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Matteo Zambelli

It works as a holiday home, a cabin or emergency housing. It's the modular Living Unit by OFIS Arhitekti with C+C and C28

In 2001 Korteknie and Stuhlmacher built the prototype of the Las Palmas parasite on the roof of an abandoned warehouse in Rotterdam and inside it they presented the exhibition *Parasites. The city of small things*. Parasite stands for Prototypes for Advanced Ready-made Amphibious Small scale Individual Temporary Ecological Houses. Since then any structure that slips into, sits on, or is grafted onto another structure or residual or under-used space in order to improve it and update it for new use has been called “**parasitic architecture**” (see Sara Marini, *Architettura parassita*, Quodlibet).



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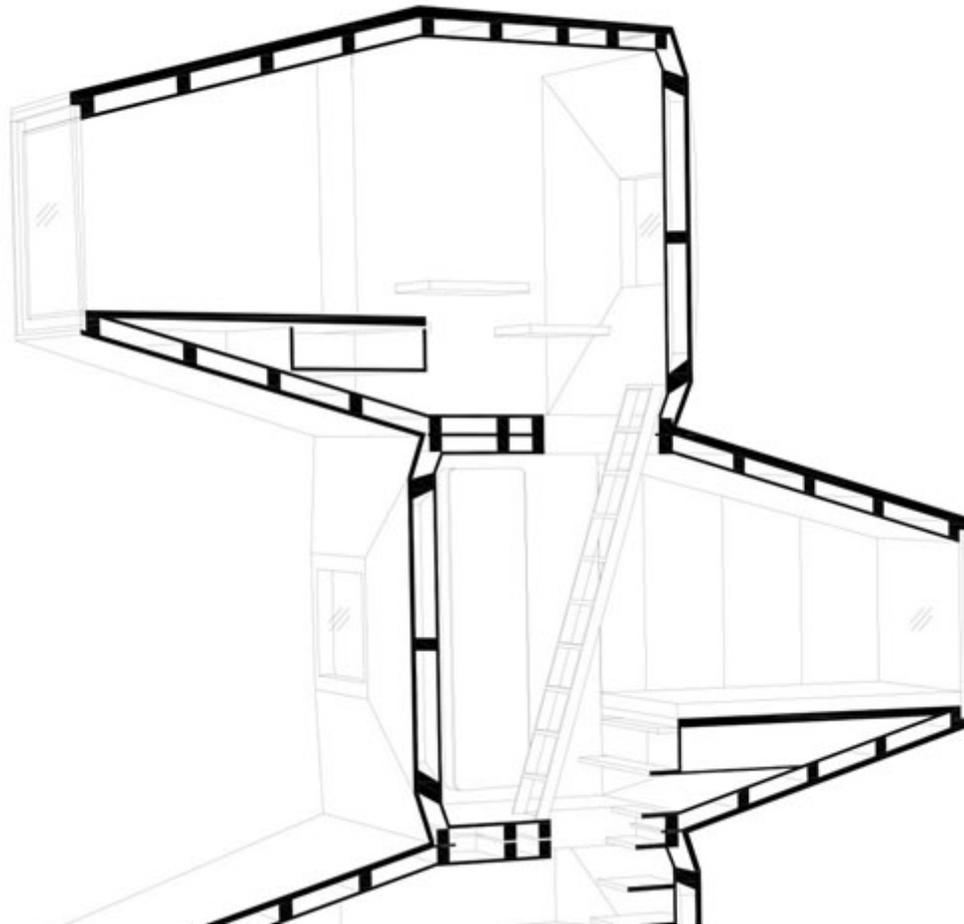
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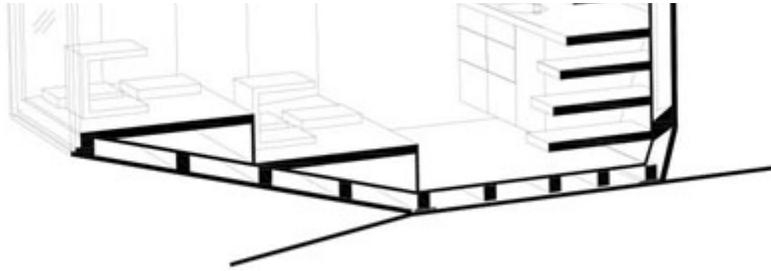
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## CCA recalls the Open University

This is the theme explored by the **Living Unit**, a minimal living unit designed by the Slovenian firm OFIS Arhitekti together with the Italian firms C+C and C28 in response to an open call launched by Inhabits Milano Design Village dedicated to minimal, transportable and easy-to-install structures that are able to address various needs.





↑ Axonometric projection of the unit built in Milan and Ljubljana. (Courtesy OFIS Arhitekti, C+C, C28)

