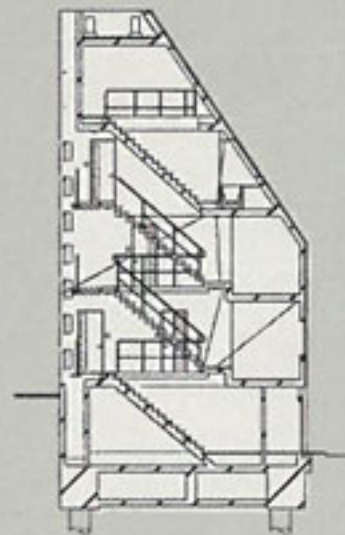
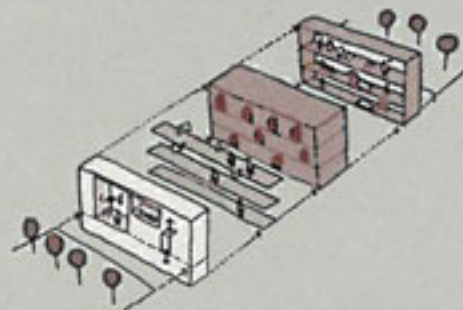
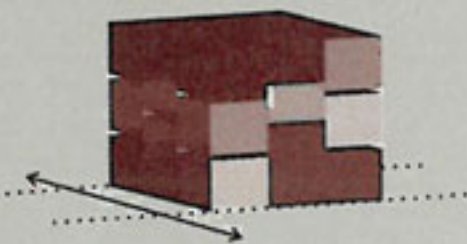
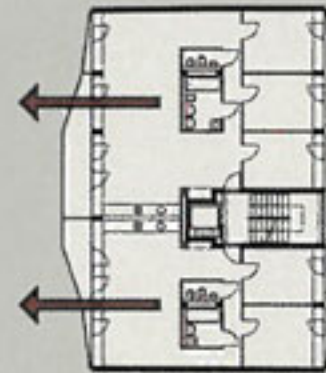
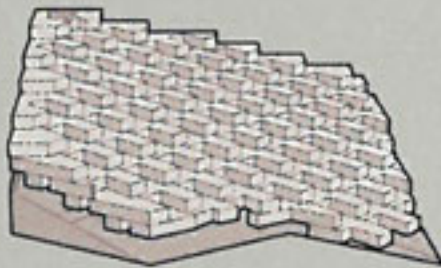
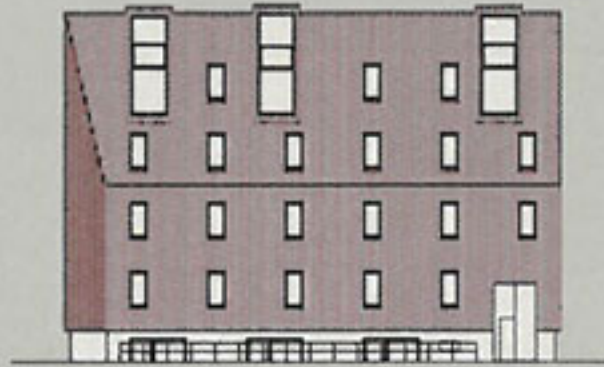
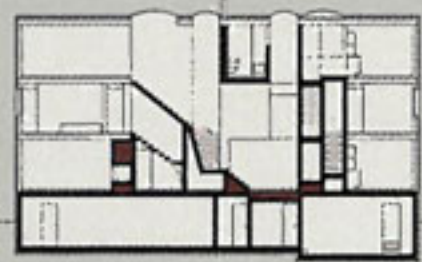
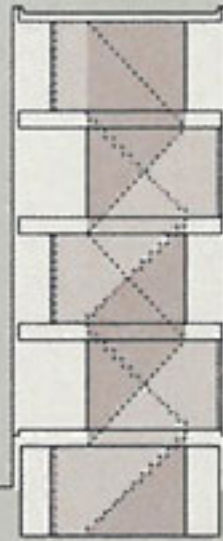
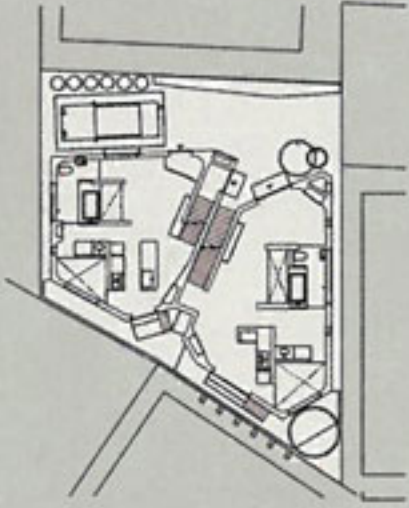
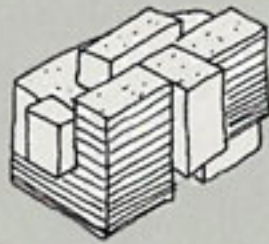


