

# WARSAW MOSAIC

"Mosaic often reflects a variety of cultures"

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### Master's Thesis:

### Aim of the project: architectural study

Marketplaces play a crucial role in the spatial development of Polish cities. Their presence often encourages mixed-use development, where commercial, residential and cultural spaces coexist. Socially, they create community gathering spaces, promoting cultural exchange and supporting local businesses. They are often associated with foreign minorities who have started a new life in Poland by selling their goods in such markets. In 2019, Warsaw, the capital city, was home for more than 40 000 foreign-born residents. It is believed that the actual number may be even3 times higher now. One of the community driven markets is the Bakalarska Market. Together withFlower Market they are located in Włochy district in Warsaw. Bakalarska Market is the studiedmarketplace which has become the hub of the neighbourhood, proudly called Asia Town by themerchants. Its location and inclusiveness create a place to meet for more than 25 nationalities, most of which are vendors representing the Vietnamese community. The market went through a renovation with an unusual involvement of the architect, Aleksandra Wasilkowska, who had todeal in the participatory design process with the cultural differences, the specific communitydemands and the ever-changing nature of the marketplace.

The migration of the Vietnamese community to Poland is a multifaceted phenomenon influencedby historical ties, economic opportunities and changing political situations. During the Cold War, Poland and Vietnam maintained diplomatic relations. As Poland experienced economic growth after the fall of communism, it became an attractive destination for Vietnamese migrants seeking employment in various sectors, mostly services. Over time, the connection between these two communities has developed in a way that it is easier for new migrants to integrate, Vietnamese students study in Poland due to scholarship programs and people bring their families over through family reunification programs. It is an example how a combination of historical, economic and social factors can shape migration patterns.

The diploma project will focus on the design proposal of the inclusive and affordable housing for two distinct communities of different national backgrounds: Vietnamese and Polish. The challenge is to find common language and create a haven for the newly emerging community of people. The project is a continuation of my pre-diploma project focused on analysing marketplaces in Poland and studied area, creating masterplan of the site and designing flat units based on Vietnamese housing typologies.

### Graphics scope :

The aim of the project is to interpret the elements of the Vietnamese models of living in the Central European urban fabric and cultural context, to ensure housing for mixed-nationality community with strong focus on the Vietnamese vendors from the Bakalarska market. Asia Town in Włochy district became a main place of employment and communal activities hub for the Vietnamese community in Warsaw, introducing a new urbanization model and architectural character. With this project, housing will become a coherent part of the new Polish-Vietnamese district with a focus on the principle of coexistence in one community and sharing space with one another.

I. Introductory data, analysis

- Theoretical analysis of the problem
- Analysis of the site, architecture, surroundings
- Description of the project
- Architectural concept of the proposal
- Site and context description
- II. Documentation of the designed area
- Analysis of the condition of the urban and architectural spaces
- · Architecture and urban diagrams and schemes

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- Site plan, zoning and traffic specifications
- · Analysis of the chosen area
- · Master plan and floor plans describing the function of space
- · Important sections and views schemes
- Visualizations and model showing the representing design parts
- · Text description of the purpose of the project and the aim of the strategies
- III. Physical models
- Urban model
- Model of the proposal

The documentation of the project will be assembled in the printed booklet and presentation poster(s). The documentation will also be available in digital form. Scales are given as assumed values, they can be changed as needed.

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Master's Thesis is submitted in the scope determined by the project supervisor; in addition, one B1 exhibition panel and Master's Thesis in electronic form are submitted.



I declare, that I wrote my diploma thesis "Inclusive Housing: Coexistence of Vietnamese and Polish Communities" independently.

