade, armonic proportions and the repetition same cromatic tones. All the iron elements as well as the glass components were realized entirely inside of the school laboratories.

The classroom building was characterized by a very functional layout, with two row of rooms and a central corridor, so as to host in the north wing the drawing classrooms and in the south wing the cultural ones.


Fig. 02.18- Maquette of the 1947 Umanitaria reconstruction by Giovanni Romano and Ignazio Gardella


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## THE TIMELINE OF THE UMANITARIA BLOCK

## PLANIMETRIC DRAWINGS OF THE BLOCK PROVIDED BY UMANITARIA SOCIETY

## 1893-1945

Ground Floor Plan before the war bombings
Shared by the Umanitaria Society
R.BAUER, La Società Umanitaria, Fondazione P.M.

Loira Millano, 1893-1963


1945-1960
Ground Floor Plan after Giovanni Romano's project Shared by the Umanitaria Society

Relazione sull'attività sociale dal 1952 al 1955 Milano, tipografia Bartolotti, 1956


Fig. 02.22

## 1943

- Superimposition of situation of the block before the bombings and volumetric proposal by Giovanni Romano
- Comparison indicating the form research and orientation of the blocks with respect to the Umanitaria site and general composition of the context



## UMANITARIA BLOCK TODAY

Nowadays, the Umanitaria Block's building configuration appears roughly the way it was conceived by Romano's Project. The most relevant change to be pointed out is in the north-eastern corner of the block, at the intersection in between via San Barnaba and via Pace. Here, in fact,
where the site was supposed to host the so called "Teatro del Popolo" (as according to Romano's plans), the block hosts, instead, the "palazzetto della giustizia", as the Teatro del Popolo was never built and a building aimed at integrating the courthouse's spaces was realized in 2013.


General ground floor plan scale 1.2000

Another chapter of the lyfecycle of the Umanitaria Block is characterized by the construction of an underground parking lot running below a consistent portion of the open green areas of the site. The underground parking lot was part of a project com-
pleted in 2007 by the studio "Albini e Viti associati", which was destined to provide, more than new parking spots for the neighbourhood, a re-design of the open areas and gardens of the block. The parking lot represented, indeed, a big constraint and a huge challenge for the design of the new project.




Urban Constraints_Sections Scale 1.1000
Fig. 02.28


- =- = Pedestrian pathways

Private areas
Accessible areas with restrictions
Public areas



Fig. 02.30









Functional survey First Floor plan 1:500



## . 1 THE SITE 1.c Convito

## Convitto building is located in the southeast corner of the block, at the

 intersection point of two important streets, Via Daverio and Via Fanti. Initially serving as an housing unit with the capacity of 198 beds for the arts and crafts students of the Societa' Umanitaria, the building is nowadays used as "Sezione P.G. C-O Procura Della Repubblica", given for rent to the Justice department by the Umanitaria Society.


RE-W
Fig.02.41: East Elevation 1:200


Fig.02.42: North Elevation 1:200



30.02 Livello 13
29.24 $\searrow$ Copertura

Fig.02.44: South Elevation 1:200




fig.02.47: Underground floor plan axonometric view



Fig. 02.50: Ground floor plan axonometric view

Fig. 02.51


fig. 02.53: First floor plan axonometric view


fig. 02.56: Second floor plan axonometric view




100 fig.02.59: Second floor plan axonometric view





Fig. 02.66 Archive drawing of Convitto's roo


Fig. 02.67 Archive drawing of Convilto's roof


Fig. 02.68 Picture of Convitto's roof



## . 2 THE EXISTING ARCHITECTURE 2.a Material Mapping

In order to have a complete understanding of the building designed by Giovanni Romano, a material survey was carried out so as to identify all the materials used in the original design, as well as the ones replaced during the building's life cycle.
Particularly interesting was to notice how a big percentage of the original glass panels of the windows had been substituted, at certain stages of the building's lifecycle, as both the East and West façades' window repetitive module seemed to be always constituted by different typologies of glass panels. For such a reason, there are more then tree different typologies of glass identifyable in the building's façade. With such a survey, it was also possible to point out the most representative materials of the building.
Furthermore, the Materials which have been identifyied were mapped in the four façades of the Convitto and cataloguized according to their properties and their materials' family so as to lay a good knowledge foundation on the bases of which to plan the conservation intervention.





## CONCRETE

Material family: Composite material
Typology: Concrete
Properties: The material is composed by a cement binder, a fine aggregate(sand) and course
aggregates(which are here visible by human eye)
Observations: The real material of the coloumns is not always immediately recognizeble as it has been covered in specific portions by mortar.

## CEMENT-BASED MORTAR

Material family: Composite moterial
Typology: Mortar
Properties: The material is composed by mixture of a cement binder, a fine aggregate(usually sand) and water;
Observations: The mortar has been applied on the sufface of the concrete columns in specific positions, supposedly due to the presence of visible deterioration signs. The sufface of the exposed columns appears therefore eterogeneously finished.

## PLASTER 1

Material family: Composite material
Typology: Plaster rendering
Properties: The material is laid so as to obtain a smooth cast finish.
Observations: The surface finishing now appears affected by several deterioration factors which modified the original heterogeneity of the plaster.

## PLASTER 2

Material family: Composite material
Typology: Plaster rendering
Properties: The material is laid so as to obtain a smooth cast finish.
Observations: The sufface finishing seems to have suffered several deterioration factors modidying the original appearence of the plaster.

## GRANIGLIA MARTELLINATA_BUSH HAMMERED PLASTER

Material family: Composite_ material_Artificial stone based
Typology: Bush hammered plaster coating
Properties: The external plaster coating is composed by a mixture of medium to fine marble chippings binded by a lime-based binder. It is usually laid by means of a grout trowel on base composed by two parts of lime and one of sand and it is therefore bush hammered. Very resistant to weathering.
Observations: The small to medium grains are easily recognizable within the cement-based binder


Fig. 02.75 Detailed Pictures of Convitto's material


Fig. 02.76 Detailed Pictures of Conviito's material

## COPPER

Material family: Metallic materials
Typology: Copper
Properties: Highly ductile metallic material
Observations: Recurring copper elements are implied in the project for the protection of the building edges to weathering phenomena and in particular the action of rain; The exposure to the cir, Oxygen, resulted in the formation of the green patina, typical of copper.

## HONEYCOMB POLYCARBONATE

Material family: Polymer
Typology: Thermoplastic material
Properties: Hardness, malleability and transparency.
Observations: The two main entrances to the building are covered with a lightweitght shelter composed by extruded alumium and honeycomb polycarbonate.

ALUMINIUM
Material family: Metallic materials
Typology: Aluminium
Properties: Soft, ductile, corrosion resistant and highly conductive material.
Observations: The window aluminium profile were most certainly a substitution of the original ones.

## STEEL 2

Material family: Metallic materials Typology: Galvanized steel


WOOD
Material family: Materials of biological origin
Typology: Chestnut wood

## ACRYLIC GLASS

Material family: Polymer
Typology: Thermoplastic material
Properties: Hardness, malleability and transparency.
Observations: In both west and east facades several of the lower panels of the
window modules have been substituted with Acrylic glass panels, probably consequently to their rupture.



Fig. 02.78 Detailed Pictures of Convitto's material

## TERRACOTTA TILES

Material family: Ceramic materials
Typology: Terracotta
Properties: Clay-based material, the reddish colour is due to the iron content, the material is very po rous.
Observations: The flooring of all indoor spaces are finished with the terracotta tiles.
The surface of the tiles seems to have been glazed, as a protection from
ageing and deterioration factors.
GLASS 1
Material family: Ceramic materials

Typology: Laminated glass
Properties: Inorganic amorphous material formed by the melting at high temperatures of silica sand.
Usually transparent or traslucent.

## GLASS 2

Material family: Ceramic materials
Typology: Opaque glass
Properties: Inorganic amorphous material formed by the melting at high temperatures of silica sand. Usually transparent or traslucent.
Observations: Opaque glass panels were used for the openings of the bathroom units as well as for certain areas in the openings at the ground floor of the east facade.

## GLASS 3

Material family: Ceramic materials
Typology: Reinforced glass
Properties: Inorganic amorphous material formed by the melting at high temperatures of silica sand. Usually transparent or traslucent.
Observations: In both west and east facades some of the lower panels of the window modules have been substituted with reinforced glass panels, probably consequently to their rupture.

GLASS 4
Material family: Ceramic materials
Typology: Corrugated glass
Properties: Inorganic amorphous material formed by the melting at high temperatures of silica sand. Usually transparent or traslucent.

## East Facade



West Façade


Fig. 02.81


Fig. 02.82

## . 2 THE EXISTING ARCHITECTURE .2.b Deterioration mapping

The survey of the existing building was carried on with an in-depth observation of the façades of the building and of their degradation conditions.
Relevant to notice, when observing the East and West façades of the Convitto, are the differences of the state of same building components on the two façades, if compared to each other, due to the different solar exposure.

On the East Façade :
-The plaster finishing of the infill non-bearing walls resulted being more affected by chromatic alteration due to weathering. The finishing shows, in fact, discolouration signs, as well as peeling;
-The horizontal copper flashing shows a brighter green colour and appears cleaner;
-The shutters' metal container, above the window frames is white;
On the West façade instead:
-The plaster finishing of the infill non-bearing walls displays less discoulouration signs and more deposits;
-The horizontal copper flashing appears darker and with more deposit;
-The shutters' metal container, above the window frames is grey;


Fig. 02.83



Fig. 02.85


Fig. 02.86


Fig. 02.87

For the first survey on the site, a visual examination is performed to understand the deteriorations' nature and diagnose better the existing condition of the building.

During this survey the decayed parts of the façades are documented by taking hand drawn sketches.