# TOTAL HOUSING

ALTERNATIVES TO URBAN SPRAWL





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A compact development in a new city extension, the building complex brings together housing, offices and shops around a public square and a community garden—specific and independent forms of open space catering to different users.

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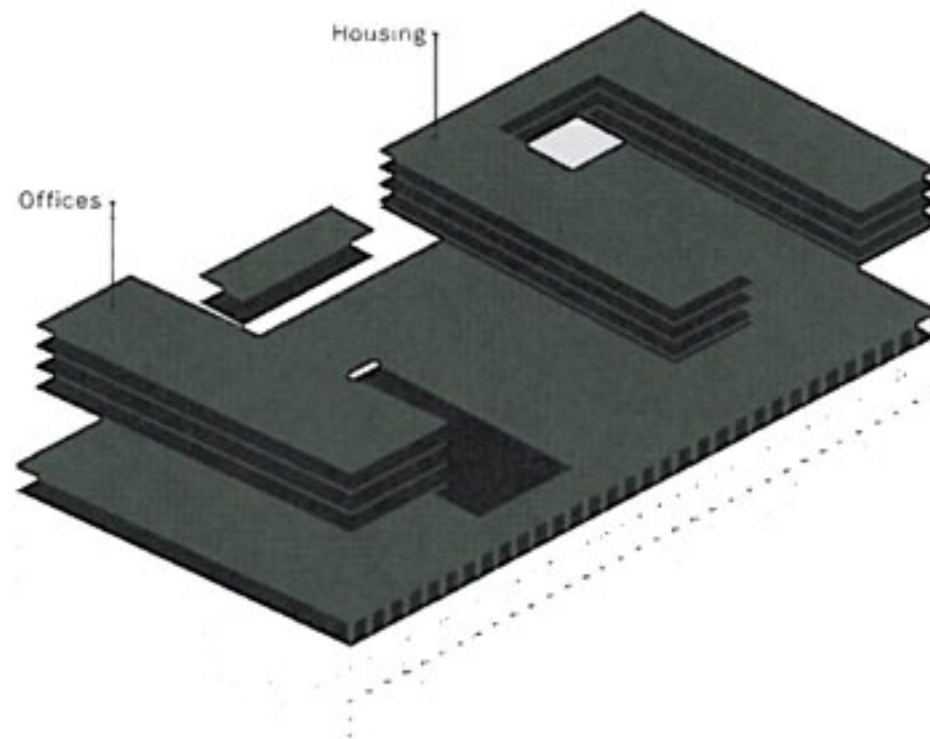
# ORIENTE COMPLEX

PROMONTÓRIO ARCHITECTS

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Lisbon, 2002. **Program** Housing, offices and shops. **Plot Area** 6,800m<sup>2</sup>. **Gross Floor Area** 24,000m<sup>2</sup>. **Total Building Cost** 16M € (650€/m<sup>2</sup>). **Architects** Promontório / João Perloiro, João Luís Ferreira, Paulo Perloiro, Paulo Martins Barata, Pedro Appleton. **Collaborators** T. Ferreira, J. Ferreira. **Client** Coociclo Oriente / Espreita o Rio. **Contractor** Ensul, SA / Engiarte, SA. **Structures** OA4. **Hydraulics** Cenor. **Electricals, Communications and Safety** Eppe. **HVAC** Pgi. **Landscaping** Proap. **Quantity Surveying** Escala Digital. **Photographs** Leonardo Finotti.