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Bc. Katarína Mičundová

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Cieľom projektu je interpretovať prvky vietnamských modelov bývania v stredoeurópskom urbánnom a kultúrnom kontexte s cieľom poskytnúť bývanie pre zmiešanú národnostnú komunitu so silným zameraním na vietnamských obchodníkov z tržnice Bakalarska. Asia Town, ktorá sa nachádza v okrese Włochy, sa stala hlavným centrom zamestnanosti a komunitných aktivít pre vietnamskú komunitu vo Varšave, pričom zaviedla nový urbanizačný model a architektonický charakter. Vďaka tomuto projektu sa bývanie stane koherentnou súčasťou novej poľsko-vietnamskej štvrte so zameraním na princíp spoločného života v jednej komunite a zdieľania priestoru.

Diplomový projekt sa zameria na návrh dizajnu inkluzívneho a dostupného bývania pre dve odlišné komunity rôznych národností. Výzvou je nájsť spoločnú reč a vytvoriť útočisko pre novovznikajúcu komunitu ľudí.

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The aim of the project is to interpret the elements of Vietnamese models of living in the Central European urban fabric and cultural context in order to provide housing for a mixed nationality community with a strong focus on Vietnamese traders from the Bakalarska market. Asia Town, located in the Włochy district, has become a major centre of employment and community activities for the Vietnamese community in Warsaw, introducing a new urbanisation model and architectural character. With this project, housing will become a coherent part of the new Polish-Vietnamese neighbourhood, focusing on the principle of living together in one community and sharing space.

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# **ANOTATION**

# REPORT

The accompanying report is the textual part of the dissertation. The diploma thesis is also a continuation of the pre-diploma project from the winter semester 2023/24 called Vietnamese Typologies in Poland.

The thesis is a continuation of my pre-diploma project that focused on analysing marketplaces in Poland and studied area, creating masterplan of the site and designing flat units based on Vietnamese housing typologies.

# **BASIC INFORMATION**

**Building name:** Residential gallery buildings and Tube houses Total land area: 32 589 m<sup>2</sup> Total built-up area: 16 070 m<sup>2</sup> Rough floor area: 41 448 m<sup>2</sup> The urban design proposal adresses an unused area in the Wlochy district of Warsaw. The area is close to the Bakalarska Market and the Flower Market, which is directly adjacent. This part of the city is also characterised by residential development, so the design communicates directly with the character of the surroundings. The proposal follows on from last semester's proposed master plan, in which we treated the flower market area and the surrounding infrastructure as a group. The area of interest is therefore divided by the road into 3 parts. The design takes this division into account, with the gallery buildings located in the corners defining the boundaries of the site and completing the street character, which at the same time is connected to the public space through the use of tunnels that open up the courtyards from different sides. The central part of the site has a different height and conceptual character. The auxiliary grid creates a principle that defines the creation of a modular system of typical Vietnamese houses, called "Tube Houses". Public space mixes with semi-public or semi-private space and naturally connects neighbourhood life or mixes commerce with the function of living. This small town within the city is inspired by Vietnamese principles, which are built on the principles of narrow and tall houses or on the reconciliation of public and private.

# **URBANISTIC DESIGN**

# **ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

The architectural solution of the design is a composition comprising two distinct parts, each of which has a different conceptual solution. However, they are unified by the gallery structure, which serves as a unifying element. The individual parts exhibit varying expressions and substances, yet they complement each other. The character of gallery building continues the high-rise development of apartment buildings in the area and creates courtyards that are connected to the surrounding using passages. The apartment building's external communication is the basic dominant element, which has added value in the form of a space for residents to meet and build community spirit. The ground floor is mainly made up of commercial spaces with a focus on selling products or offering services. This function connects the public street life with the building itself. The housing units are based on a modular principle, inspired by Vietnamese typologies. The eight apartment units represent eight different layouts, which are designed for an individual, a family or a three-generation family. The second architectural concept is the tube house, which brings the Vietnamese way of living in cities to Warsaw. Narrow and long houses create a cluster of buildings with different height characteristics and material cladding as a response to the diversity of colours and materials in Bakalarska Market. The pair of houses is connected by an external communication, which creates a central entrance to the individual floors. The layout solution is once again based on the proposed housing units. The group of tube houses even represents a two-storey layout of a department store, in which the residential function on the second floor is extended by the commercial function on the ground floor.

