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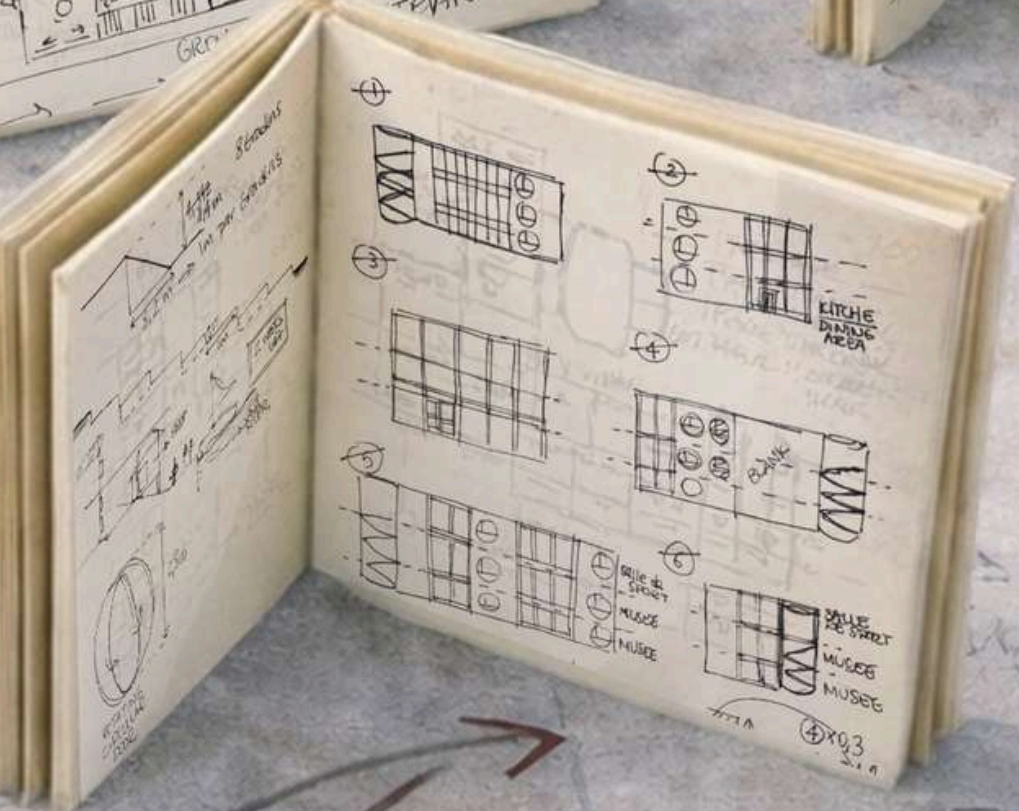
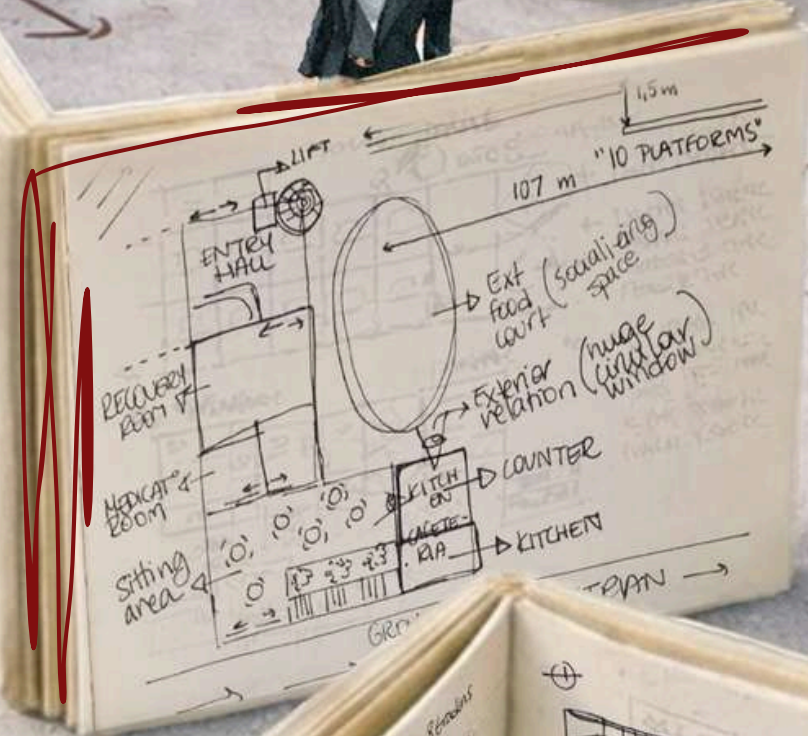
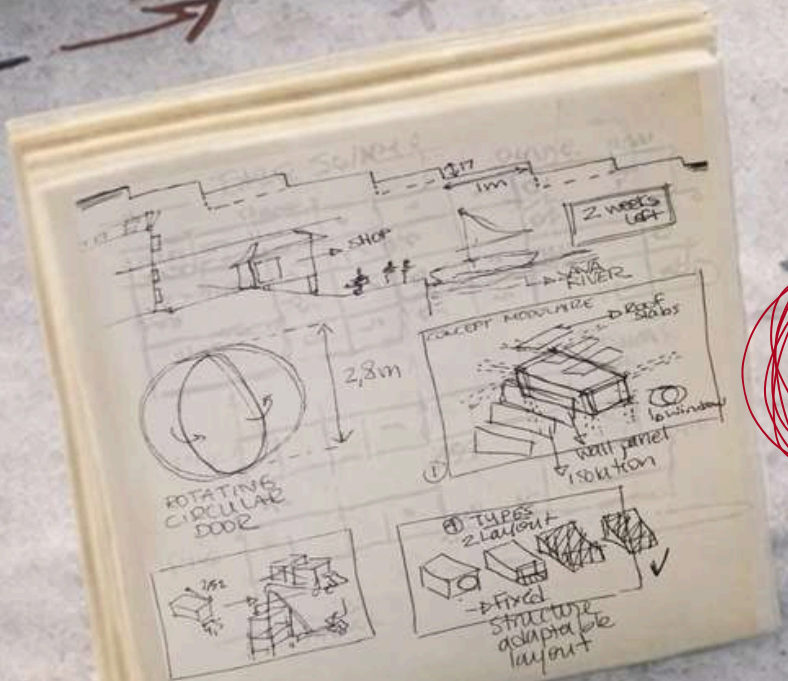
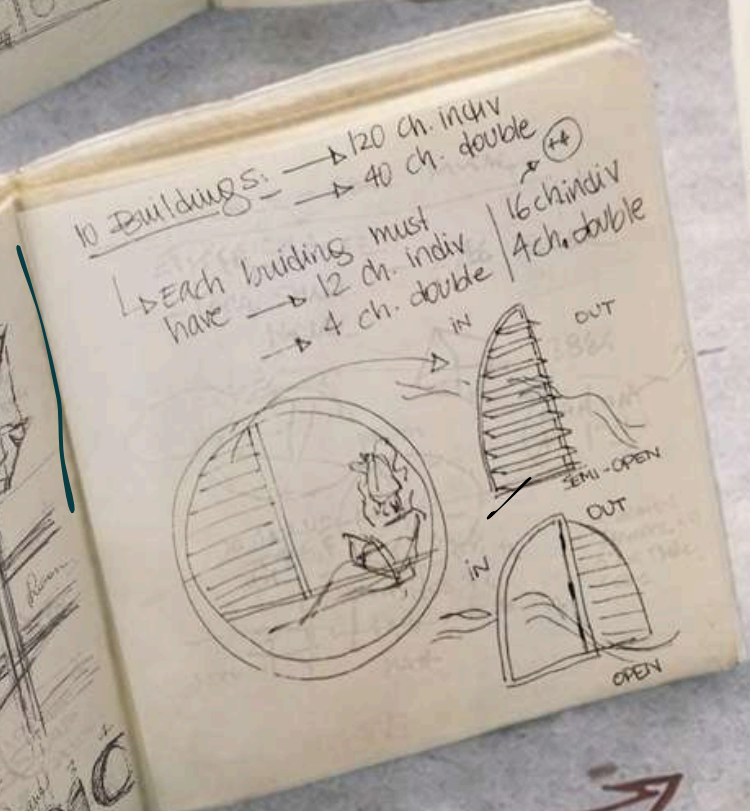
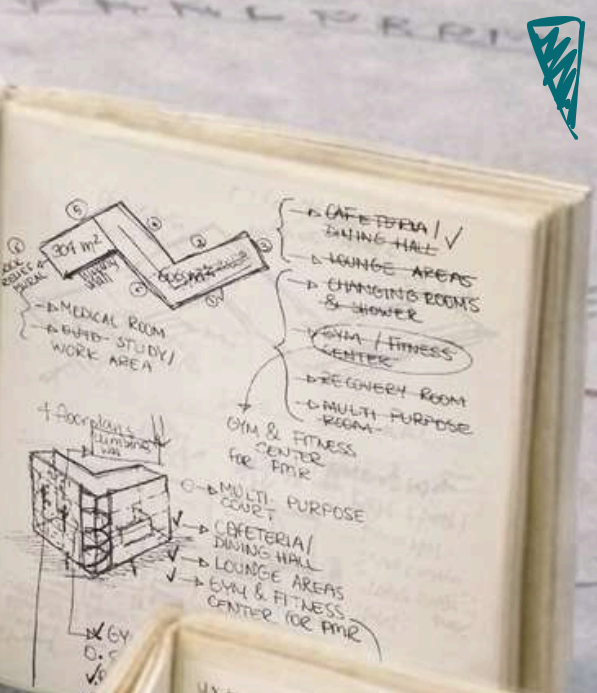
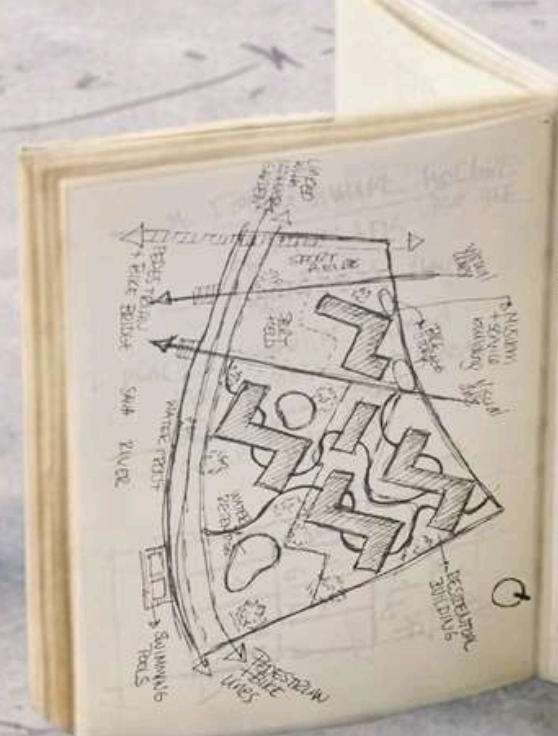
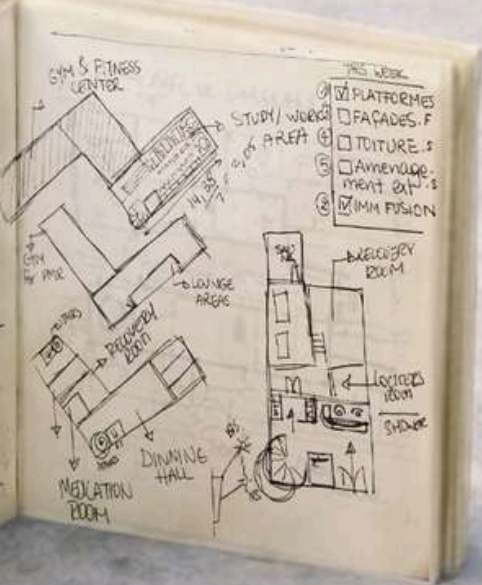
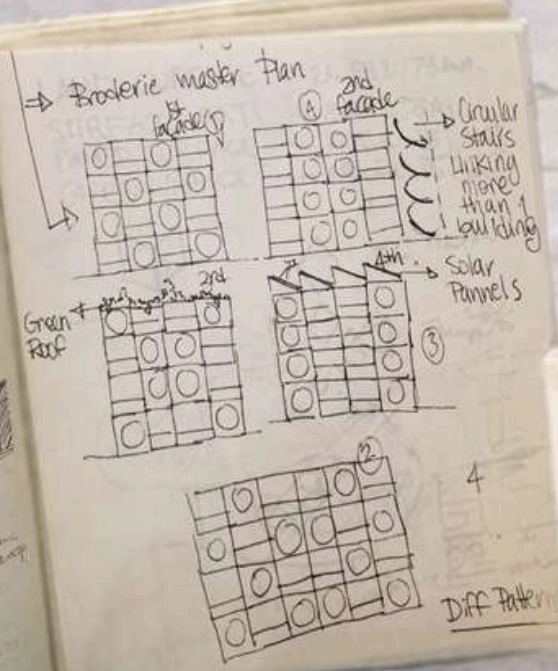
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AREA ANALYSIS

SAVA THREAD

AREA ANALYSIS

BELGRADE

Belgrade (Београд), the capital of Serbia located in Southeastern Europe, is a city that unfolds at the confluence of the Danube and Sava rivers, revealing an urban landscape shaped by millennia of history. At every corner, the past dialogues with the present: medieval fortresses stand alongside modernist buildings, and Byzantine churches blend with Art Nouveau façades. This duality gives the city a unique character, where heritage and contemporaneity overlap with boldness.

A city of contrasts and energy, Belgrade is distinguished by its lively public spaces and vibrant cultural life. Markets, riverbanks, surrounding hills, and cafés are filled with encounters and constant human flows. This balance between memory and urban movement offers fertile ground for imagining architectural interventions that respect history while introducing new experiences into everyday life.



HISTORY

ARCHITECTURE AND SPORT

Serbian architecture reflects a strong mix of historical layers shaped by Byzantine, Ottoman, Austro-Hungarian and modern experimentation, with Brutalism playing a major role in its 20th-century identity.

The presence of bold Brutalist style, characterized by massive geometric forms, exposed concrete (béton brut), and sculptural monumental expressions.

In cities like Belgrade and Novi Sad, these raw concrete structures coexist with traditional stone and brick buildings, creating a powerful urban contrast. This Brutalist legacy remains an important visual and cultural component of Serbia's architectural image.

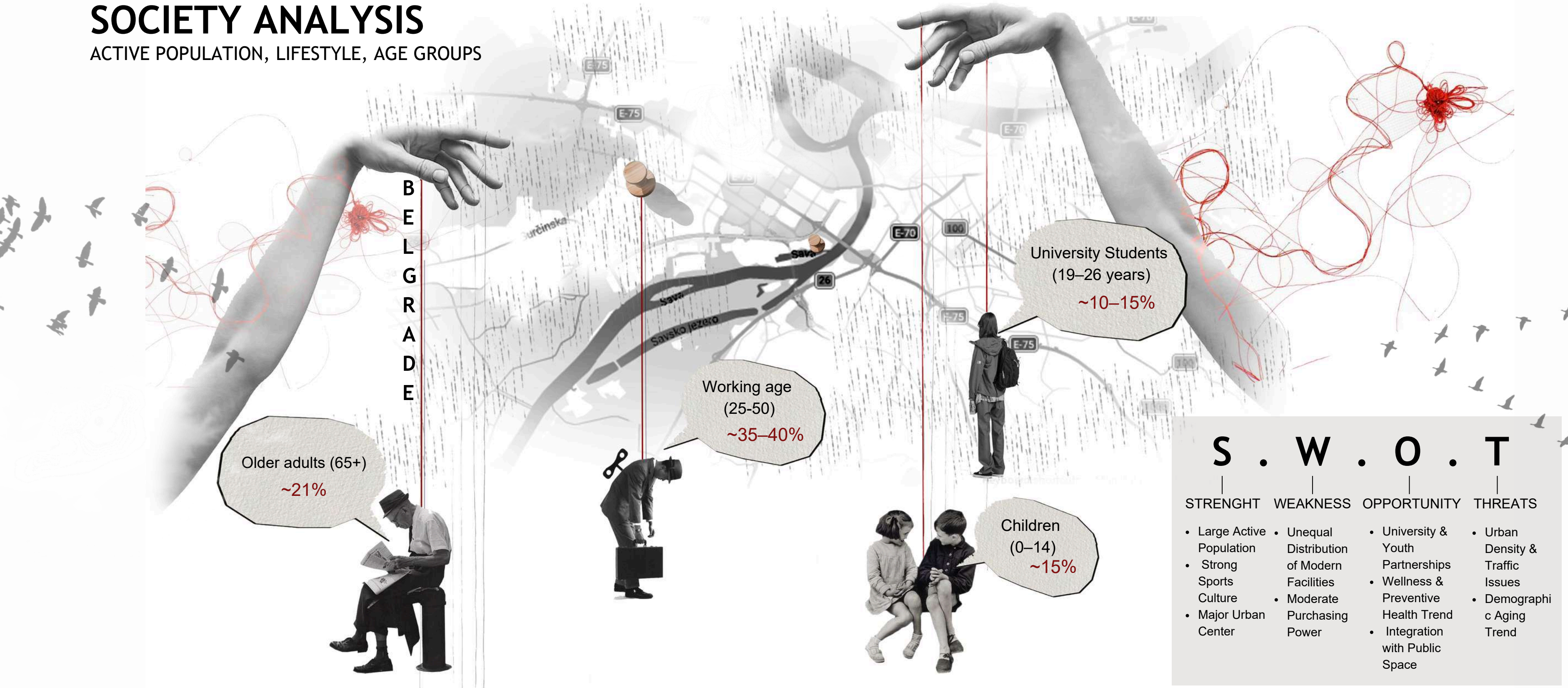


SERBIA'S SPORT IDENTITY is built on resilience, talent, and strong national pride. The country has produced globally recognized champions like Novak Djokovic and Nikola Jokić...

Team sports such as basketball, football, and water polo are deeply embedded in society, making sport not only a physical activity but a powerful symbol of unity and international representation for Serbia and the country is historically dominant in water polo.

SOCIETY ANALYSIS

ACTIVE POPULATION, LIFESTYLE, AGE GROUPS



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STRENGTH	WEAKNESS	OPPORTUNITY	THREATS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large Active Population • Strong Sports Culture • Major Urban Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unequal Distribution of Modern Facilities • Moderate Purchasing Power 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University & Youth Partnerships • Wellness & Preventive Health Trend • Integration with Public Space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban Density & Traffic Issues • Demographic Aging Trend

- ~45–50% PARTICIPATE IN PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
- STRONG YOUTH AND UNIVERSITY SPORTS CULTURE
- INCREASING DEMAND FOR RECREATIONAL + HYBRID SPORT SPACES

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

PYGMY COMORANT

- Pygmy Cormorant – protected species (EU Birds Directive)
- Winter habitat: up to 10% of European population along Sava River, Belgrade
- Key habitat: riparian willow forests and wetlands (roosting and feeding)

AIR QUALITY ISSUES

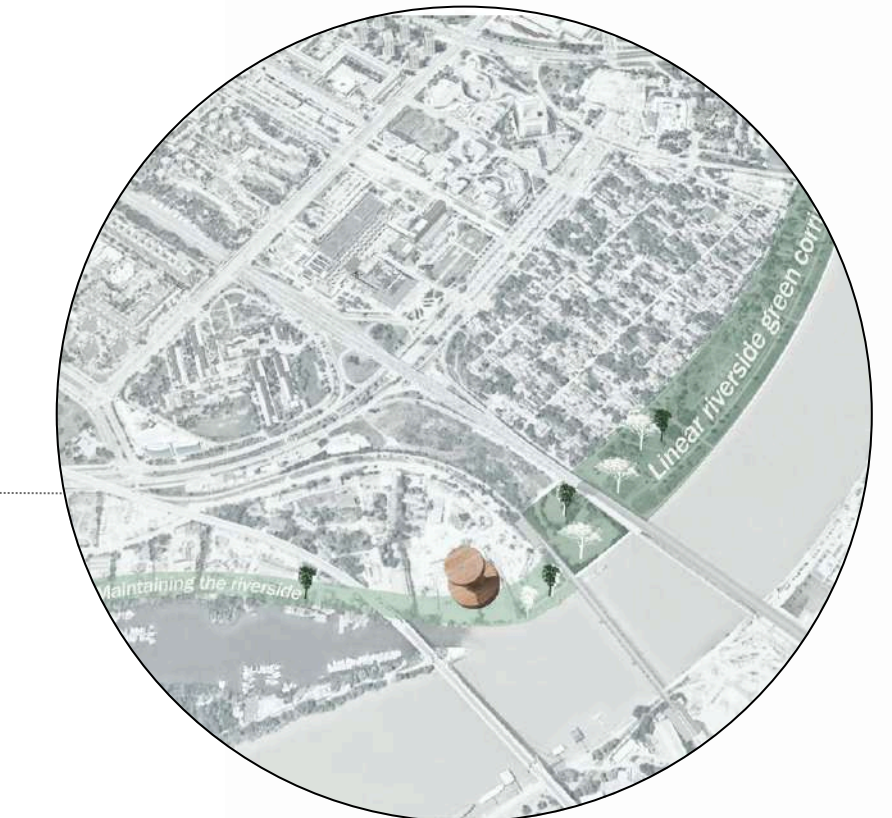
- Air quality issues: high winter pollution from coal heating, traffic, and industry
- PM2.5 & PM10 frequently exceed safe levels
- Government efforts: gradual transition to cleaner energy

GREEN SPACES

- Green spaces: Kalemegdan Fortress park, urban forests
- High ecological value: river ecosystems
- Threats: urban expansion impacting biodiversity

WATER & FLOOD RISK

- Water & flood risk: rivers shape landscape but pose flooding hazards
- Historical floods: major events in 2014
- Riverbank developments: e.g., Belgrade Waterfront raise sustainability concerns
- Need: resilient urban planning and flood management

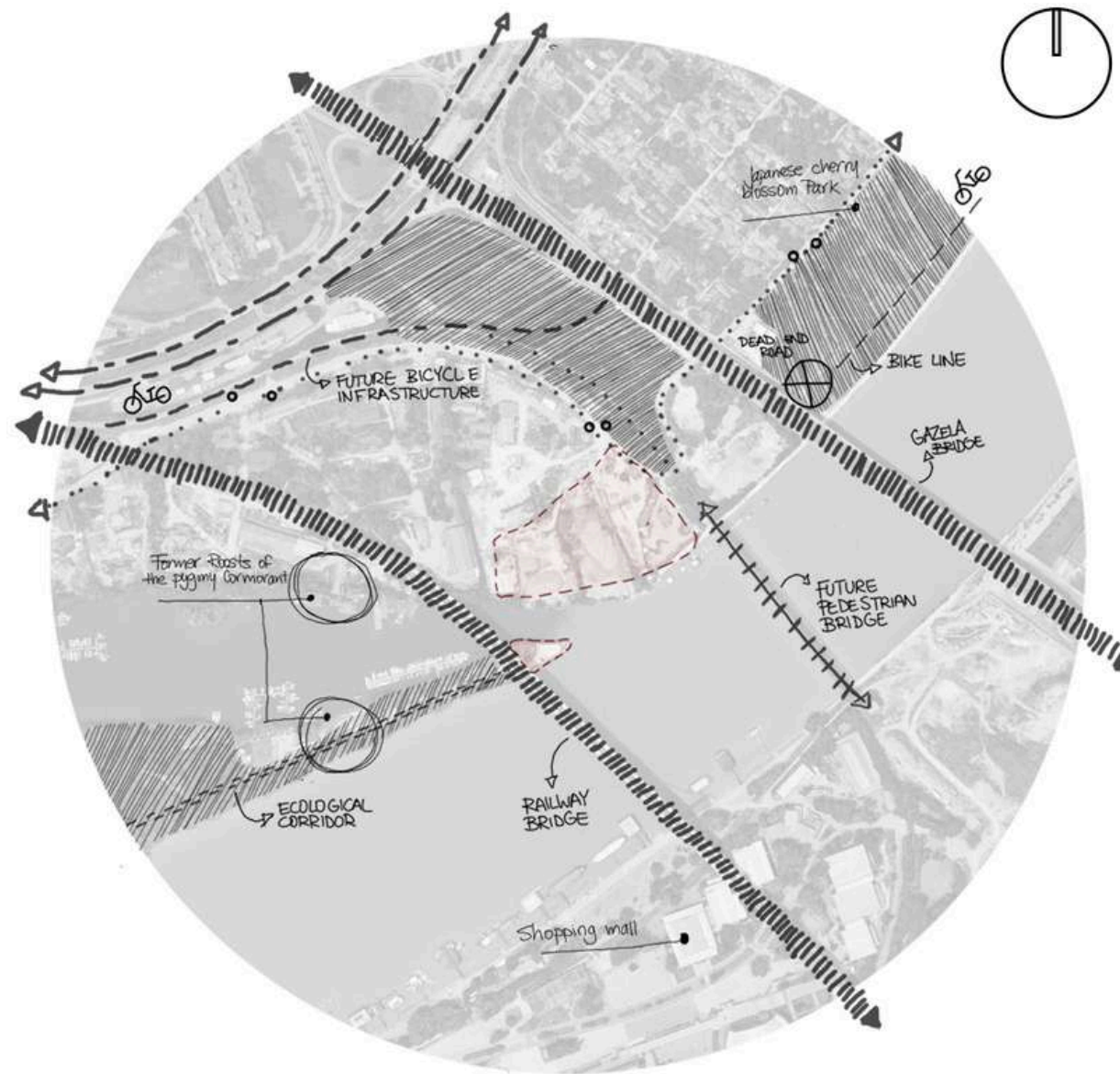


MAINTAINING THE GREEN CORRIDOR

- Linear green corridor that mediates between dense urban development and the Sava River.
- Ensure environmental buffering from adjacent road infrastructure.
- The park supports informal recreational activities and contributes to the ecological and social sustainability of the area.

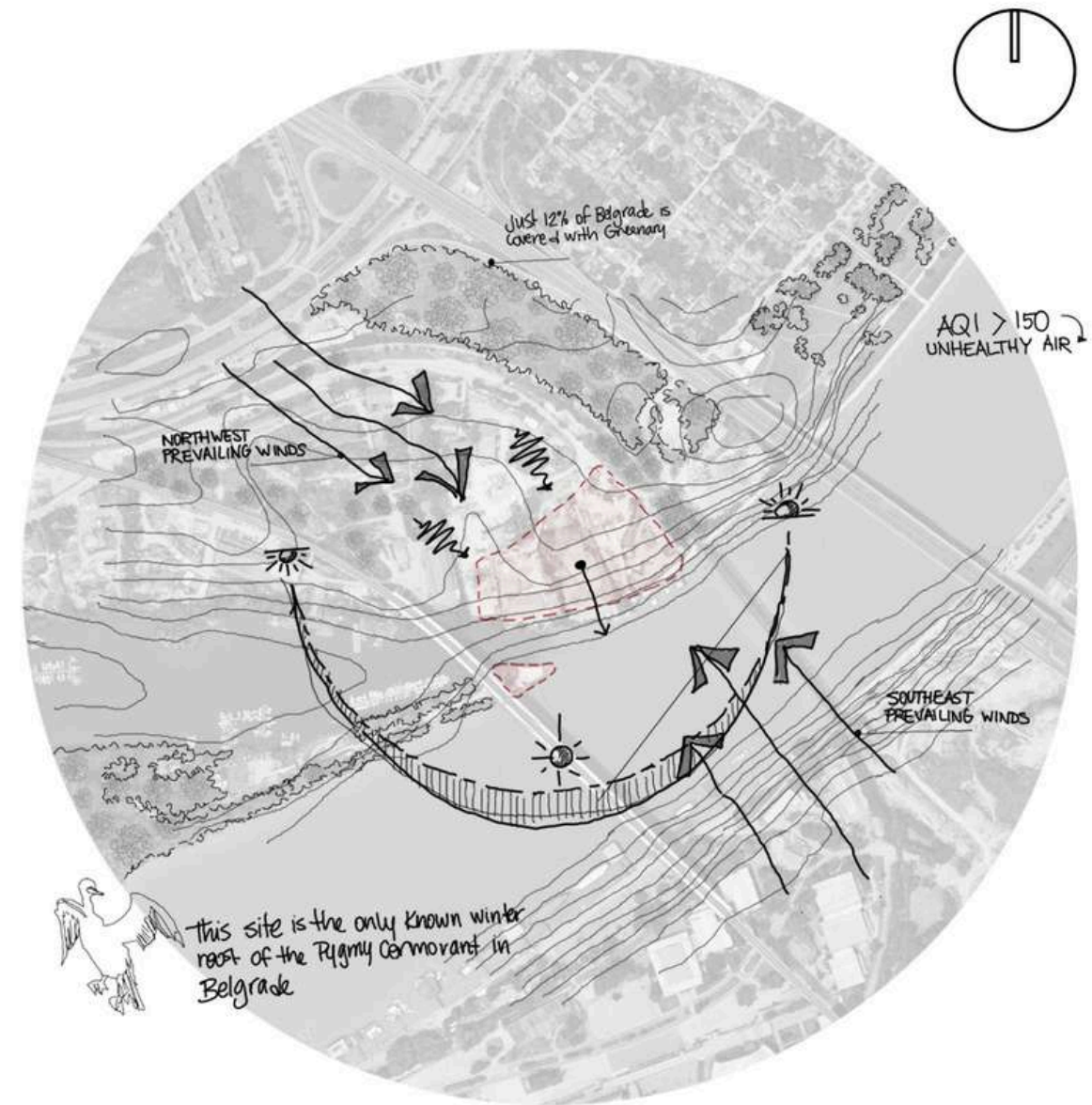


AREA ANALYSIS



URBAN CONTEXT

The site is located along the Sava River, between Belgrade's former industrial zone and the new Waterfront district. It covers around **2.6 ha** and **acts as a transition** between dense urban areas and open river landscapes. The site is accessible by secondary road and pedestrian paths so it lacks strong transport links. Nearby landmarks such as **the Old Railway Bridge** and **Ada Ciganlija** strengthen its urban identity. Surrounded by industrial heritage, new developments, and **ecological corridors**, it holds strategic value for Belgrade's **future riverfront growth**.



CLIMATIC & ECOLOGICAL CONTEXT

The site benefits from **strong southern** sunlight and prevailing winds from the southeast and northwest, ideal for **natural ventilation**. A green buffer along the river supports local biodiversity, including the **protected pygmy cormorant**. The area's proximity to a cement factory introduces industrial noise and air pollution, which can be mitigated through vegetation and material choices. Its flat topography and **open views toward the Sava** make it suitable for integrating architecture with nature. The physical setting invites a **sustainable and climate-responsive design** approach.



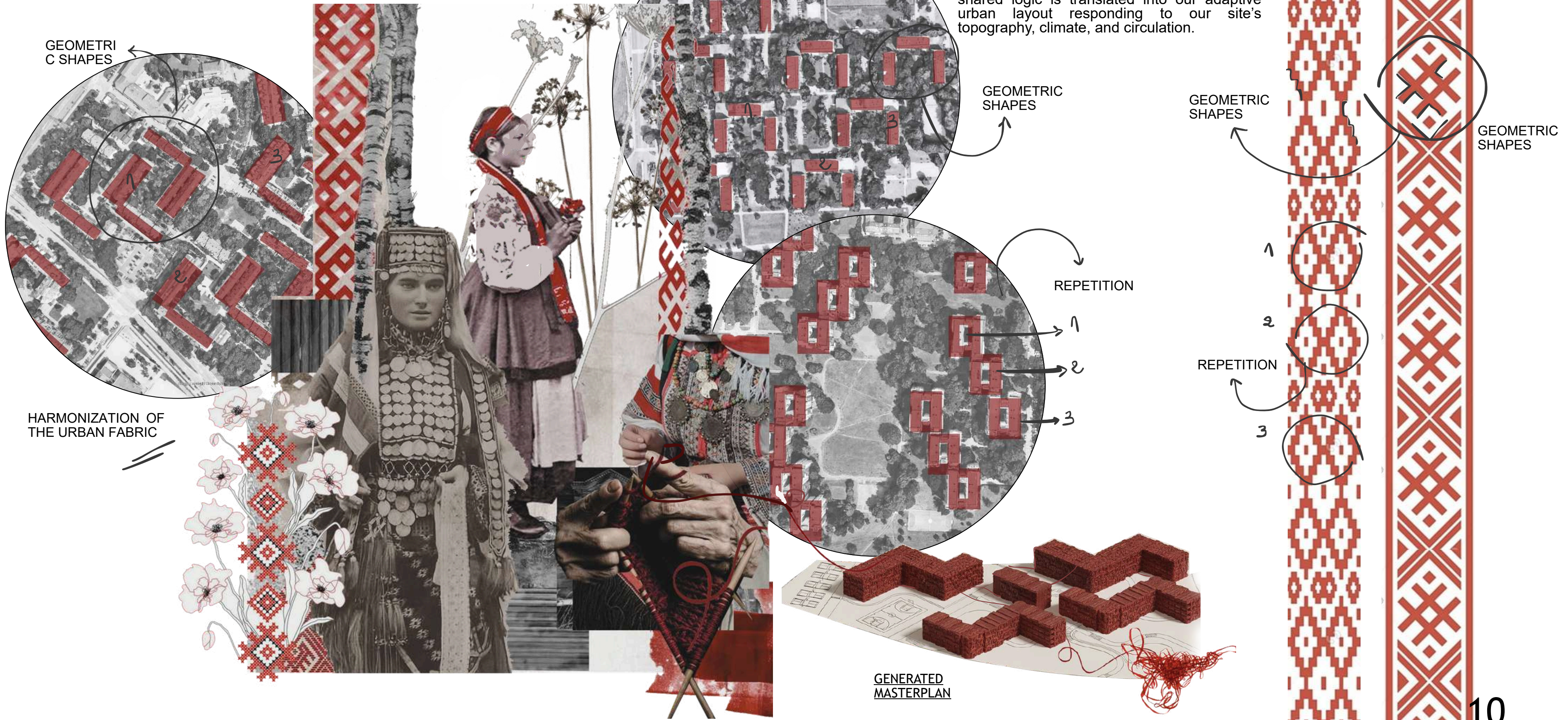
NEW PROPOSAL

SAVA THREAD

MASTERPLAN CONCEPT

FROM CULTURAL PATTERN TO URBAN MORPHOLOGY

The master plan is inspired by traditional Serbian embroidery, whose geometric repetition and harmony resemble the patterned urban fabric of Belgrade. This shared logic is translated into our adaptive urban layout responding to our site's topography, climate, and circulation.