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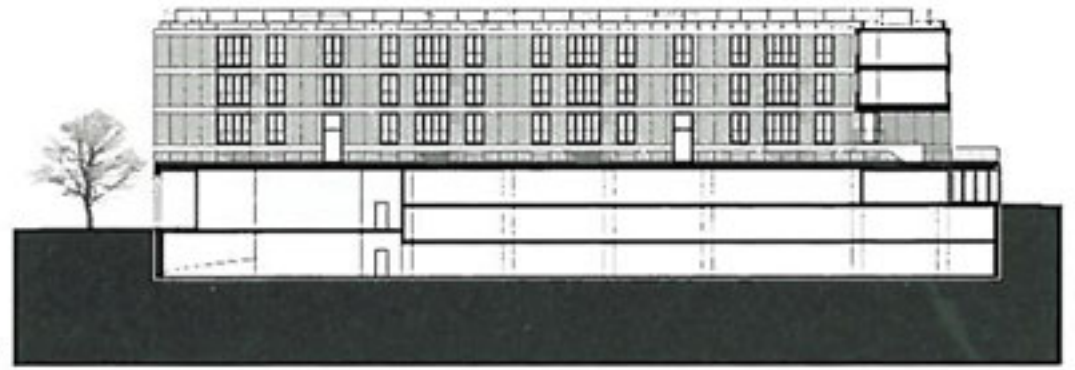
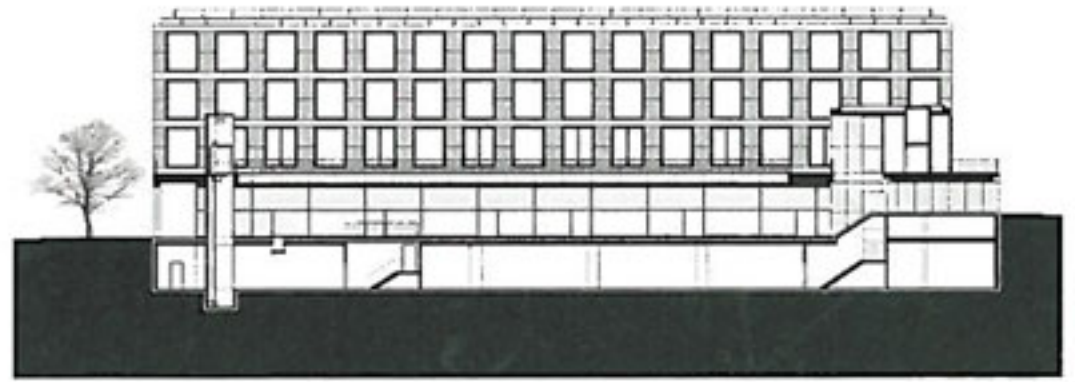
Set in one of the most developed zones of the Expo'98 precinct, the Oriente complex is a product of the merger of two cooperatives and different programs for housing, offices and shops in a single lot. Even though, this separation continues from the underground parking up to the upper floors, it was possible to create an understanding between the parties involved (with regard to the public space and the compositional systems) so that the ensemble could be perceived as a single entity. Complying with the master plan regulations, the buildings are set on a platform that acts as a commercial belt around a perimeter compulsorily shaped as an arcade on the boulevard-adjacent façades.



View into the first-floor level residential garden — one of the two courtyards in the complex.