Fig. 02.88


Rust staining of metal parts. Jue to iron oxides driven by water

1 Fig. 02.94
Plants growing on the surface



2 Fig. 02.95


Fig. 02.92
Water leakage causes staining on roof eaves

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Fig. 02.93 Exposed rebars



02.2.b

DETERIORATION MAPPING




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DETERIORATION MAPPING

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## . 1 DESIGN STRATEGY <br> .1.a Design Proposal



Adding a linear continuous multifunctional complex of 4567 sqm which would "embrace" and "frame" the existing building of the Convitto, turning it into the hinge of a unique continuous linear system which is defining the corner of the urban block by means of a new high rise urban landmark.

Fig. 03.1 - Volumetric scheme of the project proposal

PROJECT FOCUSES ON AN IMPORTANT INTERSECTION OF STREET AXISCRUCIAL TO THE PROJECT


Fig. 03.2 - Urban Approach strategy

- BALANCE OF FULL AND VOIDS : PERMEABILITY - NEW "MICRO-COSMOS" WITHIN UMANITARIA


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- LINEAR CONTINUOUS SYSTEM FOLDING INSIDE THE URBAN BLOCK CONVITTO AS A HINGE FOR THE SYSTEM


Fig. 03.3 - Planimetric strategy

- URBAN CLIMAX

DENSITY - FUNCTIONS - HEIGHT


Fig. 03.5 - Planimetric strategy

1 EMBRACING THE CONVITTO CREATING A CONTINUOUS BASEMENT


3_CREATING PERMEABILITY AT THE GROUND FLOOR IN LOCALIZED POSITIONS


2 DEFINING THE CORNER OF THE BLOCK WITH A LANDMARK AT THE INTERSECTION OF TWO IMPORTANT AXIS


Fig. 03.7- Volumetric strategy
4_RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OLD AND NEW


## EXISTING SITUATION



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Fig. 03.10 - Isometric view of the project area Before the intervention

## TRANSFORMATION




As far as regards the open areas' design strategy, the leading criteria was to take advantage of the potentialities of the current Umanitaria open areas' layout, and try to enhance them so as to satisfy the needs and requirements of both the Umanitaria Society and the city.

The first action was to extend the existing pedestrian axis, which was running perpendicularly to the "Wysteria Cloister" and cutting symmetrically the courtyard. This decision allowed to open up a new entrance to the Umanitaria site overlooking towards Via Fanti, giving, thus, a greater importance to the street which departs from the Policlinico and runs along the southern edge of the Umanitaria block.

The pedestrian axis would, therefore, in a strategic position, widen into a public square. Complementary to the pedestrian pathway but closer to the Umanitaria facilities buildings, instead, the design conceives also a kids' playground space, for the kindergarten inside of the light machinery building.
Such a configuration of the open spaces, in parallel with the integration of the newly designed buildings, would provoke a new hierarchy of relationships in between via Fanti and the inner Umanitaria public courtyard, which would become a semipublic open space to be discovered passing trough a "portal", in between the tower and the Eastern building parallel to the light machinery building.


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## GENERAL SITE PLAN

The insertion of a linear new volume in between the Convitto and the light machinery building (which we would call "eastern wing") together with the extension of the pedestrian axis already existing within the site, have, alltogether, enabled the creation of a hierarchy of open areas and circulation pathways for the new design proposal, with the final purpose of enhancing the quality of the existing spaces within the Umanitaria block as well as that of providing new quality spaces to the city.
With the new design, the main entrance to the site
would be from via Fanti, following the existing axis of the site.
Being the functional program of the project highly varied, several would be the entrances to the scattered ground floor spaces, each of which would be serving the access to a different facility. Above all, consequently to the intervention planned on the Convitto, a new main entrance for the building would be opened towards via Daverio, contributing to strenghten the relationship with piazza Umanitaria.



The project proposal is grounded on the main idea of providing a new "multifunctional eco-system", within the already varied cluster of facilities proposed by the Umanitaria Society. As so, fundamental and delicate is the relationship of complementarity in between public and private functions. As far as regards the open spaces, the new design provides for a buffer, which could be closed by means of a gate in the night, in between the Umanitaria private spaces, and the new proposed public areas.



Within the building, instead, the project dedicates the whole basement of the new design proposal (ground and first floor) to host public spaces, such as a cafè, a gym, a public library and study areas. From the second floor upwards, instead, the building complex would host residential spaces, which would be accessible exclusively by the residents of the housing. The only exception to the rule, would be the public restaurant at the rooftop of the tower, which would be accessible by reserved elevators.
PRIVATE



Demolitions of the existing
Additions / Integrations to the existing



GIOVANNI ROMANO'S CONVITTO DESIGN


3,5 sqm of services (AF2+AF3+AF4) per person

ROOM UNIT


NEW DESIGN PROPOSAL


11 sqm of services
(AF2+AF3+AF4) per person
ROOM UNIT


Fig. 03.23 - Comparison of original convitto's room unit with the new typical room unit When comparing the original project of the Convitto by Romano, with the new project proposal, it appears immediatly clear how the necessity of fulfilling the up-to date standard requirements of a room, as well as the wish to provide for each single room a private toilet (decision made after having considered the requests of the market), lead, overall, towards the reduction of the number of people which the residence could host, in its complex.
Furthermore, a definite and clear decision of the designers was to provide an higher surface amount of spaces dedicated to all the services, as it was believed to be part of the Umanitaria Society values the willing to provide spaces and services for the community.


Fig. 03.24 - Functional programme of original building

## 03 . 1 DESIGN STRATEGY .1.b Functional Programme

Original Convilto Second floor +7.94

Intervention Second floor +7.94

## WC

## Circulation core

## Service core

## AF1-Residential

AF2-Cultural \& didactic services, studying, meeting, researching
AF3-Recreational services, spaces for socializing
AF4-Support, administrative \& management services for housing personnel
Fig. 03.25 - Functional program of the project- Exploded Isometric axonometry


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Fig. 03.26 - Concept diagrams showing the Convitto functioning as a hinge point

## . 2 Relationship between the old and the new

 .2.a Conservation InterventionThe design concept of the project implied, since its very beginning, the idea of "embracinng" the Convitto and somehow "framing" it, turning, in such a way, the existing into the real protagonist of the project, not just a secondary silouette, but the HINGE of a unique and complex linear system.

In order to do so, however, the existing was, before anything else, carefully studied, in order to understand which were the best conservative intervention actions to valorize the building, enhance its quality and to preserve its state.

For the restoration of the Convitto, on the base of the material and deterioration survey, a conservation project was developed.
The main ideas at the base of the chosen conservation interventions were :

- To preserve all the original materials which could be cleaned or consolidated;
- To remove all the harmful or unnecessary elements from the façade;
- To optimize the building's thermal performances;
- To ensure the building's structural stability and integrity ;
- To valorize the building's architectural features at its best.



## -dECAY Pattern Identification



Ensure the integrity and stability of the 'building's structural 'system.

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U-CHANNEL
DOUBLE GLASS



CLEANING OF SOILING AND APPLICATION OF
PROTECTIVE COATING
Cleaning of yellow-ISh paint and
CONSOLIDATION
SUBSTITUTION OF WINDOW FRAMES
REMOVAL OF OLD SERVICES FROM the FACADE

## DEMOLITION



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Longitudinal Section



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Fig. 03.29 - Partial sections and elevation indicating demolitions and additions


03.2.a

CONSERVATION INTERVENTION


West Façade＿Decay 1：200


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Addition of a new internal finishing．

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－Consolidation on roof eaves via crack filling with cement motar injection；
－Coating of roof eaves with a new homogeneous layer of render as well as a protective cooting．

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－cement mortar filling of the superficial cracks
i－7 Substitution of window frames
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：${ }_{8}$ ：Removal of old services from I．the factade

West Façade＿Interventions 1：200


South Façade_Decay 1:200

RE-WRITING THE EXISTING


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Fig. 03.32 -South façade decay mapping




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1: Removal of old services from - the factade

South Façade_Interventions 1:200

CONSERVATION
INTERVENTION


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## Concrete Pillars

Probably the most important and significative among the building components of the Convitto, the vertical frame structure of Reinforced Concrete is exposed on the façade. These vertical RC elements, underwent, during the building's life cycle, firstly, throughout a consolidation attempt through cement mortar filling of cracks, and secondly, throughout the application of an additional coating of yellow-ish paint. As a consequence, their appearence resulted being quite heterogeneous. In addition to this, some localized cracks can be pointed out in some of the columns and due to the quality of the concrete cast process itself, some segregation phenomenon could be pointed out. Above all, the columns' material is often completely exposed to the outdoor weathering phenomenon. Therefore, the conservation approach suggests, first of all, the cleaning of the vertical elements from the superficial and partial layer of yellow-ish painting by means of washing and gentle wet-sand blasting.
Secondly, an intervention of consolidation of the concrete is foreseen. As several superficial cracks were detected along the surface of the Rc pillars, and some missing concrete parts were pointed out at the edges of the south façade, the suggested action would be to execute more specific diagnostics on some localized portions in order to verify that no carbonation process is on going (testing a taken sample of the concrete material with the use of phenolphthalein). Due to the impossibility of proceeding with the diagnostics, as no clear sign of corrosion induced damage was detected and all the cracks appear to be superficial, the chosen conservation intervention is to re-joint and seal the superficial cracks by cement mortar infill, and continue a constant monitoring of the pillars to prevent carbonation.




## Roof

The on-site survey revealed immediately some water leakage problems on the roof, most likely due to some irregularities in the rain-water drainage system (even though it is impossible to certainly diagnostic it considering the impossibility to access the roof).

The project includes therefore, among the conservation interventions, the re-design of the rain-water drainage system, so as to fit also the old system with the one of the newly added volumes.

Once the drainage system problems will be fixed, the adjacent areas to the roof will be cleaned from the water stains and the several cracks noticeable below the roof eaves will be consolidated via cement mortar injections.

As a conclusive step, the roof eaves will be coated with a new homogeneous layer of render, as well as a protective coating.

| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Removal of any potentially deteriorating components from the } \\ \text { (existing façade, so as to restore the original appearence of some } \\ \text { iof the surface finishing which are not demolished }\end{array}$ |
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The drainage system of the roof is most likely revealing some problems in draining the water towards the gutter. It is fundamental fix the drainage system or remove the source of water, as it could enhance the ideterioration patterns on the façade of the Convitto.