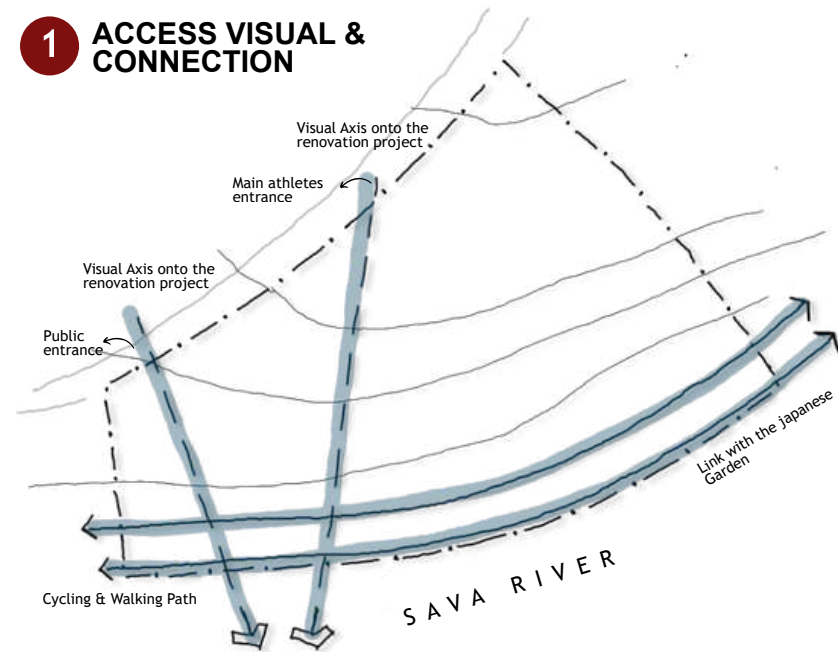


IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

ACCESS, PATTERN, ZONING

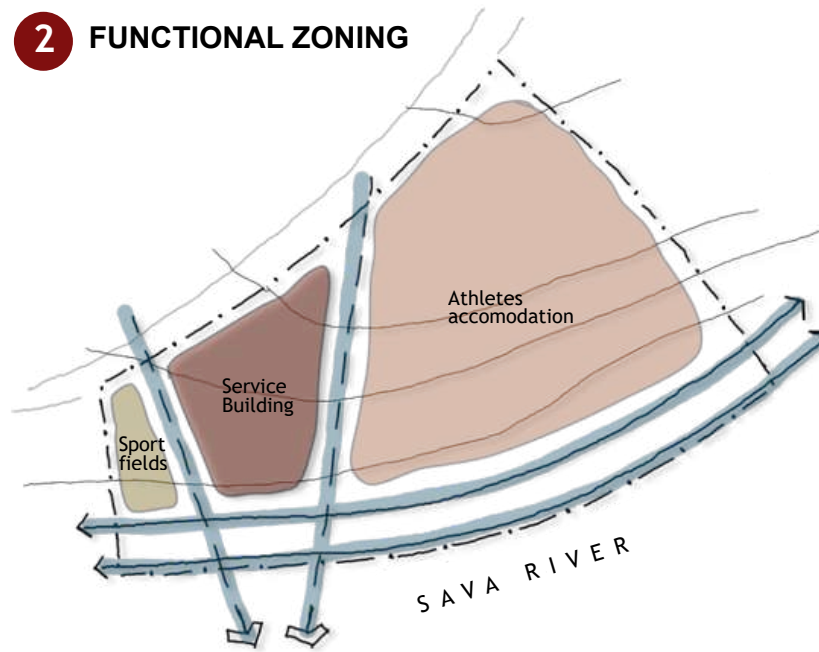


1 ACCESS VISUAL & CONNECTION



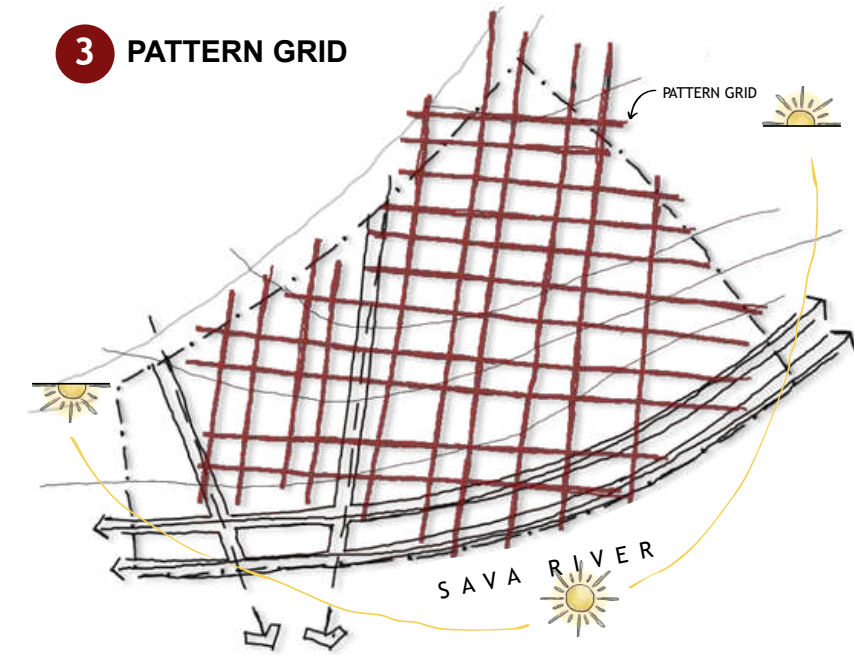
Primary access axes organize entrances, **visual connections to the renovation project**, and pedestrian and cycling links to the Japanese Garden and waterfront.

2 FUNCTIONAL ZONING



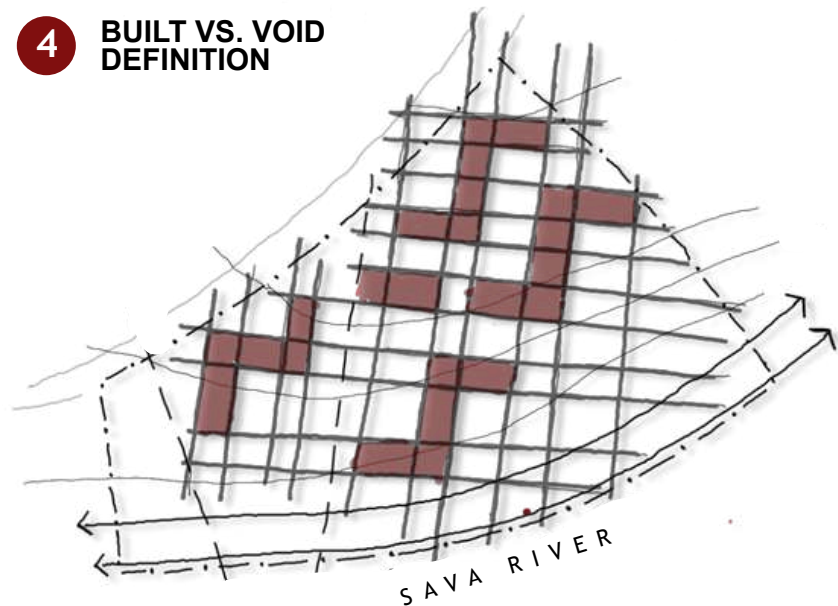
The main axes structure the site into **three programmatic zones**: athletes' accommodation, service buildings, and sports fields, arranged according to their **level of privacy**.

3 PATTERN GRID



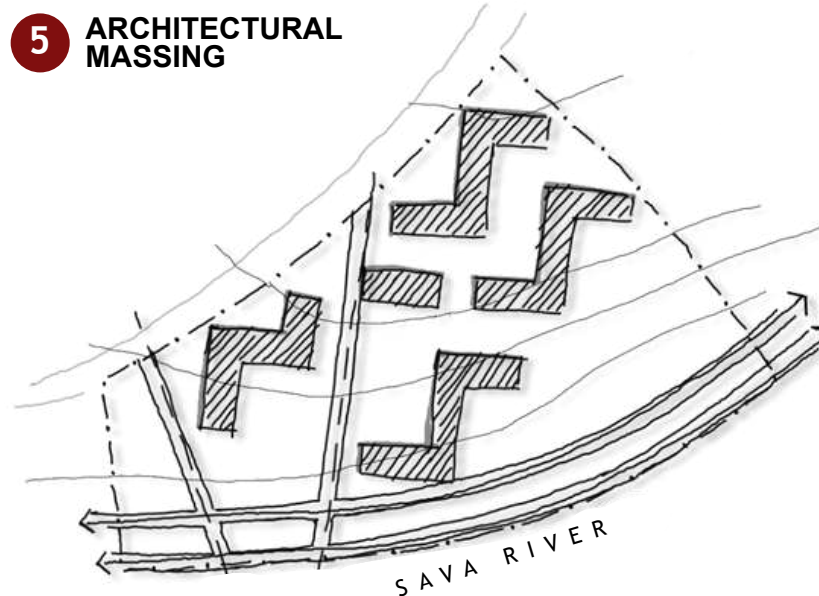
A climate-responsive pattern grid is generated from sun orientation, wind conditions, and site geometry, inspired by **Serbian patterns**.

4 BUILT VS. VOID DEFINITION



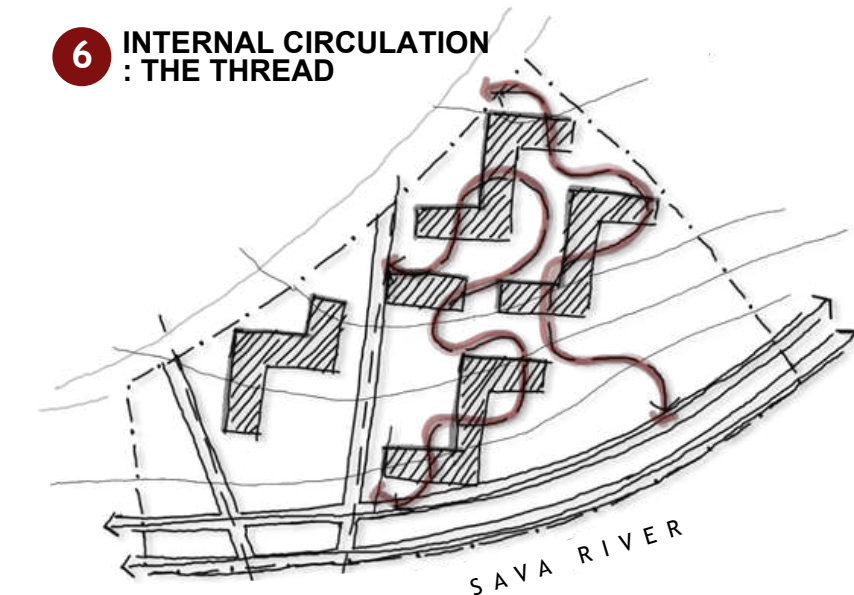
The grid defines buildable areas and open voids, regulating density, ventilation, and visual permeability.

5 ARCHITECTURAL MASSING



Building volumes are positioned according to the grid to ensure coherent orientation, spacing, and program evolution.

6 INTERNAL CIRCULATION : THE THREAD



A continuous **thread-like path** connects buildings and open spaces, structuring internal circulation across the site.

MASTER PLAN

LIVING, TRAINING, CONNECTING



- 1 Main entrance & bicycle parking
- 2 Athlete's residential blocks
- 3 Athletes Hub
- 4 Multi-sport court
- 5 Outdoor courts complex
- 6 Boutiques / Shops
- 7 Sailing and yachting base
- 8 Kayaking Launch
- 9 Outdoor swimming pools
- 10 Rainwater retention swale
- 11 Pedestrian & cyclist bridge

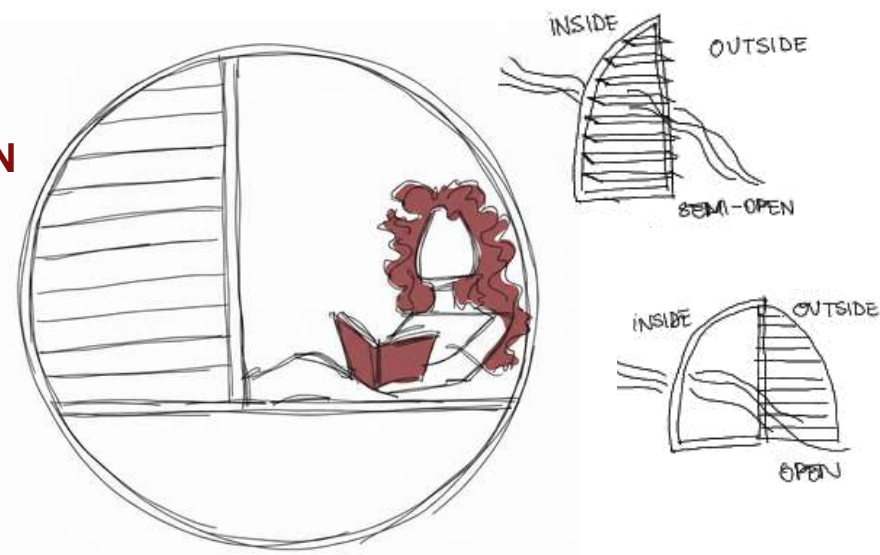


WINDOW NEST

BETWEEN SHELTER AND AIRFLOW



FROM BIOMIMETIC INSPIRATION
TO HABITABLE WINDOW

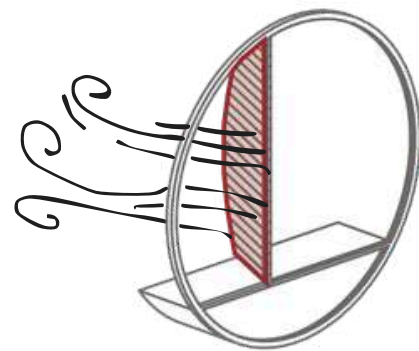
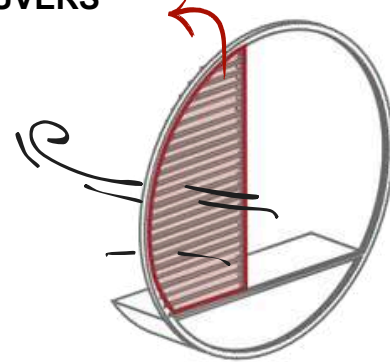
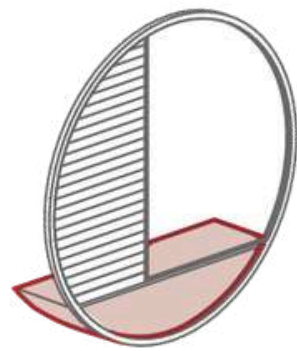


The nest as a spatial principle, a **circular, enveloping** and **protective** form, open to the outside.

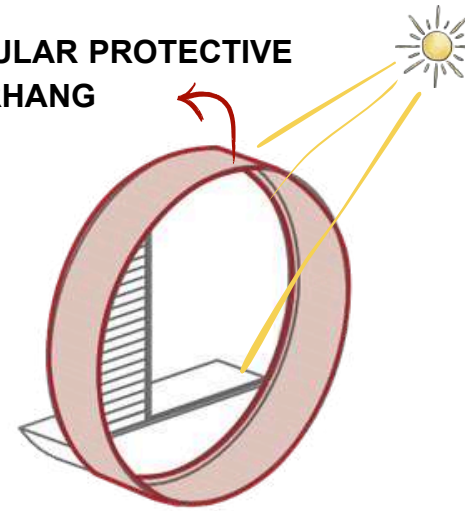
The window becomes a **space to occupy**, a thickened threshold where one can sit, **between interior and exterior**.

INTEGRATED CLIMATIC DEVICE

OPERABLE VENTILATION
LOUVERS



CIRCULAR PROTECTIVE
OVERHANG



THE INHABITABLE BASE

The thickened lower section provides a comfortable seating threshold between interior and exterior.

MINIMAL OPENING

Operable louvers are partially rotated to allow controlled airflow

FULLY OPEN

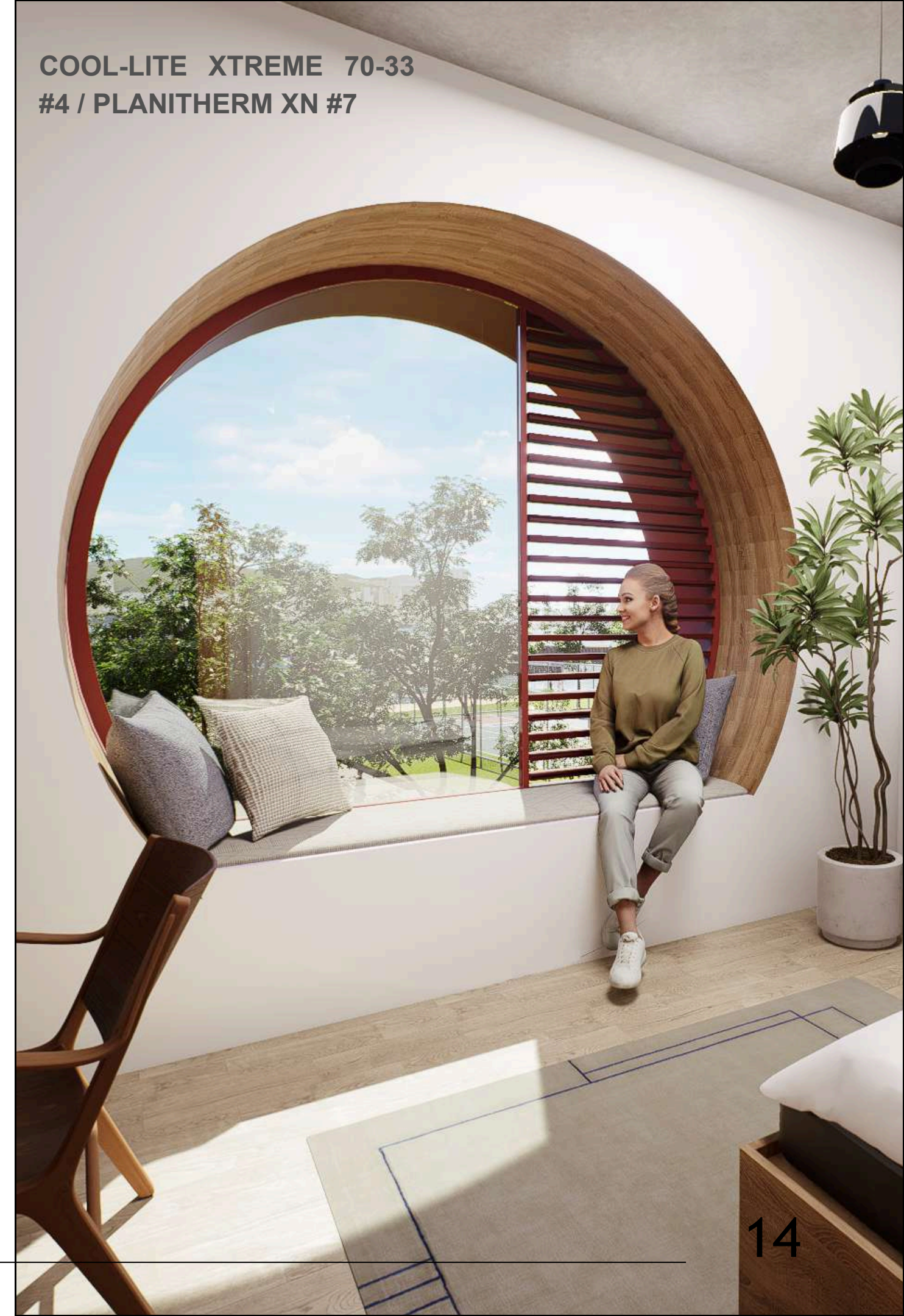
Louvers are fully opened to maximize wind and daylight penetration into the space.

SEASONAL PROTECTION

A circular overhang regulates solar exposure, shading in summer and permitting sunlight in winter.

COOL-LITE XTREME 70-33

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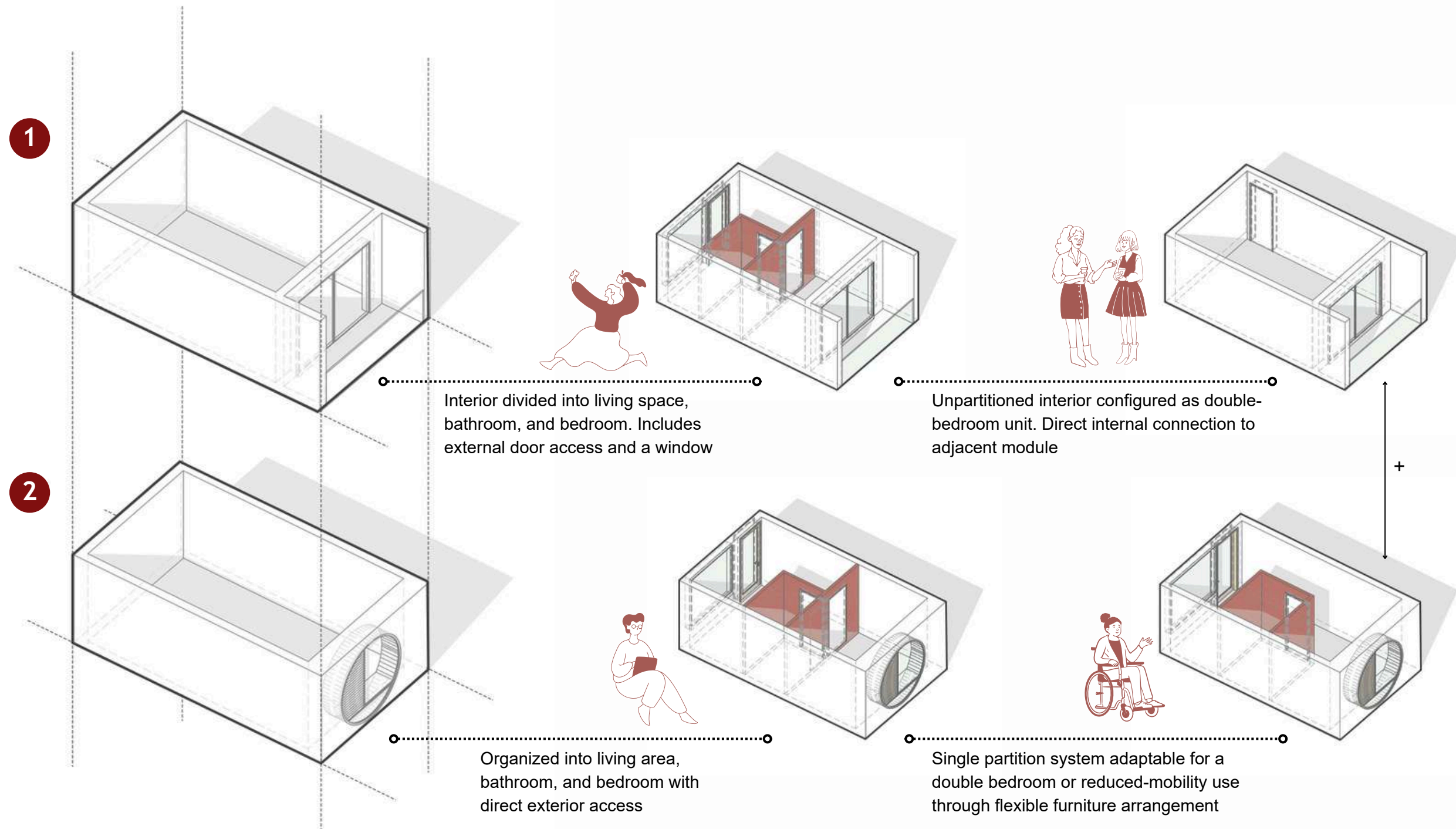
ADAPTIVE MODULAR CONCEPT

UNIT TYPOLOGY AND SPATIAL VARIATIONS

The housing strategy is based on a single adaptable unit designed to respond to different spatial needs. Through internal reconfiguration, the module accommodates a single room with a window, a balcony variation, or a fully accessible layout. When duplicated, the unit evolves into a double-bedroom configuration, maintaining coherence while increasing capacity.

BALCONY MODULE

Structural unit with integrated balcony opening. Designed as a flexible spatial container



THE NEST MODULE

Structural unit defined by circular facade opening. Acts as complementary typology within the system.

ADAPTIVE MODULAR CONCEPT

OFF-SITE CONSTRUCTION STRATEGY



4 ASSEMBLY

Modules are craned into position and mechanically fixed, creating a fast and dry construction process with minimal wet trades.

REDUCES ON-SITE CONSTRUCTION TIME BY UP TO 50%

REDUCES CONSTRUCTION POLLUTION BY 30-50%

1 PREFABRICATION

The CLT modules are **CNC-fabricated** in a controlled factory environment, ensuring **precision**, and optimized structural performance. The CLT acts as a carbon sink storing approximately **0.8-1 ton of CO₂** per cubic meter of wood.

SHORTEN TIMELINES BY 30-40% THROUGH PARALLEL PRODUCTION

REDUCE WASTE BY 60-70%

2 TRANSPORTATION

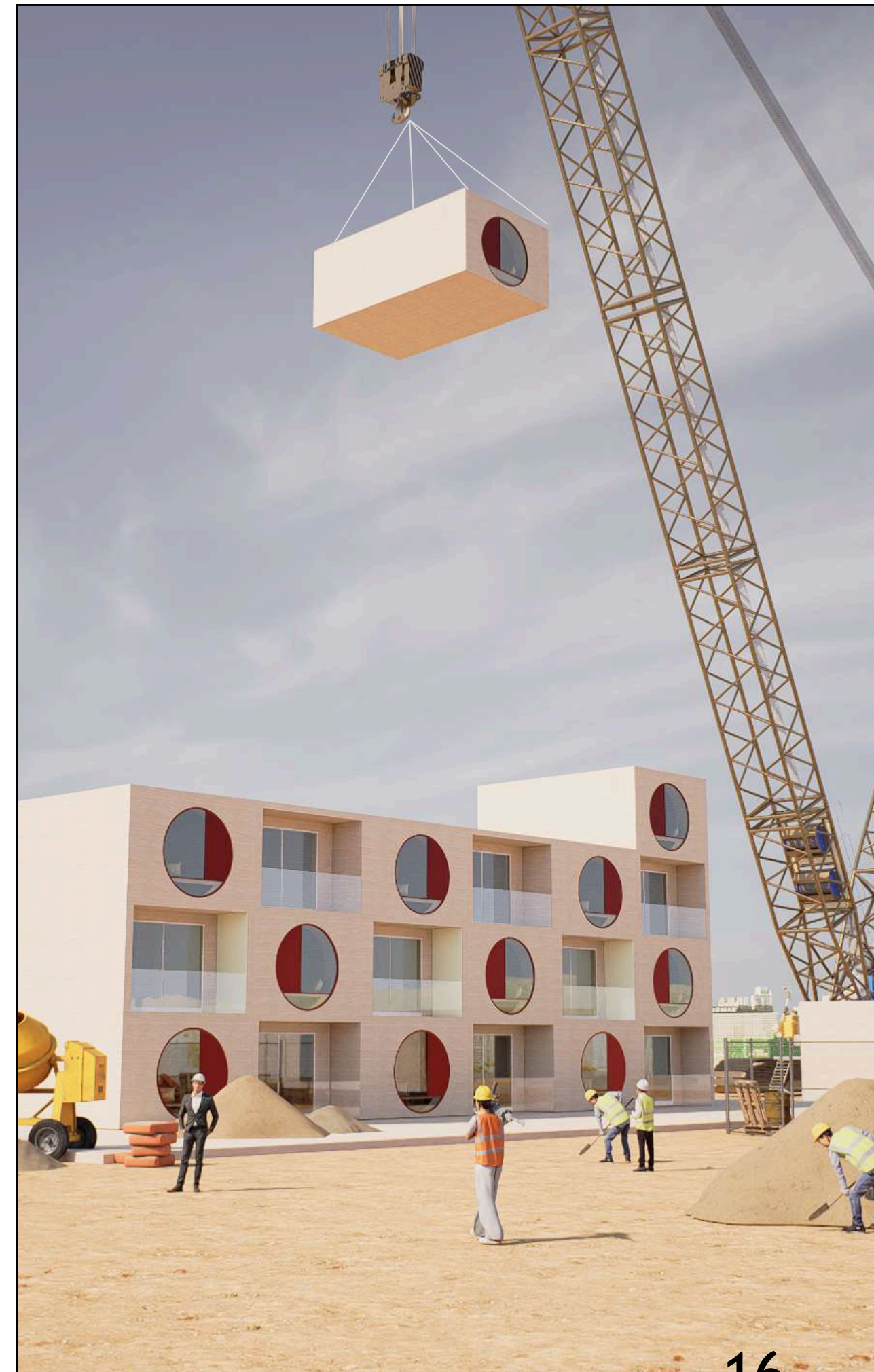
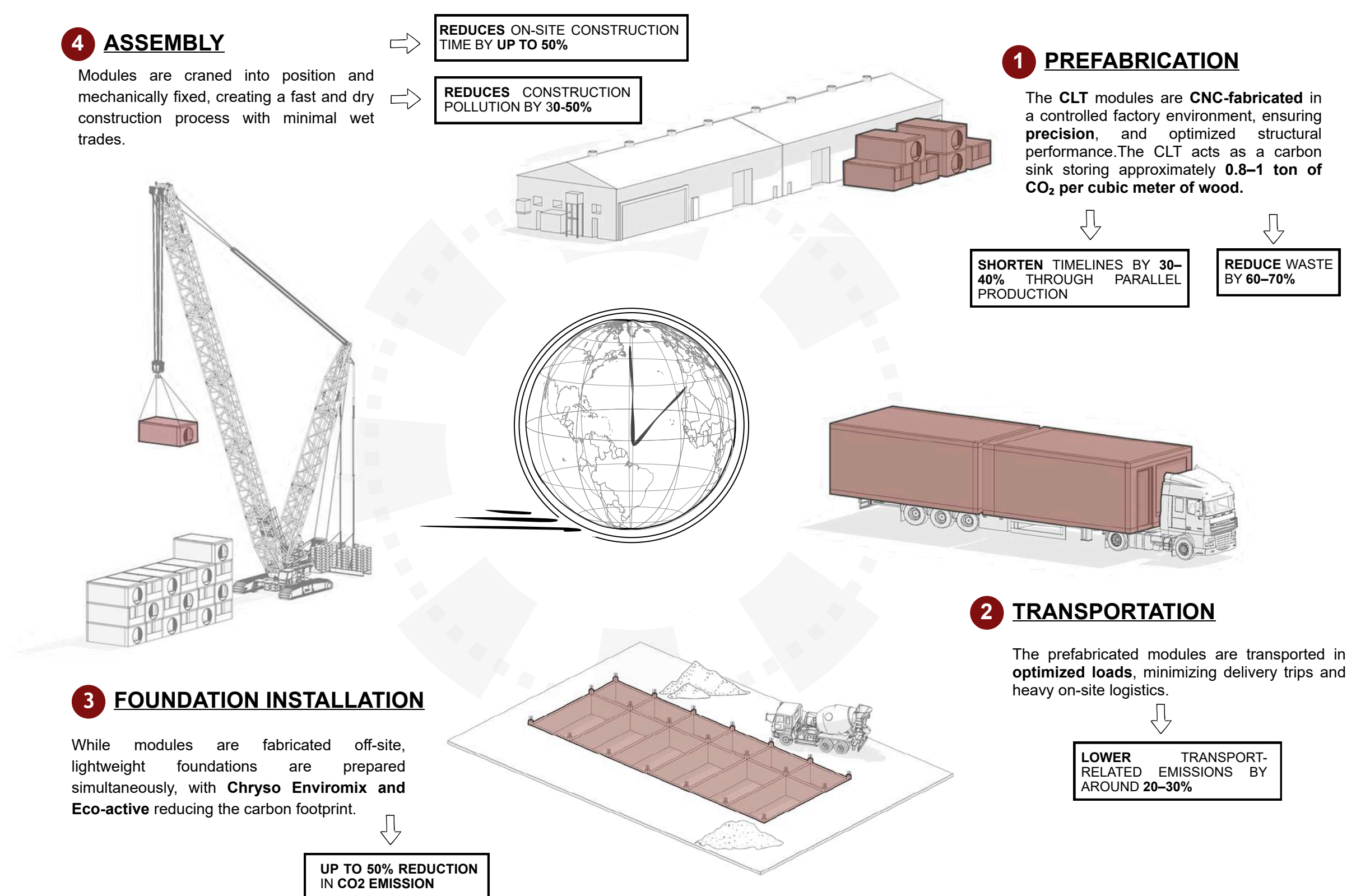
The prefabricated modules are transported in **optimized loads**, minimizing delivery trips and heavy on-site logistics.

LOWER TRANSPORT-RELATED EMISSIONS BY AROUND 20-30%

3 FOUNDATION INSTALLATION

While modules are fabricated off-site, lightweight foundations are prepared simultaneously, with **Chryso Enviromix** and **Eco-active** reducing the carbon footprint.

UP TO 50% REDUCTION IN CO₂ EMISSION



WHY CLT ?