The Gallery building comprises five floors and an underground parking lot. The geological layers beneath the object exhibit no fundamental changes throughout the area. The object is founded on a 500 mm thick base plate. The garages are surrounded by a wall system, and reinforced concrete columns are incorporated into the floor plan, distributed according to the number of parking spaces and designed to transmit the vertical load from the superstructure to the base plate. The floors above ground level are designed as a reinforced concrete wall system. In addition to the ground floor, this system is complemented by reinforced concrete columns on the inner edge of the floor plan in the direction from the atrium. The ceiling slabs are also made of reinforced concrete. This is due to the interruption of the thermal bridge, which separates parts of the slabs in the apartments from the apartments themselves. The facade of the tenement house from the street side is sheathed. The exterior will be green. The greenery will climb the facade network, which is made of stainless steel cables. The facing part of the inner facade will be made of brick cladding strips. The roof is flat with extensive green.

The supporting structure of the Tube house comprises a combination of brick walls and reinforced concrete ceilings. The foundations are constructed using foundation belts. The facade design is stucco plaster of various colours. The staircase is separated from the exterior by plexiglass.

# **CONSTRUCTION DESIGN**

The project incorporates elements of Vietnamese traditional architecture into the Polish countryside, while also establishing a dialogue with the existing Bakalarska market. It can be argued that two atypical principles have been created, although they are different in nature, they complement each other. Although the scale of the project would benefit from a reworking of the details, I think I managed to achieve that the primary source of inspiration, Vietnamese architecture, has been successfully connected with the requirements and environment of the Polish context. The design thus created combines the characteristic elements of both cultures in a manner that results in a unique and harmonious whole.

# **EVALUATION OF ACHIEVED GOALS**

# $\mathbf{O}$ 8 UNIT AN INTERVIEW WITH VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY Flat typologies **MEMBERS** ARCHITECTURAL PROPOSAL MATERIAL ANALYSIS Gallery building ARCHITECTURAL PROPOSAL MATERIAL CATALOG Tube house **URBAN ANALYSIS** URBAN CONCEPT COOPERATIVES URBAN PROPOSAL



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# AN INTERVIEW WITH VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY MEMBERS

During my visit to Warsaw, I met two members of the Vietnamese community, Ngo Van Tuong and Do Huy Khanh, who work in or live near Bakalarska Market. The purpose of this meeting was to gather information and answers to questions that will help me with my final year project. We discussed topics such as the difference between housing in Vietnam and Warsaw, what their housing needs are, how the Vietnamese community interacts with each other, or what their opinion is on shared housing. Getting information directly from people within the community helped me gain a realistic insight into their way of life and needs. Some assumptions were confirmed, while others were supplemented with interesting information that I found very useful in my further design process.

# What is the common housing typology in Vietnam?

We prefer single family house rather than big housing block estate, because the scale is better known for us. Even in the Vietnamese city centre the traditional houses are single family houses called Tube houses. For Vietnamese people it is important to own a piece of narrow land, sharing corridors in between with neighbors. However, with the increasing cost of land, it has become difficult to own land or house, which is why living in blocks of flats has become common nowadays.

Ngo Van Tuong



Tube house principle

# What is special about the typology of Tube house in Vietnam?

Vietnamese houses are open and friendly, especially on the ground floor where large windows allow for easy socializing. This creates a smooth flow between private and public life, making interactions with neighbors and passersby effortless. We were surprised by the contrast in Poland, where ground floors are often closed off and not welcoming, even when there are shops present, we noticed a lack of openness or stalls in front of shops. Ngo Van Tuong

# What facilities are in Vietnamese housing areas to encourage community interaction?

Even though developers in Vietnam construct housing estates at a rapid pace, the offering of shared spaces is also important for them, as for example swimming pool, sport facilities, playgrounds, greenery or local gardens.