## Consolidation of Roof Eaves

- Re-design of the rain-water drainage system, so as to fit also the old system with the one of the newly added volumes;
- Consolidation on roof eaves via crack filling with cement mortar injection;
- Coating of roof eaves with a new homogeneous layer of render as well as a protective coating.



## Graniglia Martellinata render

The visual inspection of the façades lead to the identification of relevant quantities of soiling and deposit in all of the façades, particularly over the exterior vertical enclosure of the building which is coated with the graniglia martellinata plaster finishing.

As a consequence, an intervention of general washing and subsequent gentle wet sand blasting of these surfaces is considered among the conservation interventions, so as to restore the original appearence of the plaster finishing.

As a result of the material mapping, the West façade also shows the presence of a yellow-ish paint coating above the graniglia martellinata original finishing of the building. However, the layer doesn'† seem homogeneous all over the façade. According to an hypothesis, during the building's life cycle, the façade underwent a sand-blasting cleaning intervention in the lower portion of the façade, almost up until two meters and a half of the building's height.

The conservation project aims at revealing the original façade graniglia martellinata finishing by means of cleaning of the yellow-ish superficial painting layer, and considers, as a second step, the application of a protective coating for the original material's coating.



## Plaster

The surfaces are showing noticeable signs of soiling as well as discolouration.
Furthermore, the exterior render presents some localized superfical craquele, which assumes the risk, in a close future, of render detachment. There are relevant differences, however, in the degree of deterioration of the same deterioration pattern on each façade.
The eastern façade seems to be more affected by chromatic alteration due to weathering, the finishing shows significative discolouration signs, as well as peeling.
The western façade's plaster condition, differently from the eastern, seems to be less affected by discolouration and shows more deposit and soiling.

The approach chosen for the specific building components was to clean the plastered surface with a general washing and gentle wet sand blasting and Consolidate the surface, as a secondary step, though the injection of cement mortar.



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## Copper flashing

The original project of the Convitto included the application of some copper flashing horizontal elements, as means of protection for the RC beams, partially exposed on the façade.

The metal flashing profile naturally developed during the building's life cycle, as it's typical of the copper material, a protective green-ish patina.

Besides for the natural patina, however, the horizontal metallic elements have shown, as it can be read in the degradation mapping, some localized traces of rust and soiling.

There are significative difference, however, in between east and west façade. The copper elements appear to be more green and more clean on the east façade, whereas they appear darker on the west façade.

Therefore, the conservation approach aims at preserving the natural patina and verifiyng with further diagnostics that it is not damaged,
particularly in corrispondance of the blackened or corroded spots.


## Gentle cleaning

- Low-pressure wet abrasive cleaning;
- Protective coating for the patina to prevent tarnish and fading.


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Fig. 03.41

## Window frames

The condition of the existing windows of the Convitto appear very disomogeneous both for the window frames and for the Glass panels.

As the functional program of the project itself considers a great amount of spaces to be dedicated to the residential functional destination, it is necessary to verify and ensure that the indoor comfort conditions would be fully satisfied.

The material and deterioration survey had revealed precarious condition of the existing windows, being characterized by a wide variety of different glass panels used for the same window frames (laminated, opaque, reinforced, acrylic..).

For this reason, among the conservation intervention it was considered to be necessary the substitution of the single glass panels of different typologies, with a double pane low-e glass.

Substitution of window frames

Optimization of the Window frames, so as enhance the thermal 'performances of the Convitto's envelope;

## VISUAL INSPECTION

Most of the window frames are still the Iron ones which were built for the original project by Romano;
The transparent suffaces are very dishomogeneous, as some of the windows present a laminated single glass panel, others present an opaque single glass panel, while other ones have a reinforced glass panel or an acrylic glass panel.

## DIAGNOSIS

As previously anticipated, the ground floor of the project displays itself as a highly varied and scattered eco-system. This is mostly due to the design choices taken: on one side there was the willing to create a linear low rise volume which would define the border of the Umanitaria site; on the other side, there was the idea of keeping a permeability at the ground floor which would enhance the most valuable hierarchies of circulation and spaces. Indeed, not to be forgotten, is the fact that many of the design choices were also guided by the different costraints which the site presented since the very beginning. As a result of all these factors, the ground floor of the project proposal would provide :

## Convitto

- A Cafè, with an open loggia overlooking towards piazza Umanitaria, and its service spaces (kitchen, toilets, changing rooms) in the underground floor of the building.
- Two entrance halls, at the flanks of the Convitto ground's floor plan, accessible trough a central circulation spine passing trough the cafe;


## Tower

- An entrance hall, which would allow the access either to the library at the first floor, or to the residential spaces at the upper floors, or up until the rooftop to the restau-

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## rant. <br> North wing

-An entrance hall, allowing to access the library at the first floor or the residences at the second floor (only for people in possession of the specific badge).

## East Wing

- A gym, organized on two floor as a completely isolated unit from the rest of the spaces(even though provided with emergency staircases).
- An entrance hall, which would allow the access either to the library at the first floor, or to the residential spaces at the upper floors.



## .3 Plans \& Sections / Elevations

Public square



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## ROOM TYPOLOGIES



A Double Room 1:100



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THE IDENTITY

## . 1 Architectural Elements

The definition of this project is "conservative transformation", which requires the total knowledge about the existing building in terms of materiality and architectural character. Because the success of the transformation part of the project is actually derived by the conservation part which emphasizes on keeping the character of the original building, by preserving what makes the Convitto a heritage, a document of history.

From an architectural point of view, convitto building tends to display a revealing style, exposing the structural elements and underlining the typical spans chosen for the design, with custom horizontal elements on the façade.



Fig. 04.2- Exploded axonometric view

The Convitto, like most of the buildings which were built in the immediately postwar period, is mainly composed of concrete elements. It actually represents one of the many experiments of the Postwar Milanese modernism, characterized by the recurring theme of repetitive modular structures, in order to face the economical restrictions, and embodied by the idea of exposing the structure on the outside as a bare skeleton.

What before the war was regarded as a merely functional component of the building, often to be hidden and concealed, with the Modernists' experiments suddenly becomes a powerful ex-
pressive tool which can embody the architectural identity of the building itself.

The structure, for the very first time in history, appears clearly readable on the façades and constitutes, more then an obstacle or a purely functional building component, a chance of artistic expression.


Fig. 04.3- Pirelli Tower floor plan


Valorizing the Structure_ Tectonic use of the Structure with the cladding


The promontory Apartments building, designed by Mies Van der Rohe, is said to be the first tall building in the world to exhibit its construction materials-and there's no hiding from the point-blank steel beams and concrete plates. Structural columns are exposed inside the building's units, and their positioning shifts subtly as you climb from story to story, reflecting a lessened load. Reinforced concrete frames had been the marketplace standard for Chicago high-rise apartments since about 1920, being the most economical structural system for the smaller 20 -foot spans typical for residential uses. But Mies choose to make this concrete structure a major element of the exterior architectural expression of the building, quite unlike any previously executed skyscraper. Every exterior beam and column was exposed, so the entire frame could comprehended by the observer.


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## THE SKIN AND THE STRUCTURE

Hiding the Structure_ SKIN
Completely different, and directly opposite is the approach pursued by Herzog de Meuron in Rue des Suisses, as well as the one followed by Steven Holl Architects in designing the addition to the Nelson Atkins Museum.
Both of the projects are, on their own way, following an opposite design concept with respect to the Promontory Apartments or the Casa INA in Parma. In such cases, in fact, it is immediately clear the willing to make the building's façade silent and more neutral, despite aesthetically pleasent. They are both representing a design attitude which tends to hide the "bones" and the Skeleton of the building and pursue continuity with the surrounding by caring of other subtle details. The façade, in such a case, appears as a tight skin, which wraps the building's volume as a blanket.


THE SKIN AND THE STRUCTURE









Fig. 04.20-Section from Via Daverio at night


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Complementary to the design

## . 1 Structure

.1.a Structural Concept
Within the project, the foundations for the new structure is built apart from the existing one. All 3 additional buildings; the tower, the north wing and the east wing have a new foundation.
There has been several constraints to build up the whole structure. The existing carpark structure underneath the Convitto site, required the foundations to be built with respect to the existing columns and beams. On the other hand, the slim highrise volume of the tower had to be built upon piled cap foundations which wouldn't get in touch with the existing Convitto's foundations and the main feauture of the tower would be that of having a "hat-truss" structural rooftop which would suspend all the columns and slabs beneath and release their loads unon the reinforced concrete core walls.


## CONSTRUCTING THE TOWER

The solution of the Hat truss roof with suspended columns was taken into consideration thanks to the comparison with a case study :

## 111 Main building, Salt Lake City, USA, SOM

The project is an office tower, with 25 storeys. Keypoint of the project is the solution to the need of building it adjacent to the existing project of Eccles Theater. The aim of the structure is to suspend the overlapping tower to ensure the project would not compromise any functionality of the Eccles Theater. The entire structure is suspended from a steel hat truss on top of the building that allows the Eccles Theater to slide under the tower's south side.
At the center of the floor plan there are reinforced concrete core walls which are the only elements of the tower that connects to the foundations and transfer gravity, wind and seismic loads.
Long span lightweight composite deck slab and steel floor framing construction connects the central core walls to the steel perimeter frame and suspended columns, providing clear span open office bays and a completely column-free lobby at the tower's base.


Fig. 05.2- Exploded view of structural concept



Manhattan Loft Gardens,London, SOM

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 STRUCTURAL CONCEPT dedicated to 248 residential unit, raising above a podium.The characteristic features are the "sky gardens" integrated strategically to the tower's linear long body, providing views without any interruptions by the columns. The keypoint of the design is the cantilevered perimeter truss system that are installed at 10th and 28th floors, suspending the columns that are overlapping the terrace, giving possibility to avoid a lot of columns both interior and exterior areas.