CLT - LOW CARBON FOOTPRINT

WOOD - RENEWABLE RESOURCE

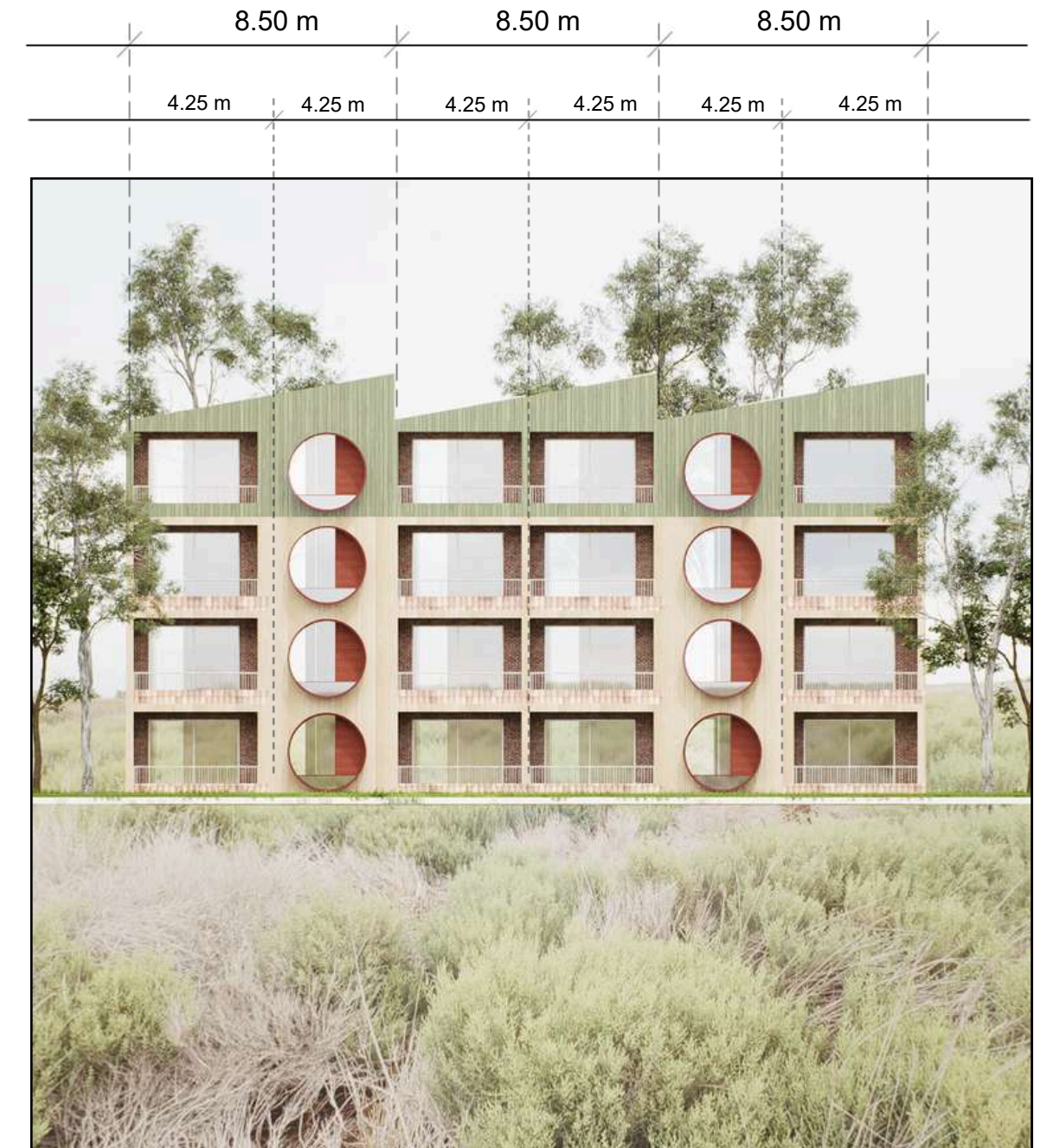
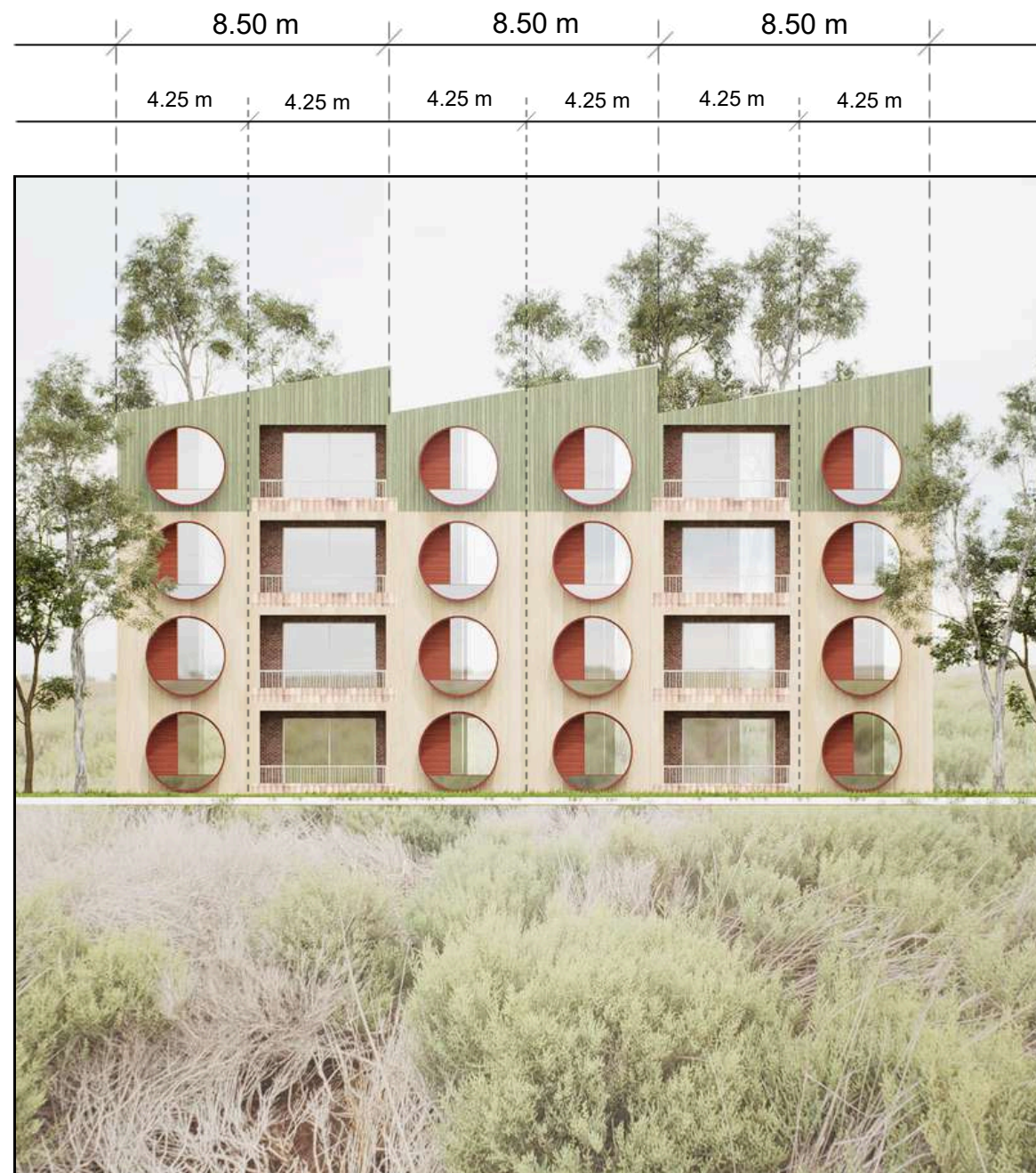
PREFABRICATION - EASY INSTALLATION, SAFER FOR BUILDERS

RIGIPS - FIRE-RESISTANT PLASTERBOARDS

MODULAR FACADE COMPOSITION

CONTROLLED DIVERSITY THROUGH MODULARITY

Based on the two modular units, the facade composition is reconfigured into three distinct arrangements. This controlled variation prevents repetition while ensuring visual unity and design consistency.

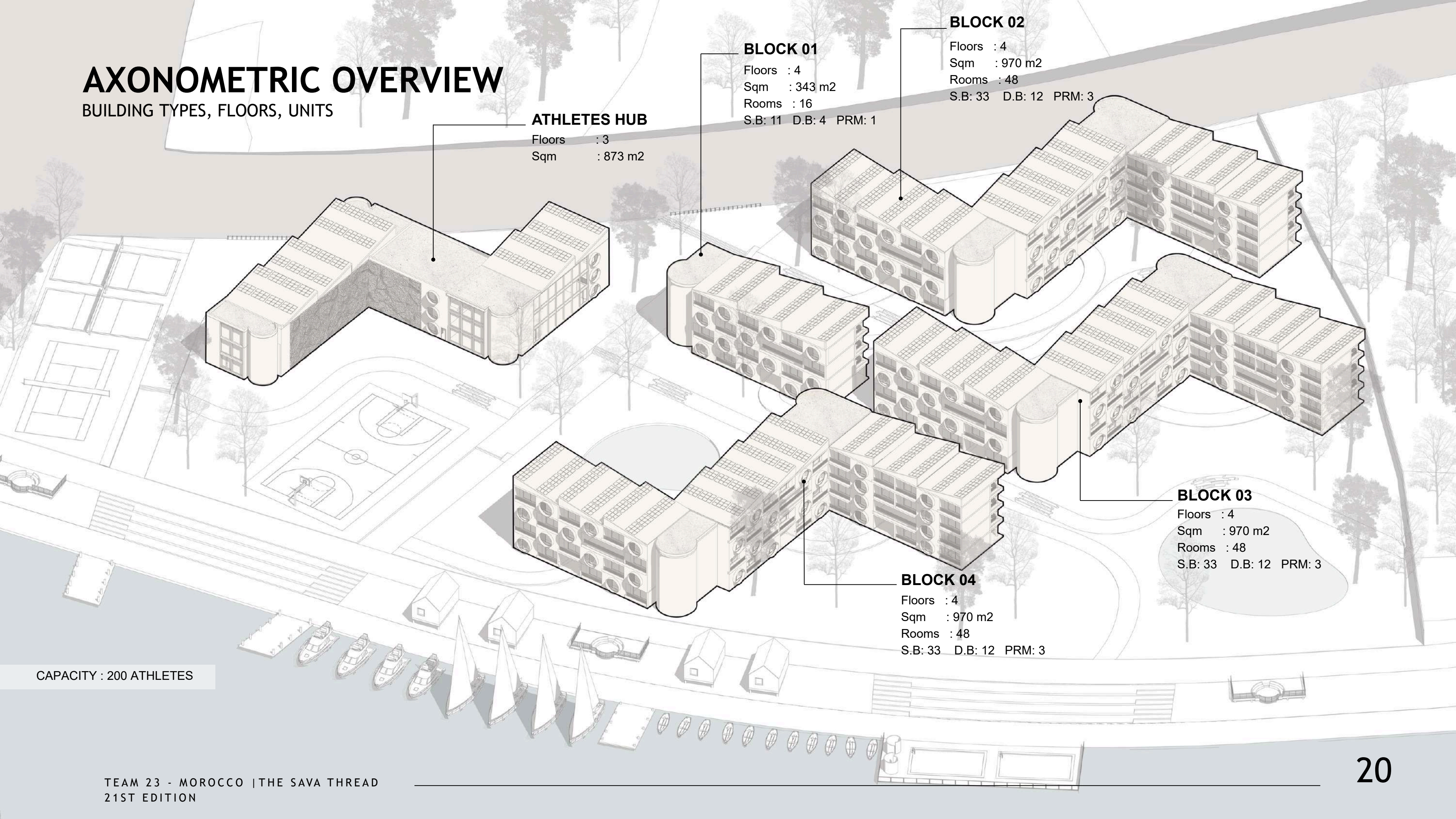


INHABITING THE FAÇADE 



AXONOMETRIC OVERVIEW

BUILDING TYPES, FLOORS, UNITS



ATHLETES HUB

Floors : 3
Sqm : 873 m2

BLOCK 01

Floors : 4
Sqm : 343 m2
Rooms : 16
S.B: 11 D.B: 4 PRM: 1

BLOCK 02

Floors : 4
Sqm : 970 m2
Rooms : 48
S.B: 33 D.B: 12 PRM: 3

BLOCK 03

Floors : 4
Sqm : 970 m2
Rooms : 48
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BLOCK 04

Floors : 4
Sqm : 970 m2
Rooms : 48
S.B: 33 D.B: 12 PRM: 3

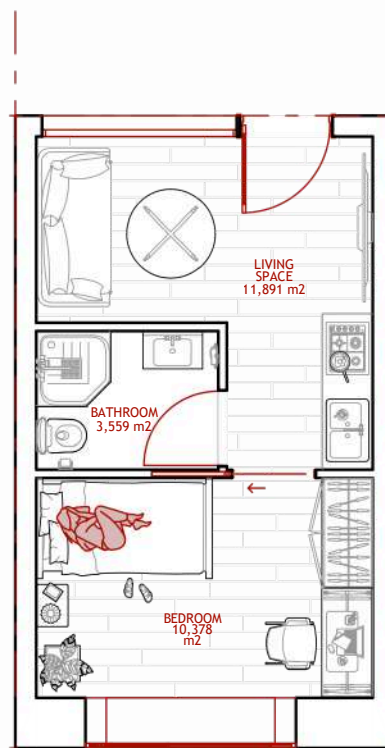
CAPACITY : 200 ATHLETES



HOUSING FLOORPLANS

ONE MODULE, MULTIPLE LIVING SCENARIOS

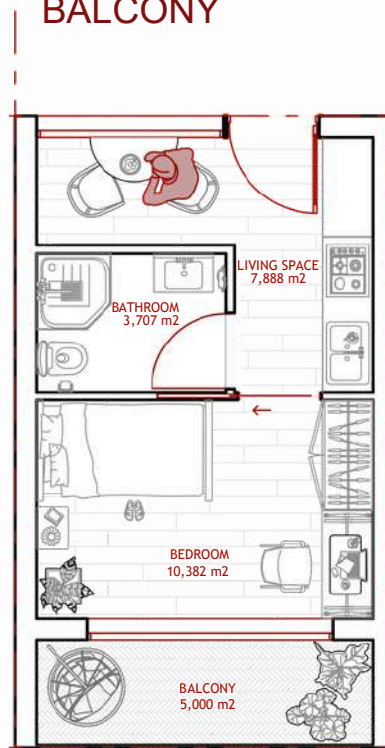
SINGLE BEDROOM WITH A WINDOW



34 m²



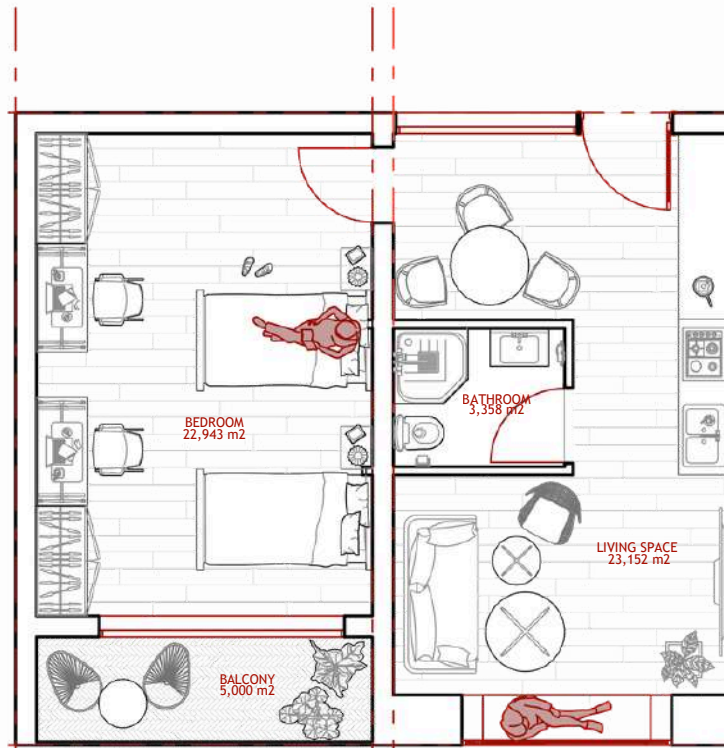
SINGLE BEDROOM WITH A BALCONY



34 m²



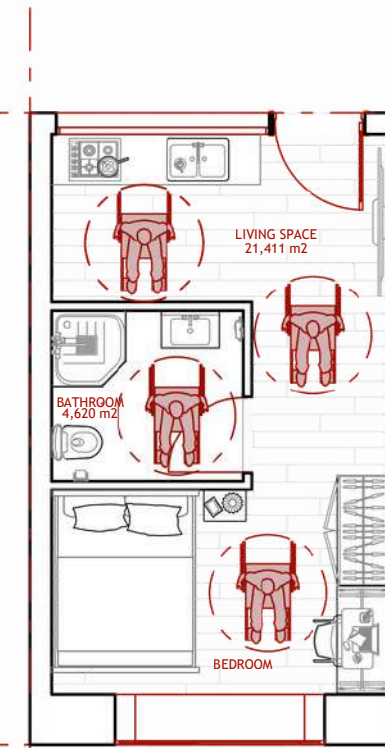
DOUBLE BEDROOM



68 m²



DISABLED ACCESS ROOM



34 m²



SINGLE BEDROOM WITH A BALCONY

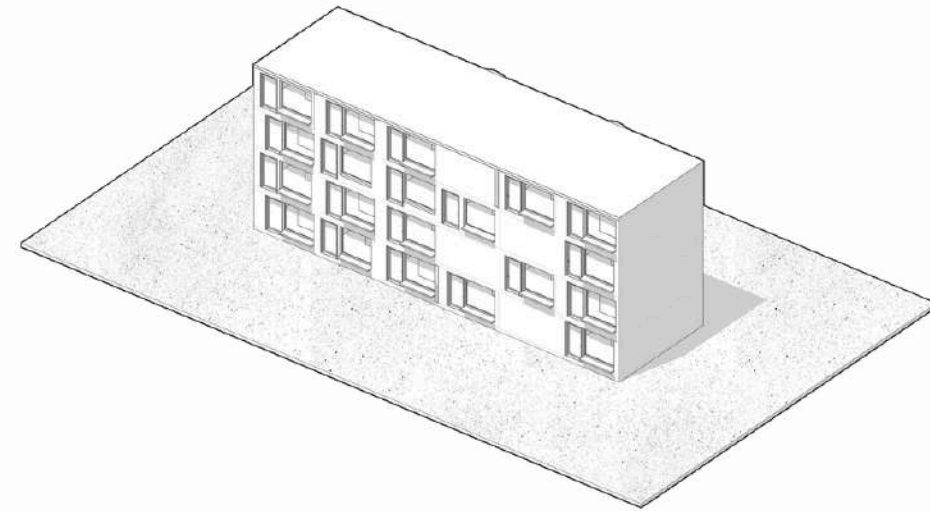


DOUBLE BEDROOM LIVING SPACE



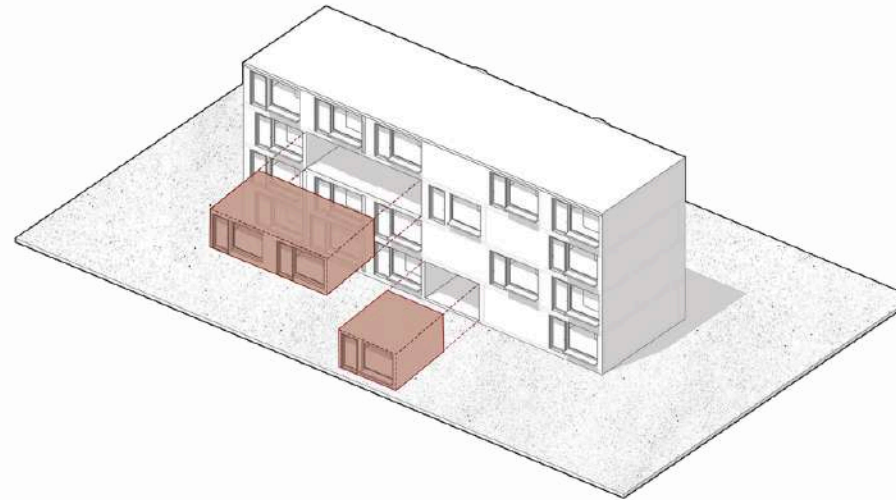
MODULAR SPATIAL EVOLUTION

STRUCTURING COMMUNITY, THROUGH MODULAR MANIPULATION



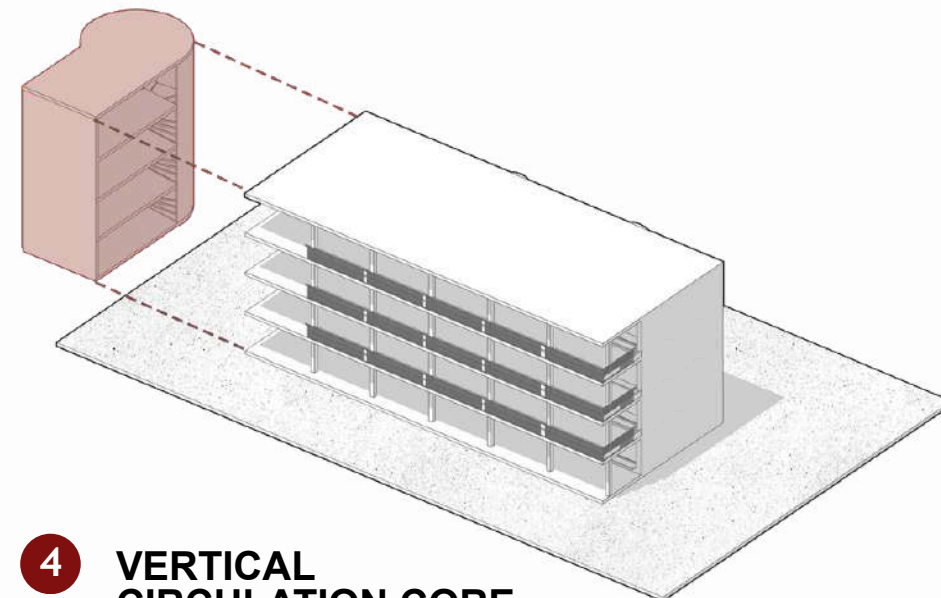
1 MODULAR ASSEMBLY

Individual housing modules are aggregated to form a compact residential block. Repetition of a prefabricated structural grid ensures construction efficiency.



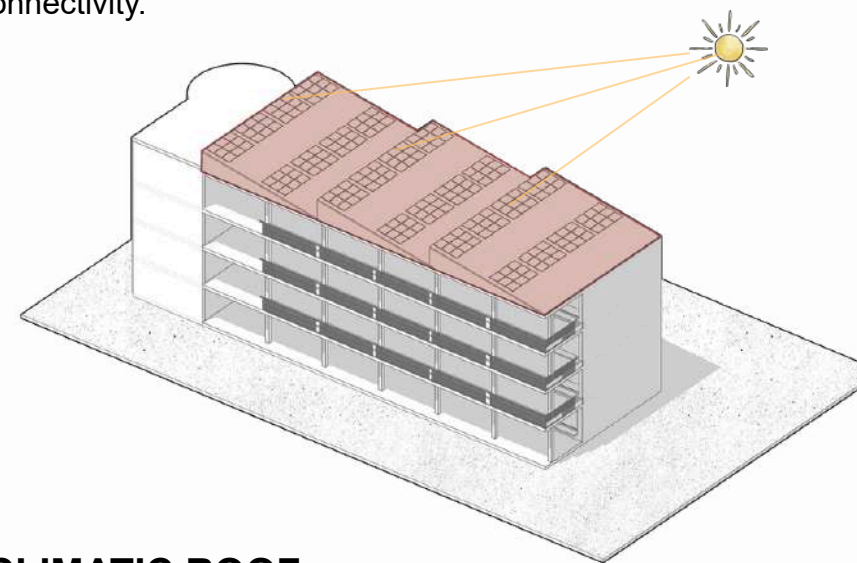
2 COLLECTIVE SOCIAL VOID

Three units are subtracted to enhance spatial porosity. This intervention forms a **shared gathering space** and a **through-building passage**, reinforcing social interaction and site connectivity.



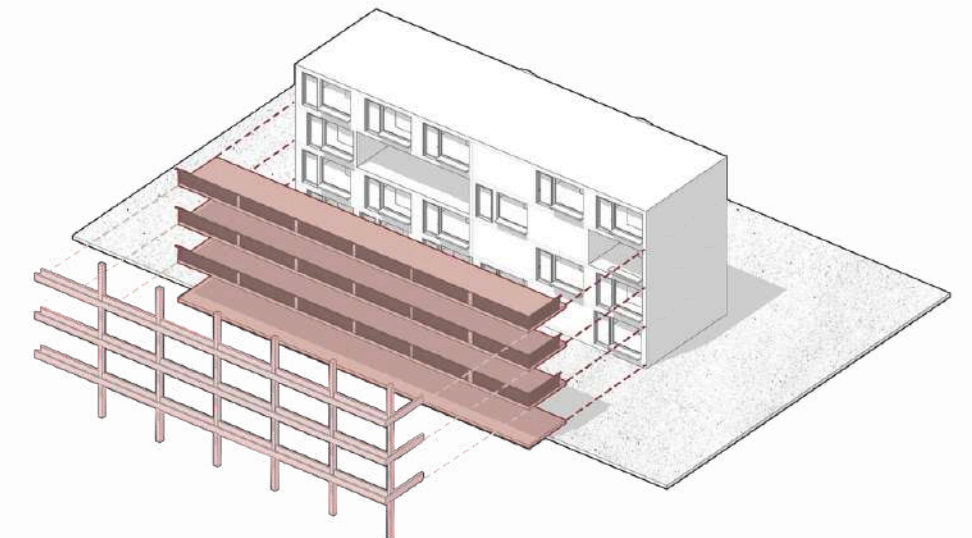
4 VERTICAL CIRCULATION CORE

A **prefabricated vertical circulation** core (stairs and elevators) is connected to the main volume.



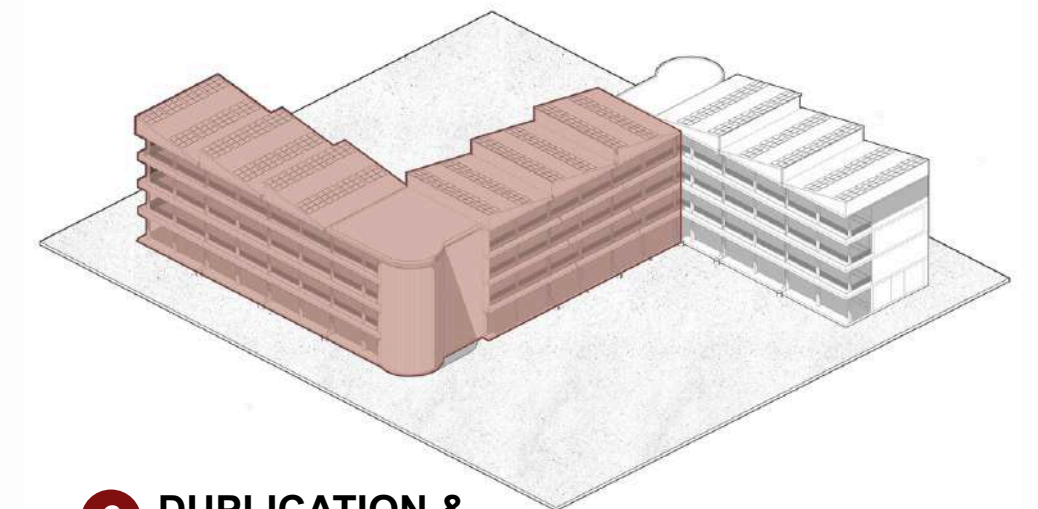
5 CLIMATIC ROOF STRATEGY

The inclined roof references the site's industrial memory is equipped with **photovoltaic solar panels** oriented to optimize solar exposure. Its slope enhances **rainwater drainage**.



3 CIRCULATION PLATFORMS & STRUCTURAL FRAMEWORK

External circulation decks and **structural steel** post are attached to the façade. Integrated **planter trays** allow vegetation to extend vertically across the structure



6 DUPLICATION & ORIENTATION STRATEGY

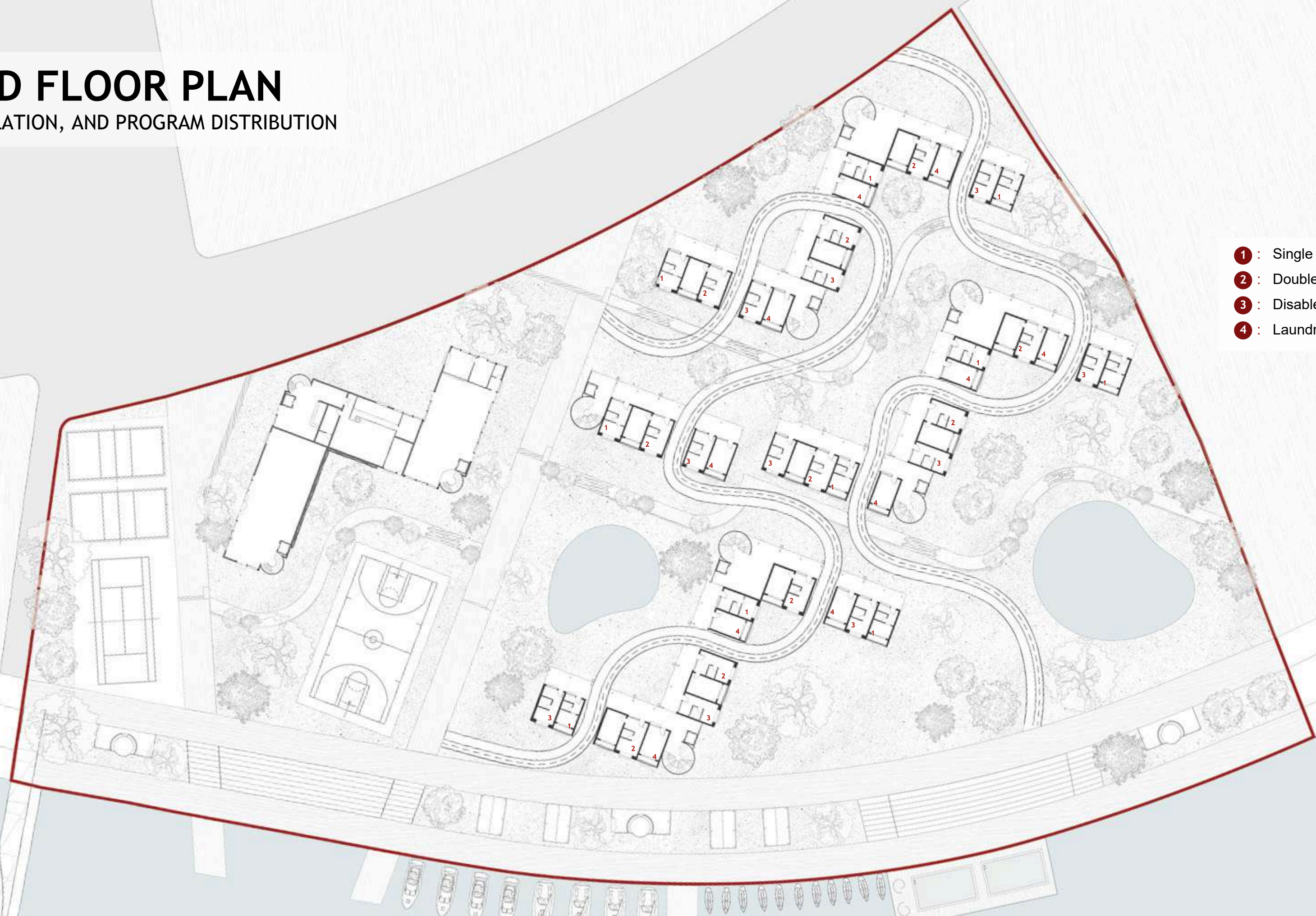
New blocks emerges from the same modular framework, reconfigured to produce a **distinct spatial arrangement**, rotated to generate an adaptable urban pattern.

GROUND FLOOR PLAN

ACCESS, CIRCULATION, AND PROGRAM DISTRIBUTION



- 1 : Single Bedroom
- 2 : Double bedroom
- 3 : Disabled access room
- 4 : Laundry room



ADAPTIVE PRIVACY GLASS

FLUID BOUNDARIES OF SPACE

An adaptive glazing system that **changes transparency** through electrical stimulation, allowing dynamic control of **light, privacy, and thermal performance** without mechanical elements.