Ngo Van Tuong



Welcoming ground floor



Public space

# How are row houses typically organized in Vietnam?

The spatial division of space of Tube house is mainly functional. My house in Hanoi is really traditional one, 35 m2 big per one floor. First floor is always commerce area. On the second floor there is living room and kitchen, while on the third and forth floor is situated bedrooms with toilet. The rooftop is not used for spending time but works as laundry. People spend lot of time outside in the street or coffee shop. Entrance to the building is from the main street through the narrow alley from the back.

Do Huy Khanh

# What preferences do Vietnamese people have when selecting the location of their housing?

Vietnamese people often prefer residential areas like "Za Zelazna Brama", where there are numerous flats for rent in the city centre. This area is well-connected to the Stadium and offers different transportation options. Another Vietnamese hub is town Wolka Kosowska, but overall, we prefer to live near our work.

Ngo Van Tuong

Would Vietnamese find shared ownership model like housing cooperatives appealing?

Even though it is something new we might be interested, because it is at least some kind of ownerhip, better that rental. We are used to share space with others.

Ngo Van Tuon<u>a</u>

Tube house principle



Tube house principle





### Tube house principle

# Is there anything missing in the area near Bakalarska Market?

I like to live there because I have everything I like there, but sometimes I feel overwhelmed with the noisy atmosphere and people, that is why I prefer to live with Polish community. In the urban space, green element is what is missing there, because the space is mostly for business.

Do Huy Khanh







Figure 1: Premiere Office

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# MATERIAL ANALYSIS

Ceramic bricks and concrete are widely used in both countries because of their durability. In Poland, the use of concrete may be more influenced by modernist and brutalist architectural styles, while in Vietnam we see more emphasis on futuristic and innovative designs. Wood is a prominent feature in both countries, offering warmth and versatility, although specific types and applications may differ. Glass, steel and plaster are also commonly used, reflecting the different architectural preferences and material availability in each country. In Vietnam, terrazzo and bamboo add elegance and eco-friendliness respectively, shaping the architectural landscape with a fusion of heritage and innovation.





### VIETNAMESE MATERIALS



TERRAZZO

WOOD



TERRACOTTA

CONCRETE BAMBOO

VIETNAMESE COLORS

In Vietnam, black and white colors are less common in architecture due to cultural symbolism, climate factors, and traditional design preferences. Vibrant colors are favored for their auspicious meanings and to suit the tropical climate. Architects often choose colorful designs that blend modernity with cultural heritage.





Figure 2: LT House

Figure 3: Premiere Office



Figure 4: NDC House



Figure 5: A House in Quang Nam

BRICK PATTERN VARIATION

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Figure 6: House in Chau Doc



Figure 7: Nhà Bè House



Figure 8: Dai An Apartment

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### WARSAW MATERIALS

CERAMIC BRICK

CONCRETE

WOOD



SHEET METAL

GLASS

COLORS AROUND BAKALARSKA











Figure 9: Bakalarska Market



Figure 10: Witoszowskie Housing Estate



Figure 11: Block of flats in Włochy District



Figure 12: Aparmetny Bakalarska



# NEON SIGNS, METAL SHEETS

# REFERENCIAL COLLAGE MOSAIC

Collage mosaic serves as a referencial example, showing combination of material from both countries and possible visual identity of my project. Simple building structure is supplemented with different materials and colors.





Figure 13: Glass

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# MATERIAL CATALOG

As part of my thesis project, I've curated a materials catalogue as part of an analysis. This catalogue compares different building and façade materials based on their unique properties such as weight, tensile strength, flexibility, durability, versatility, environmental benefits and colour palette.

# CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

		TECHNICAL DRAWING	WEIGHT	TENSILE STRENGTH	FLEXIBILITY	DURABILITY	VERSATILITY	ENVIROMENTAL BENEFITS	COLOR PALETTE
BAMBOO		Splice Joint Through Joint Joint Angular Joint Joint Joint Bundle Joint Joint Joint Joint Joint	300 - 400 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	100 - 250 MPa for structural support	natural flexibilitx	long-lasting material for outdoor applications	a wide range of applica- tions in construction	an environmen- tally friendly material	
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POPLAR TIMBER		a)	510 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	40 - 60 MPa	no	with proper treatment or protective finishes	a wide range of applica- tions in construction	fast-growing	
LAMINATED VENEER LUMBER (LVL)		For event haper Image: Constraint of the second of the	600 - 800 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	50 -70 MPa	can be designed to flex slightly under load	highly durable	a wide range of applica- tions in construction	made from small- er, fast-growing trees or wood residues that might otherwise go unused	
REINFORCED CONCRETE		Turning the second seco	2402 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	2-5 MPa	limited flexibility	for long lasting structures	a wide range of applica- tions in construction	recyclable	
STEEL		20 rgd Pred conection	7850 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	400 - 550 MPa	not bend easily under normal conditions	highly durable	a wide range of applica- tions in construction	recyclable	

# FACADE MATERIALS

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		TECHNICAL DRAWING	DIMENSION	DURABILITY	WEATHER RESISTANCE	INSULATION	ACUSTIC PERFORMANCE	MAINTENANCE	COLOR PALETTE
PERFORATED METAL PANELS		NUMBER HOUSEK EXTEN NUMBER HOUSEK EXTEN NUMBER HOUSE PRI- NUMBER HO	width x length (mm) 1,000 x 2,000 1,220 x 2,440 1,250 x 2,500	highly durable and long-lasting	resistante in outdoor environ- ments	depend on material thick- ness, perfora- tion pattern, and insulation material behind the panels	provide acoustic benefits by absorbing, diffusing, or reflecting sound waves	minimal maintenance, protect against corrosion	
METAL SHEETS		ALMANN HOUSEL BODY	width x length (mm) 1,000 x 2,000 1,220 x 2,440 1,250 x 2,500	highly durable and long-lasting	resistante in outdoor environ- ments	regulates indoor tem- peratures, not provide as high thermal insulation as some modern insulating materials	limited acoustic performance	easier to clean and maintain than perfoar- ted panels	
BRICK		PL : STORIO DECISION	(mm) 290x162x90	often lasting for decades	highly resistant	highly durable	providing soundproof- ing properties	minimal maintenance	
CONCRETE			up to 10 metres long and 3.6 metres wide, typical thickness- es 100mm. 150mm.	durable and long-lasting	highly resistant	provide mod- erate thermal insulation due to their density and mass	good acous- tic insulation	minimal maintenance	
CERAMIC TILES			different sizes	durable, but may be susceptible to cracking in seismic or high-wind areas	highly resistant	limited ther- mal insula- tion on their own due to their thin profile and low thermal mass	minimal inherent acoustic insulation	low-maintenance and easy to clean	

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		TECHNICAL DRAWING	DIMENSION	DURABILITY	WEATHER RESISTANCE	INSULATION	ACUSTIC PERFORMANCE	MAINTENANCE	COLOR PALETTE
NATURAL PLASTER			_	durable, but may be susceptible to cracking in seismic or high-wind areas	can be weather-re- sistant	not as insulat- ing as some modern materials	good acoustic properties	regular maintenance	
WOODEN PANELS			width x length (mm) 2,000 × 5.000 2.000 × 6.000 in thicknesses of 12 to 100	durable, but may be damaged from mois- ture, insects, maintenance is essential	yes, proper- ly treated, cedar or redwood are used for exterior applications	natural insu- lating prop- erties, but additional insulation may be required in colder climates	good acoustic properties	regular maintenance, periodic inspections required	