Fig. 05.5 -Ground floor plan


Fig. 05.6 - Post tensioning truss system


Fig. 05.7-Structure



Fig. 05.9 -Additional foundation projections on plan 1:1000 \& detail of pile cap foundations of the tower 1:50


Fig. 05.10 - Projection of additional foundation on existing carpark plan 1:1000


Fig. 05.11- Foundations above the existing parking lot 1:10


Fig. 05.12- Typical Structural floor plan 1:200

Tower structure

Floor Package

|  | NUMBER | MATERIAL | THICKNESS <br> (m) | WEIGHT ( $\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Non-structural self-weight G2 | 1 | Composite floor decking | 0.0007 | 0.098 |
|  | 2 | Welded mesh and structural concrete | 0.150 | 1.875 |
|  | 3 | Raised flooring system | 0.060 | 0.248 |
|  | 4 | Finishing layer (Porcelain stoneware) | 0.012 | 0.240 |
| Structural self-weight G1 | 5 | Primary beam HE 300 A | 0.29 | 0.516 |
| TOTAL |  |  | 0.5127 | 2.977 |

Table 05.1- Floor package

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Groof }=(\mathrm{G} 1+\mathrm{G} 2) \cdot(1,3)+\mathrm{Q}_{\text {snow }} \cdot(1,5)=4,4 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{2} \\
& \text { Gfloor }=(2,9) \cdot(1,3)+5 \cdot(1,5)=11,37 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{2} \\
& \text { Qtotal }=[(4,4)+(11,37) \cdot 15] \cdot(1,55)=271,17 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}
\end{aligned}
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## Composite Floor Slab

Fig. 05.13-Composite floor slab components
FLO1 Raised floor
FLO2 Neoprene Acoustic Insulation
FL03 Welded Mesh and structural concrete
FLO4 HEA 320 Beam

Tributary length $=1.55 \mathrm{~m}$
H : Suspended columns

1)Calculating the load:
qroof $=(\mathrm{G} 1+\mathrm{G} 2) .(1,3)+\mathrm{Q}_{\text {snow }} \cdot(1,5)=4,4 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$
afloor $=(2,9) \cdot(1,3)+5 \cdot(1,5)=11,37 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$
Qtotal $=[(4,4)+(11,37) .15] .(1,55)=271,17 \mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{m}$
2)Bending moment calculation:
$M_{\text {ed }}=q$. $L^{2} / 8=(271,17) \cdot(15,6 m)^{2} / 8$
$M_{\text {ed }}=8249.10^{6} \mathrm{Nmm}$
3)Design Yield Strength:
$f_{y d}=f_{y k} / Y_{m}$
$f_{y d}=261,9 \mathrm{Mpa}\left(\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{mm}^{2}\right)$
For top chord we choose $2 \times$ UPN 320
4) $\mathrm{T}=\mathrm{Med}_{\mathrm{ed}} / \mathrm{z}$
$\mathrm{z}=5.2 \mathrm{~m}=5200 \mathrm{~mm}$
$\mathrm{T}=158.10^{4} \mathrm{~N}$
5) $A_{s}=T / f_{y d}$
$A_{s}=158.10^{4} / 261.9=60.32 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}=$

For bottom chord we choose $2 \times$ UPN 200 TOP CHORD:
For top chord:
$A_{s}=T / 0.5 \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{yd}}=120.54 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}=2 \times 60.32 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$


Fig. 05.15- UPN profiles


Table 05.2- UPN properties

$Q_{\text {tributary }}=(174,95) \cdot(16,12)=2820,20 \mathrm{kN}=4 \mathrm{P}$
$P=705,05 \mathrm{kN}$
$R_{a}=2 P=1410,1 \mathrm{kN}$
$\sin 53=0.79, \cos 53=0.60$
According to the equilibrium of the loads:
$2 \mathrm{P}+\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{AC}} \cdot \sin 53=\mathrm{P}$
$\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{AC}} \times 0.79=\mathrm{P}=705,05 \mathrm{kN}, \mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{AC}}=892,46 \mathrm{kN}$
$N_{B C}=N_{A C} \cdot \cos 53=535,47 \mathrm{kN}$


Fig. 05.17- Vectors of loads applied on the nodes of the truss


Table 05.3- L profile properties


Fig. 05.18- Overall dimensions and elements of the hat truss structure


## . 2 Technology

2.a Technological solutions

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TECHNOLOGICAL solutions




## GROUND FLOOR

UNDERGROUND FLOOR

Pile Cap Foundation Detail 1:10


F01 Foundation piles
F02a Screed 10 cm
FO2b Screed 5 cm
F03 Waterproofing membrane Sika Proof A
F04 Top reinforcements
F05 Reinforcement bars
F06 Concrete 5 cm
F07 Water repellent thermal insulation
F08 Raft slab
F09 DeltaDrain drainage
F10 Disposable formwork for ventilated floor cavities/crawlspace
F09 F02b F07 F03 F04 F01 F05 F02a F06
Fig. 05.24-Pile Cap Foundation detail $1: 10$




EO1
E02
Concrete formworks
Concrete anti-dust coating


| CVD01 | Aluminium window frame |
| :--- | :--- |
| CVD02 | Aluminium sliding window sash |
| CVD03 | Double glass panel |
| CVD04 | Steel supporting profile |
| CVD05 | Fixed window mullions |
| CVD06 | Metalling grid for ventilation |

Fig. 05.28-SKIN_Double glazed ventilated façade details 1:20

North Wing_Green Walkable Roof and slab details 1:50

RLO1 Rectangular cross section steel horizontal rail
RLO2 Rectangular cross section steel support posts
RL03 Steel vertical infills
RLO4 Baseplate fixed with anchor bolts

| CV01 | Sealant |
| :--- | :--- |
| CV02 | Head Plastic Insert |
| CV03 | Head extrusion |
| CV04 | U Channel glass panel |

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2.b Technological design showroom


Foundation wall detail 1:50

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TECHNOLOGICAL DESIGN SHOWROOM

F03 Sika Proof A

## SikaProof ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{A}$

F09 Dörken DeltaDrain drainage

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F10 DeltaDrain drainage


B04 DryCore Smartwall drywall panels

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## B10-Superstructure

B1010 - Floor Construction
B1010200 - Upper Floor Framing Vertical Elements
B1010250 - Columns - Steel
B1010300 - Upper Floor Framing Horizontal Elements
B1010370 - Deck - Metal
B1020 - Roof Construction
B1020200 - Flat Roof Framing Horizontal Elements
B1020260 - Deck Metal

B20 - Exterior Enclosure
B2010 - Exterior Wall
B2010100 - Exterior Wall
Construction
B2010120 - Precast
B2010400 - Exterior Sun control devices
B2020 - Exterior Windows
B2020100 - Windows
B2020110 - Windows Aluminium
B2020200 - Curtain walls
B2020220 - Curtain wall panels
B30 - Roofing
B1020 - Roof Construction
B1020200 - Flat Roof Framing Horizontal Elements
B1020260 - Deck Metal


B3010 - Roof Coverings
B3010100 - Roof Finishes
B3010130 - Roofing Preformed metal
B3010300 - Roof Insulation \& Fill B3010310 - Insulation Rigid

Double glazed ventilated façade detail 1:20


Flat Roof detail 1:20


CVD01 Aluminium window frame
CVD02 Aluminium sliding window sash

CVD03 Double glass panel
CVD04 Steel supporting profile
CVD05 Fixed window mullions
CVD06 Metalling grid for ventilation

RFO1
Waterproofing Capping sheet Karat 5.2 mm

RF02 Waterproofing membrane UL 504.2 mm

RF03 Bauder Pir Tapered Insulation 20 mm

RF04 Vapour barrier 4mm
RF05 Welded mesh and structural concrete

RF06 HEA 320 Beam

CVD Double glazed façade


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TECHNOLOGICAL DESIGN SHOWROOM

DOUBLE FAÇADE
Duowall - twice the protection

RFO1/RF02/RF03/RF04

## WCONF:

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RF05 Welded mesh and structural concrete
Composite floors decking with dovetail
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1. Convitto Water Supply System



. 3 Building Systems
.3. a Water Distribution System


Fig. 05.31- Convitto cold and hot water supply system

## SUPPLY WATER SYSTEM

## 2. North Wing Water Supply System



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PLAN 1:200

## SUPPLY WATER SYSTEM

## 3. East Wing Water Supply System




HOT WATER DISTRIBUTION FROM BELOW



PLAN 1:100

## WASTE WATER SYSTEM

1.Convitto // Waste system with ventilation fittings


| Waste stack | DU per floor | ¿DU \& Qww | Diameter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stack 1 | 2F: $4 \times(4.3)$ <br> 3F: $3 \times(4.3)$ <br> 4F: $3 \times(4.3)$ <br> 5F: $3 \times(4.3)$ <br> 6F: $3 \times(4.3)$ <br> 7F: $3 \times(4.3)$ | $\begin{aligned} & 81.7 \mathrm{DU} \\ & \begin{aligned} \mathrm{Qww}_{\mathrm{w}} & =0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 81.7 \\ & =4.51 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$ | DN 125 |
| Stack 2 | 2F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 3F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 4F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 5F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 6F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 7F: $2 \times(4.3)$ | $\begin{gathered} 43 \mathrm{DU} \\ \begin{array}{c} \mathrm{Qww}^{2}=0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 43 \\ =3.28 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \end{array} \end{gathered}$ | DN 125 |
| Stack 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { UF: } 2 \times(2.5)+0.5+ \\ & 0.8+12 \times(0.8)+0.8 \\ & \text { GF: } 4 \times(2.5)+3 \times(0.8) \\ & 1 F: 5 \times(2.5)+3 \times(0.8) \\ & 2 F: 3.8 \\ & 3 F: 3.8 \\ & \text { 4F: } 3.8 \\ & \text { 5F: } 3.8 \\ & \text { 6F: } 3.8 \\ & \text { 7F: } 3.8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 64 \mathrm{DU} \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text { Qww }=0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 64 \\ =4.00 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | DN 125 |


| Waste stack | DU per floor | $\sum D U$ \& Qww | Diameter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stack 4 | 2F: $3 \times(4.3)$ <br> 3F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 4F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 5F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 6F: $2 \times(0.8)$ <br> 7F: $2 \times(4.3)$ | $\begin{gathered} 48.9 \mathrm{DU} \\ \begin{array}{c} \mathrm{Qww} \\ =0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 48.9 \\ \\ =3.49 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \end{array} \end{gathered}$ | DN 125 |
| Stack 5 | 2F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 3F: $2 \times(0.8)$ <br> 4F: $2 \times(0.8)$ <br> 5F: $1 \times(4.3)+0.8$ <br> 6F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 7F: $1 \times(4.3)+0.8$ | $\begin{gathered} 30.6 \mathrm{DU} \\ \mathrm{Qww}=0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 30.6 \\ =2.76 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \end{gathered}$ | DN 100 |
| Stack 6 | 2F: $3 \times(4.3)$ <br> 3F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 4F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 5F: $1 \times(4.3)+0.8$ <br> 6F: $2 \times(4.3)$ <br> 7F: $1 \times(4.3)+0.8$ | $\begin{gathered} 48.9 \mathrm{DU} \\ \begin{array}{c} \mathrm{Qww} \\ = \\ = \\ =3.5 \times \sqrt{ } 48.9 \\ \mathrm{l} \end{array} \mathrm{~s} \end{gathered}$ | DN 125 |