BEFORE



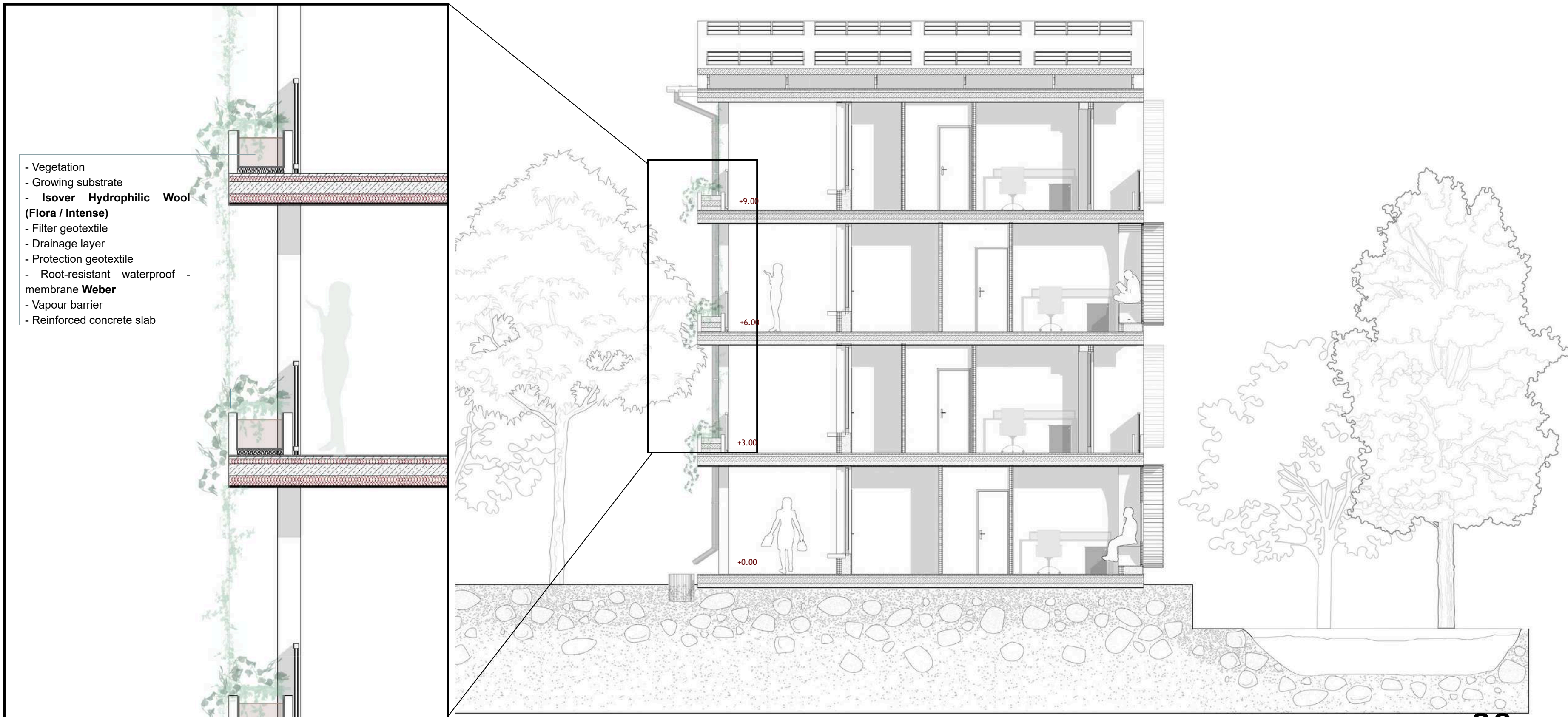
AFTER





DETAIL SECTION

WALLS, FLOORS

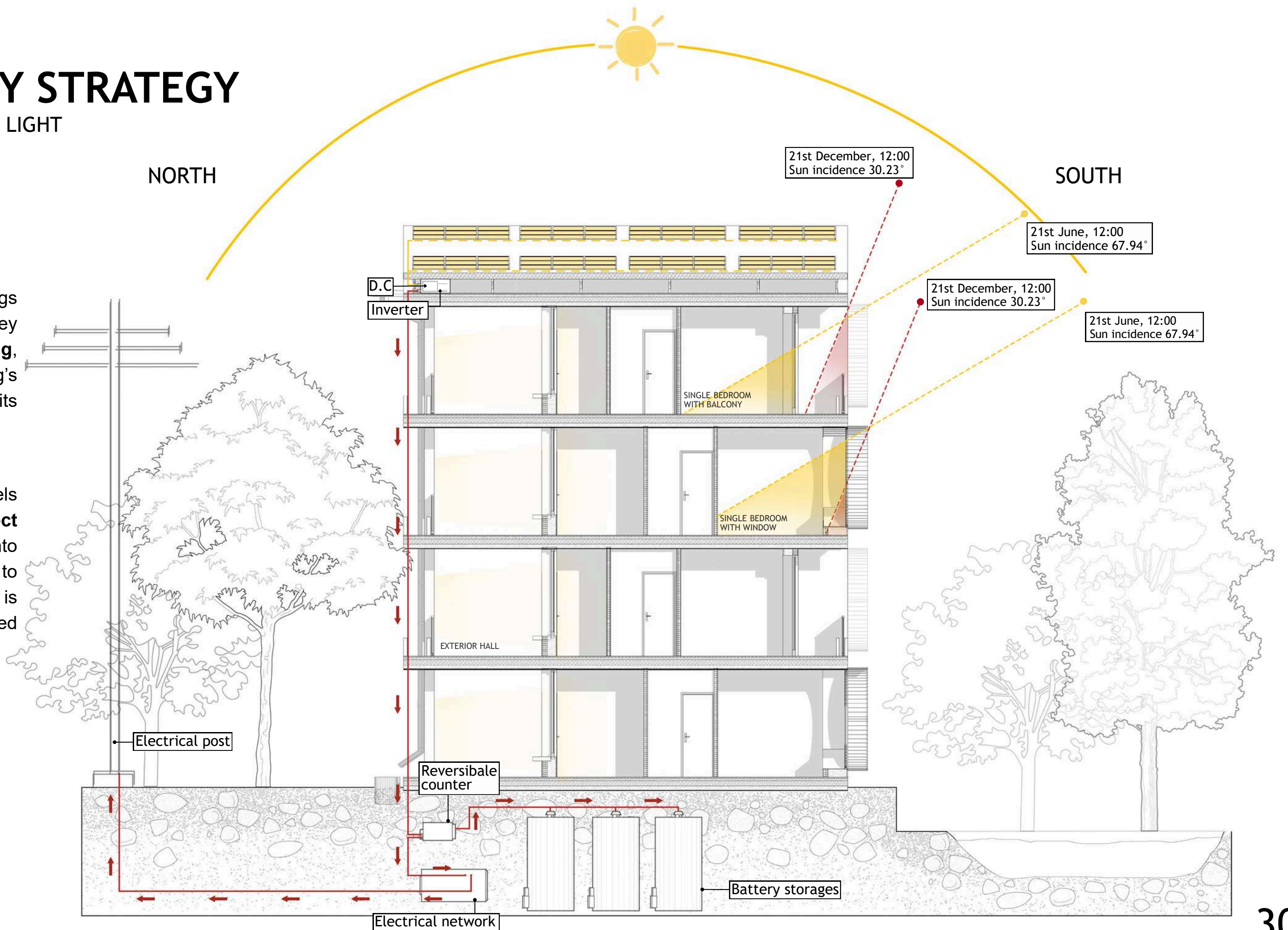


SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

PHOTOVOLTAIC AND INTERIOR LIGHT

The **south orientation** and openings provide optimal daylight. In winter, they **capture solar** energy for passive **heating**, while in summer the building's configuration **creates shading** that limits heat gain.

Roof-mounted **photovoltaic** panels capture solar energy and produce **direct current (DC)**, which is converted into **alternating current (AC)** by an inverter to supply the building. The electricity is distributed to all floors and can be stored in **batteries**.

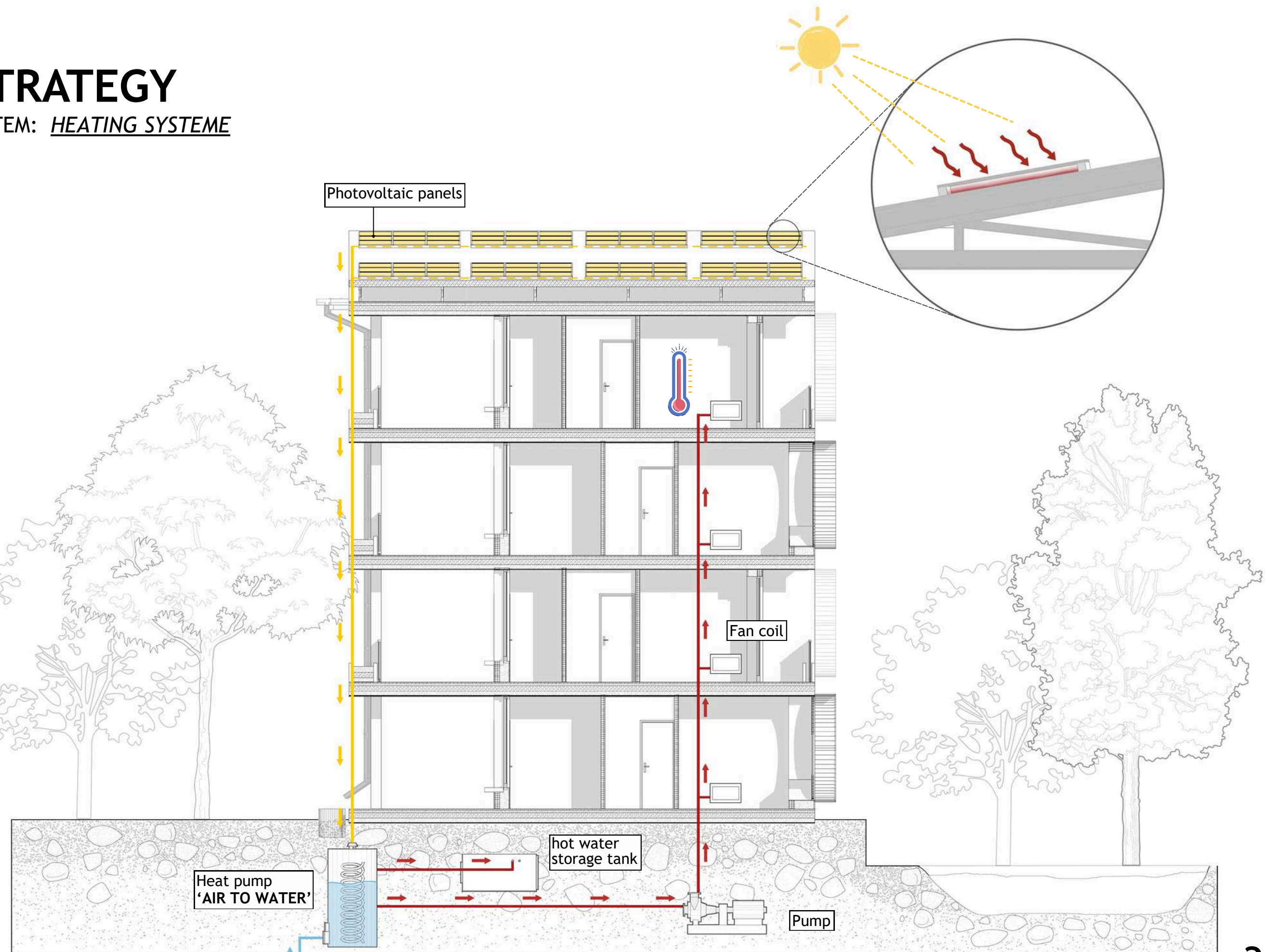


SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

PHOTOVOLTAIC THERMAL HYBRID SYSTEM: HEATING SYSTEM

A **10-centimeter gap** is intentionally maintained between the **photovoltaic (PV) panels** and the roof surface. This gap serves as a **solar heat collector**, allowing the sun's heat to warm the air trapped beneath the panels. This warm air is then directed into a **heat pump (air-to-water)** system, which extracts the thermal energy and elevates the temperature of the water in the secondary circuit.

The heated water is circulated through **fan coil units**, which release warm air into the interior spaces, effectively raising the building temperature.

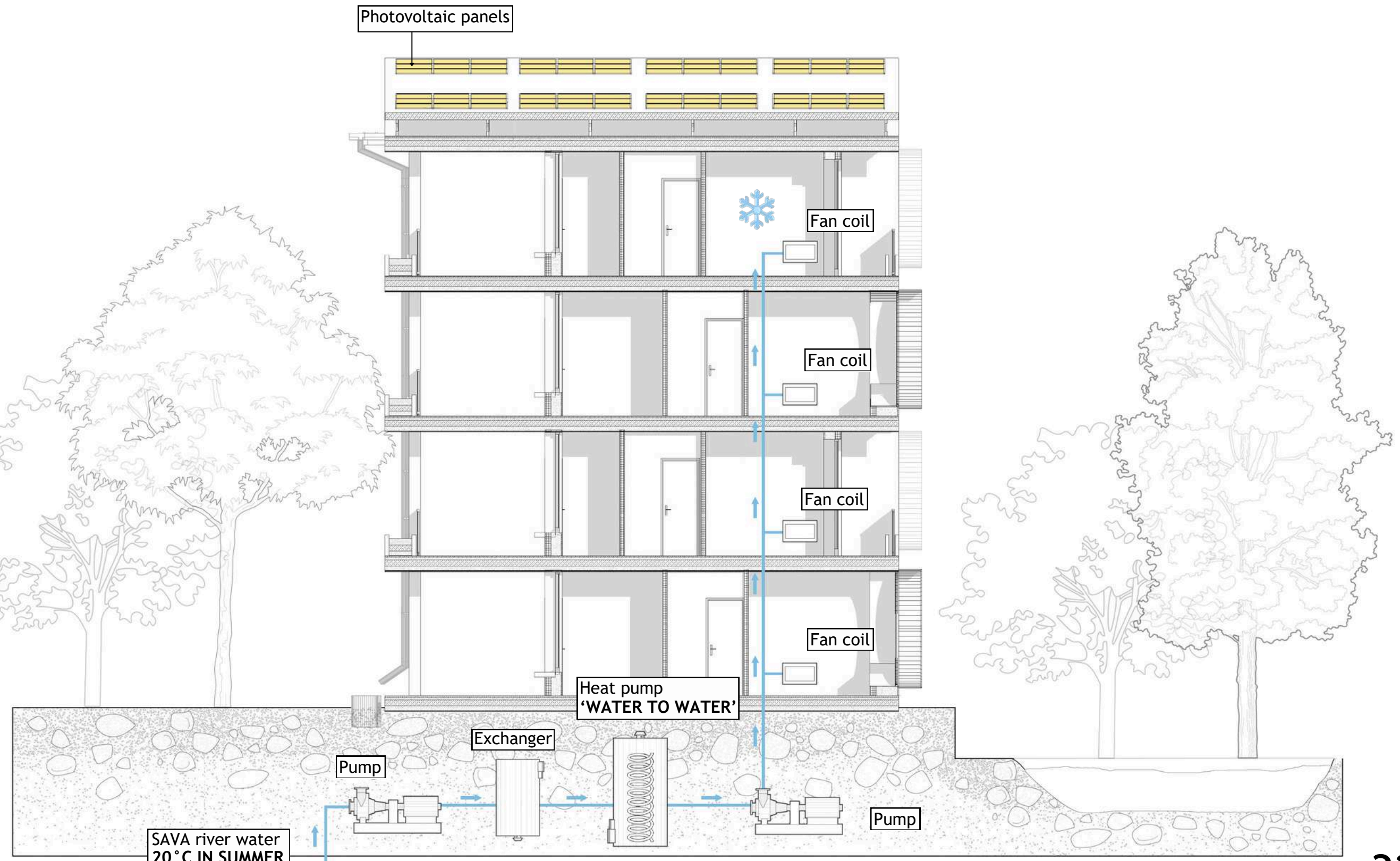


SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

PHOTOVOLTAIC THERMAL HYBRID SYSTEM: COOLING SYSTEM

The Sava River acts as a **renewable, passive cooling source**. Cold river water is drawn into the building's mechanical system, first passing through a **heat exchanger**, which allows **thermal energy** to transfer.

The chilled water then enters **water-to-water** heat pumps, which further lower its temperature to the desired level for indoor comfort. Finally, this chilled water circulates through **fan coil units**, which blow cool air into the interior spaces, maintaining a **comfortable temperature for occupants**.

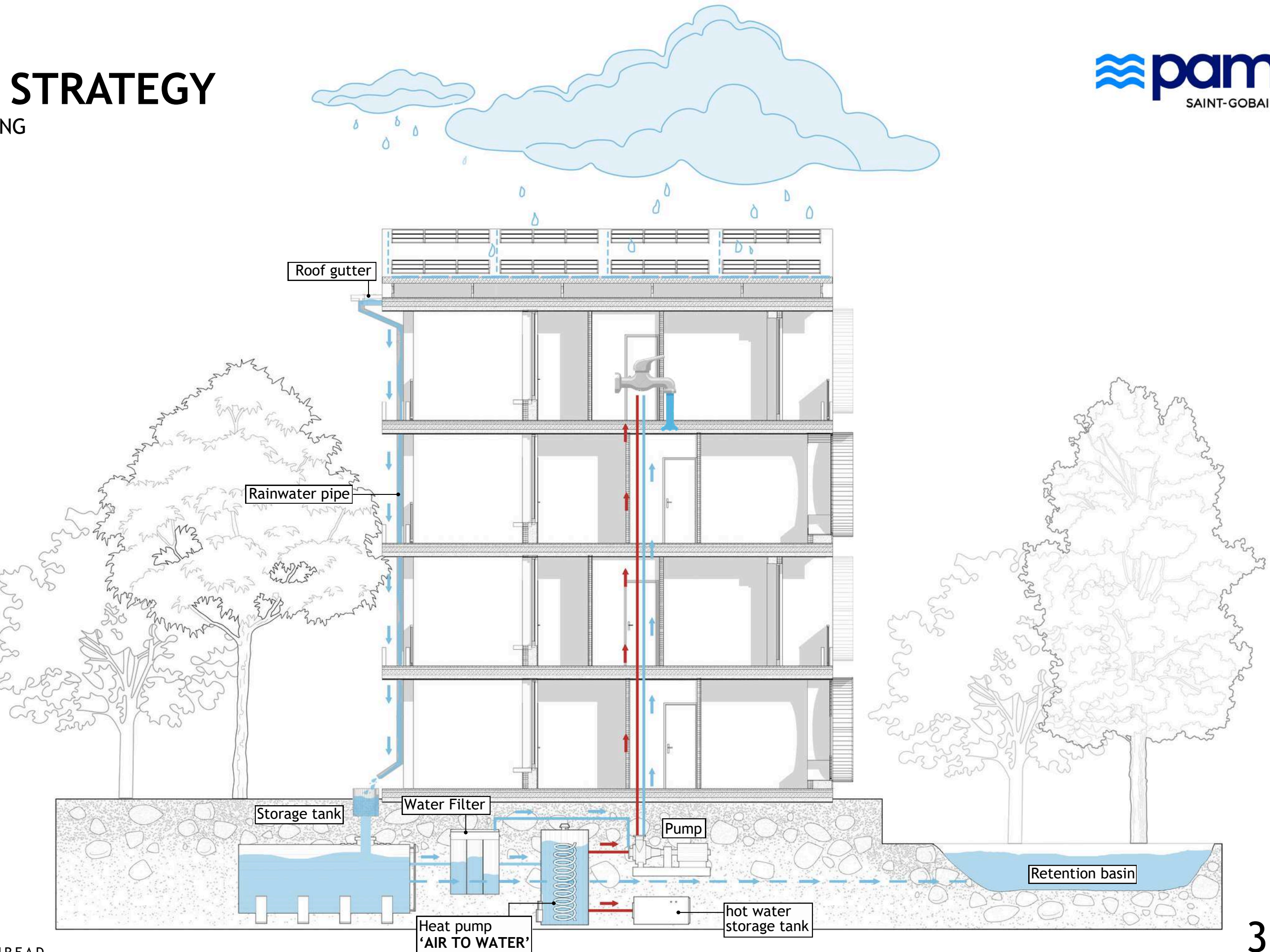


SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

RAINWATER HARVESTING & HEATING

The inclined roof helps collect rainwater and **efficiently channels** it in pipes toward a unique **central drain** and into an underground **storage tank** minimizing losses and concentrating the collection. The water is then **filtered to remove impurities** before being reused in the building system.

Excess rainwater is redirected through drainage ducts to a large **retention basin**. This basin temporarily stores run-off during heavy rainfall, helping **prevent flooding** and ensuring **effective stormwater management** across the site.

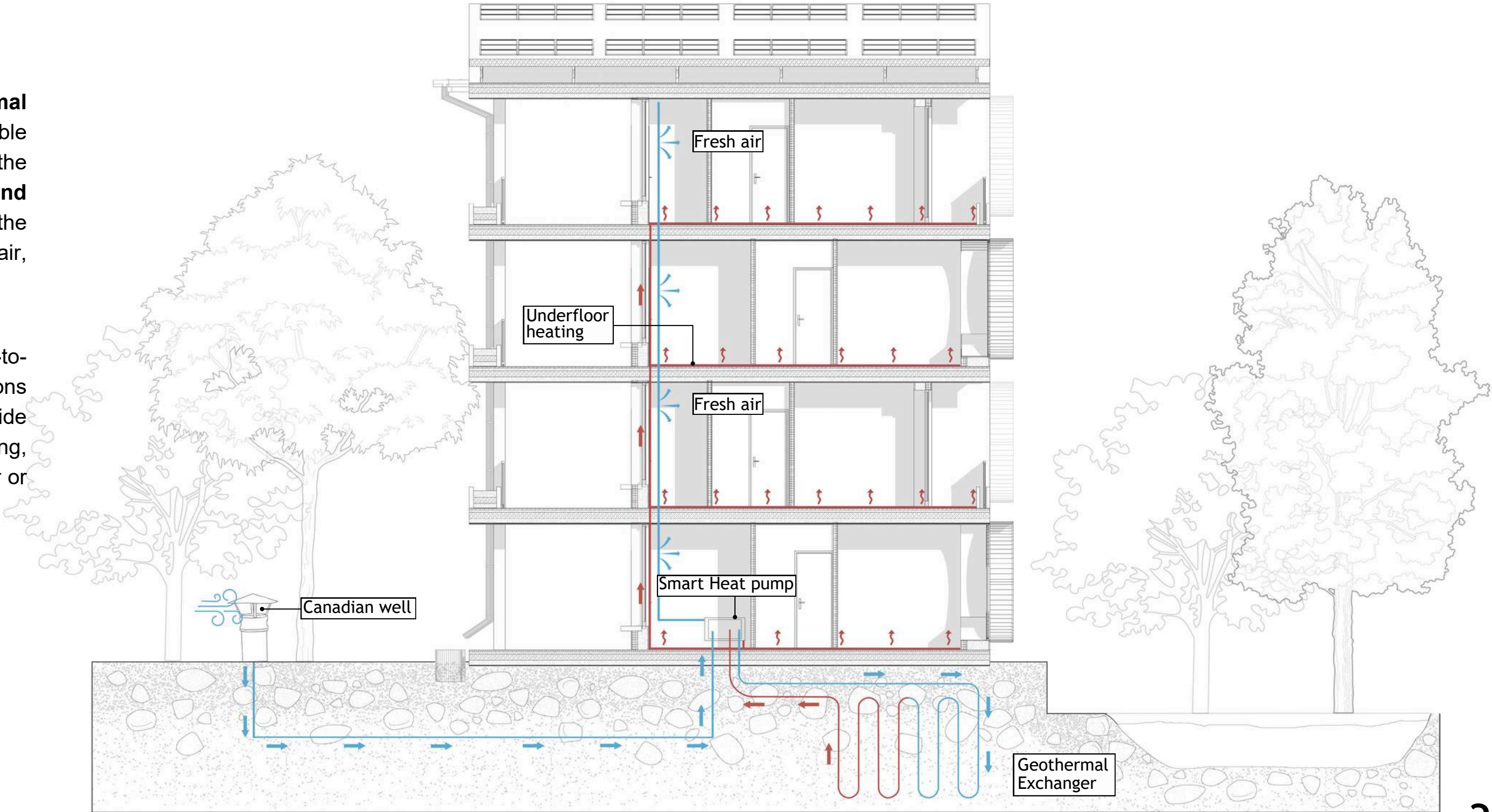


SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

GEOTHERMAL HEATING/COOLING & CANADIAN WELL

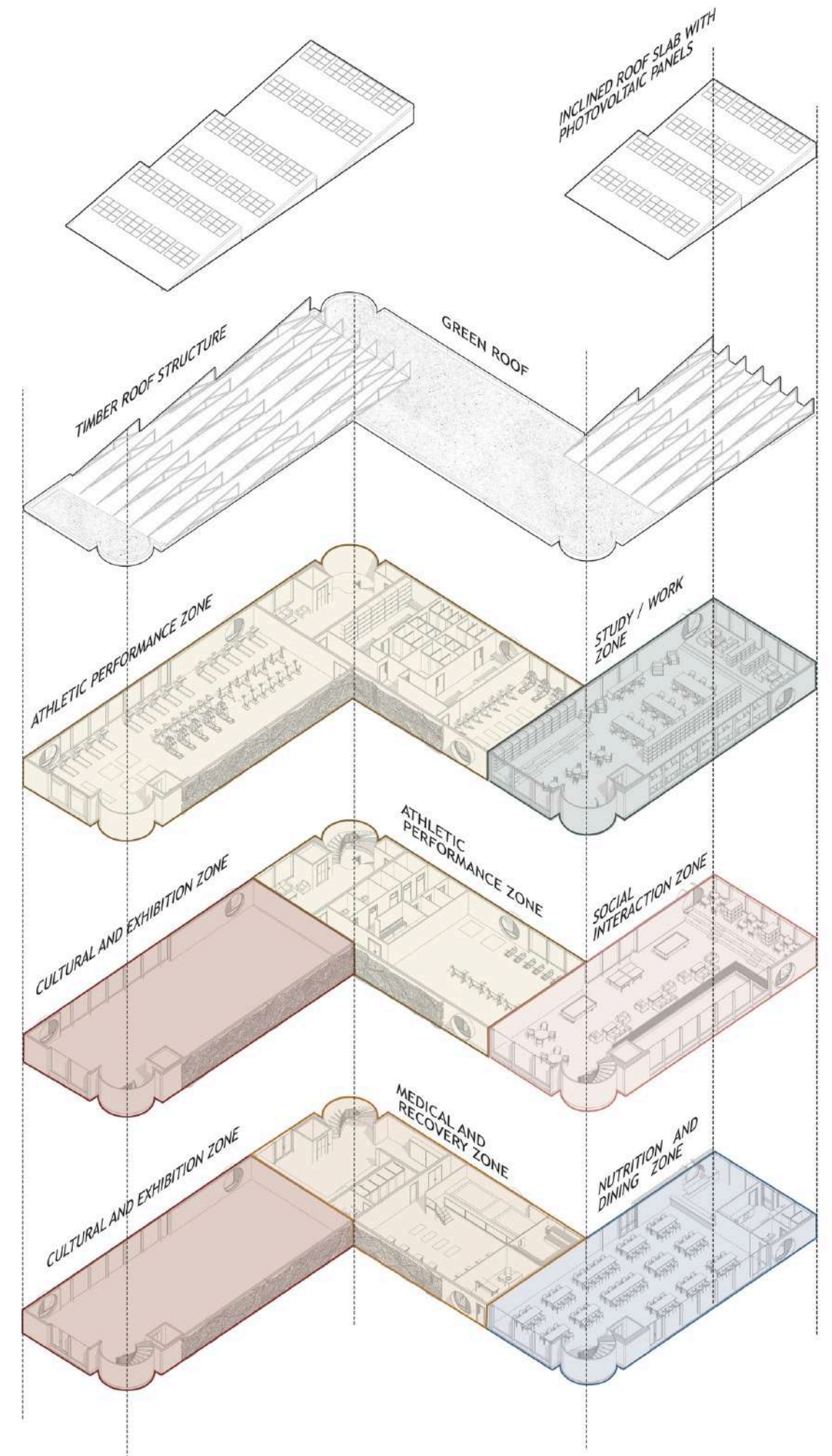
The project incorporates a **geothermal heat exchanger** as part of a sustainable heating system. The system exploits the relatively stable **underground temperatures**: during colder months, the ground remains warmer than the air, providing a reliable **source of heat**.

For ventilation, a **Canadian well** (earth-to-air heat exchanger), which preconditions incoming **fresh air**. Air from outside passes through the underground ducting, where it exchanges heat with the cooler or warmer soil depending on the season.



ATHLETES HUB BUILDING

SPATIAL ANATOMY



ATHLETES HUB FLOORPLANS

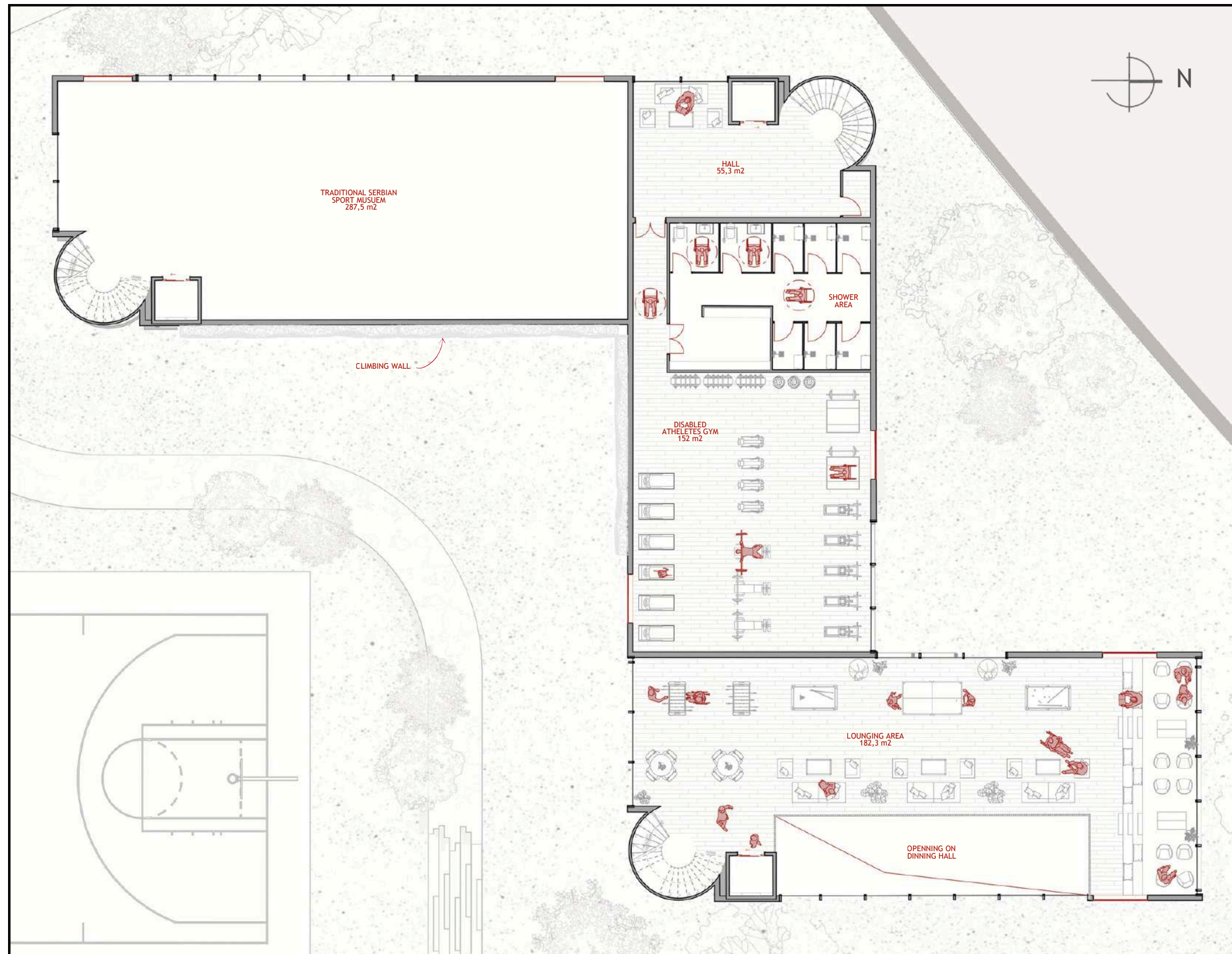
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DINNING HALL

ATHLETES HUB FLOORPLANS

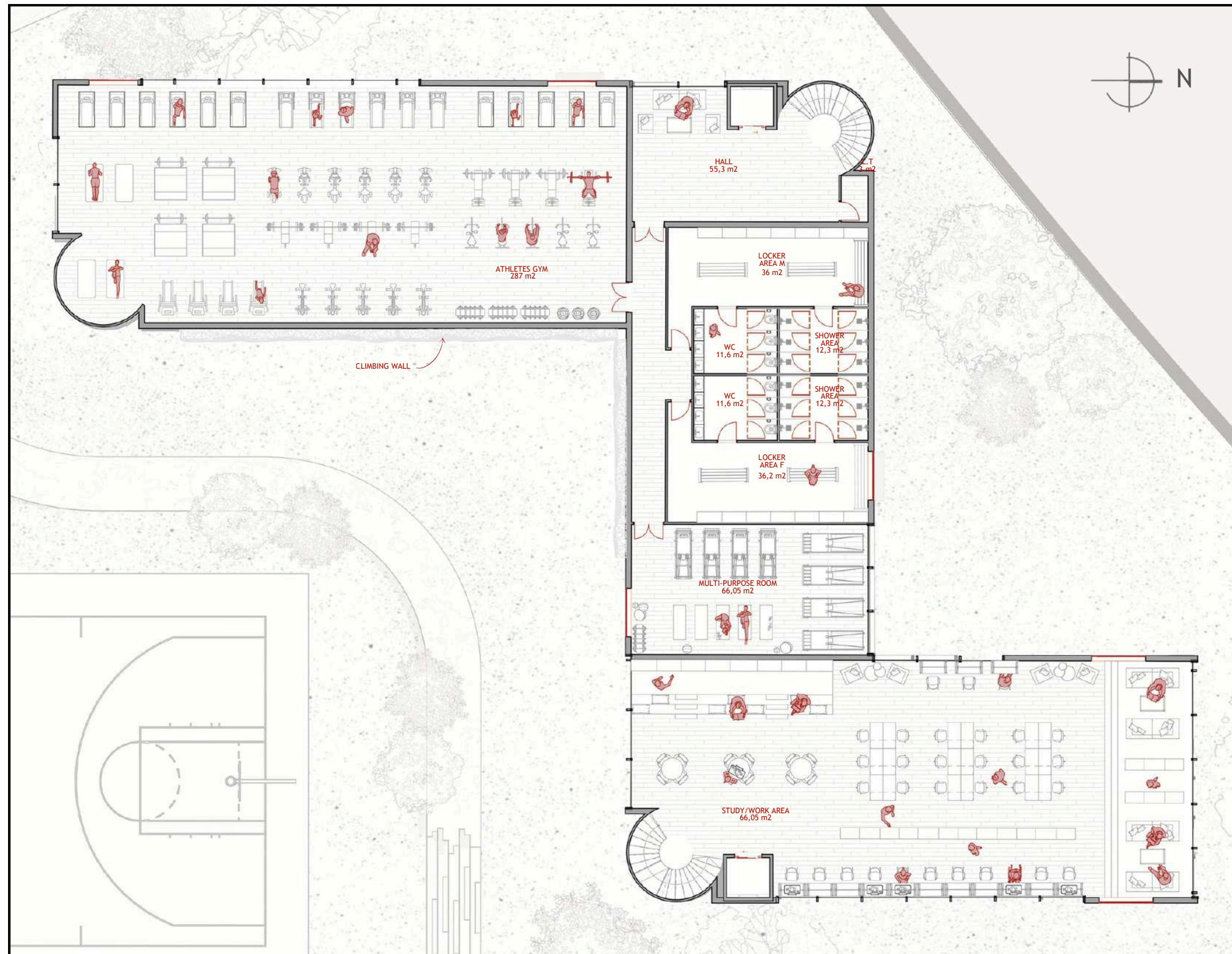
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LOUNGING AREA

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STUDY / WORK AREA

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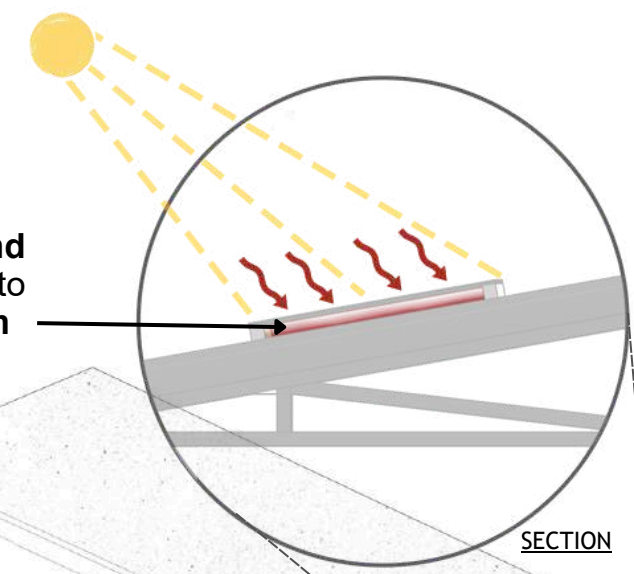
PHOTOVOLTAIC THERMAL HYBRID SYSTEM: HEATING SYSTEM