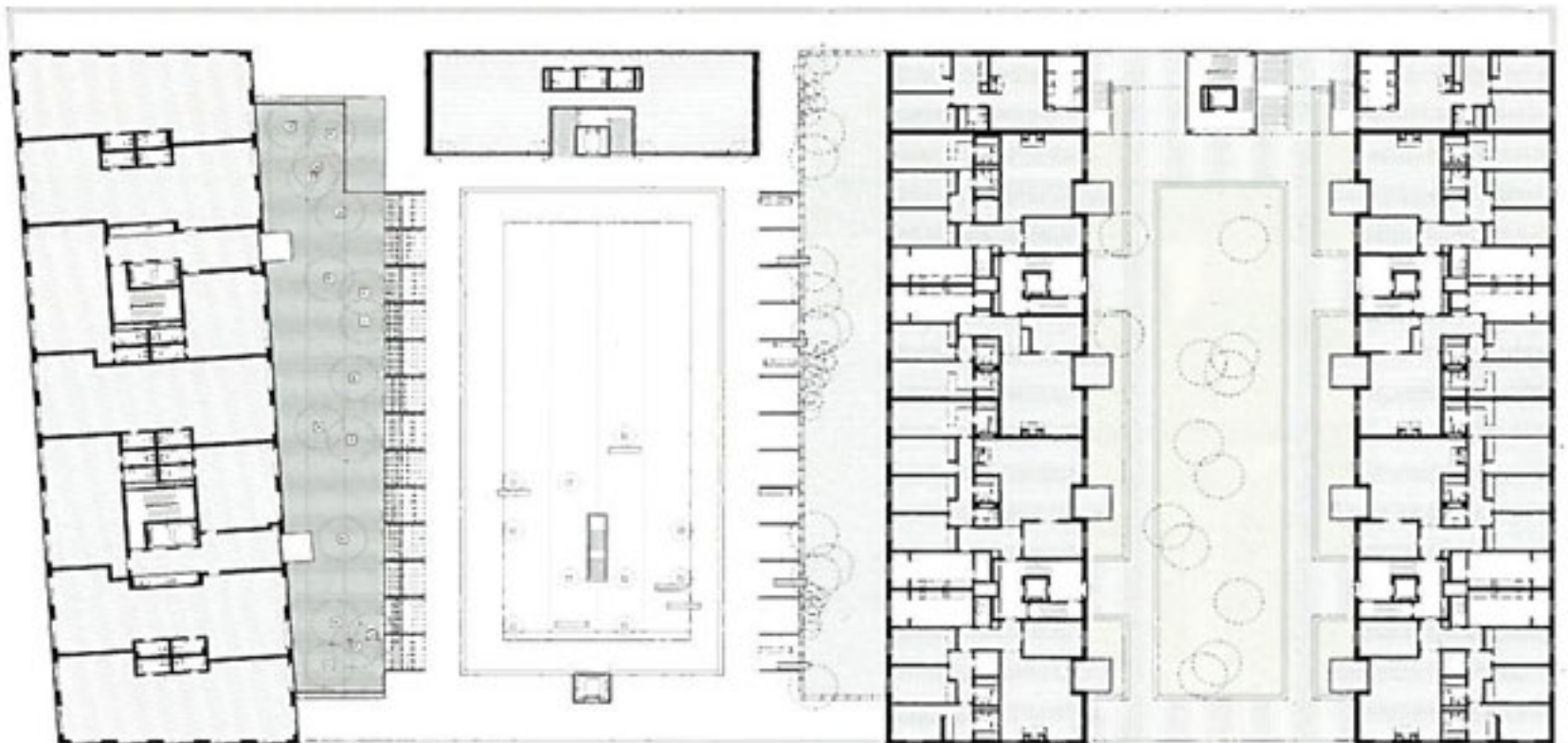


The housing building is set as a "U" on the upper plinth level, punctured by an arched passage, which leads to a semi-enclosed patio providing access to the apartments. In the office building area, this U-shaped typology is repeated at street level, generating a large public plaza crowned by a mezzanine at the above ground level. In addition to providing entry into the offices, a number of restaurants and cafés foster a constant flow of public movement.