## 1 room $=4.3 \mathrm{DU}$

Table 05.7- Diameters of each waste stack


Fig. 05.36-Convilto waste system on 1:100 section

## WASTE WATER SYSTEM

2.North Wing // Waste System with ventilation fittings


Total flow:
$\Sigma \mathrm{DU}=23.9 \mathrm{DU}$
Project flow:
K=Residential building contemporary use degree $=0.5$
$Q w w=0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 23.9=2.44$
I/s
DN 100 for the diameter of the waste stack


PLAN 1:200


Table 4.9 Flow rates of the waste stack with primary ventlation.

| Waste stack and relief vent <br> $\mathbf{D N}$ | Max. flow rate $Q_{\text {mas }}[/ / \mathrm{s}]$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Square branch | Angle branch |
|  | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| 70 | 1.5 | 2.0 |
| 80 | 2.0 | 2.6 |
| 90 | 2.7 | 3.5 |
| $100^{* *}$ | 4.0 | 5.2 |
| 125 | 5.8 | 7.6 |
| 150 | 9.5 | 12.4 |
| 200 | 16.0 | 21.0 |

## WASTE WATER SYSTEM

## 3.East Wing // Waste System with ventilation fittings




STACK 1:
Total flow:
$\Sigma D U=65.3 \mathrm{DU}$
Project flow:
$\mathrm{K}=$ Residential building contemporary use
degree $=0.5$
$Q w w=0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 65.3=4.04 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{s}$
DN 125 for the diameter of the waste stack, square branch (Table 4.9)

Total flow of waste stack 2:
$\Sigma D U=30.6 \mathrm{DU}$
Project flow:
$\mathrm{K}=$ Residential building contemporary use degree $=0.5$
$Q w w=0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 30.6=2.76 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}$
DN 125 for the diameter of the waste stack, square branch (Table 4.9)

| Sanitary fixture | DU [ $1 / \mathrm{s}$ ] | Sanitary fixture | DU [1/s] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Washbasin | 0.5 | Dishwasher (domestic) | 0.8 |
| Bidet | 0.5 | Washing machine, max. load 6 kg | 0.8 |
| Shower without plug | 0.6 | Washing machine, max. load 12 kg | 1.5 |
| Shower with plug | 0.8 | WC with 61 cistern | 2.0 |
| Urinal with cistern | 0.8 | WC with 7.5 I cistern | 2.0 |
| Urinal with flush valve | 0.5 | WC with 9 I cistern | 2.5 |
| Wall urinal | 0.2 | Floor drain DN 50 | 0.8 |
| Bathtub | 0.8 | Floor drain DN 70 | 1.5 |
| Kitchen sink | 0.8 | Floor drain DN 100 | 2.0 |
| Table 05.9-Typical Ilow rates for various types of sanitary fixtures |  |  |  |



## WASTE WATER SYSTEM

4. Tower // Waste System with ventilation fittings

| Waste system | Max. flow rate $Q_{\text {max, max }}[/ / \mathrm{s}]$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | DN 100 (OD 110) | DN 150 (OD 160) |
| Primary ventiation with right-angle branch | 4.0 | 9.5 |
| Parallel or secondary ventiation with right-angle branch | 5.6 | 12.4 |
| Ventiation fitting | 8.7 | 18.1 |

Table 05.10-Comparison between different waste ssstems


PLAN 1:200
Total flow:
$\Sigma D U=122.8 \mathrm{DU}$
Project flow:
$\mathrm{K}=$ Residential building contemporary use
degree $=0.5$
$Q_{w w}=0.5 \times \sqrt{ } 122.8=4.51 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}$
DN 125 for the diameter of the waste stack, square branch (Table 4.9)
Fig. 05.39-Tower waste ssstem scheme and plan



Fig. 05.40-Waste system diagram of the whole project
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1.Convitto Heating System

. 3 Building Systems
.3.b Heating System


Fig. 05.42-Convitto heating system on partial plan 1:200

| SECTION | OUTPUT $[\mathrm{kW}]$ | FLOW RATE $[\mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}]$ | PIPE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| HI | 15.20 | 0.42 | $32 \times 3$ |
| GH | 30.40 | 0.78 | $40 \times 3.5$ |
| FG | 45.60 | 1.08 | $50 \times 4$ |
| EF | 60.70 | 7.97 | $90 \times 7$ |
| DE | 75.80 | 7.97 | $90 \times 7$ |
| CD | 89.80 | 7.97 | $90 \times 7$ |
| BC | 104.45 | 7.97 | $90 \times 7$ |
| AB | 118 | 7.97 | $90 \times 7$ |

## 2.North Wing Heating System




PARTIAL PLAN 1:200

| SECTION | OUTPUT $[\mathrm{kW}]$ | FLOW RATE $[\mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}]$ | PIPE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CD | 5.12 | 0.12 | $18 \times 2$ |
| BC | 28.12 | 0.68 | $40 \times 3.5$ |
| AB | 36.82 | 0.96 | $50 \times 4$ |

NORTH WING - DIMENSIONING OF WATER DISTRIBUTION PIPES

## 3.East Wing Heating System



*Values not indicated in EN 806 standard, obtained by interpolating.
Table 05.13- Reference table for dimensioning provided by Valsir guide: : Diameters of the mulililayer pipes in relation to the LUs in compliance with EN 806-3.


PARTIAL PLAN 1:200

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4.Tower Heating System
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline SECTION & OUTPUT \([\mathrm{kW}]\) & FLOW RATE \([\mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}]\) & PIPE \\
\hline OP & 4.65 & 0.12 & \(18 \times 2\) \\
\hline NO & 10.23 & 0.25 & \(26 \times 3\) \\
\hline MN & 13.72 & 0.32 & \(32 \times 3\) \\
\hline LM & 17.48 & 0.42 & \(32 \times 3\) \\
\hline KL & 20.97 & 0.50 & \(32 \times 3\) \\
\hline JK & 24.73 & 0.60 & \(40 \times 3.5\) \\
\hline IJ & 28.22 & 0.68 & \(40 \times 3.5\) \\
\hline HI & 31.98 & 0.78 & \(40 \times 3.5\) \\
\hline GH & 38.46 & 0.96 & \(50 \times 4\) \\
\hline FG & 44.94 & 1.08 & \(50 \times 4\) \\
\hline EF & 51.42 & 7.97 & \(90 \times 7\) \\
\hline DE & 57.90 & 7.97 & \(90 \times 7\) \\
\hline CD & 64.38 & 7.97 & \(90 \times 7\) \\
\hline BC & 72.14 & 7.97 & \(90 \times 7\) \\
\hline AB & 77.01 & 7.97 & \(90 \times 7\) \\
\hline & & & \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
Table 05.14-Tower dimensioning of heacting system water distribution pipes
    15 kW
    15 kW
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Fig. 05.45-Tower heating ssstem scheme and partial plan 1:100