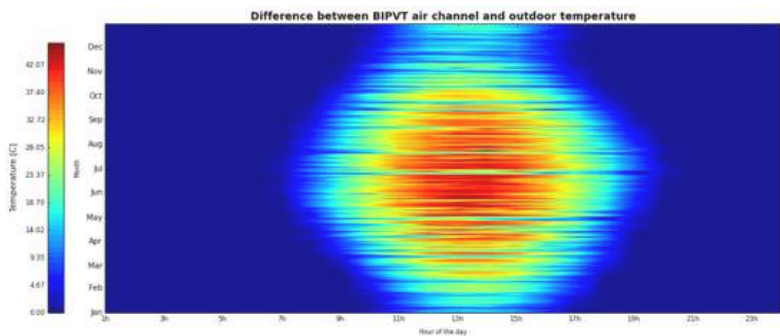
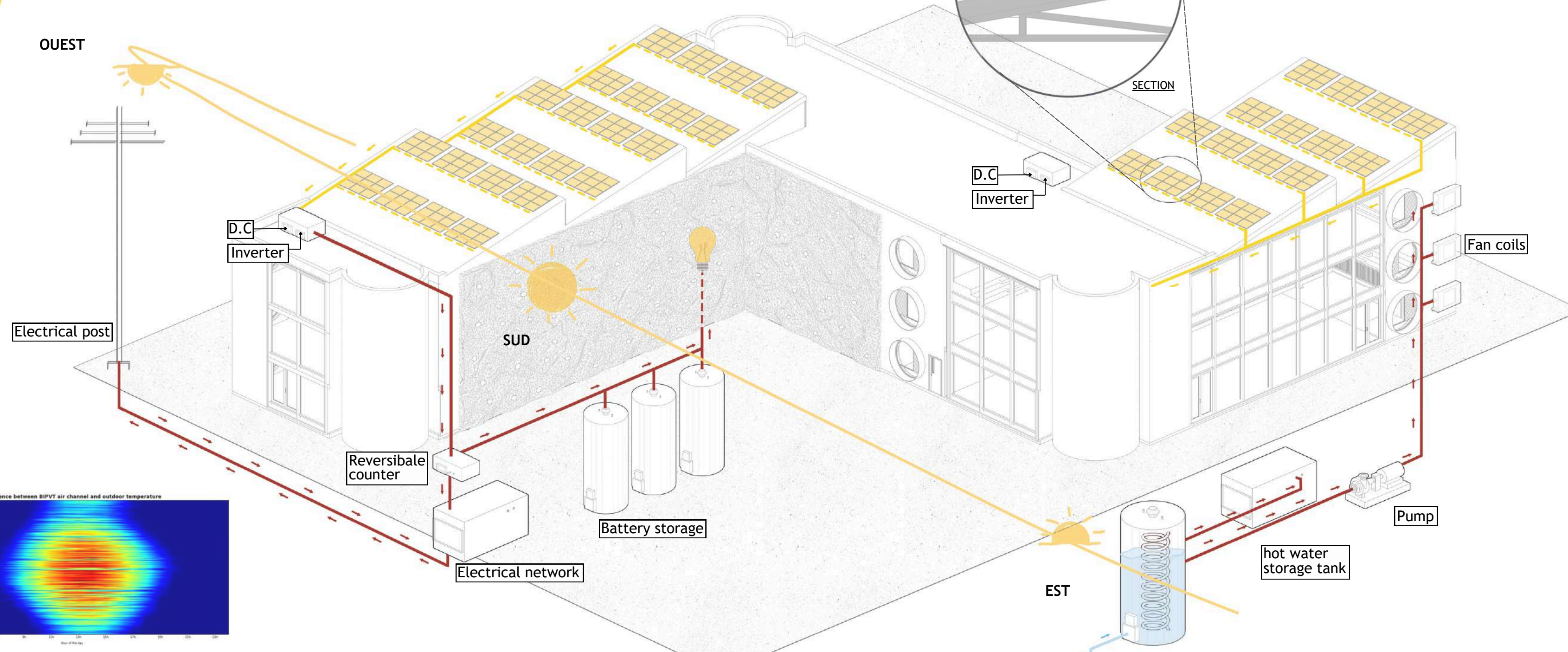
OUEST

The heat is captured **behind the panels** and transfers to the building's **energy system**

In this project, the roof is designed with hybrid photovoltaic-thermal system, which means that **the solar modules produce both electricity and heat simultaneously**



SECTION



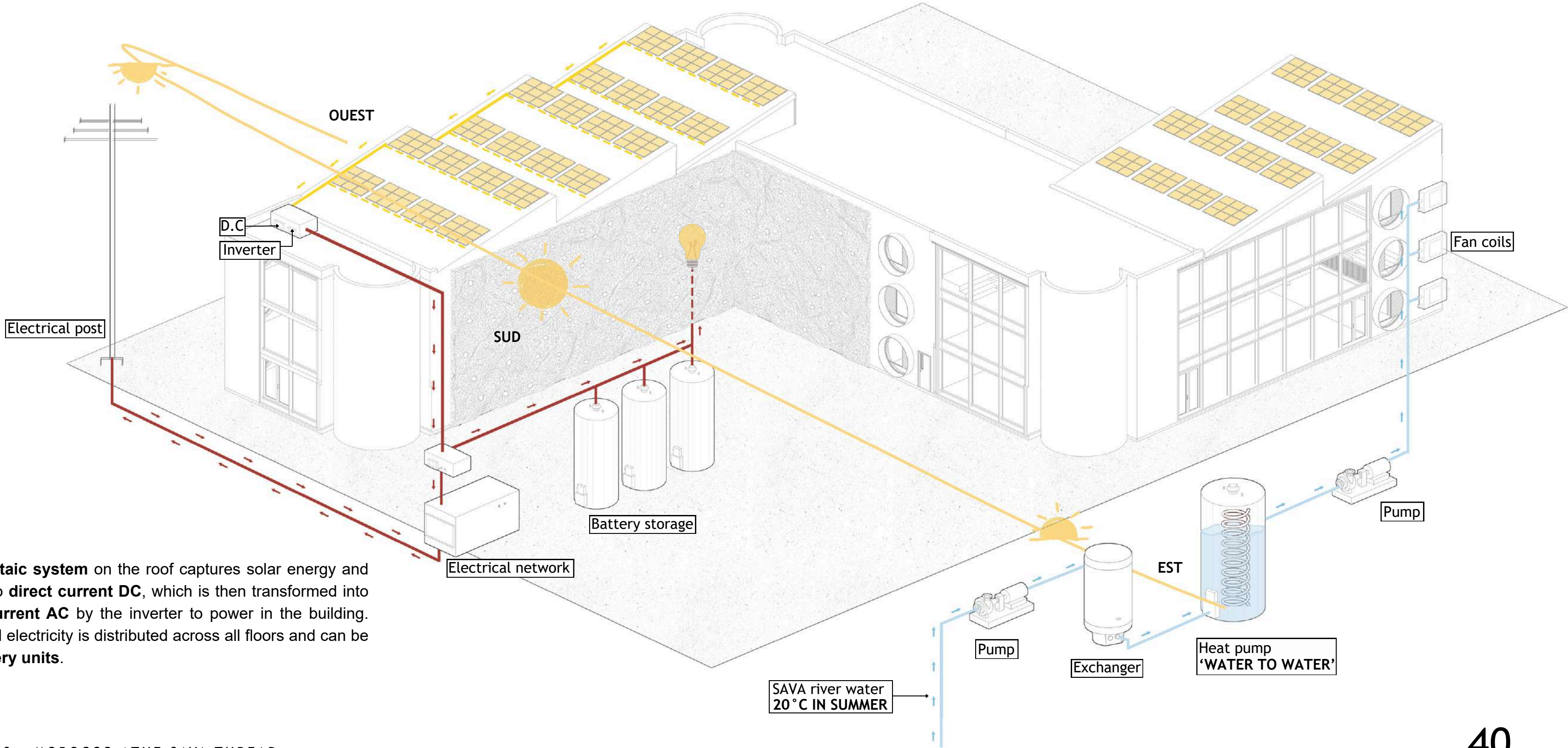
The **photovoltaic system** on the roof captures solar energy and converts it into **direct current DC**, which is then transformed into **alternative current AC** by the inverter to power in the building. The generated electricity is distributed across all floors and can be stored in **battery units**.

SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

PHOTOVOLTAIC THERMAL HYBRID SYSTEM: COOLING SYSTEME



The **Sava River** is used as a natural **cooling source**, which passes through a **heat exchanger** and a heat pump to chill the water circulating in the fan coils, **providing cool air** to the interior spaces.



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SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

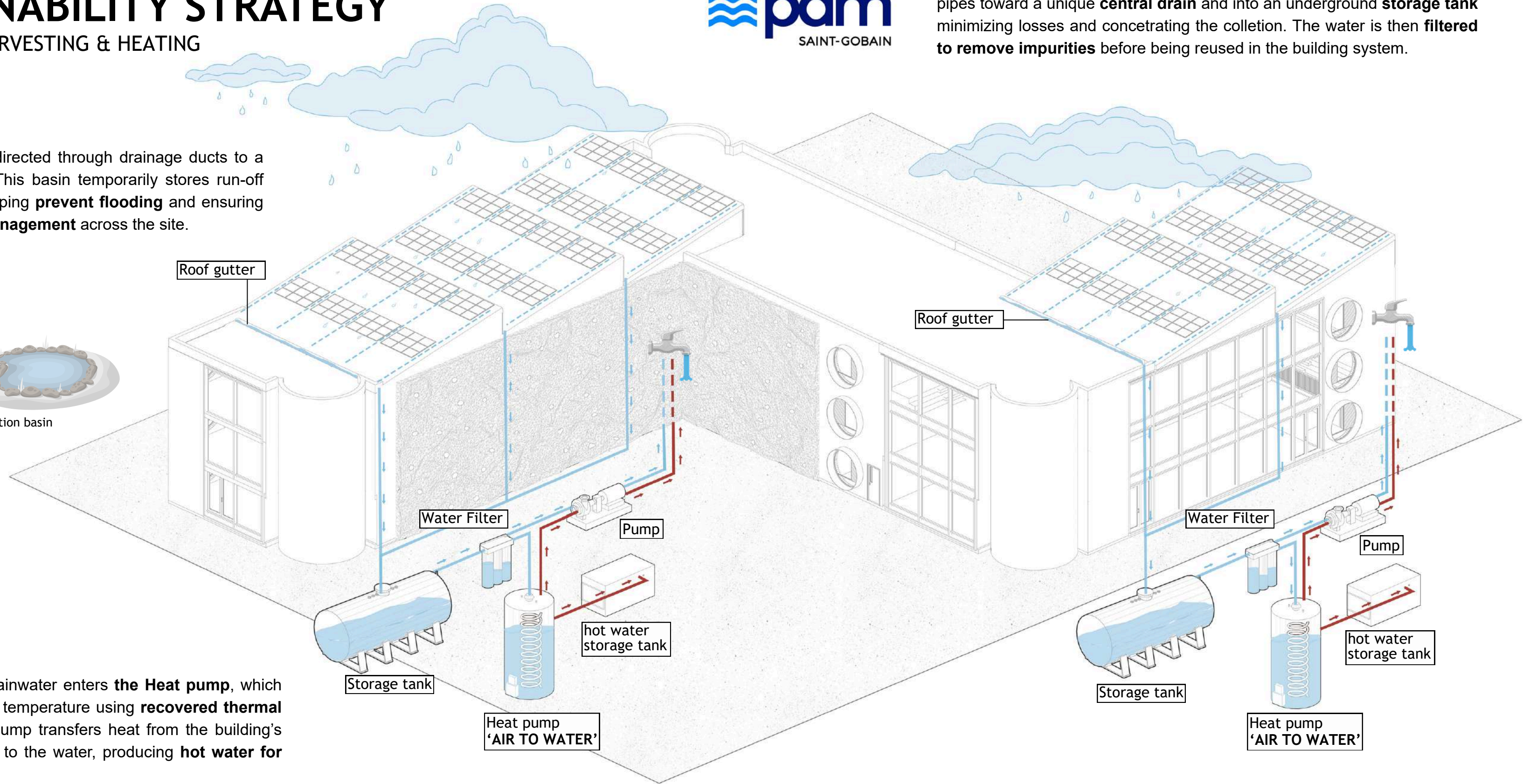
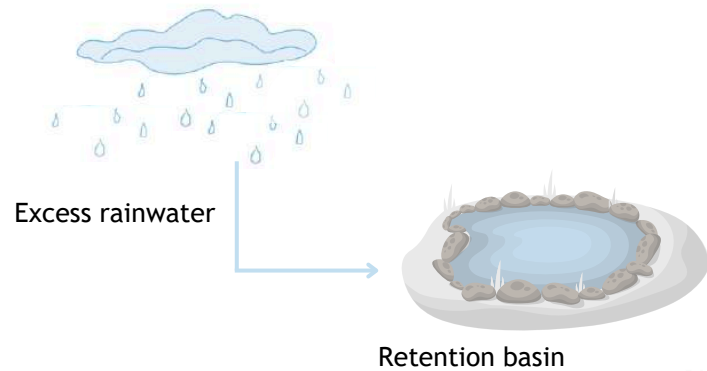
RAINWATER HARVESTING & HEATING



The inclined roof helps collect rainwater and efficiently channels it in pipes toward a unique central drain and into an underground storage tank minimizing losses and concentrating the collection. The water is then filtered to remove impurities before being reused in the building system.



Excess rainwater is redirected through drainage ducts to a large retention basin. This basin temporarily stores run-off during heavy rainfall, helping prevent flooding and ensuring effective stormwater management across the site.



After filtration, the rainwater enters the Heat pump, which increases the water temperature using recovered thermal energy. The heat pump transfers heat from the building's hybrid solar system to the water, producing hot water for building uses.

SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

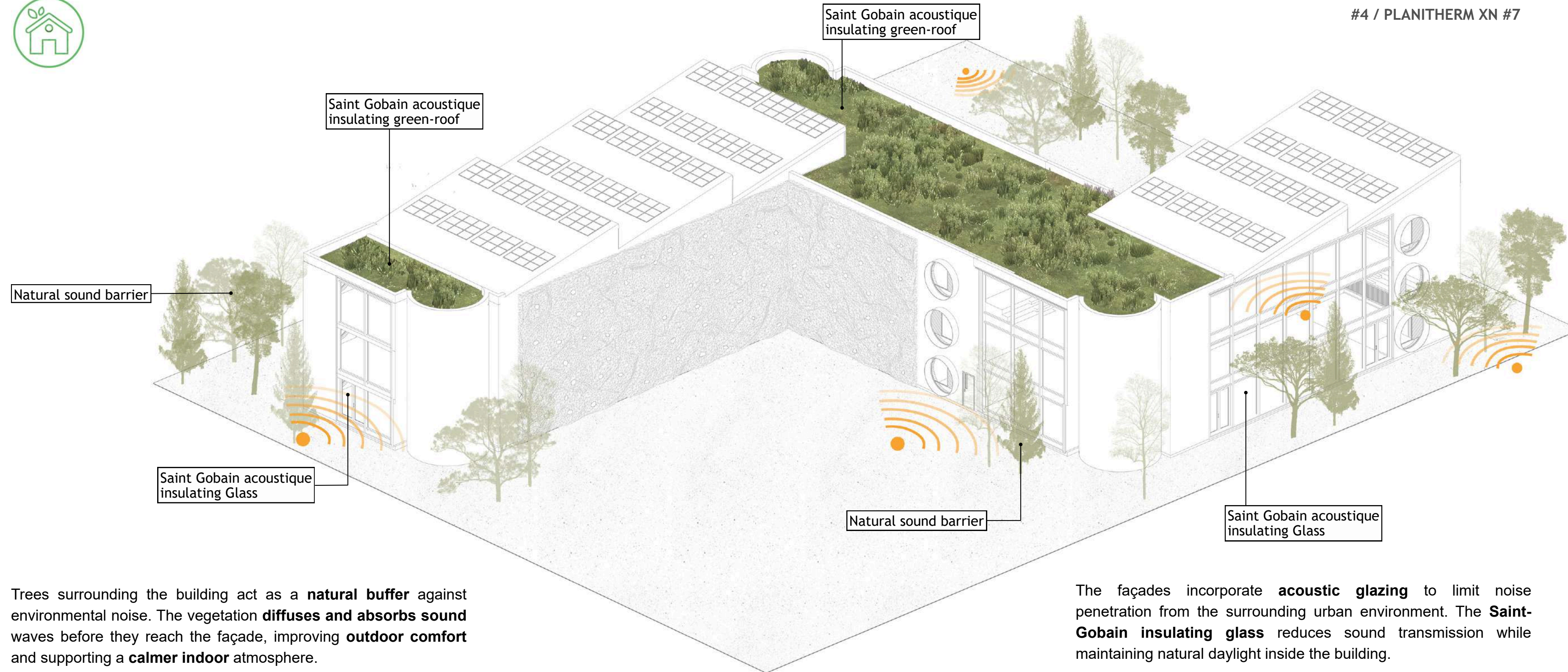
SOUND-SHIELDED ENVIRONMENT



The building integrates a green roof that improves **acoustic and thermal performance**. The vegetation layer helps **absorb** environmental noise while the roof assembly **reduces sound transmission** into interior spaces.



COOL-LITE XTREME 70-33
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Trees surrounding the building act as a **natural buffer** against environmental noise. The vegetation **diffuses and absorbs sound** waves before they reach the façade, improving **outdoor comfort** and supporting a **calmer indoor** atmosphere.

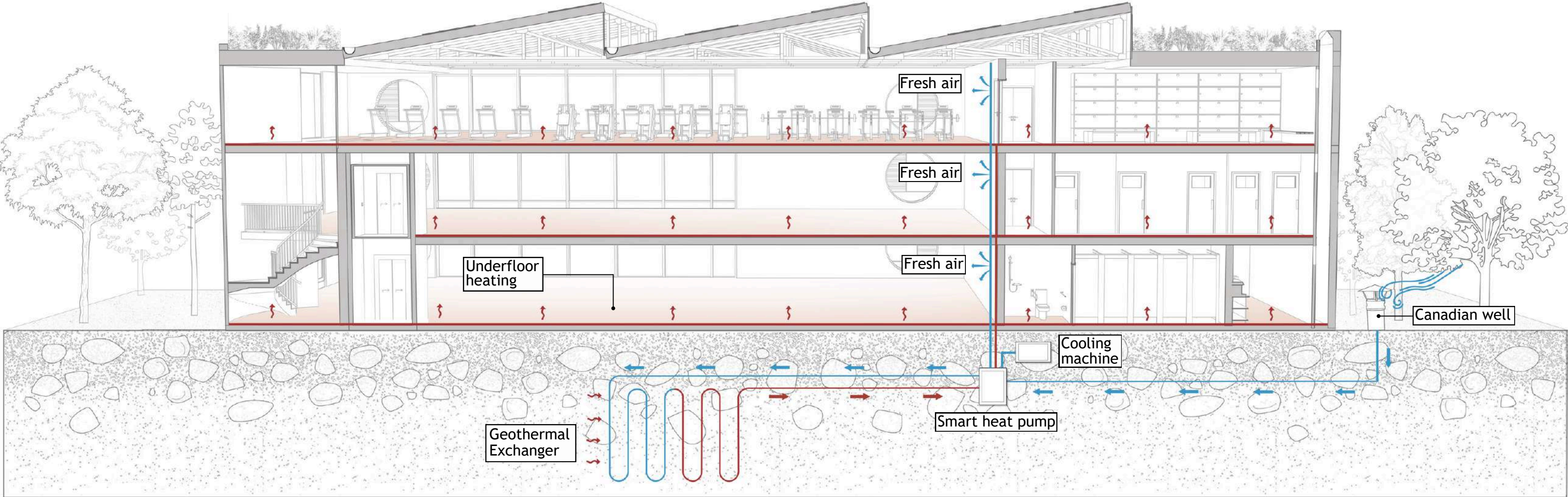
The façades incorporate **acoustic glazing** to limit noise penetration from the surrounding urban environment. The **Saint-Gobain insulating glass** reduces sound transmission while maintaining natural daylight inside the building.

SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

GEOHERMAL HEATING/COOLING

low-energy, efficient system that ensures thermal comfort year-round.

This system uses the stable temperature of the ground to **regulate indoor climate**. A geothermal exchanger (**buried pipes**) circulates fluid underground, where it absorbs heat in winter and releases excess heat in summer.



The **Canadian well** system preconditions fresh air before it enters the building. Outdoor air passes through **underground ducts**, where it naturally exchanges **heat with the soil**. In winter, the air is warmed by the ground; in summer, it is cooled.

SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

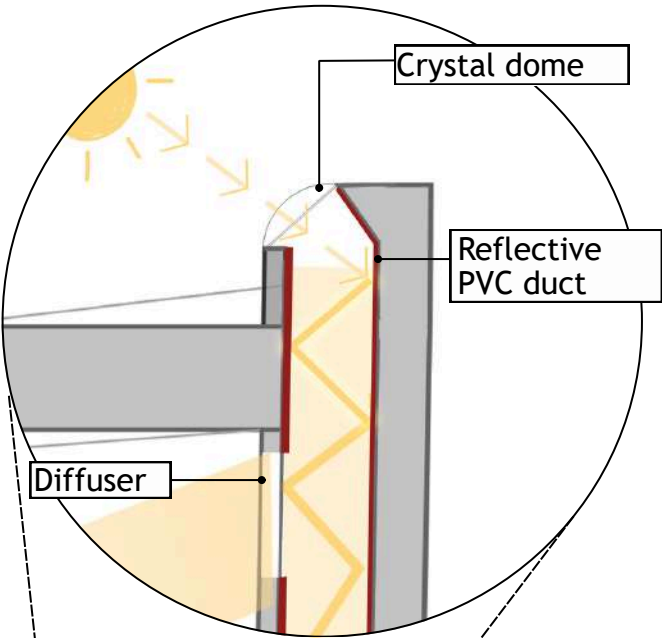
NATURAL DAYLIGHT

- This **skylight performs** three main functions:
- Provides **natural ventilation** for the interior spaces
 - Allows **natural daylight** to penetrate the building
 - Serves as a structural **support for the photovoltaic panels**

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Sun incidence 67.94°

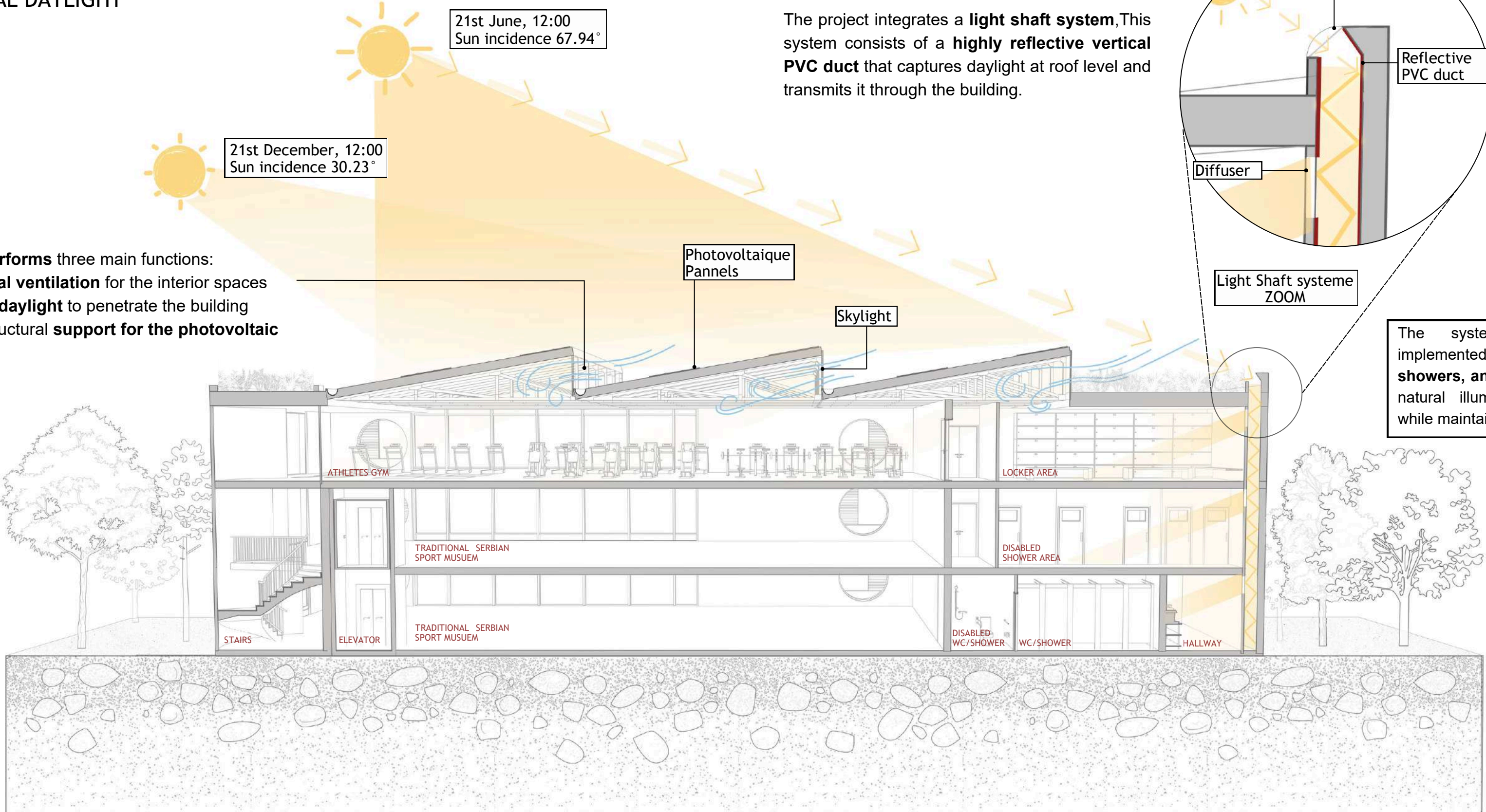
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The project integrates a **light shaft system**. This system consists of a **highly reflective vertical PVC duct** that captures daylight at roof level and transmits it through the building.



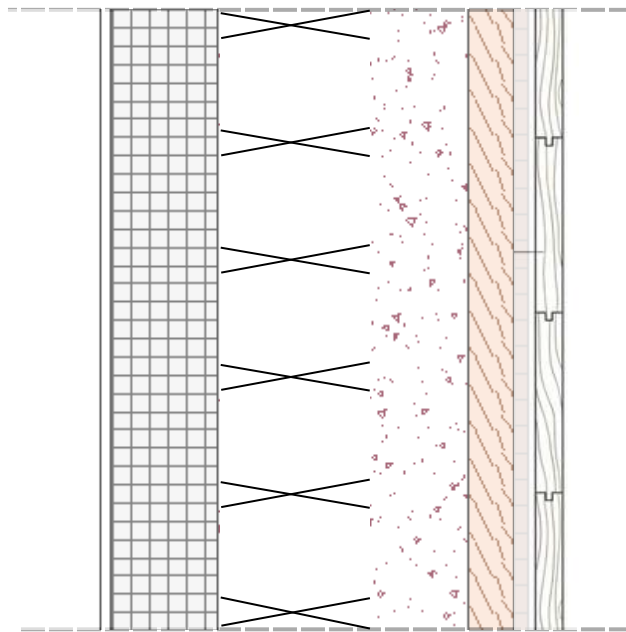
Light Shaft systeme ZOOM

The system is specifically implemented in **Locker areas, showers, and WC spaces**, where natural illumination is desirable while maintaining **visual privacy**



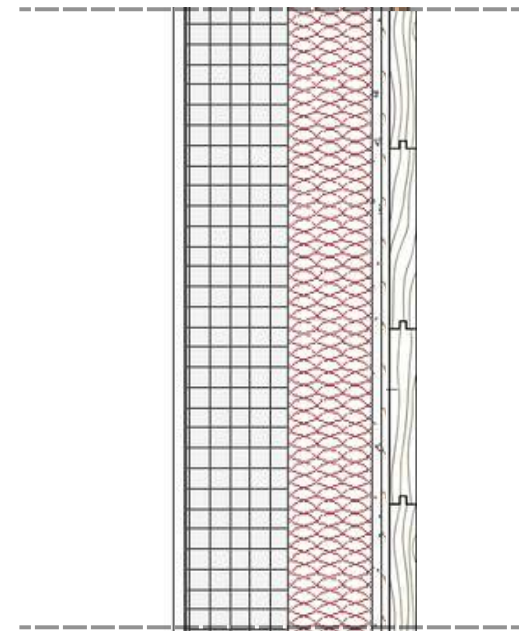
DETAIL SECTION

WALLS



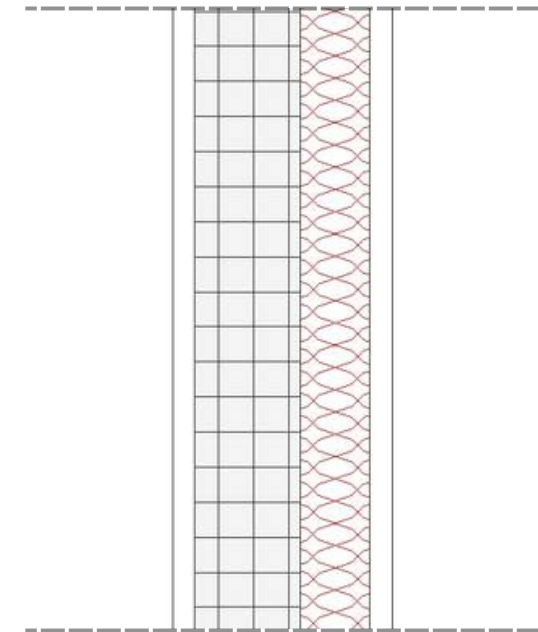
EXTERIOR WALLS 60CM

1. 12.5mm Gypsum plasterboard DURAGIPS
2. 0.2mm ISOVER Vapor barrier Vario® XtraSafe
3. 140mm CLT element
4. 240mm air gap
5. 136mm Blown loose-fill cellulose insulation
6. 60mm Rigid wood fiber insulation panel
7. 12.5mm Treated wooden cladding



EXTERIOR WALLS 25CM

1. 12.5mm Gypsum plasterboard DURAGIPS
2. 0.2mm ISOVER Vapor barrier Vario® XtraSafe
3. 140mm CLT element
4. 100mm ISOVER Stone wool insulation
5. 10mm Oriented strand board (OSB)
6. 10mm Semi-hard wood fiber board
7. 12.5mm Treated wooden cladding

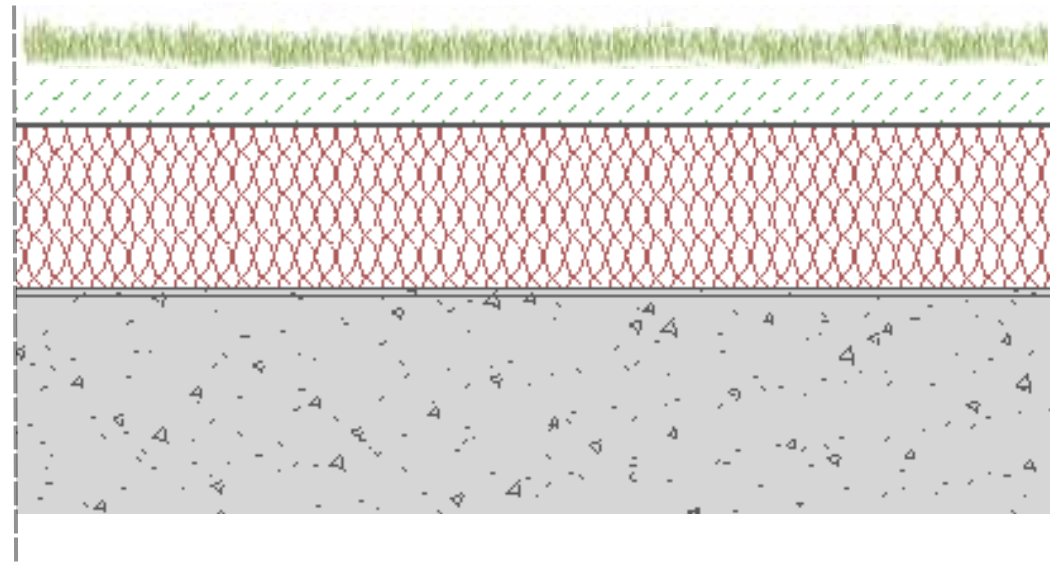


PARTITION WALLS

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2. 40mm ISOVER Stone wool insulation
3. 60mm CLT element
4. 12.5mm Gypsum plasterboard DURAGIPS

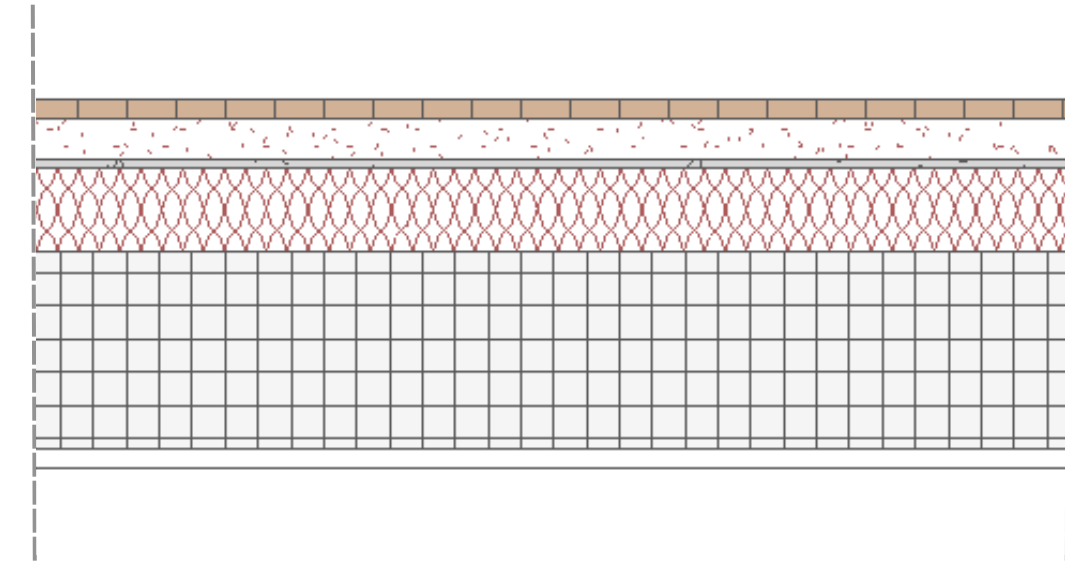
DETAIL SECTION

SLABS



GREEN ROOF

1. 40mm Extensive green roof system (Knauf)
2. 1.5mm PVC-P roofing membrane reinforced
3. 120mm ISOVER Stone wool insulation
4. Isover EPS 100 thermal insulation
5. 0.2mm ISOVER Vapor barrier Vario® XtraSafe
6. 200mm Ready-mix concrete