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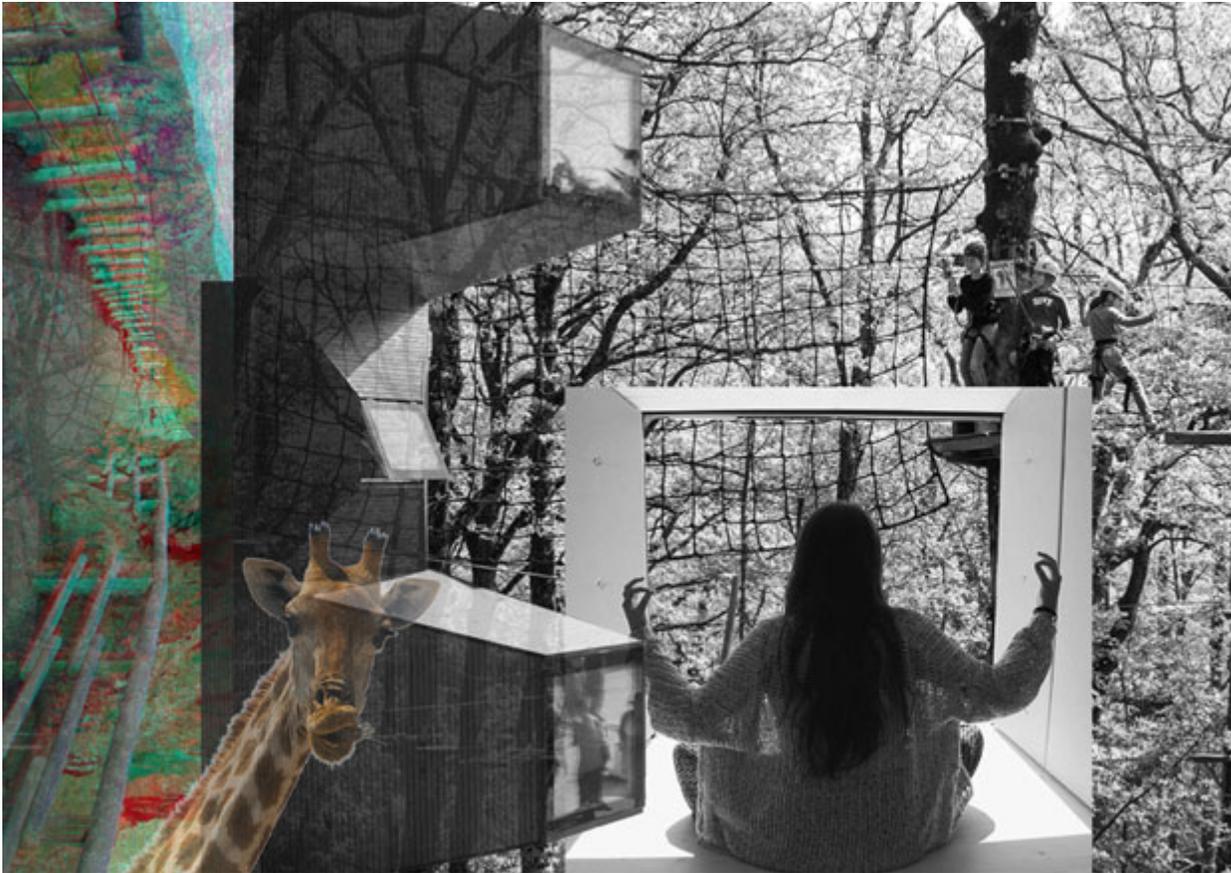




↑ *The Living Unit, interior of the model equipped with a kitchen. (Photo Janez Martincic)*

The architects came up with a prefabricated, mobile and self-supporting unit with a surface area of approximately 10 square metres. The basic unit contains a double bed, a wardrobe, a table and chairs, and is set up for a bathroom and kitchen. The units have a balloon frame designed by the London-based engineering firm AKT, they can be covered in three different materials (wood, aluminium or concrete) and are equipped with insulation

tapered shape, on the other hand, according to Francesco Storza of Czo, serves two purposes, one functional and one perceptive: it helps to reduce the footprint of the unit on the ground, and it makes the interior space seem bigger, an impression accentuated by the choice to make the short side of the volume all-glass to bring the exterior landscape indoors. The units can be combined horizontally and vertically in different ways to create roomier functional units. Living Unit can serve as a small shelter, a cabin (OFIS recently built two in the Slovenian mountains), a holiday home, a treehouse or temporary housing for natural disasters and migration emergencies.



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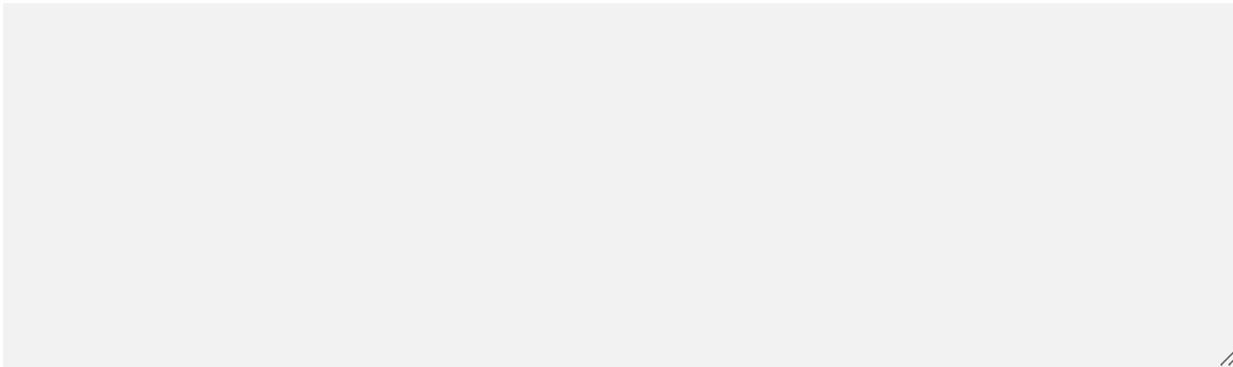
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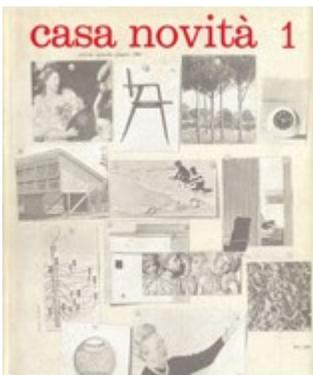
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