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05.3.b

HEATING

PARTIAL PLAN 1:100


MECHANICAL VENTILATION AND COOLING : Central System with Satellite Units, Dual flow.
Due to the Multi-functional nature of the building complex, as well as the buildings configuration,several Satellite AHU Units were taken into account for the different Zones. Dedicated units were provided both for the Gym and for the Rooftop Restaurant. For the Tower, considered the total height of the building, cooling and ventilation loads were divided in two different Units.
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline  & Partial loads Horizontal duct sizing &  & \begin{tabular}{l}
DUG \(=250 \times 250 \mathrm{~mm}\) \\
D3 (x6) \\
VEETLDAD:60I/S COOLLOAD :7,6 kW \\
PEESON : 6 FLOORAREA : \(109 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) \\
VOLUME : \(316 \mathrm{~m}^{3}\) HEIGFT : \(2,9 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
- \(\operatorname{ARC}=\left(316 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 \mathrm{~h}\right) / 3600=0,043\) \(\mathrm{m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{Q}=\left(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{sm}^{2} \times 109 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+\) \\
\((10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 6) / 1000=0,075 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\boldsymbol{A}=\left(0,075 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\right) /(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,017 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) \\
DUG \(=\mathrm{d}=160 \mathrm{~mm}\)
\end{tabular} \\
\hline \begin{tabular}{l}
D Tower \\
Integrated Units \\
from Ground floor to 7th floor
\end{tabular} & Total loads Vertical duct sizing & VENT LOAD 950 I/S COOL LOAD 61 kW
\[
\begin{aligned}
& \text { D } \quad 654 \mathrm{~m} 21896 \mathrm{m3} 2,9 \mathrm{~m} \\
& \cdot Q=\sum(Q D)=1,144 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s} \\
& \cdot A=\mathbf{Q} / \mathrm{v}=(1,144 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s} / 6 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}=0,19 \mathrm{~m} 2 \\
& \cdot \text { DUC }=400 \times 500 \mathrm{~mm}
\end{aligned}
\] & AHU
LOAD \(\quad\) AHU D \(=1,144 \mathrm{m3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
\hline  & Partial loads Horizontal duct sizing & \begin{tabular}{l}
E \\
VENTLOAD: \(160 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}\) COOLLOAD :5,8 KW \\
PEESON : \(16\left(15 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)\) FLOORAREA: \(83 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) \\
VOUME : \(291 \mathrm{~m}^{3}\) HEGGT : \(3,5 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
- \(\operatorname{ARC}=\left(291 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\right) / 3600=0,04\) \(\mathrm{m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{Q}=\left(0,14 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{sm}^{2} \times 83 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+(10 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{s} \times\) \\
16) \(/ 1000=0,17 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(A=\left(0,17 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\right) /(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,039 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) DUCT \(=150 \times 250 \mathrm{~mm}\) \\
E2. 1 \\
VENLOAD : \(100 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{s}\) COOLLOAD : \(6,3 \mathrm{~kW}\) \\
PERSON : 6 FLOORAREA : \(90 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) \\
VOUME :261 \(\mathrm{m}^{3}\) HEGHT : \(2,9 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
\(\cdot \operatorname{ARC}=\left(261 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\right) / 3600=0,036 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{Q}=\left(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{sm}^{2} \times 90 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 6)\) \\
\(/ 1000=0,072 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(A=\left(0,072 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\right) /(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,016 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) \\
DUCT \(=\mathbf{d}=160 \mathrm{~mm}\)
\end{tabular} & \begin{tabular}{l}
E1 \\
VENT LOAD :1301/s COOLLOAD: \(4,6 \mathrm{~kW}\) \\
PERSON : \(13\left(15 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)\) FLOORAREA: \(66 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) \\
VOLUME: \(191 \mathrm{~m}^{3}\) HEIGHT : \(2,9 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
- \(\operatorname{ARC}=\left(191 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\right) / 3600=0,026 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{Q}=\left(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{m}^{2} \times 66 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 13)\) \\
\(/ 1000=0,139 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{A}=\left(0,139 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s} /(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,031 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right.\) \\
DUT \(=150 \times 220 \mathrm{~mm}\) \\
E2.2 \\
VENTLOAD : \(40 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}\) COOLLOAD: 2.8 kW \\
PEESON : 4 FLOORAREA: 40 m 2 \\
VOLUME : 116 m 3 HEIGHT : \(2,9 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
\(\cdot \operatorname{ARC}=(116 \mathrm{~m} 3 \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}) / 3600=0,016 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{Q}=(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{m} 2 \times 40 \mathrm{~m} 2)+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 4)\) \\
\(/ 1000=0,045 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(A=(0,045 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}) /(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,010 \mathrm{~m} 2\) \\
DUCT \(=d=125 \mathrm{~mm}\)
\end{tabular} \\
\hline  & Total loads Vertical duct sizing & \begin{tabular}{l}
VENTLOAD \(6301 / \mathrm{S}\) COOLLOAD \(37,7 \mathrm{KW}\) \\
E \(521 \mathrm{~m} 21513 \mathrm{~m} 32,9 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
- \(Q=\sum(Q E)=0,426 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(A=Q / v=(0,426 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s} / \mathrm{s} / 6 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}=0,071 \mathrm{~m} 2\) \\
- DUCT \(=300 \times 250 \mathrm{~mm}\)
\end{tabular} & AHU
LOAD
LHU E \\
\hline
\end{tabular}




1:50 Blow up

A1.1 A1.2
\begin{tabular}{ll} 
VENT LOAD & \(260 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{S}\) \\
COOL LOAD & \(9,38 \mathrm{KW}\) \\
PERSON & \(26(/ 5 \mathrm{~m} 2)\) \\
FLOOR AREA & 134 m 2 \\
VOLUME & 389 m 3 \\
HEIGHT & \(2,9 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
- ARC \(=(389 \mathrm{~m} 3 \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\) \\
&
\end{tabular}
VENT LOAD \(150 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{S}\)
COOLLOAD \(5,46 \mathrm{~kW}\)
PERSON \(15(/ \mathrm{m} 2)\)
FLOOR AREA 78 m 2
VOLUME 226 m 3
HEIGHT \(\quad 2,9 \mathrm{~m}\)
ARC \(=(226 \mathrm{~m} 3 \times\)
\(0,5 / \mathrm{h}) / 3600=\)
\(=0,031 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
Q \(=(0,14 / \mathrm{s} 2 \mathrm{~m} 2 \times\)
\(78 \mathrm{~m} 2)+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 15)\)
\(11000=0,16 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
A \(=(0,16 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s} / \mathrm{s} /(4,4\)
\(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s})=0,036 \mathrm{m2}\)
DUCT \(=250 \times 150 \mathrm{~mm}\)

\section*{F1}

VENT LOAD 70 I/s
COOL LOAD 5.18 KW
PERSON \(\quad 14(/ 10 \mathrm{~m} 2)\)
FLOOR AREA 146 m 2
VOLUME \(\quad 423 \mathrm{~m} 3\)
HEIGHT \(\quad 2,9 \mathrm{~m}\)
- ARC \(=(423 \mathrm{~m} 3 \times 5 / \mathrm{h}\)
\() / 3600=0,58 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
- \(\mathbf{Q}=10,141 / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{m} 2 \times\)
\(146 \mathrm{~m} 2)+(10 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{s} \times 14)\)
\(/ 1000=0,16 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
- \(\mathbf{A}=(0,16 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}) /(4,4\)
\(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s})=0,036 \mathrm{~m} 2\)
DUCT \(=150 \times 250 \mathrm{~mm}\)


1:50 Blow up



\section*{E2.1}
\begin{tabular}{ll} 
VENT LOAD & \(100 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
COOLLOAD & \(6,3 \mathrm{KW}\) \\
PERSON & 6 \\
FLOOR AREA & 90 m 2 \\
VOLUME & 261 m 3 \\
HEIGHT & \(2,9 \mathrm{~m}\)
\end{tabular}

HRC \(\quad 2,9 \mathrm{~m}\)
\(0,5 / \mathrm{h}) / 3600=\) \(=0,036 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
- \(\mathbf{Q}=(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{m} 2 \times\) \(90 \mathrm{~m} 2)+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 6)\) \(/ 1000=0,072 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
- \(\boldsymbol{A}=(0,072 \mathrm{m3} / \mathrm{s}) /\) \(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,016 \mathrm{~m} 2\)
DUCT \(=d=160 \mathrm{~mm}\)

\section*{E2.2}

VENT LOAD \(40 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}\) COOL LOAD 2.8 KW PERSON FLOOR AREA 40 m 2 VOLUME \(\quad 116 \mathrm{~m} 3\) HEIGHT \(\quad 2,9 \mathrm{~m}\)
- \(\operatorname{ARC}=(116 \mathrm{~m} 3 \mathrm{x}\)

\section*{\(0,5 / \mathrm{h}) / 3600=\) \\ \(=0,016 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)}
- \(\mathbf{Q}=(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{m} 2 \times 40\) m2) \(+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 4) / 1000\) \(=0,045 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
- \(\mathbf{A}=(0,045 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}) /(\) \(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,010 \mathrm{~m} 2\)
DUCT \(=\mathrm{d}=125 \mathrm{~mm}\)


Second Floor Plan 1:200 D2

VENT LOAD \(340 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}\)
COOL LOAD 12 KW
FLOOR AREA 173 m ?
VOLUME \(\quad 501 \mathrm{~m} 3\)
- ARC \(=501 \mathrm{~m} 3 \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\)
)/3600 \(=0,069 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
\(173 \mathrm{~m} 2)+(10 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{s} \times 34)\)
\(-1000=0,36 \mathrm{~m} 3 / \mathrm{s}\)
DUCT \(=400 \times 200 \mathrm{~mm}\)

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\section*{INTEGRATED UNITS}


Typical Section 1:50



Technical Shaft 1:50
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{D4} \\
\hline \begin{tabular}{l}
VENT LOAD \\
COOL LOAD \\
PERSON \\
FLOOR AREA \\
VOLUME \\
HEIGHT
\end{tabular} & \[
\begin{aligned}
& 60 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{S} \\
& 7,6 \mathrm{KW} \\
& 6 \text { person } \\
& 109 \mathrm{~m}^{2} \\
& 316 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \\
& 2,9 \mathrm{~m}
\end{aligned}
\] \\
\hline \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
- ARC \(=\left(316 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\right.\) \\
- \(3600=0,044 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{Q}=\left(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{m}^{2} \mathrm{x}\right.\)
\[
\begin{aligned}
& \left.109 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 6) \\
& 11000=0,075 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}
\end{aligned}
\] \\
- \(A=\left(0,075 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\right)\) \\
\((4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=\mathbf{0 , 0 1 7} \mathrm{m}^{2}\) \\
DU'CT \(=d=160 \mathrm{~mm}\)
\end{tabular}} \\
\hline
\end{tabular}