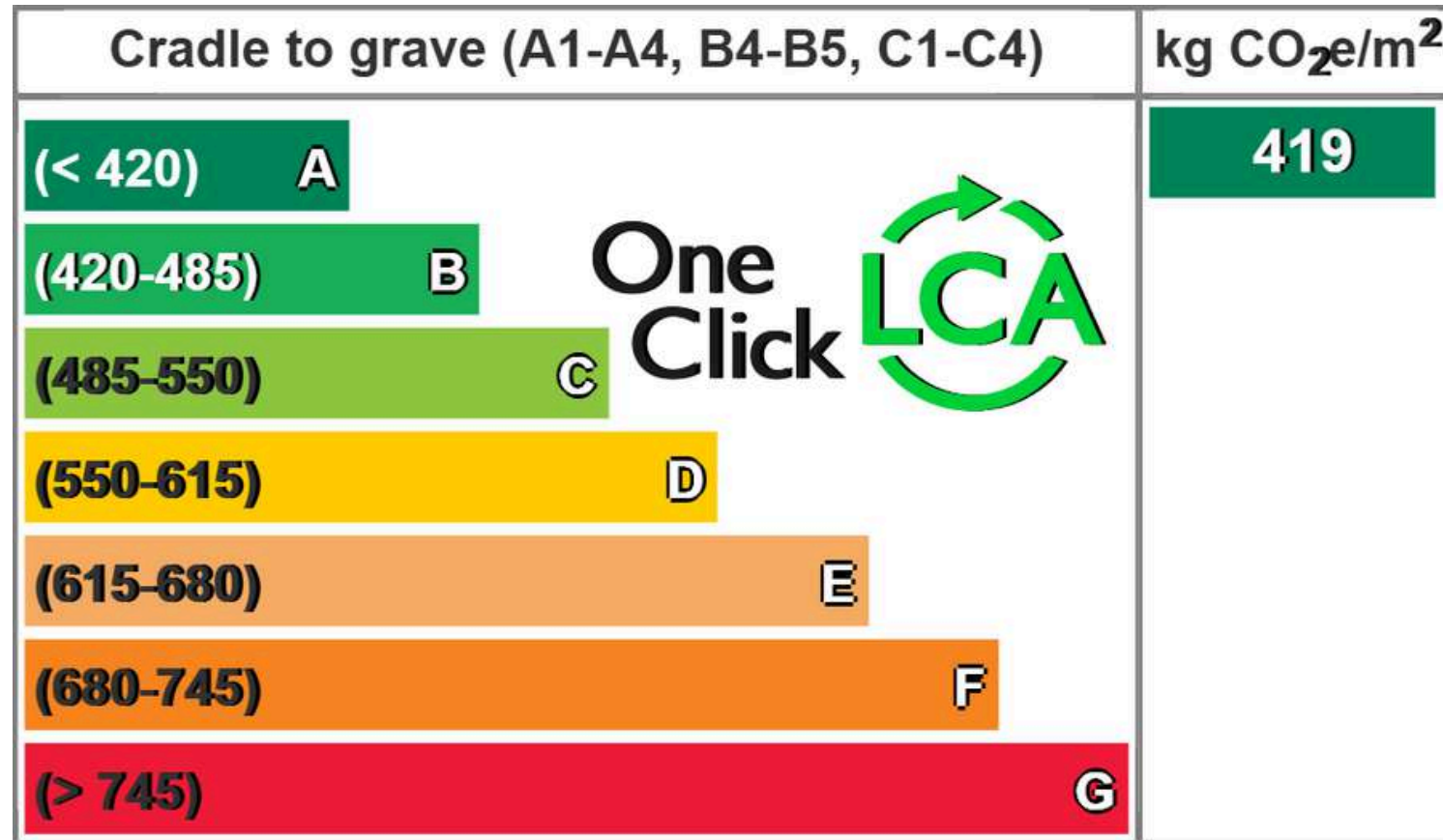
SLAB

1. 12.5mm Parquet
2. 5mm Gyvlon® THERMIOMAX Leveling screeds
3. 25mm Weberfloor 319
4. 50mm glass wool insulation Isover AKUSTO Isover AKUSTO TWIN
5. 120mm CLT element
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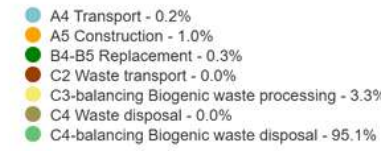
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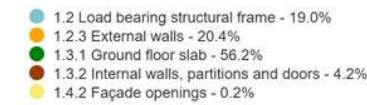
LIFE-CYCLE OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL WARMING POTENTIAL TOTAL BIPVT (BUILDING-INTEGRATED PHOTOVOLTAIC/THERMAL)



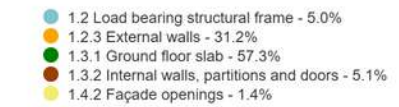
Global Warming Potential total kg CO₂e - Life-cycle stages



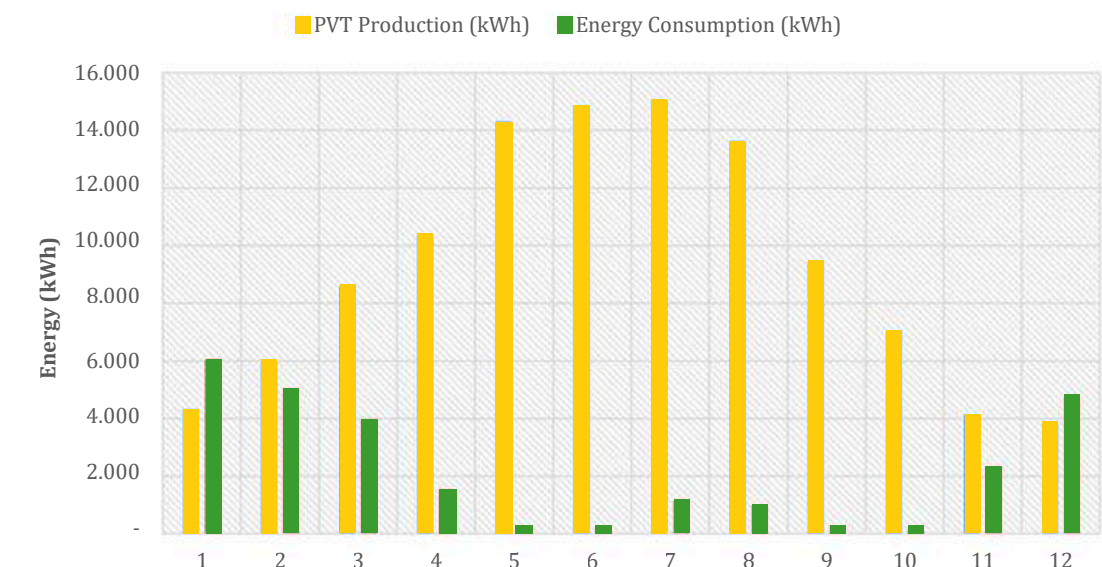
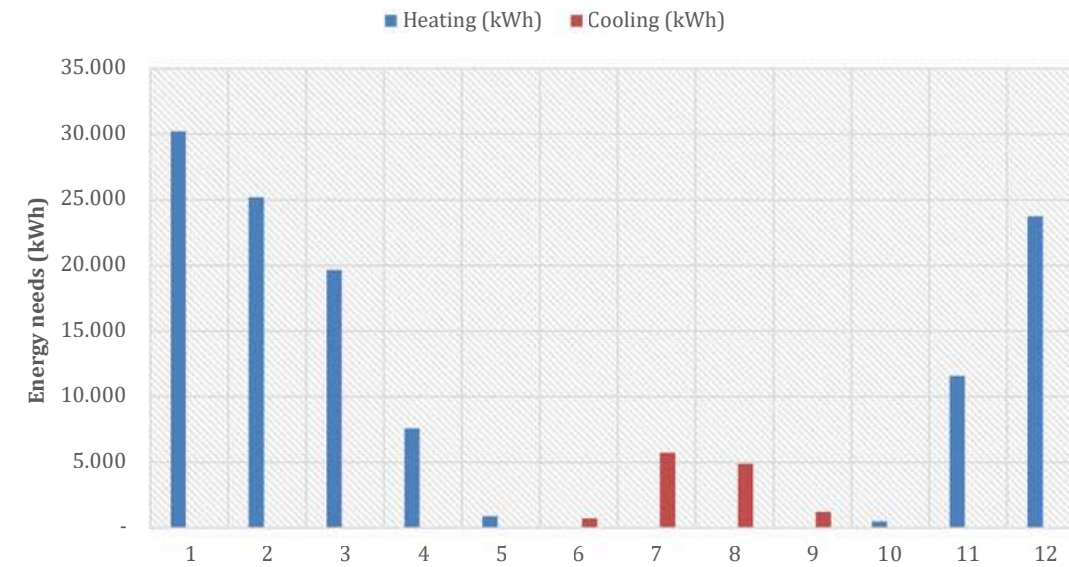
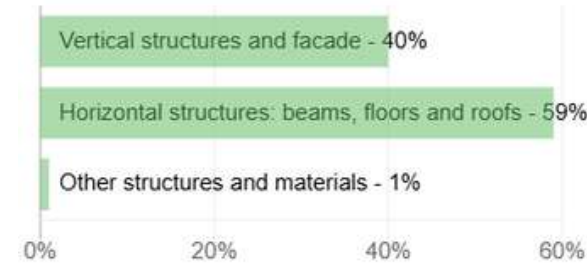
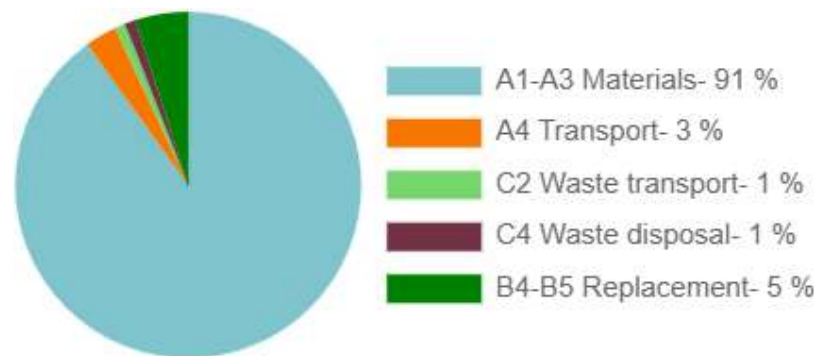
Mass kg - Classifications



Global Warming Potential total kg CO₂e - Classifications



Global Warming Potential total kg CO₂e - Resource types





OUTDOOR SPORT



WALL CLIMBING

Positioned along the edge of the Athletes hub building, the climbing wall creates an active facade while providing a compact training surface for strength and endurance



BASKETBALL

Flexible multisport court supporting basketball, handball, football, and other activities.



VOLLEYBALL

Set within a secondary space, supporting group-based play and collective interaction.



TENNIS

Set at the periphery of the site, the tennis court benefits from a calmer conditions ensuring concentration.



SKATING

Seasonal retention basin that transforms into a natural ice rink in winter.

RIVERFRONT



Riverfront seating unfolds through a series of **extended decks** reaching toward the water, creating **continuous spaces** for rest and observation.

Along them, **raised platform**-like elements act as gathering points, offering **informal seating** and framed views over the river.

TOGETHER, THEY STRUCTURE A CALM PUBLIC EDGE, INVITING PEOPLE TO PAUSE, OBSERVE, AND ENGAGE WITH BOTH THE LANDSCAPE AND THE PROJECT.

AQUATIC SPORTS



A lightweight and accessible water activity that allows users to explore the waterfront at a calm pace, strengthening the connection between people and the natural environment

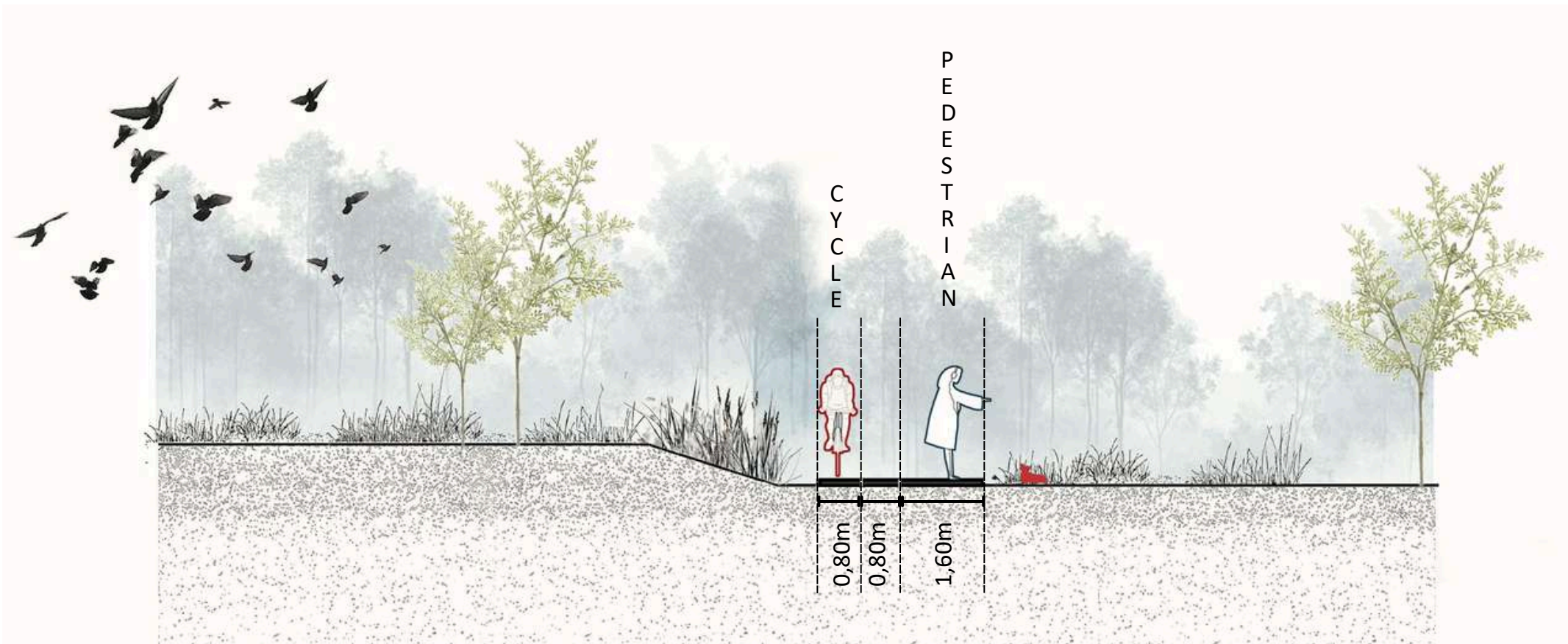


An open-air swimming space integrated into the waterfront, offering recreation, relaxation. (heated in winter by the geothermal heating system)

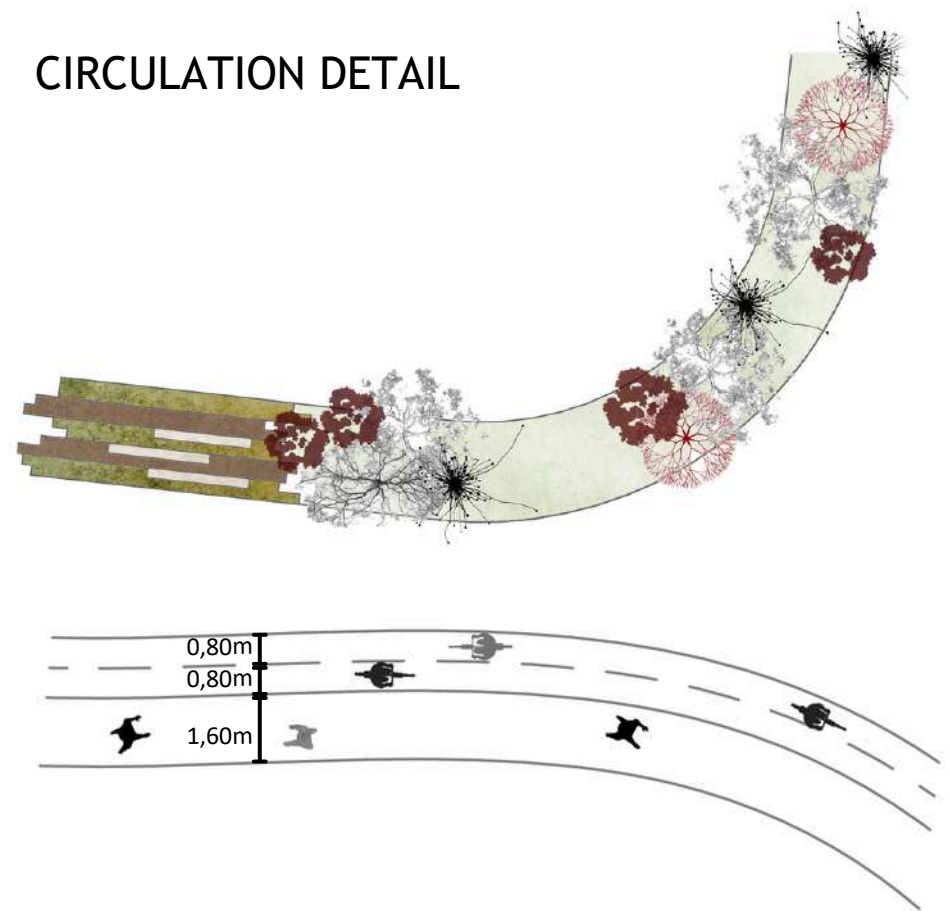


A dynamic activity that uses wind power to navigate, activating the waterfront while creating a strong relationship between sport, water, and climate.

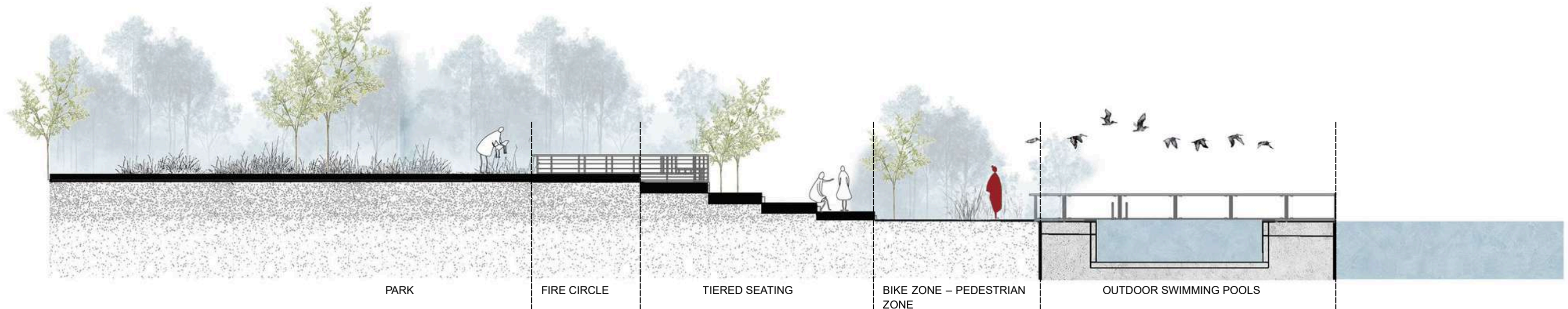
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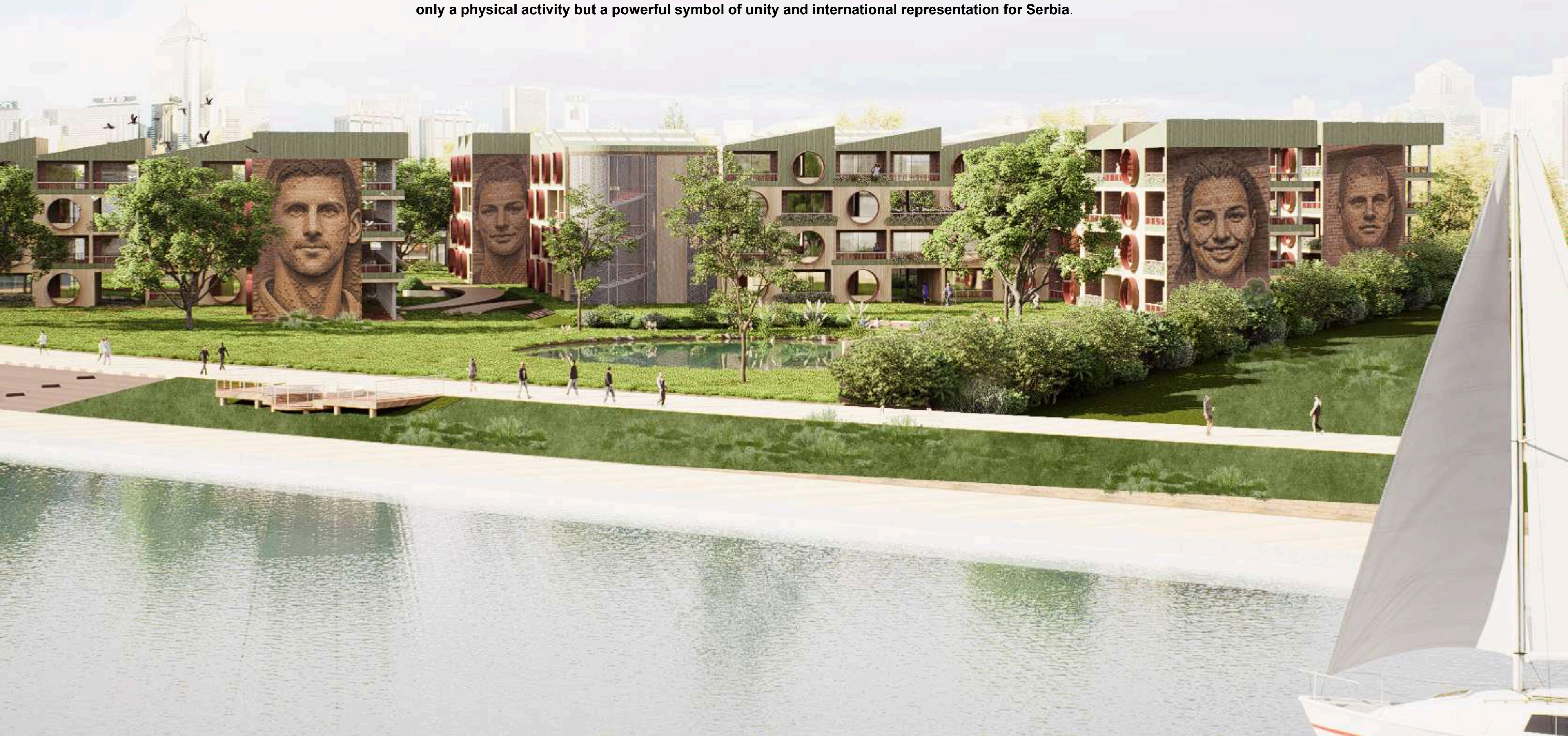
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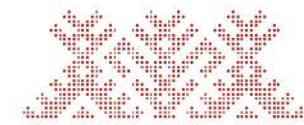


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SERBIA'S SPORT IDENTITY is built on resilience, talent, and strong national pride, The country has produced globally recognized champions like **Novak Djokovic, Nikola Jokić, Ana Ivanović, Tijana Bošković ...** Team sports such as basketball, football, and water polo are deeply embedded in society, making **sport not only a physical activity but a powerful symbol of unity and international representation for Serbia.**



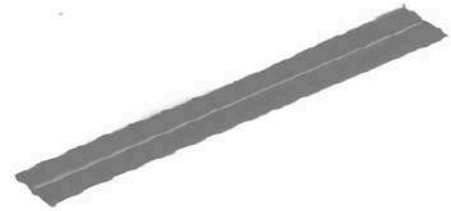


THE BRIDGE

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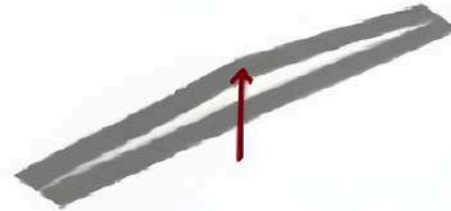
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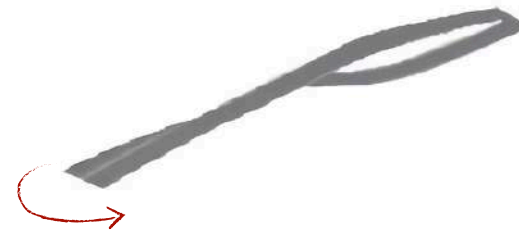
1 CROSSED PATHS

Separate lanes for pedestrians and bicycles, ensuring smooth circulation.



2 FLOW SEPARATION

Clear division of pedestrian and bike traffic.



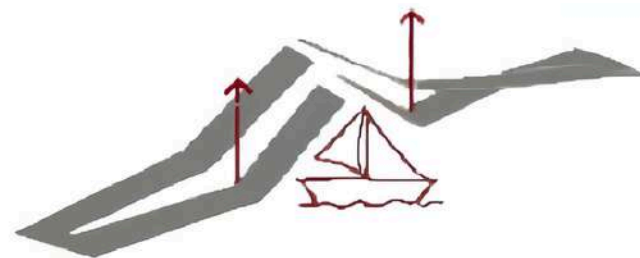
3 BIRD HABITATS

Spaces created by the crossing serve as nesting zones.



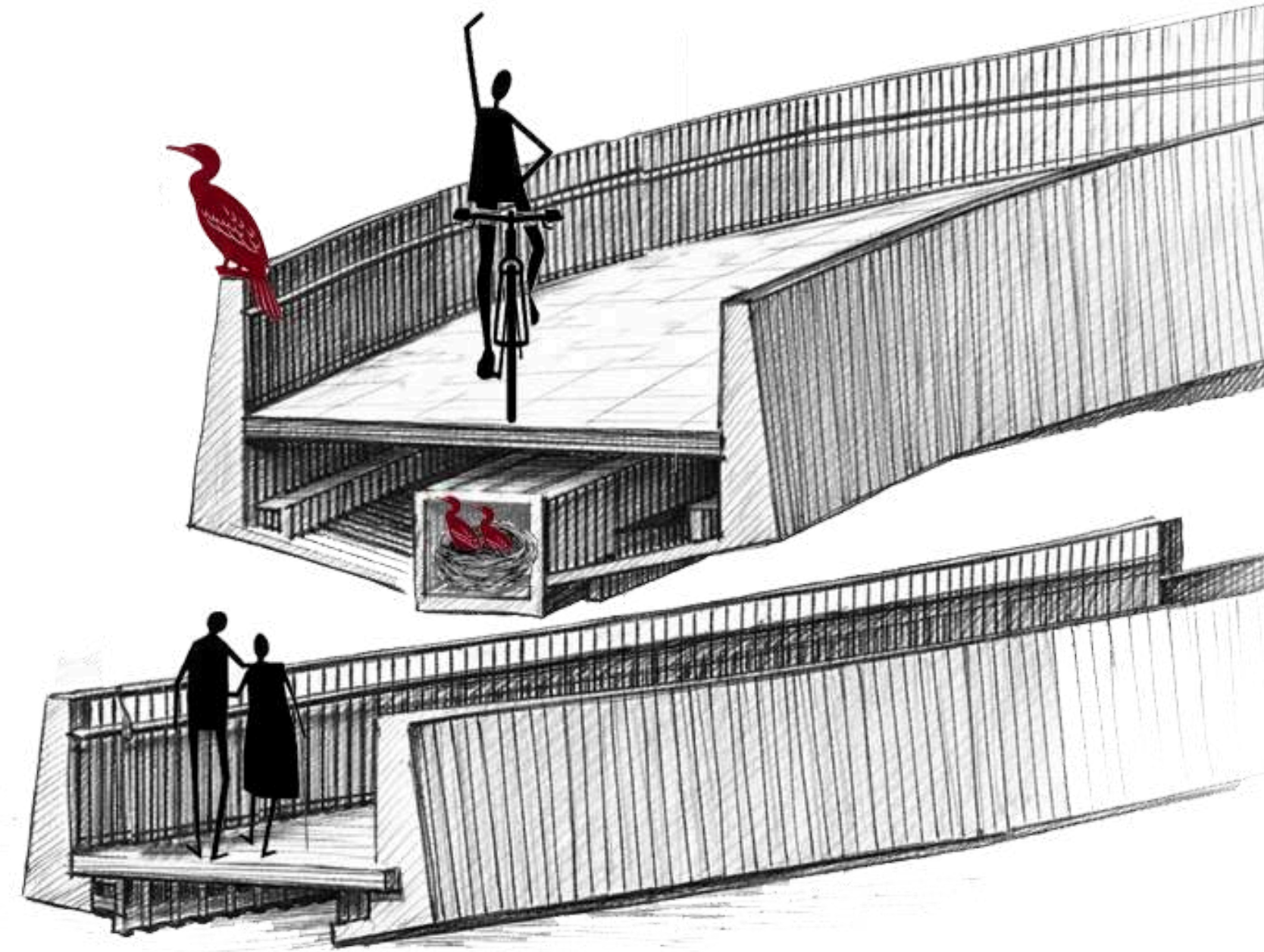
4 BICYCLE PARKING & REST AREAS

Integrated on both sides for convenience.



