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HOUSING. LIVING HOME, LIVING SPACE

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The issue of Residential Housing is a current and global issue. The one built in the last sixty years already manifests severe material degradation to such an extent that younger generations see staying in these places as a personal failure and escaping it as a success.

The magnitude of the emergency - which these urban areas represent - is evidenced by the current debate involving the disciplines of Sociology, Anthropology, Cultural Geography, Urban Planning and Transportation, Architecture and Technology. Clearly, the responsibilities and causes that have led to the current state of metropolitan suburbs are subject to a closer investigation. Alongside social, cultural and economic factors can be remarked that the architectural culture and design strategies of middle ,900 have contributed to the annihilating of inhabitants' identity and sense of belonging to their cities and neighbourhoods, generating critical issues in terms of livability, quality of public spaces and the durability of architecture. The causes of these issues may be related to the complex analytical and design models - mostly quantitative rather than qualitative - aimed at justifying experimental spatial and architectural forms and paradigms.

The proposed session aims at valuing suitable strategies that address the above principles as a whole - social, environmental, urban, technological, and material - shaping the basis from which to properly approach the topic with two conditions: the multidisciplinary approach on the one hand, and the examination of innovative tools for project governance on the other. The proposed papers can address the contemporary issues of Residential Housing at the scales of the dwelling, the building, the neighbourhood or the whole urban infrastructure.

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