8th Floor Plan 1:200


9th Floor Plan 1:200
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline G1.1/G1.3 & G1.2 & G2.1/G2.3 & G2.2 \\
\hline \[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { VENT LOAD } & 20 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \\
\text { COOL LOAD } & 1,6 \mathrm{KW} \\
\text { PERSON } & 2 \mathrm{person} \\
\text { FLOOR AREA } & 23 \mathrm{~m}^{2} \\
\text { VOLUME } & 66,7 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \\
\text { HEIGHT } & 2,9 \mathrm{~m}^{2} \\
\text { - ARC }=\left(66,7 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\right. \\
\text { / } / 3600=0,009 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s} \\
\mathbf{Q}=\left(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{~m}^{2} \times\right. \\
\left.23 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+(101 / \mathrm{s} \times 2) \\
/ 100=0,023 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s} \\
\text { • } \mathbf{A}=\left(0,023 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\right) /( \\
4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=\mathbf{0 , 0 0 5 2} \mathrm{m}^{2}
\end{array}
\] & \[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { VENT LOAD } & 20 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \\
\text { COOL LOAD } & 1,2 \mathrm{KW} \\
\text { PERSON } & 2 \mathrm{person} \\
\text { FLOR AREA } & 17 \mathrm{~m}^{2} \\
\text { VOLUME } & 49 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \\
\text { HEIGHT } & 2,9 \mathrm{~m} \\
\text { ( ARC }=\left(49 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\right. \\
1 / 3600=\mathbf{0 , 0 0 6 8} \mathrm{m}^{3} / \mathrm{s} \\
\text { Q }=\left(0,141 / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{~m}^{2} \times\right. \\
\left.17 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+(10 \mathrm{l} \times 2) \\
1 / 1000=0,022 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s} \\
\text { A= }\left(0,022 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \mathrm{~s}\right) /( \\
4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=\mathbf{0 , 0 0 5} \mathrm{m}^{2}
\end{array}
\] & \begin{tabular}{l}
VENT LOAD \(20 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
COOL LOAD 1.6 KW \\
PERSON 2 person \\
FLOOR AREA \(23 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\) \\
VOLUME \(\quad 66,7 \mathrm{~m}^{3}\) \\
HEIGHT \(\quad 2,9 \mathrm{~m}\) \\
- \(\quad\) ARC \(=166,7 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \times 0,5 / \mathrm{h}\) \\
) \(/ 3600=0,009 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\mathbf{Q}=\left(0,14 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \mathrm{m}^{2} \mathrm{x}\right.\) \\
\(\left.23 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right)+(10 \mathrm{l} / \mathrm{s} \times 2)\) \\
\(/ 1000=0,023 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\) \\
- \(\quad \mathbf{A}=\left(0,023 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}\right) /(\) \\
\(4,4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})=0,0052 \mathbf{m}^{2}\)
\end{tabular} &  \\
\hline \[
\text { DUCT }=d=100 \mathrm{~mm}
\] & DUCT \(=d=100 \mathrm{~mm}\) & DUCT \(=d=100 \mathrm{~mm}\) & DUCT \(=d=100 \mathrm{~mm}\) \\
\hline
\end{tabular}


Location of AHU_Rooftop floor plan Table 05.19-Mechanical ventilation ssstem


14th Floor Plan 1:200



15th Floor Plan 1:200


Fig. 05.46-View of the interventions of the project

Nowadays the concept of sustainability is becoming the more and more fundamental in our daily life, as the society is starting to grow aware of the benefits of a sustainable environment and life style. The concept itself of preservation is unavoidably linked with sustainability, and the architect is called to become conscious and active about the matter. The issue of restoration and trasformation of the existing urban fabric, which the Architect has to face today more than ever, poses, in fact, incredible opportunities of improving the environmental performances and quality of the existing buildings One of the significant objectives of the transformation of Convitto building is to sustain a building that has each element optimized for the required energy, air and water use, throughout its life cycle.


MINIMIZE THE HARDSCAPES


Fig. 05.47-Site plan 1:2000
MINIMAL BUILDING COVERAGE RATIO

\section*{Total site area:}

8536 Sqm
Building ground area:
570 Sqm
\(B C R=8536 / 570=6.6 \%\)
Usage of site area for built up volumes:
\(6.6 \%\)


The conservative transformation project develops strategies to have minimum carbon footprint. In order to achieve this goal, direct contact with the ground is kept minimum as much as possible.

According to this aim, the usage of site area for the built up volumes is kept 6.6 \(\%\) of the total site area.

Total building ground floor area
Total site area



Permable pavers have open cells that have sand, gravel or grass inside that lets water reach to the ground. Paving systems made of hardscapes such as asphalt and concrete have no chance to direct water towards the earth. In that case, water is collected on the surface. Instead, usage of permeable pavers provide the water to safely drain and absorb by the ground, decrease the pooling of water on the ground and probabilitty to runoff and flooding. Runoff can also overwhelm stormwater management systems, which causes flooding and other problems in cities.

As one of the goals of the project is to maximize the green areas and surfaces in the site, the lower body that is connected with Convitto on the north, which is called "North Wing", is finished with a green walkable roofing system that provides to have grass and shrubs on the surface. The green roof creates a private recreational area for the inhabitants of student housing and provides visual connection with the green open spaces on the ground floor level.


All additional volumes to the existing building are applied with double skin façade system that aims to regulate the natural light throughout the day.
The primary skin of glazed sliding windows and the secondary skin of shadings elements, vertical louvered bi-fold panels, alltogether, contribute to naturally ventilate the spaces and manipulate the daylight according to the need, providing an high degree of flexibility.

The Convitto is oriented in north-south direction. Due to the additional highrise building, connected to the Convitto on the south facade, having the most sun exposure, an analysis of daylight factor is made. The tower being covered with glass windows resulted in high daylight factor values. With the additional wooden foldable shading elements, required comfort for the sun exposure is provided.


\section*{Double skin façade}

\section*{PRIMARY SKIN : glazed sliding windows \(+\)}

SECONDARY SKIN : Shading vertical louvered bi-fold panels
- Regulation of incoming natural light;
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SUSTAINABLE
REFURBISHMENT
- Enhancing natural stack ventilation;
- Maximum flexibility for the residents of the Complex;
Fig. 05.49-Double skin façade


Fig. 05.50-Illuminance and daylight factor andlysis made via Velux software


Section from Via Daverio showing the transition bands to be used as ventilation shaffs for solar chimney


\section*{RENEWABLE \\ ENERGY SOURCES}

\section*{Solar Chimney Electricity}

A solar thermal chimney is a design solution for the modest production of renewable energy which exploits the heated air convection motions ond a tall ventilation shaft in order to activate mechanical turbines at the base of the shafts and produce electricity.
there are three basic design elements for a Solar Chimney for a building:
a) a solar collector, which is often located in the top part or the shaft body of the chimney;
b) a ventilation shaft, which can be vertical or inclined to its location;
c) inlet and outlet air apertures.

The idea for the project would be to implement it by exploiting :
- Double Glazed skin in the transition bands as ventilation shaft;
- Inlets and outlets air apertures at the bottom and at the top of the façade;
- solar collector in the rooftops;


Rain Water Harvesting

Along side with the use of permeable pavers, and the planning of the outdoor spaces with a significative amount of green surfaces, the project takes into consideration the hyphotesis of collecting the stormwater for irrigation means and for water waste system, both through the use of permeable pavers in the outdoor pedestrian areas, and the drainage system of the building.


\section*{| 06 |}

\title{
Critical Analysis and Comparison of project Interventions
}

1947 Giovanni Romano

2020 Proposal of Conservative Transformation

\section*{06 \\ The relationship between the urban block and the city}

In order to fully understand Giovanni Romano's 1947 project, it is fundamental to explore firstly, the historical context he was living in and the people he was in touch with.

Giovanni Romano had known Ignazio Gardella since the University years, however, it was only when, working around the "Casabella" editoriale, and collaborating together with Pagano and Persico, that they firstly had the chance to work alogside each other and slowly instate a close friendship and a famous collaboration.
"In quegli anni "- writes Romano about Gardella in the 1959 edition of "Comunità""andavamo raccogliendo un piccolo gruppo di amici, con Pagano e con Persico a guida, attorno a Casabella, impegnati a dar corpo al Movimento Moderno"- "Furono anni straordinari di fervore, di interessi, di battaglie e di entusiasmi, di speranze e di amicizia piene e senza riserva."
This group of Architects and Engineers was the base of the so called "Movimento Moderno" in Italy, outbursting, in 1948, in the "gruppo Italiano CIAM".
Such a group, sharing the same interests and determined to develop a new idea of the "modern neighbourhood", proposed at the competition for the new regulatory plan of Milan of 1945 the "Milano Verde" project : a strictly rationalist neighborhood based on a squared grid, uniform parallelepipeds linear buildings immersed within the green. The project eventually didn't win the competition, even though some ideas were integrated in the Piano Regolatore of Milan published some years later.


Fig. 06.1 : F. Albini, I. Gardella, G. Minoletti, G. Pagano, G. Palanti, G. Predaval, G. Romano, Progetto "Milano verde" (area Fiera/ Sempione), 1938_Redazione Abitare

Already in 1938, when the Società Umanitaria had considered to expand in order to satisfy the need of new spaces, Romano had asked permission to the Milanese Municipality to develop the project on the area facing Parco Ravizza (22,000 square meters), next to the building of the new Università Commerciale ".
Clear was the intention of designing a district of "modern" schools, involving industrial, technical and economic schools, around the area of the park.


Fig. 06.2 : progetto per la società Umanitaria, proposta in Parco Ravizza, 1936 da NE(ASU)


Fig. 06.3 : progetto per la società Umanitaria, proposta in Parco Ravizza 1936 da NE (ASU)

Giovanni Romano, being in those days in strict contact and working alongside Pagano, Predaval and Gardella, (the other Architects working around the editorial offices of Casabella) had proposed a project configuration which was characterized by e composition of linear parallelepipeds organized in such a way that semi-enclosed courtyards would be created.
Of course, this plan initially envisioned, eventually had to be totally re-considered after the war-bombings of 1943.

These years are represented by the constant contrapposition in between the Hybrid monumental architecture of power of the Fxxascist regime and the Modern Architecture. The group of modern Architects was determined to invert the tendency in the field of design and architecture.

Furthermore, under a point of view of the morphology of the city, the period in between the two wars had brought to light the results of the CIAM, marking a gradual independency of the building from the urban fabric of the city.


Fig. 06.4 : Fernand Pouillon, Quartiere "Buffalo" a Montrouge , 1955-58. Modello


Fig. 06.7 : The city of Parma, figure-ground plan. From Colin Rowe, Fred Koetter, Collage City (London: The MIT press, 1983),
62-63 - (Source: Carsten Jonas, 2006)


Fig. 06.8 : Project for Saint Dié by Le corbuiser, figure-ground plan.
(Source: Carsten Jonas, 2006)

\section*{Résidence Buffalo \\ MONTROUGE - 1955 à 1957 \\ Architecte Fernand Pouillon}


The compact city of the XIX century was being transformed For the first time the criteria of the "city of stone" and the morphological structure of the block were challenged. In parallel, unavoidable is the expansion of the city towards the territory/landscape. If the block was, until this moment the regulatory parameter of the city, now the city seems to get dispersed. Urban fabric density gets dispersed in the sequency of indipendent Units. However, the block still remains in some cases the rule of composition of the space, but it opens up to the city and allows the creation of new visual relationships in between building, open courtyard and street.