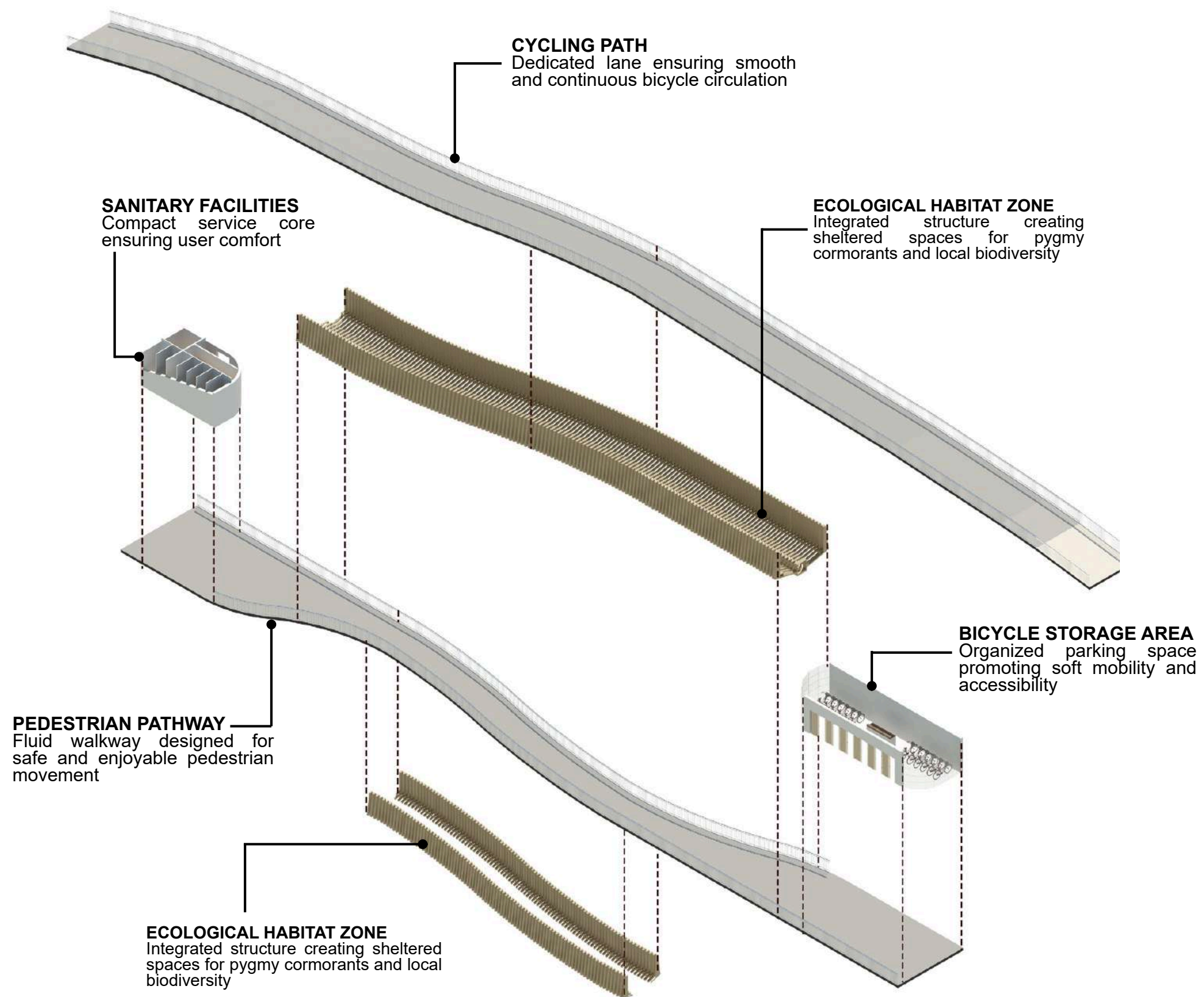
5 OPENING BRIDGE

Allows boats to pass while connecting the riverbanks



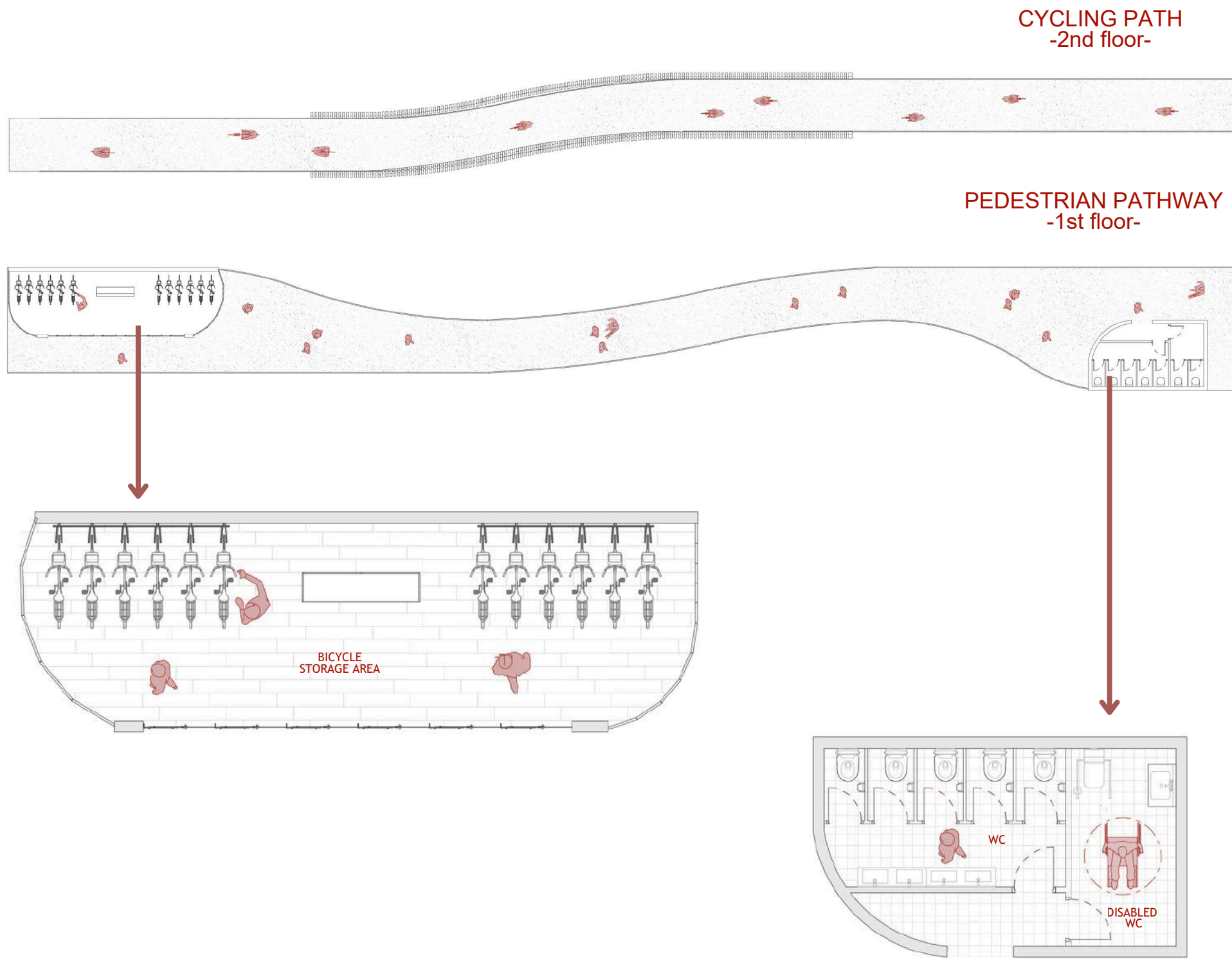
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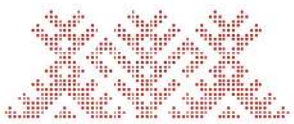


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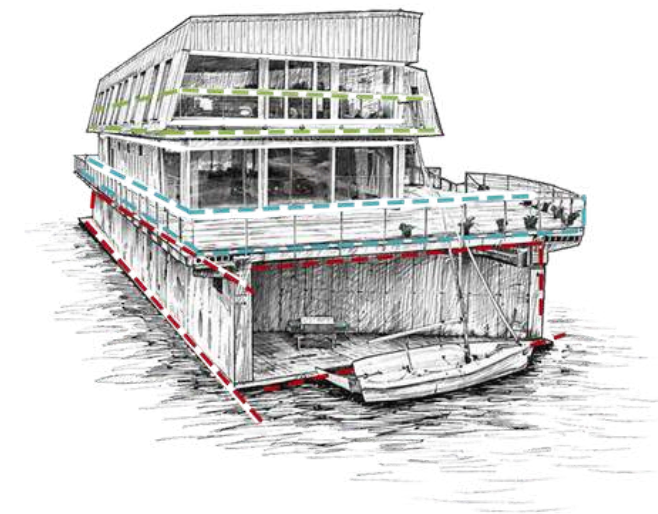


RENOVATION

SAVA THREAD

REVEALING THE YACHT CONCEPT

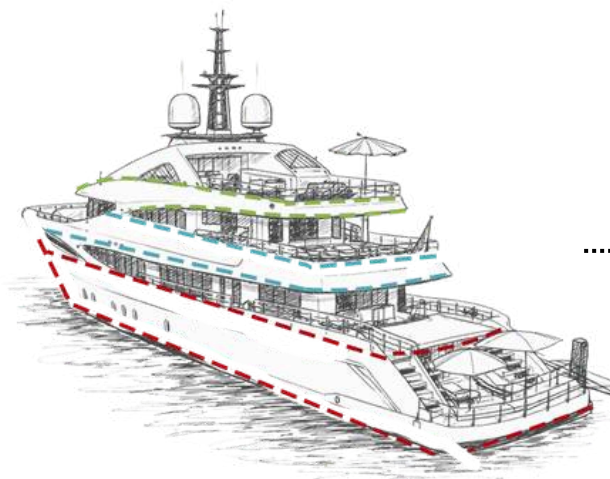
RENOVATION STRATEGY



EXISTING BUILDING

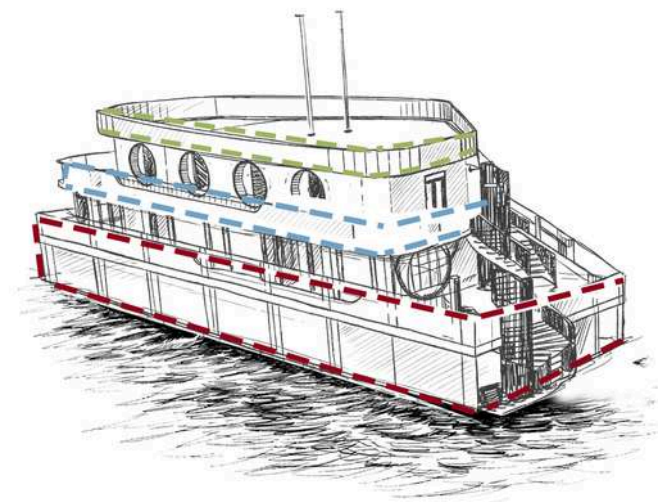
The existing building already evokes the shape of a yacht, and the project preserves this form to maintain the identity and memory of the yachting club.

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YACHT INSPIRATION

The yacht serves as the main design reference, with its stacked decks inspiring stepped levels and terraces that organize the spaces.



RENOVATION PROJECT

The renovation reinterprets the building as an architectural yacht through stepped volumes inspired by yacht decks, strengthening its maritime identity.



THE BRIDGE

DEMOLITION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION

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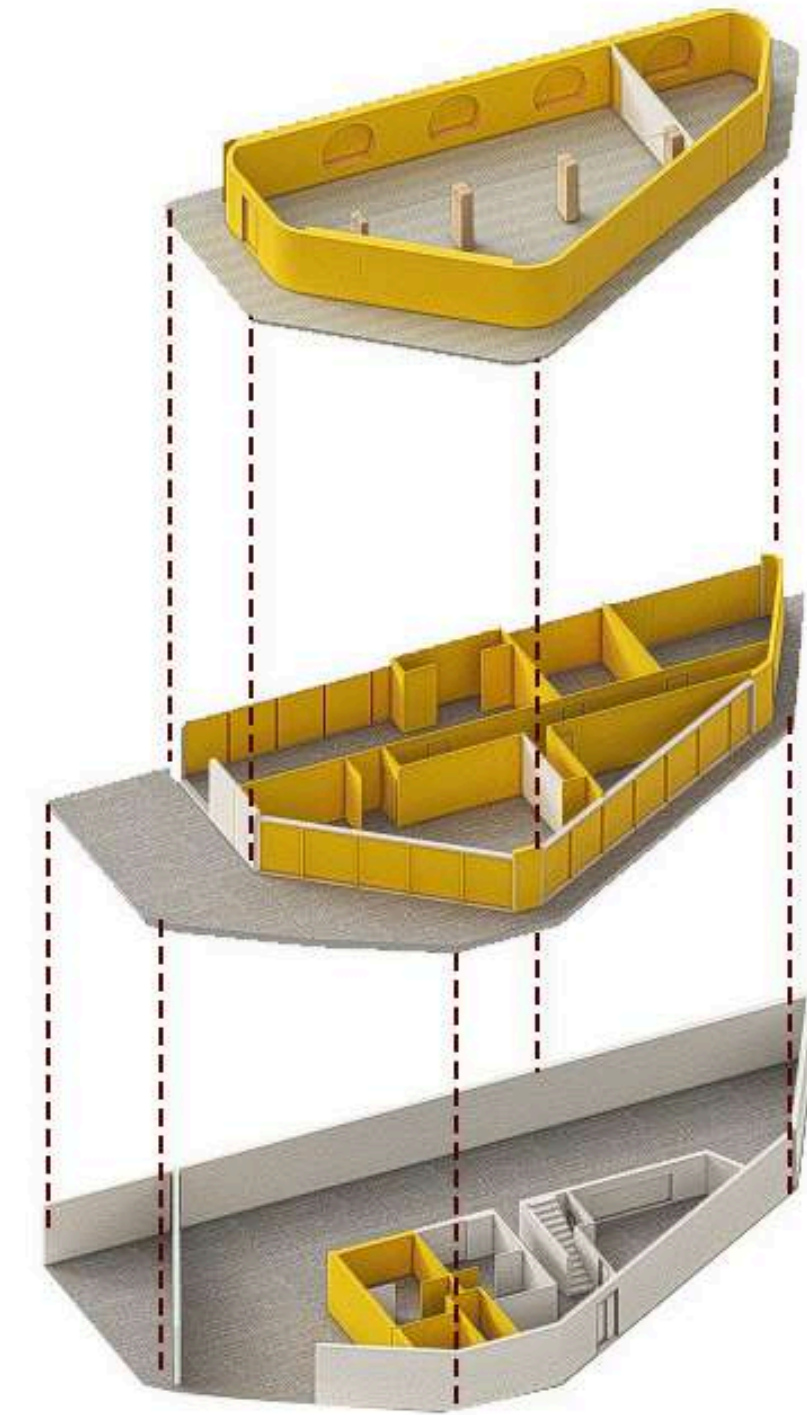
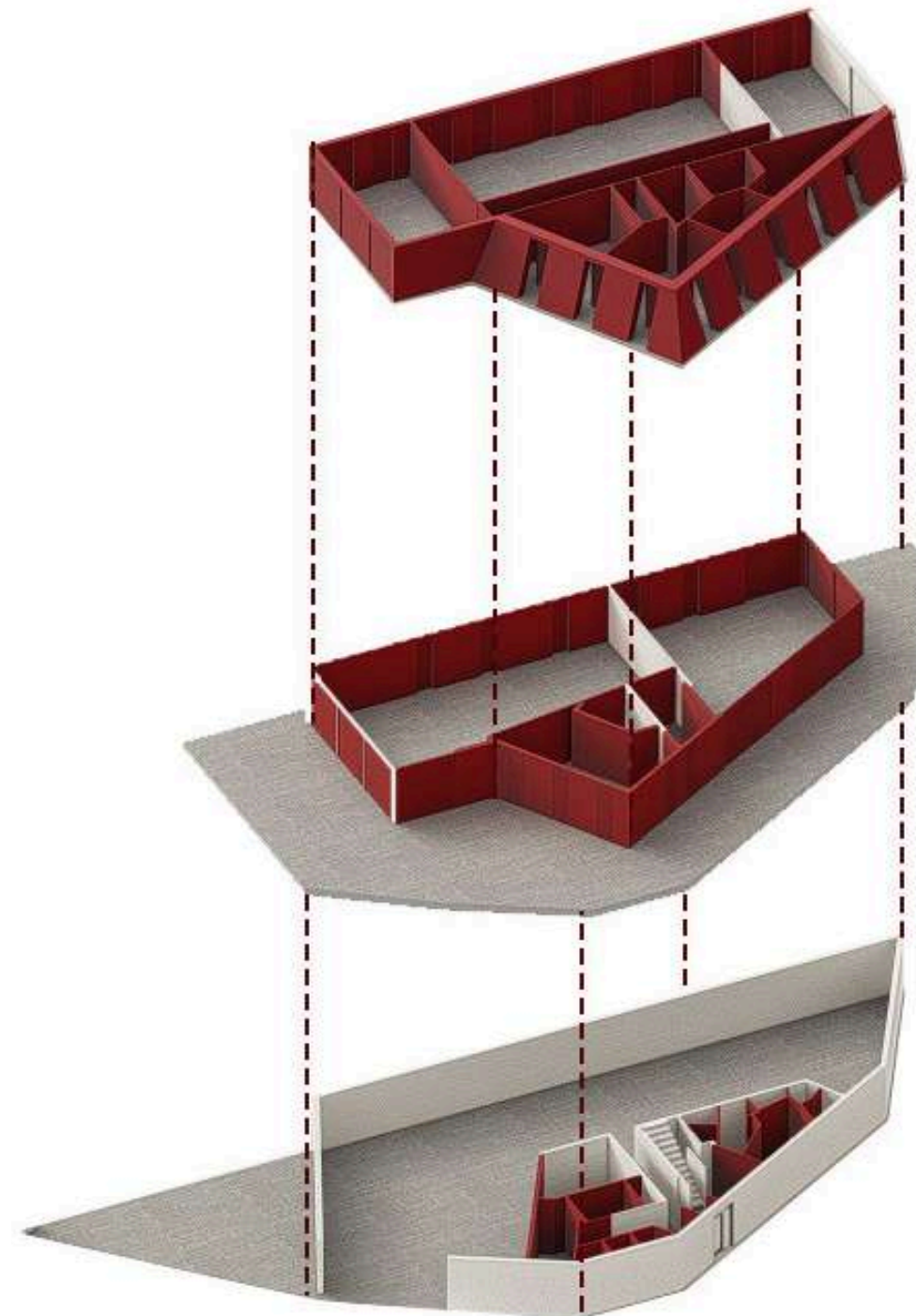
Our approach preserves walls aligned with the new vision, while reorganizing the interior—previously marked by disorder—to restore clarity and coherence. Structural elements such as columns and staircases were maintained.

NEWLY BUILT

We aimed to harmonize the interior through a clear and coherent spatial division, improving both functionality and readability of the spaces. On the exterior, the treatment of the walls reflects and gives form to our main concept, inspired by a yacht, translating its fluidity and elegance into the architectural language.

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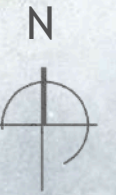
The rehabilitation followed a thoughtful approach, preserving all structural elements as well as the building's distinctive architectural features.





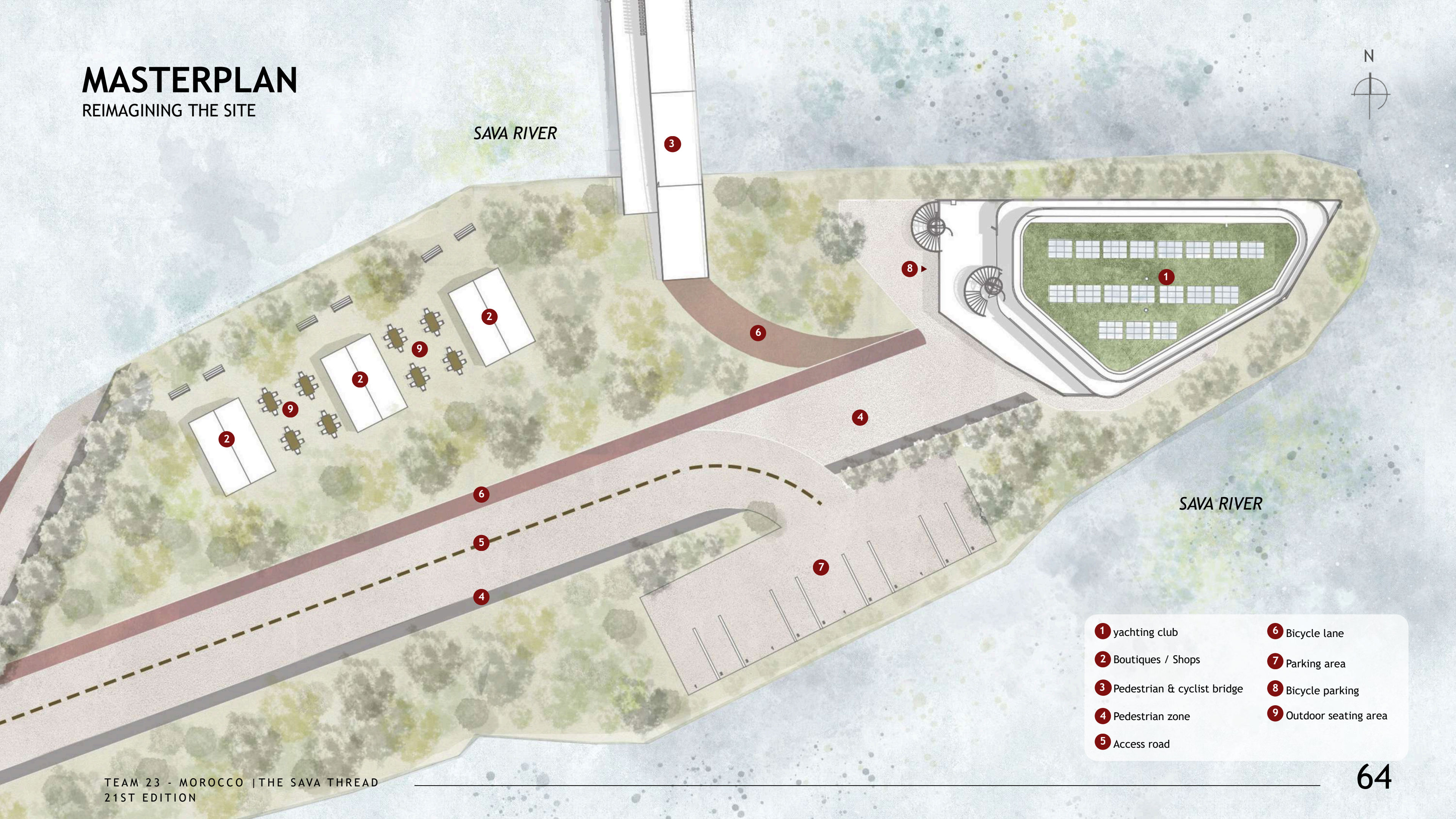
MASTERPLAN

REIMAGINING THE SITE



SAVA RIVER

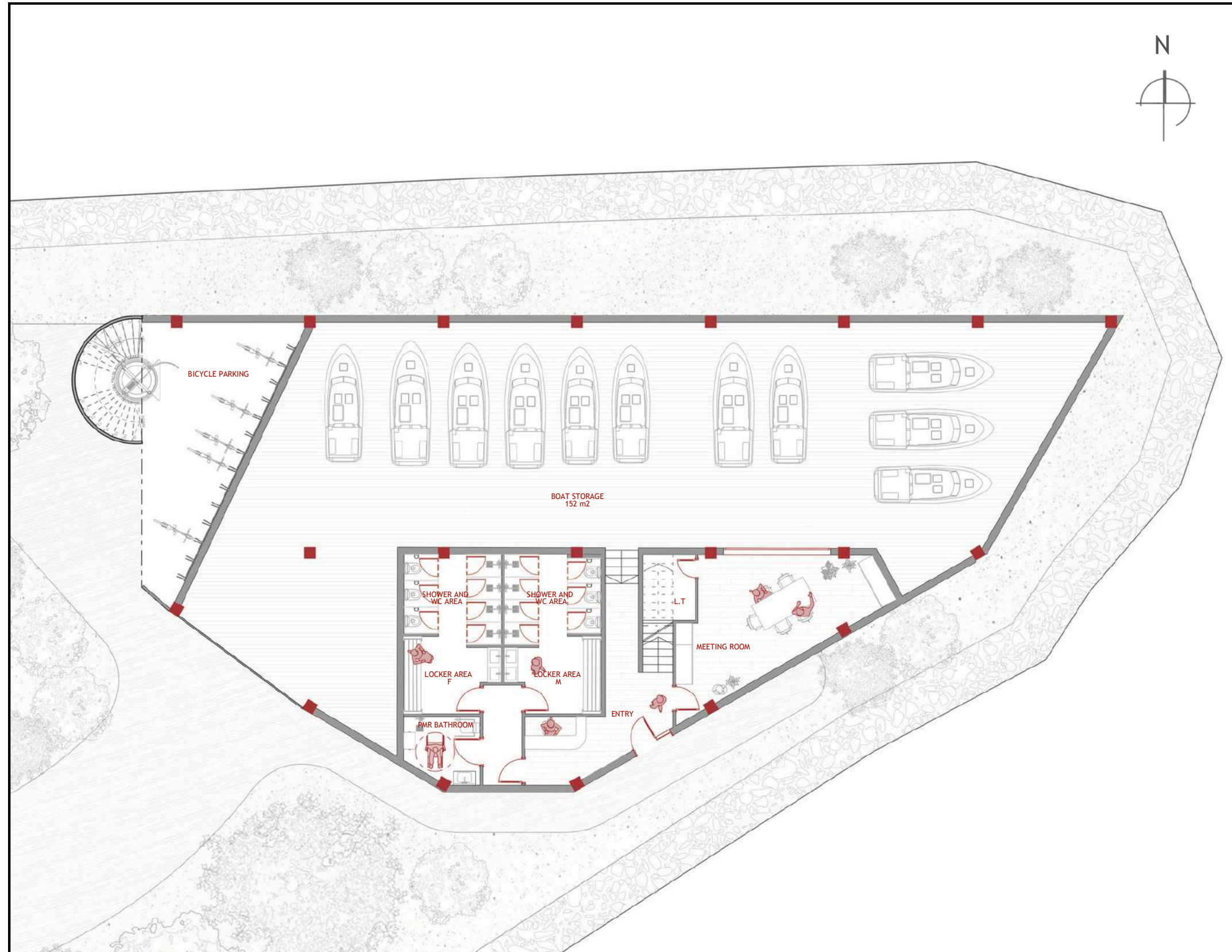
SAVA RIVER



- 1 yachting club
- 2 Boutiques / Shops
- 3 Pedestrian & cyclist bridge
- 4 Pedestrian zone
- 5 Access road
- 6 Bicycle lane
- 7 Parking area
- 8 Bicycle parking
- 9 Outdoor seating area

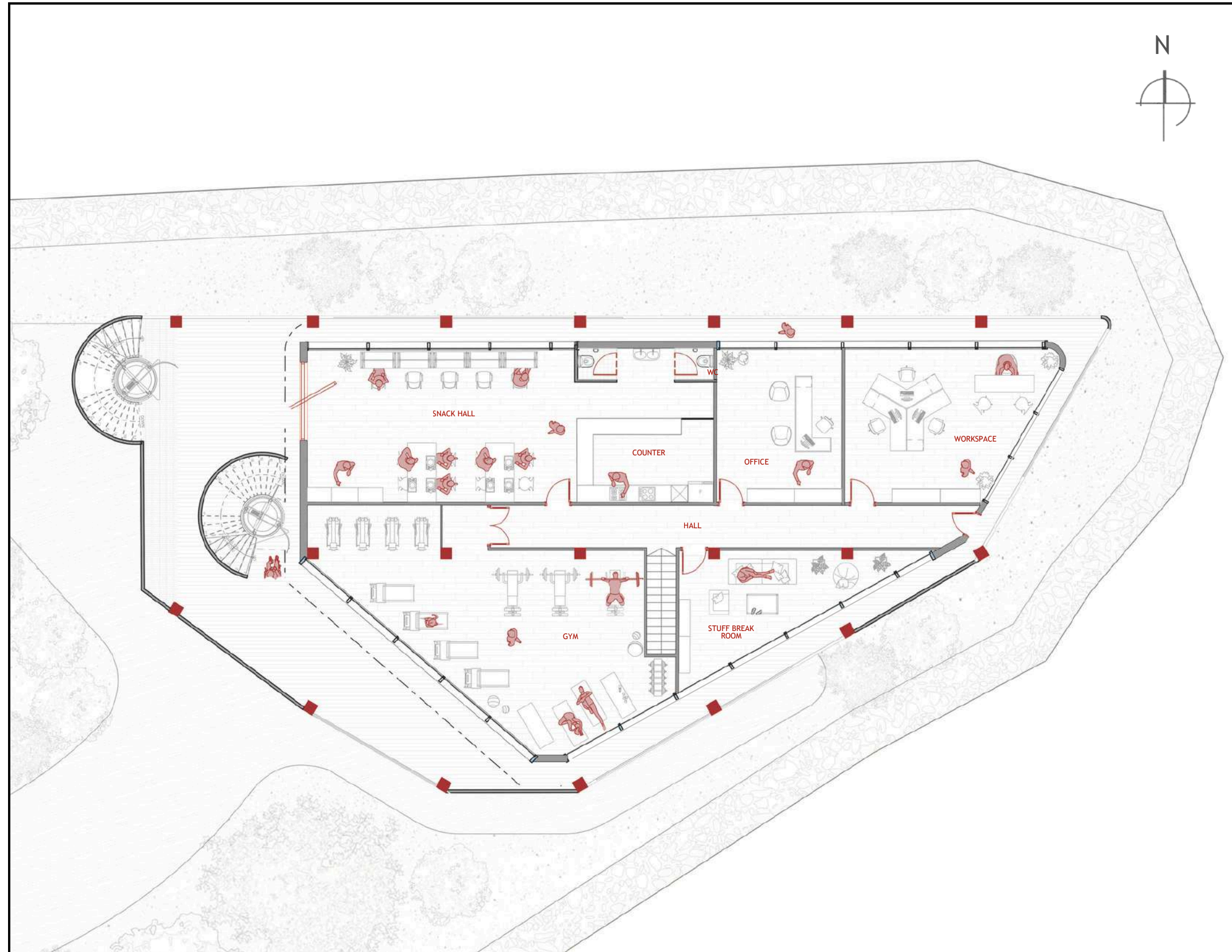
YACHTING CLUB FLOORPLANS

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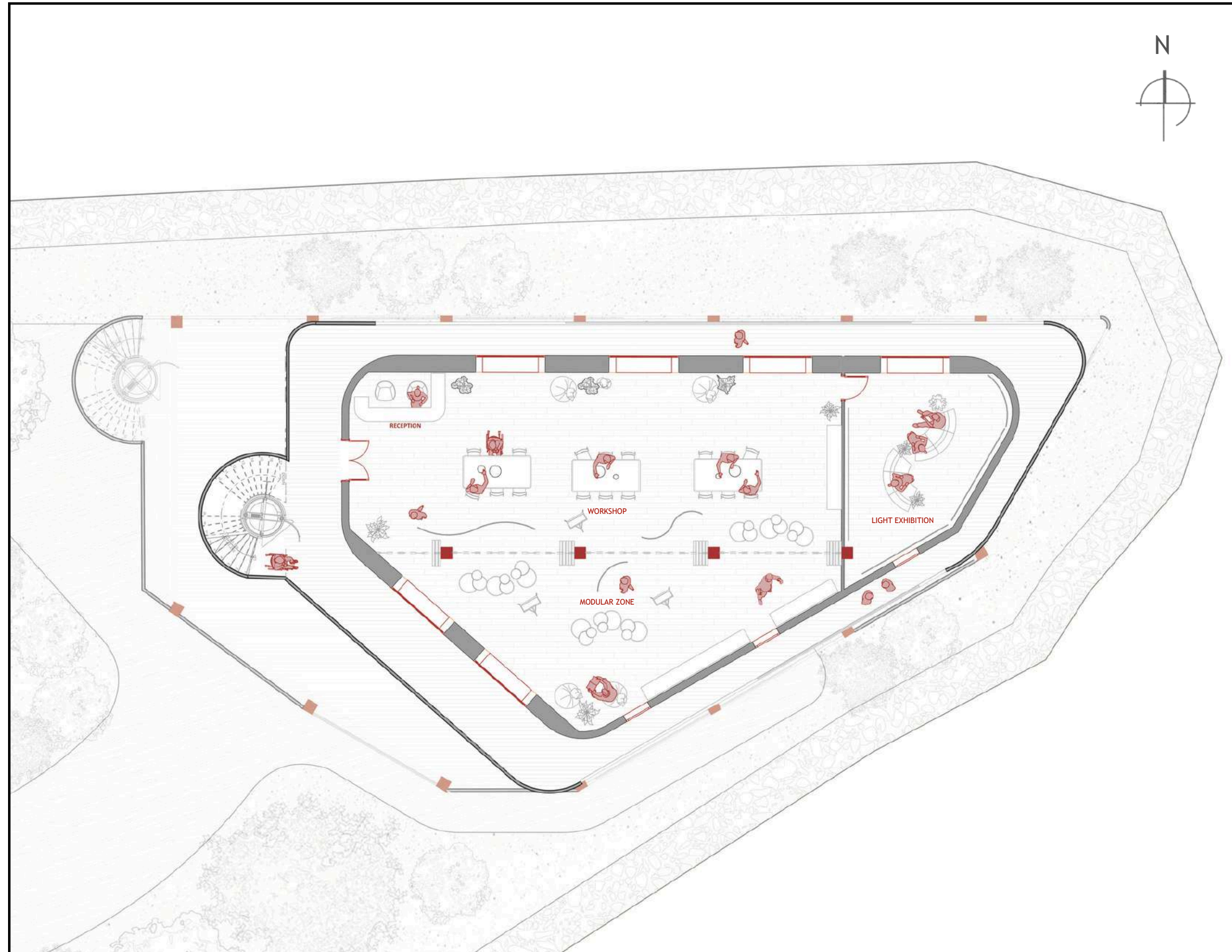
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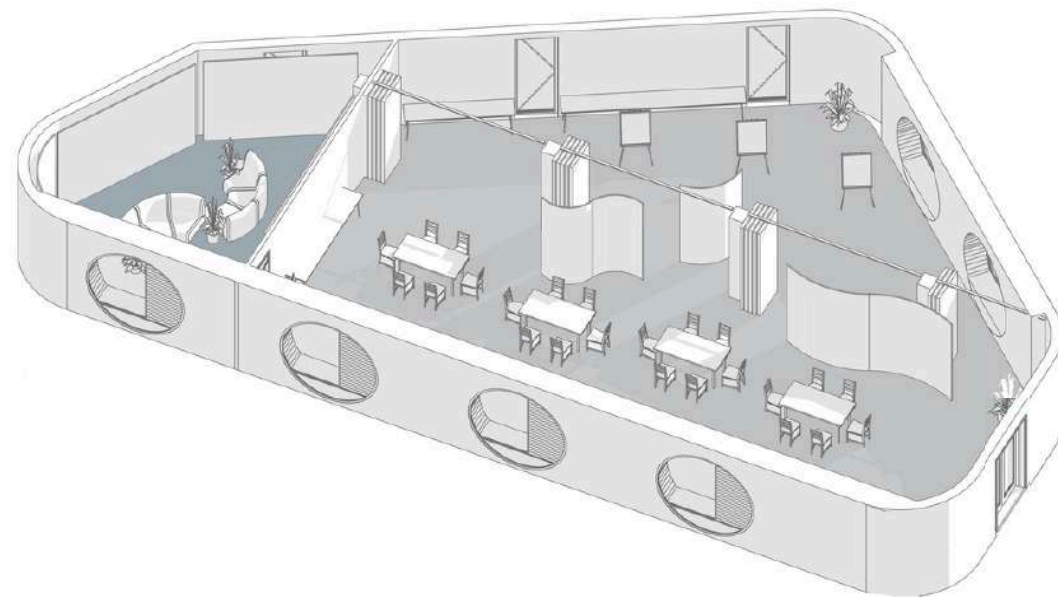
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LONG-TERM ADAPTABILITY

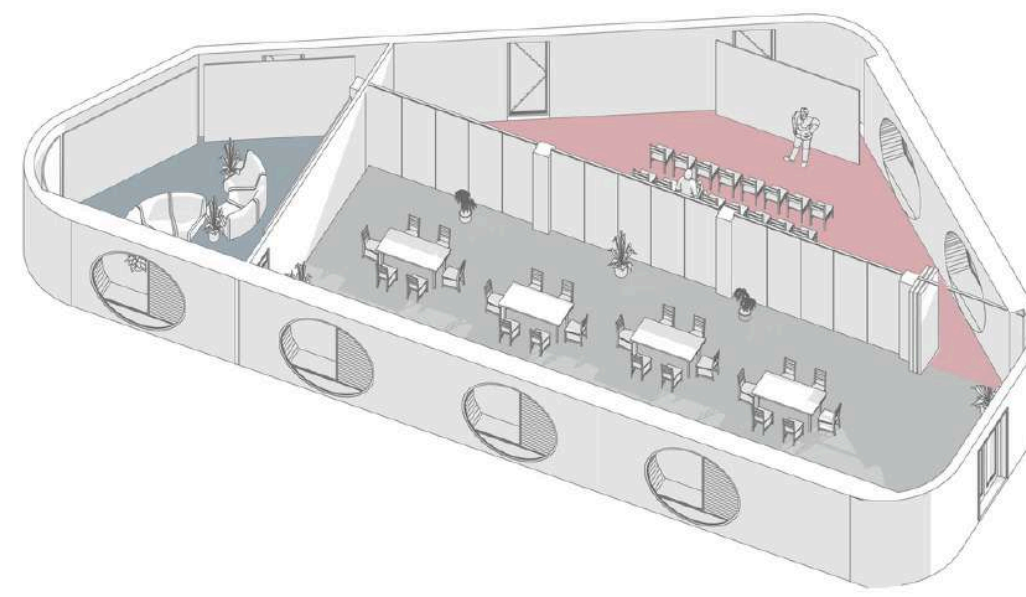
WHERE WALLS MOVE AND FUNCTIONS TRANSFORM

In a strategy aimed at maximizing spatial efficiency, the project incorporates a flexible, modular space through the use of movable partitions. These elements can open and close as needed, allowing the space to be easily reconfigured for different functions. This adaptability enhances the use of every square meter while creating a dynamic and evolving spatial experience for users.