# 04

# URBAN ANALYSIS URBAN CONCEPT URBAN PROPOSAL

The urban design proposal addresses an underutilised area in the Wlochy district of Warsaw. The area is adjacent to a flower market and the Asian market Bakalarska. Both markets shape the character of the area and are key factors in the design process. The proposal builds on the flower market masterplan from the previous semester and responds to the surrounding buildings. The proposed masterplan creates space for two conceptual architectural solutions that define the area and establish a unique character for the site.





location





- Bakalarska Market
- Flower Market reconstruction of Market hall 2 Gas station - new placement 3
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- Exterior market stalls Youth centre new design Kindergarden new design 6

### proposed new pedestrian paths

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new paths and roads situation







Showing the area of interest and important surroundings with new proposed buildings

Division of the plot by new proposed roads





Showing important corners in the area





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Proposed gallery buildings which border the boundary lines of the land and create inner courtyards







Exterior staircases reconnect gallery building Urban flow solved with passage within the building



exterior staircases

passages within building







Defined directions of main pathways

Grid in the central part of the plot creates modules and makes it easy to divide into co-operative plots.

Modular housing unit





Simple layout of Tube houses which form urban interiors in between Buildings can be built in different phases of construction as needed by the community

Shophouse


public space semi-private space semi-public space private space







Public and private space division

Entrances to the buildings





Masterplan

Masterplan division of space creates multiple courtyards, different public spaces and geen plots using variety of paving materials and greenery.



Mini gardens on the rooftop of Tube house



Public space



Inner courtyard of Gallery building with garden or playground



Variation of paving materials



Cluster of Tube houses creating "Town in the city"

coultured public space





shophouse passage (in a row)



Formation of different paths and small courtyards between the Tube houses



II, corner buildin



Group of shophouses with commerce function on the first floor creating flow between public and private



### Gallery building courtyards with greenery and playgrounds..



First floor for commerce



Corner building and connection between courtyard and kindergarden







Connection of Gallery building with the surroundings using passages

"Town in the city"



# 05

# 8 UNIT flat typologies

The proposal of eight different flat units from my pre-diploma work demonstrates the variety of living space that can be provided for individuals, families, or three-generation families. The form is based on the idea of the modular principle, whereby the living space itself increases gradually as more mass is added. The design is based on the typical principles of tube houses in Vietnam, whose floor plan is narrow and long. The diverse shapes and sizes of the residential units contribute to the playful character of the facade, while simultaneously providing additional storage space for the house-hold or serving as a vertical communication hub. The individual flats are connected by an external pavilion, which serves as a semi-private space where neighbours can meet.

# SOCIAL AGENDA

Who is the resident of the district?

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80-89 years 70-79 years 6% 60-69 years 10% 50-59 years 9° 15% 40-49 years 30-39 years

### How will they live together? Building up a sense of a community



For both communities is really important to establish a family, that's why they are often hard-workers. Diligence is one of the characteristics which Polish people appreciate the most about Vietnamese. They also have in common outdoor sales culture. In Poland, Vietnamese community is one of the largest from Europe, they are already an inseparable part of Poland.



Elderly people

3-generation principle



Variability of living units

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### Who is the target?







Micro living is the smallest but flexible unit for one person or a couple. The entrance to the flat unit is accessible by using shared gallery corridor. The gallery is directly connected with social space - kitchen, what creats a possibility of opening to a shared corridor using folding panel on the window. The folding bed enables flexible use of space during the day. Every unit has also its own balcony.







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0,5m



PRIVATE BALCONY



This unit is ideal for a young family with one child. The shape creates bigger space for outdoor meetings with neighbors in the corridor-gallery, from which the community can benefit.



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PRIVATE BALCONY



The middle space represents social rooms as kitchen, dining room and living room which are connected with gallery-corridor.













Half of the space represents social rooms as kitchen, dining room and living room which are connected with gallery-corridor.



FOLDING COVERING PANELS



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Three-generation family unit creates the space for each age group. This unit forms both private and shared rooms within the family members.