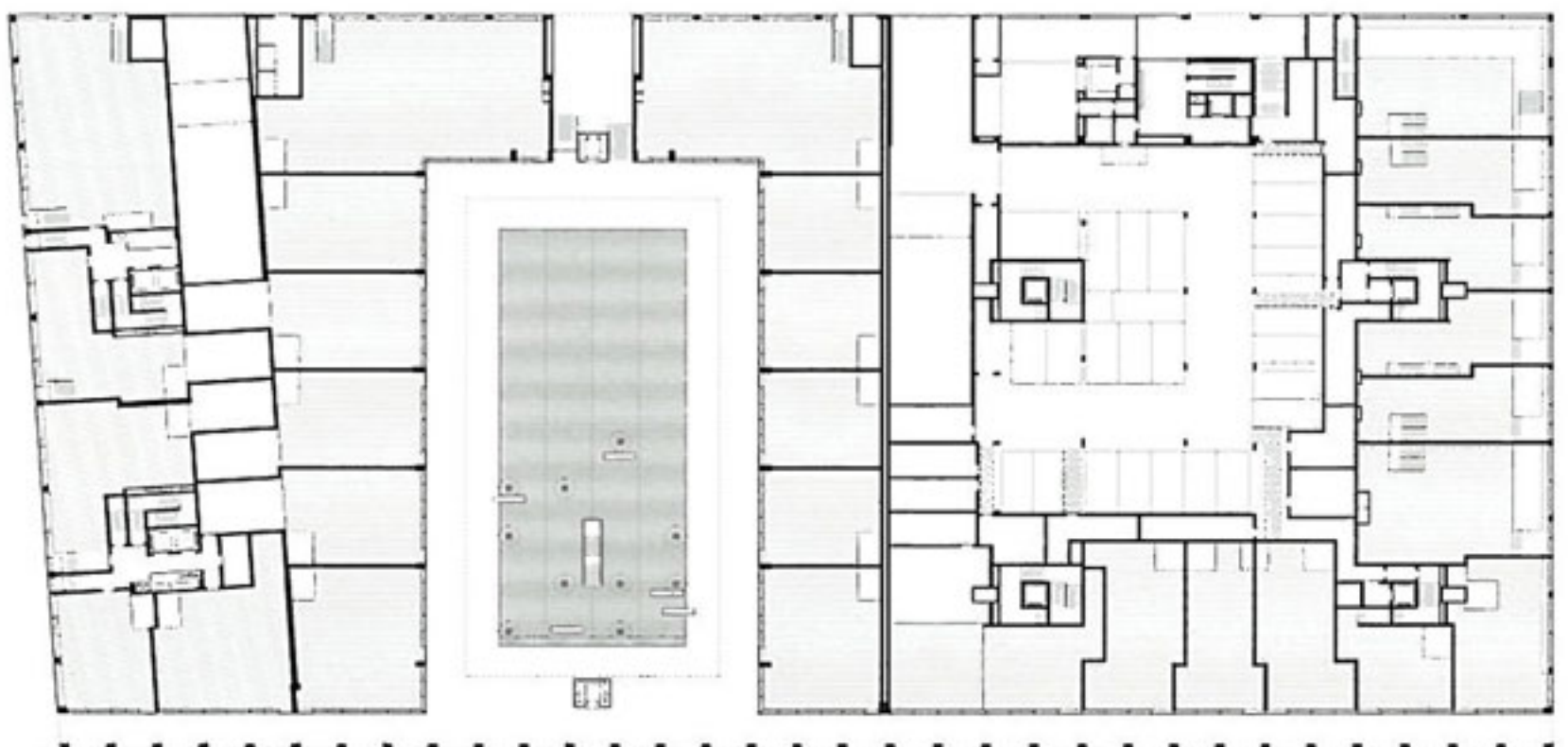


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Cross sections through the public / retail courtyard and through the private / residential courtyard



Plan level +2



Ground floor plan



Top Besides providing access to the apartments, this elevated courtyard defines a private garden for the housing units.  
Bottom Decked public terrace at ground-floor level surrounded by cafés and restaurants and accessible from the street and the parking garage below.