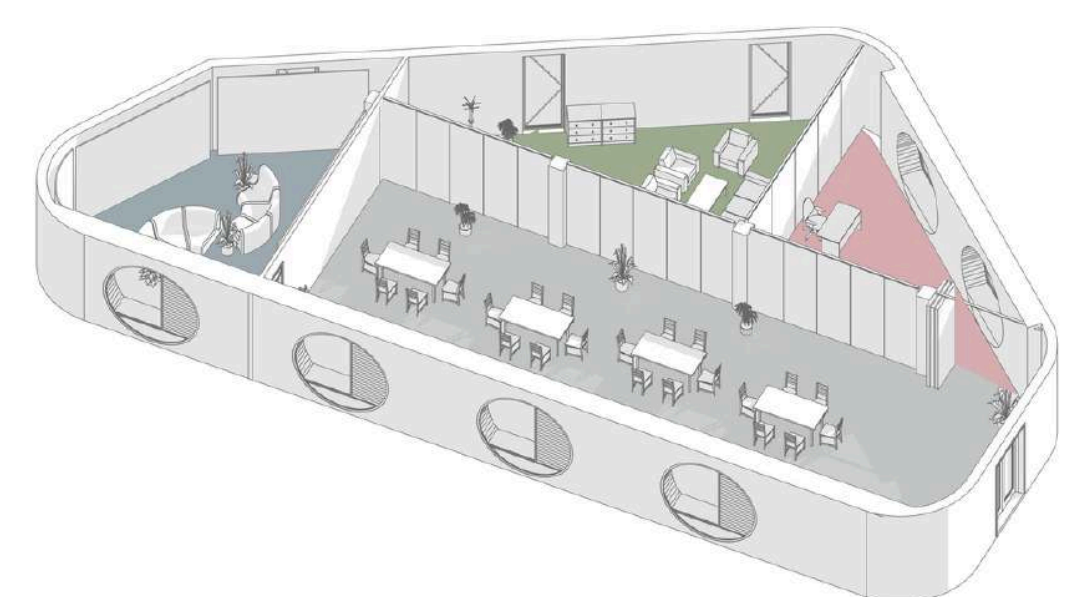
OPEN CREATIVE FIELD

Fully open configuration transforming the space into a flexible workshop and exhibition area, including a dedicated lighting exhibition room.



RECONFIGURABLE LEARNING SPACE

The space is partially transformed through movable partitions, creating an **additional room** suitable for classes, meetings, or collaborative activities.



MAXIMUM SPATIAL OPTIMIZATION

Full reconfiguration of the space, generating **two additional rooms** to accommodate multiple functions and increase programmatic capacity.

MOVEMENT THROUGH THE SITE

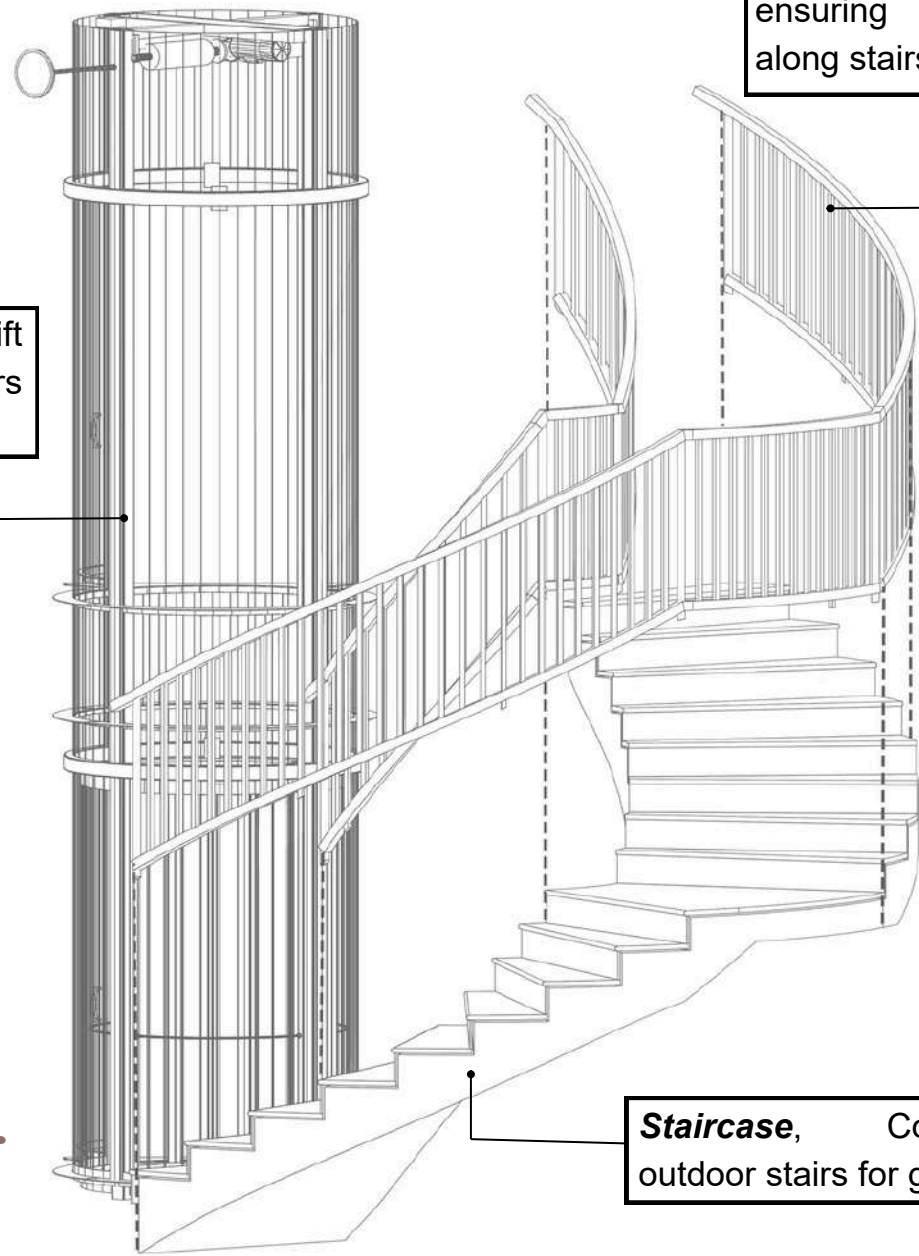
OUTDOOR VERTICAL CIRCULATION

We added an outdoor elevator and stairs with safety guardrails, making the **renovated building fully accessible** to both pedestrians and wheelchair users.

Elevator, Accessible lift for wheelchair users and pedestrians.

Guardrail, Safety feature ensuring secure movement along stairs and platforms

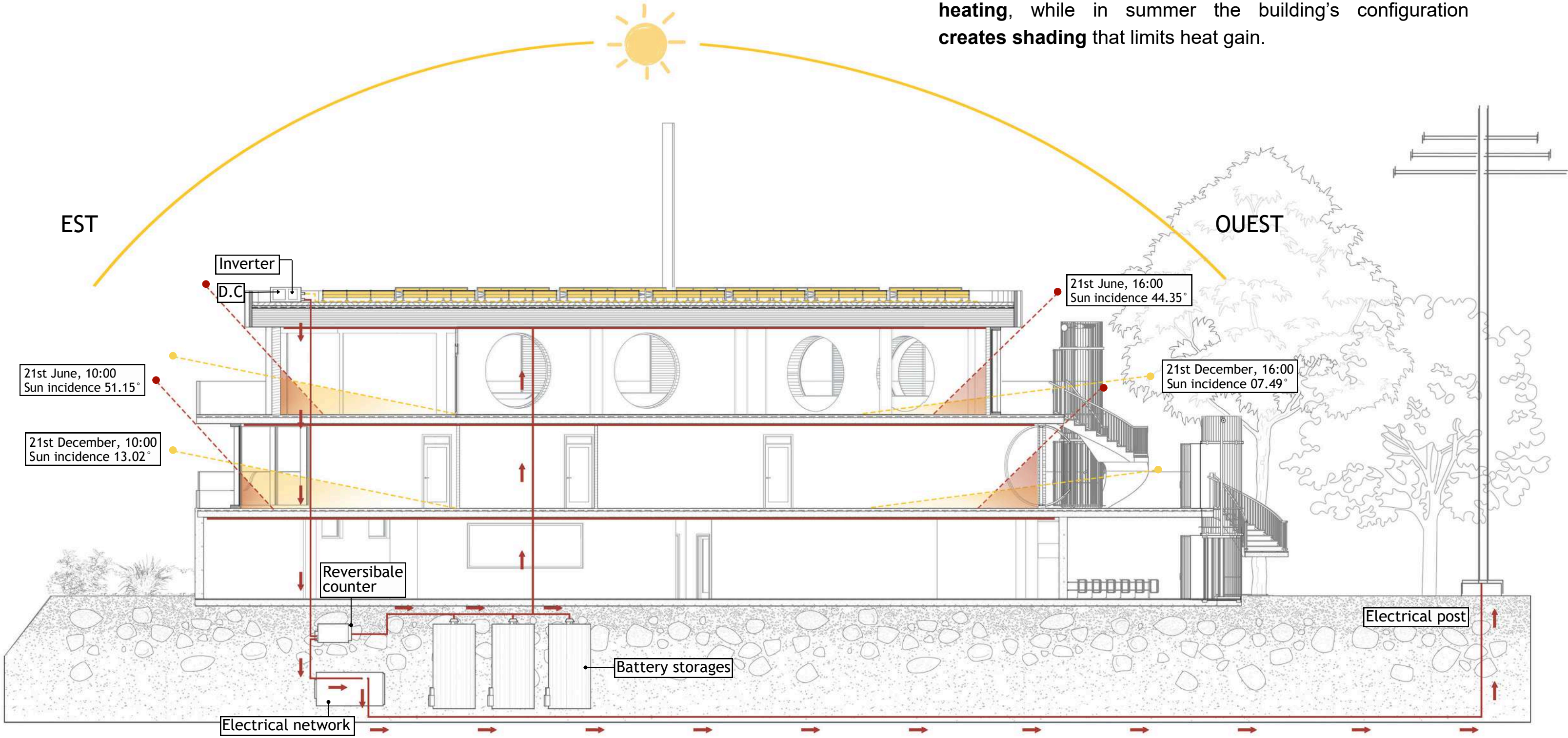
Staircase, Complementary outdoor stairs for general use



SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

PHOTOVOLTAIC AND INTERIOR LIGHT

The **EST-OUEST** orientation and openings provide optimal daylight. In winter, they **capture solar energy** for passive heating, while in summer the building's configuration **creates shading** that limits heat gain.

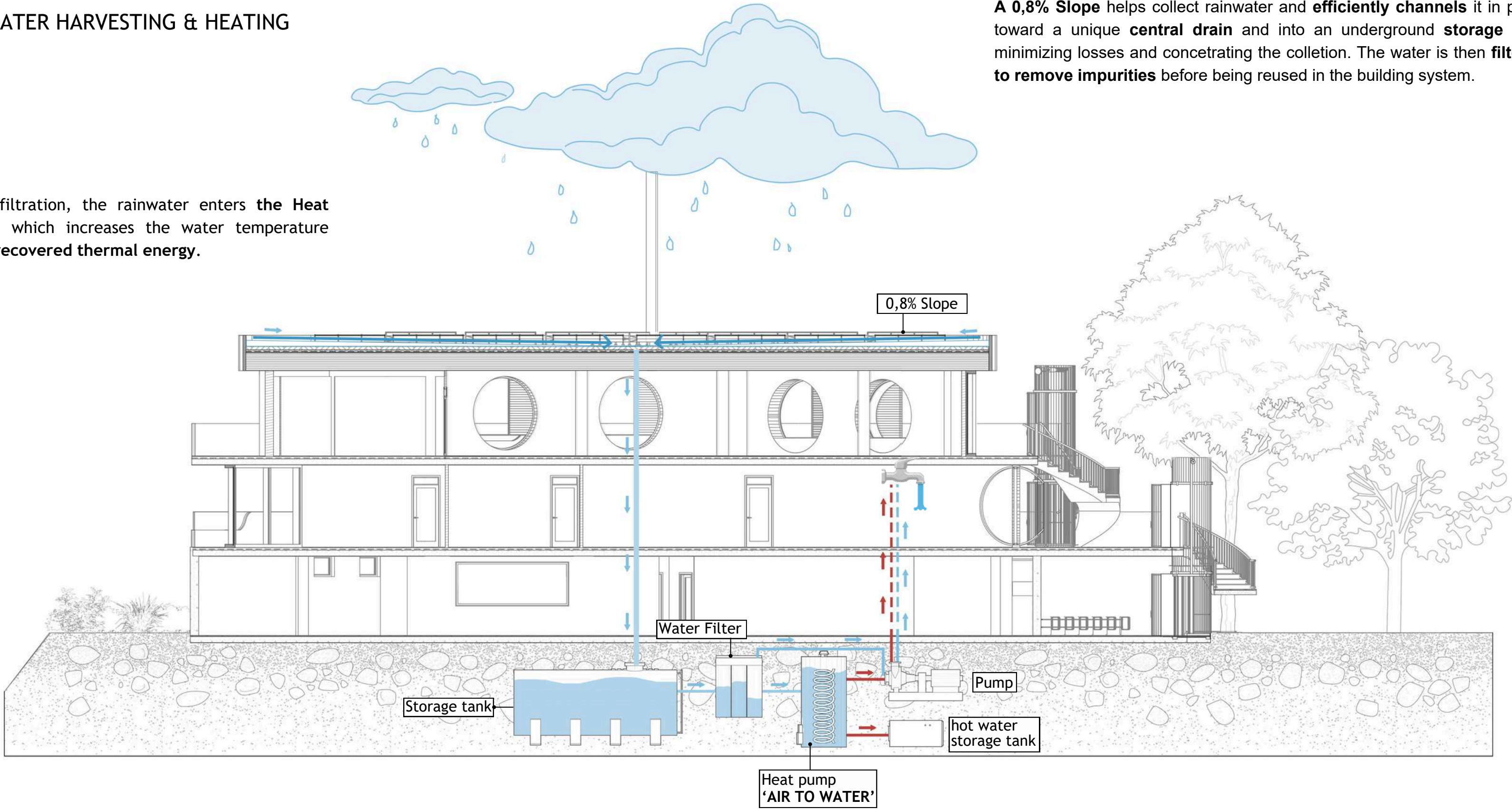


SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

RAINWATER HARVESTING & HEATING

A **0,8% Slope** helps collect rainwater and **efficiently channels** it in pipes toward a unique **central drain** and into an underground **storage tank** minimizing losses and concentrating the collection. The water is then **filtered** to **remove impurities** before being reused in the building system.

After filtration, the rainwater enters the **Heat pump**, which increases the water temperature using **recovered thermal energy**.

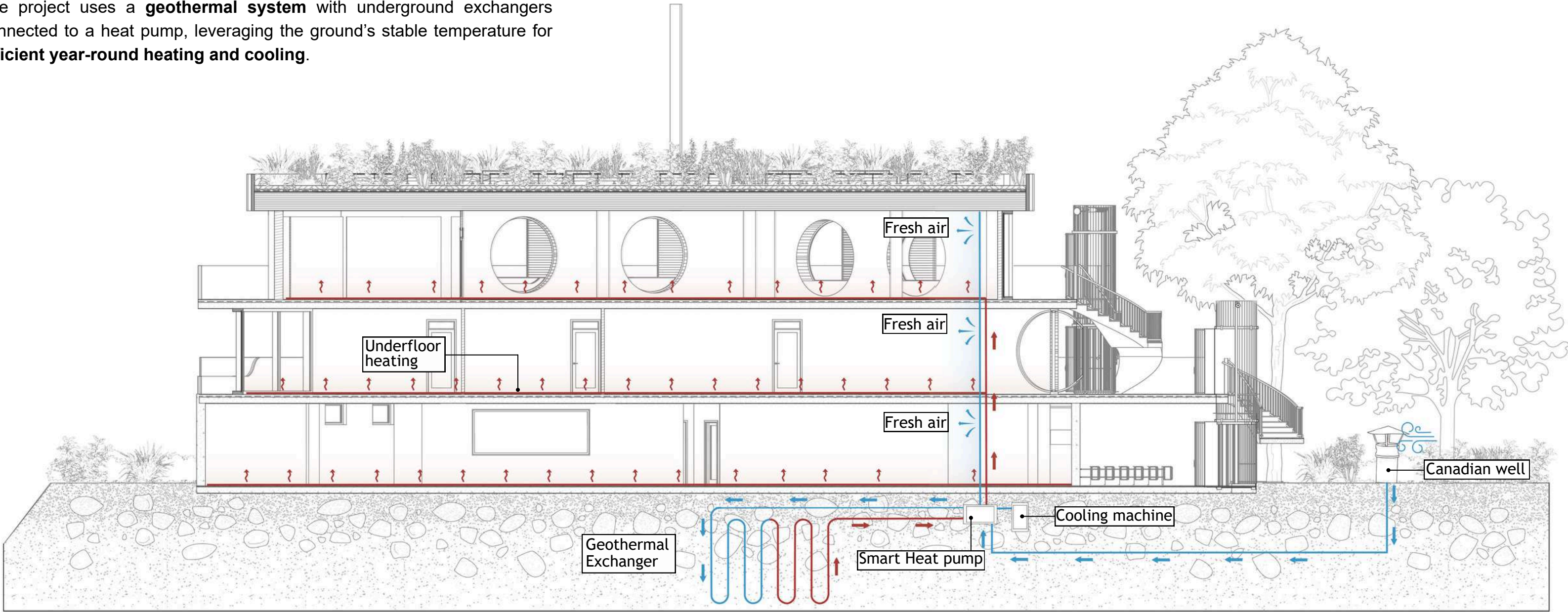


SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

GEOHERMAL HEATING/COOLING

Energy is distributed through **radiant floor** heating, ensuring consistent indoor comfort with **reduced energy consumption.**

The project uses a **geothermal system** with underground exchangers connected to a heat pump, leveraging the ground's stable temperature for **efficient year-round heating and cooling.**



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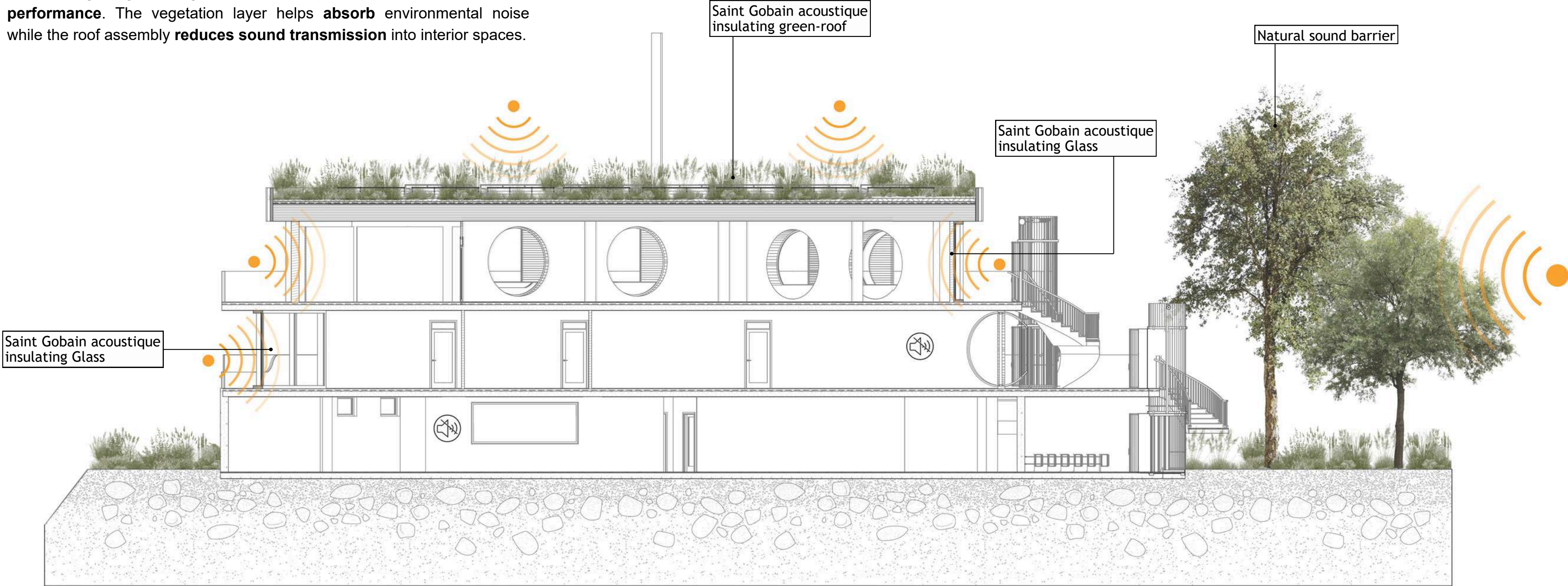
SOUND-SHIELDED ENVIRONMENT



COOL-LITE XTREME 70-33
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Trees next to the building act as a **natural buffer** against environmental noise. The vegetation **diffuses and absorbs sound** waves before they reach the façade, improving **outdoor comfort** and supporting a **calmer indoor atmosphere**.

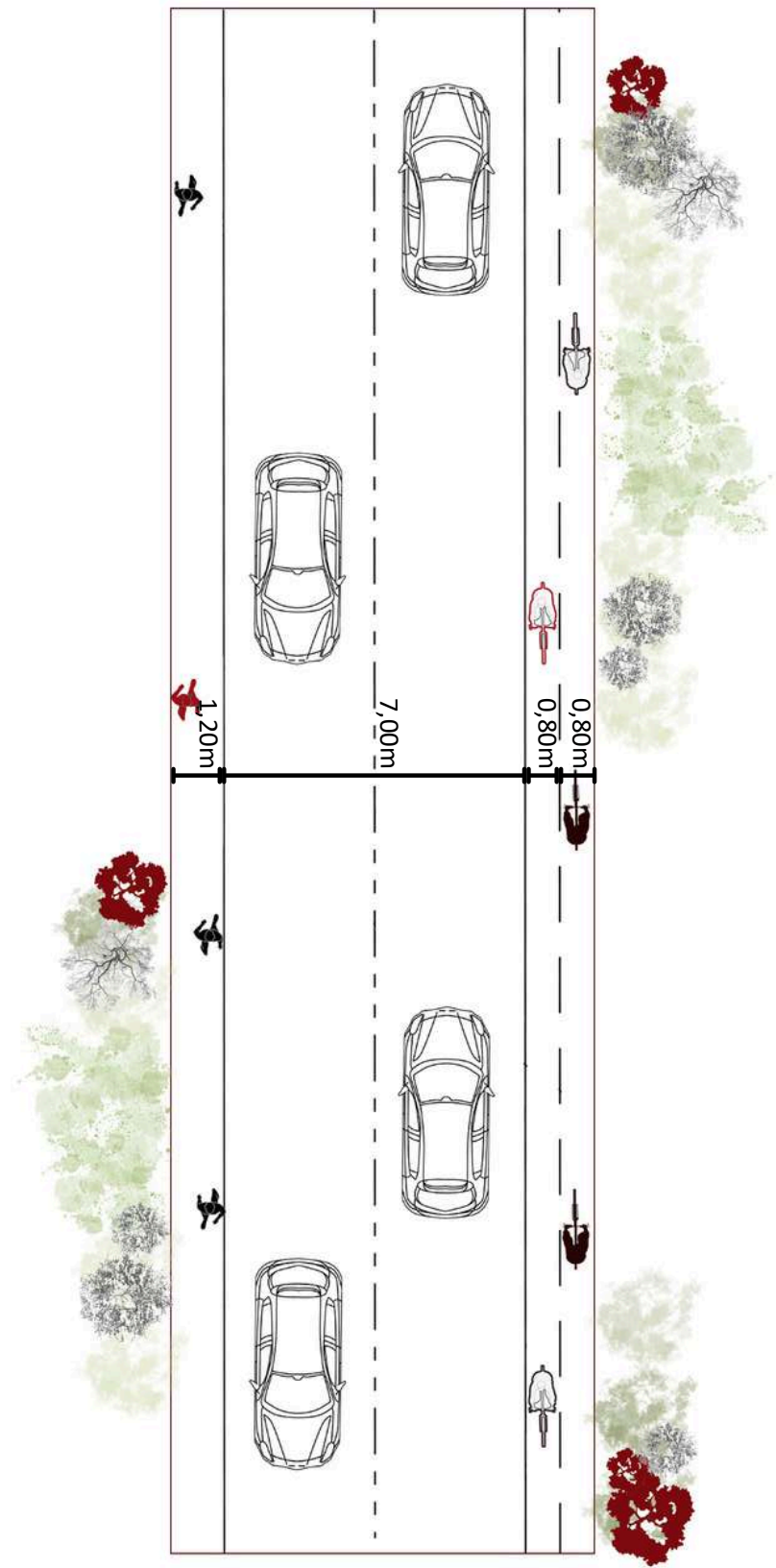
The building integrates a green roof that improves **acoustic and thermal performance**. The vegetation layer helps **absorb** environmental noise while the roof assembly **reduces sound transmission** into interior spaces.



MOVEMENT THROUGH THE SITE

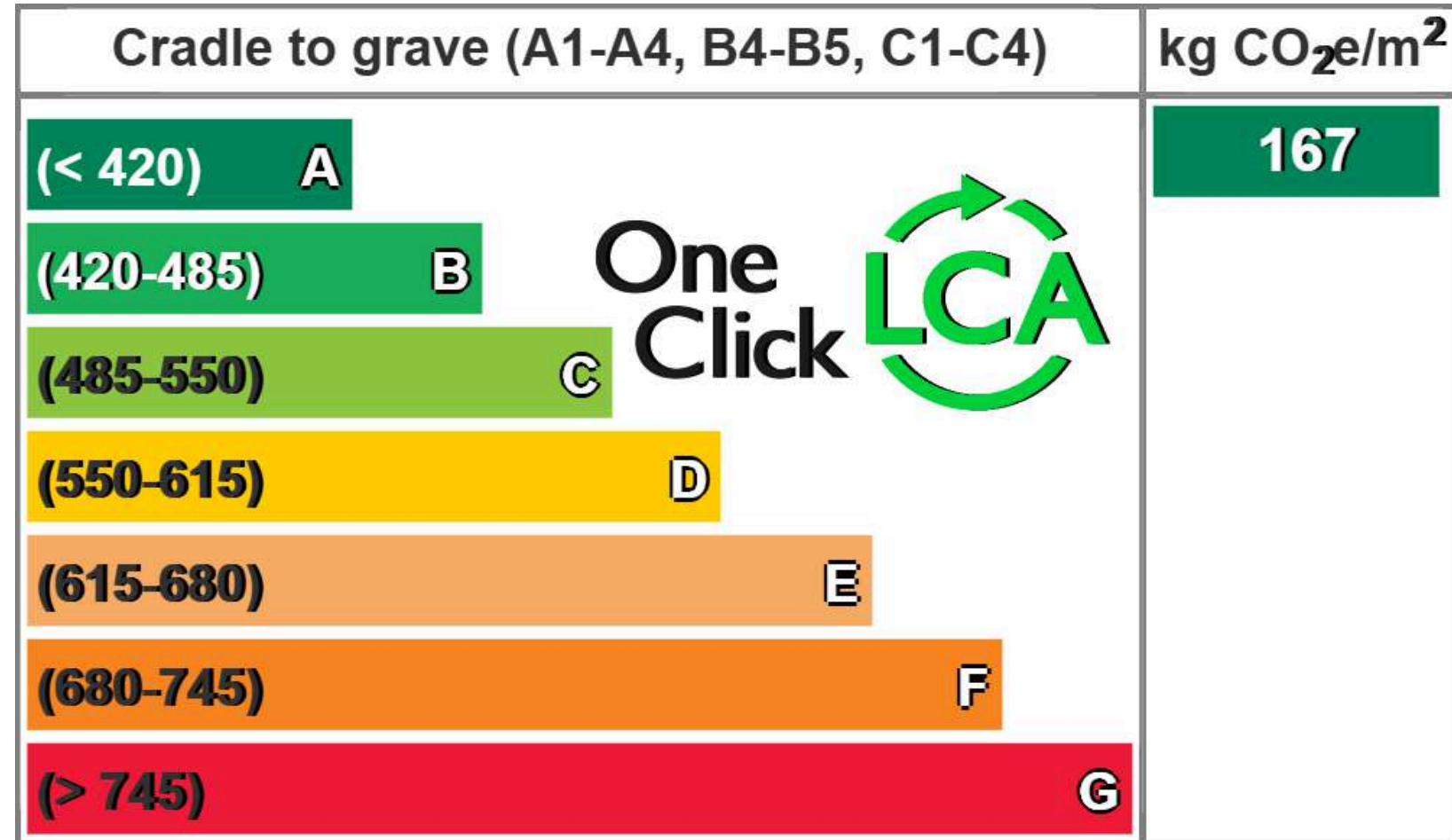
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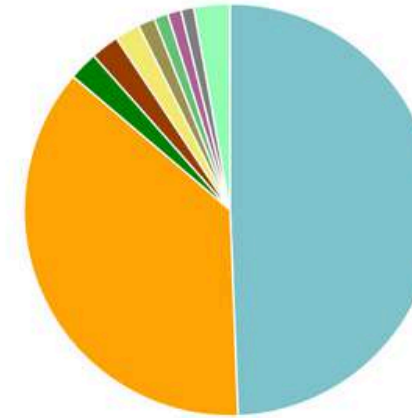
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Global Warming Potential total kg CO₂e - Resource types

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- Electricity - 49.4%
- Ready-mix concrete for structures (beams, columns, piling) - 36.8%
- CLT, glulam and LVL - 2.3%
- Treated or coated timber - 2.2%
- External thermal insulation composite systems (ETICS) - 2.0%
- Coated glass panes - 1.3%
- Plastic membranes - 1.1%
- Bitumen and other roofing - 1.1%
- Aerated/Autoclaved concrete products - 1.0%
- Other resource types - 2.8%

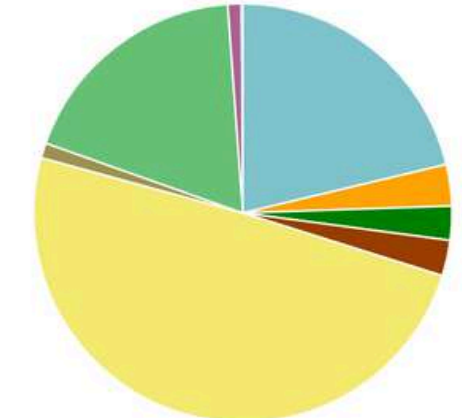


Mass kg - Classifications

- 1.2.3 External walls - 11.6%
- 1.3.1 Ground floor slab - 86.1%
- 1.3.2 Internal walls, partitions and doors - 2.2%
- 1.4.2 Façade openings - 0.1%

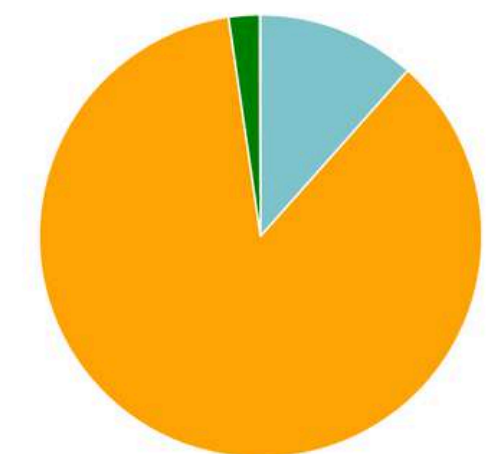
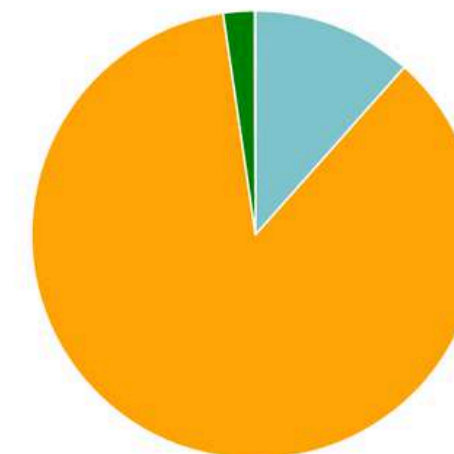
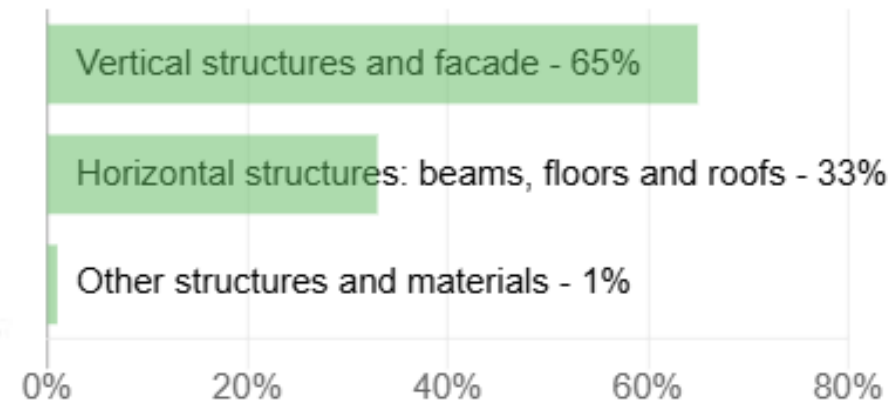
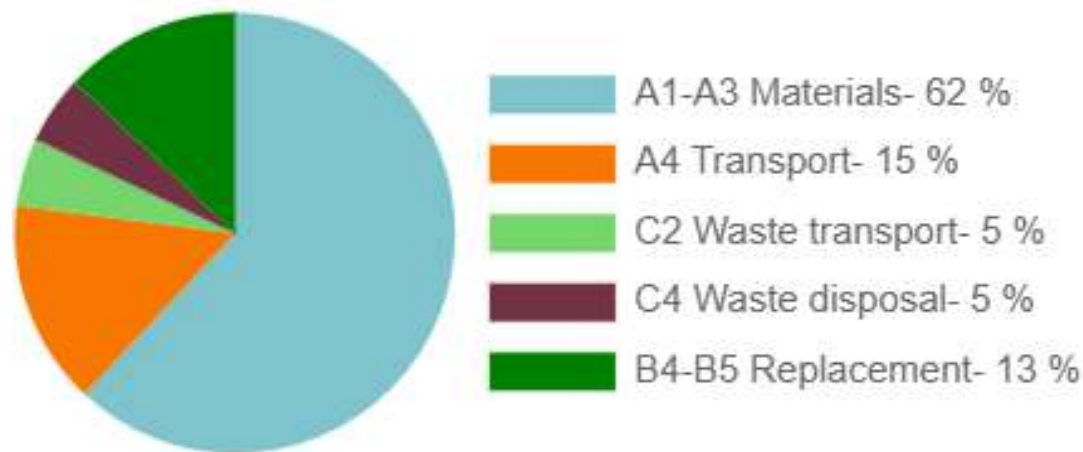
Global Warming Potential total kg CO₂e - Life-cycle stages

- A1-A3 Materials - 21.3%
- A4 Transport - 3.2%
- A5 Construction - 2.6%
- B4-B5 Replacement - 2.8%
- B6 Energy - 49.4%
- C2 Waste transport - 1.2%
- C3-balancing Biogenic waste processing - 18.4%
- C4 Waste disposal - 1.0%
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