# Folding Covering Panels

0,5m





Typology for bigger family with an emphasis on social rooms for members to meet and spend time together or invite neighbors for a coffee.



1m 0,5m





**VIETNAMESE MAISONETTE** typical vietnamese three-generation family with two floors 100 m<sup>2</sup>

Two-story flat unit with double high floor. On the first floor there are mostly social rooms as kitchen, dining room, living room and the second floor is more quite space with 2 bedrooms. This unit is for three generations who can live together. Both floors are accessible from the gallery corridor.



### DOUBLE-HIGH FLOOR

0,5m





**SHOPHOUSE young family with shop on the first floor** 50 m<sup>2</sup> + commercial function

Special unit with commercial part on the first floor and living area on the second floor. The resident is also the owner of the shop who has the entrance from the back of the housing and also from the corridor gallery. The shop has flexible space which can be arranged according to the type of sale.

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# ARCHITECTURAL PROPOSAL Gallery building

The character of gallery building continues the high-rise development of apartment buildings in the area and creates courtyards that are connected to the surrounding using passages. The apartment building's external communication is the basic dominant element, which has added value in the form of a space for residents to meet and build community spirit. The ground floor is mainly made up of commercial spaces with a focus on selling products or offering services. This function connects the public street life with the building itself. The housing units are based on a modular principle, inspired by Vietnamese typologies. The eight apartment units represent eight different layouts, which are designed for an individual, a family or a three-generation family.













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### TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Micro Living Unit Micro Family Unit Standard Unit I Standard Unit II Extended Family Unit

first floor





# TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Micro Living Unit Micro Family Unit Standard Unit I Standard Unit II Extended Family Unit

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# second floor





# TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Micro Living Unit Micro Family Unit Standard Unit I Standard Unit II Extended Family Unit

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# third floor





# TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Micro Living Unit Micro Family Unit Standard Unit I Standard Unit II Extended Family Unit

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# fourth floor



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Structural detail of facade with overhanging steel structure

200 mm 200 mm 3 mm







Structural detail of gallery

15 mm 5 mm 70 mm

50 mm 200 m 3 mm

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Inner facade of Gallery building





Small gardens for growing vegetables

Openable welcoming windows in cafeteria







Grill spot

Courtyard



# 07

### ARCHITECTURAL PROPOSAL Tube house

The second architectural concept is the tube house, which brings the Vietnamese way of living in cities to Warsaw. Narrow and long houses create a cluster of buildings with different height characteristics and material cladding as a response to the diversity of colours and materials in Bakalarska Market. The pair of houses is connected by an external communication, which creates a central entrance to the individual floors. The layout solution is once again based on the proposed housing units. The group of tube houses even represents a two-storey layout of a department store, in which the residential function on the second floor is extended by the commercial function on the ground floor.



### TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Standard Unit II Vietnamese Maisonette - double floor

ground floor







#### TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Standard Unit II Vietnamese Maisonette - double floor

first floor



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the material design combines colour and variety from Bakalarska Market



10m

Vietnamese Maisonette - double floor









15m 10m

50m



10m

ground floor

TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Shophouse - double floor







first floor

second floor

#### TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Shophouse - double floor

10m





elevation of shop houses





10m

corner terrace on the first floor



ground floor

first floor

TYPES OF MODULAR UNITS IN THE PLAN

Atypical corner Shophouse - double floor





Passage alongside the shophouses

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## 08

### SHARED OWNERSHIP

Shared ownership provides financial relief by sharing costs between owners. It fosters a sense of community, shared responsibility and democratic decision-making. With diverse perspectives, it encourages innovation and provides stability, resilience and affordable home ownership options. The project creates 2 options of sharing.



Axonometric view explaining ownership of each building

### Rental with option Rent to buy

Ownership of the building by bigger cooperatives, who decides on the op-

Ownership of the building by bigger cooperatives, who decides on the operation of the building

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