All over Europe Architects and Urban Planners had been experimenting and searching for new relationships in between the city and the block, the building and the street.

Very representative under this point of view, is the case of the "Buffalo" residential complex in Montrouge by Fernand Pouillon.
In the book "Costruzione, città e paesaggio" Carlo Moccia refers to Pouillon's Algeri's and Paris's neighbourhoods as to a very important reference for whomever wants to contrast the loss of shape of the contemporary cities.
His very modern idea of the city was based on a deep recognition of the value of the French city.
Overlooking at the shapes of the XVII and XVIII century's city, he formulated a urban composition syntax where the city's open public space is constructed out of a sequence of urban "rooms".
In Carlo Moccia's opinion such rooms are intended as wide open air rooms whose outlines and space are defined by the façades of the buildings overlooking at them.
These spaces, which could be squares, internal courtyards or inner gardens, are characterizing an uninterrupted sequence of public spaces within the city.

Fig. 06.9: Fernand Pouillon, Quartiere "Buffalo" a Montrouge, 1955-58.


Fig. 06.10: Fernand Pouillon, Quartiere "Buffolo" a Montrouge, 1955-58.

Pouillon shows, therefore, how the modern conception of the city and the neighbourhood didn't lead to a loss of shape of the city, nor to a dispersion of the urban fabric density, whereas to the tendency of creating a continuous sequence of public urban spaces so as to develop a new relationship in between the public and the private realms, the city and the buildings within the urban block.


One more case study, which is also worth mentioning in order to understand the reasons behind Giovanni Romano's intervention, is the case of the Bauhaus School in Dessau, designed by Walter Gropius.
The Bauhaus complex represents, in fact, a point of reference for the whole movement of innovation in the field of design and architecture known as rationalism or "modern architecture".
Also in this case, as in Montrouge by Pouillon, the relationship in between the building and the urban block is revolutionized.
When Walter Gropius drawn up the design of the Bauhaus building in 1925, it had to include the "Technische Lehranstaly" (technical school), which was to be administratively independent of the Bauhaus. Thus, Gropius had to design spaces for different functional destinations as much as independent as possible while also keeping the building as one structure.
Futhermore, the site area was characterized by two roads forming a T-intersection, and the building was to be constructed on the northeastern side of the major road called Gropiusallee.
The solution proposed by the architect was to place the technical school section across the minor road, separated from the Bauhaus section of the building. The entrance to the two sections of the building are on the either side of the road, opposite and facing each other. A bridge on the first and second floor, which contained the administrative department, joins the two sections together.
The project design marked a major step in the maturing system of forms that many other architects were beginning to adopt.
The building appears as a unique three winged entity, with a totally independent footprint at the groundfloor, which determines continuouity of public spaces.

Fig. 06.12: Bauhaus School in Dessau - Walter Gropius
"The complex reaches out over the ground and expands itself into a kind of pinwheel with three hoked arms. (...) The eye cannot sum up such a complex at one glance."

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\section*{1947 \\ GIOVANNI ROMANO'S PROJECT}

The project of reconstruction of the Umanitaria Society by Giovanni Romano and Ignazio Gardella places itself in a wider framework of projects of reconstruction in the Milanese Postwar period. All of these projects, being developed in such a revolutionary historical context in the field of Architecture and Urban Planning, are nowadays regarded as the Modern Heritage of the city of Milan, being the "experimentalisms" of the fervent Rationalist period.
In the project of reconstruction of the Umanitaria Urban block, of 1947, Giovanni Romano seems to have tried to apply, once again, the influences gained in the collaboration with the Architects working in the Casabella editoriale, re-intepreting the concept of a "modern" neighbourhood which had already been proposed with the "Milano verde" project, as well as with the first proposal for the Umanitaria Society


Fig. 06.15 : nuova planimetria generale progetto Romano 1947 sovrapposta alla condizione del blocco urban prima della guerra (Archivio Storico Umanitaria)
complex of 1938, in parco Ravizza.
In order face the challenge of reconstructing the old city fabric of Milan by answering to the needs of the Modern society, Romano started analysing the morphology of what was left within the Umanitaria urban block after the bombing: the Santa Maria della Pace complex.
Restored with the project proposal by Ignazio Gardella, the cloister complex embodied probably the most iconic building typology of the XIX century : the closed courtyard block.
Furthermore, being born as a monastery, the cloister complex was embodying within itself the concept of alternating spaces for the work and spaces for the collectivity, private and social common spaces, interior spaces and open air ones.
Such a pre-existency, within the urban block of the

project, represented for Giovanni Romano the challenge of combining the "old city" together with the new urban and architectural Rationalist tendencies of the decade.
In order to do so, the architect decided to organize the new functional spaces of the Umanitaria Society inside of linear geometric parallelepipeds arranged in a precise composition such as the linear volumes would have defined, within the block, some "open courtyards", whose orientation and definition of the semi-enclosed space would be indicated by the volumes orientation themselves.
In Giovanni Romano's 1947 is possible to read both continouity with the concept of alternating work and collectivity, coming from the Cloister complex's identity, as well as similarities with the urban composition experiments of the modern movement and rationalist period.

Fig. 06.16: Ground Floor plan of the Santa Maria della Pace Convent


\section*{PROJECT PROPOSAL OF CONSERVATIVE TRANSFORMATION}

If compared to the Romano's project, at a first sight, the project proposal for a conservative transformation of the Convitto seems to take a completely opposite direction.
The Architect Romano had decided to organize the Convitto with the long façade overlooking towards the piazza Umanitaria, parallel to the light machinery long linear volume.
In such a way, the two buildings' short side would have façed via Fanti, and a very long courtyard would have opened itself towards the same street.

__ Romano's 1947 project

Fig. 06.19 : nuova planimetria generale progetto Romano 1947 sovrapposta alla condizione del blocco urbano prima della guerra (Archivio Storico Umanitaria)

However, nowadays, the courtyard appeared to be interrupted halfway inside of the Umanitaria block. Before reaching the inner façe of the Convitto, in fact, it was turning into a private parking lot, gated toward via Fanti.
The new project proposal suggested a ri-definition of the south-west corner of the Umanitaria urban block by means of the insertion of a continuous linear volume "trapassing" and "framing" the existing Convitto builging and folding again inside of the Umanitaria urban block, running parallel to the light machinery building.


\section*{New project}

Fig. 06.20: nuova planimetria generale progetto Romano 1947 sovrapposta alla condizione del blocco urbano prima della guerra e alla nuova proposta di intervento


In correspondance of the corner of the block, at the intersection in between the two important street axis of Via Daverio and Via Fanti, an high rise new urban landmark would rise.
Such a volumetric proposal suggests the willing to find a new balance in between voids and volumes for the Umanitaria block.
The corners of the two urban blocks façing each other
already appeared as urban voids (piazza Umanitaria, in front of the Convitto and the via Daverio garden, in front of the Wysteria cloister).
The new volumetric proposal, in such a way, would act as a very important new urban "hinge".
Certainly, such a design intervention, might seem to be contradictory with respect to Giovanni Romano's initial intentions of leaving the corner of the block free.

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Fig. 06.22: Bird eye view of the new project proposal with the surrounding context

The new proposal, however, does not deny Romano's intention, whereas attempts at finding new ways to pursue the same goal, by trying to instate new relationships in between the street and the block. The project strategy, in fact, rather than enclosing completely the block and cutting any relationships in between the Umanitaria inner's open areas and the street, tries to determine a specific permeability of this continuous border both by means of opening up the façade of the Convitto towards the Piazza Umanitaria, as well as by means of extending the already existing pedestrian axis of the Umanitaria courtyard until Via Fanti, therefore providing a new entrance to the site.

It is possible to read in the intervention proposal an attempt at providing the border of the Umanitaria's block with a new value and strenght, with the willing to instate a new tension, a new type of relationship in between via Fanti street ( which is going to be a major street axis leading to the Cà Granda once the Policlinico project will be completed) and the inner public courtyard created inside of the block. A new urban perspective is, thus, created, in between the inside and the outside of the block, enclosed by a "portal" defined by the design of the new southern façade.

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Fig. 06.23 : Perspective view of the new southern front of the Umanitaria block after the intervention proposal- Portal overlooking towards the inner


As far as regards the relationship in between the building and the street, the project proposal could be, somewhow, compared to the famous case of the "Casa Rustici" by Terragni and Lingeri.
The project represents one of the many "experimentalisms" of the Modern Movement in Milan, and embodies the fight against the traditional closed block courtyard building and the search of new interesting relationships in between the city and the architecture.
The building's design was based on the challenge of realizing a rationalist building within a trapezoidal plot overlooking towards corso sempione, one of the main urban axis of the city of Milan.
In order to face such a problem the architects decided to design the building as two parallel individual parallelepipeds (one of which is flanked by a small tower), seven storeys tall, which were therefore connected in


Fig. 06.25 : Giuseppe Terragni - Casa Rustici, Milan 1936, Corso Sempione 36 West Façade
façade by a rational grid of galleries, so as to give the impression of a unique continuous block which is, however, characterized by a revolutionary interrelation between inside and outside of a building block, private and public, the building and the city.

In a similar way, the project proposal for the conservative transformation of the Convitto, despite organizing the foot print of the buildings at the ground floor as parallel linear volumes (following the same approach previously followed by Romano in 1947), tries to design the southern façade so as to instate a connection between the two linear volumes and underline the new entrance to the Umanitaria site from via Fanti.
A new relationship between the street, which was previously regarded as a secondary street, and the Inner public courtyard is created.



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