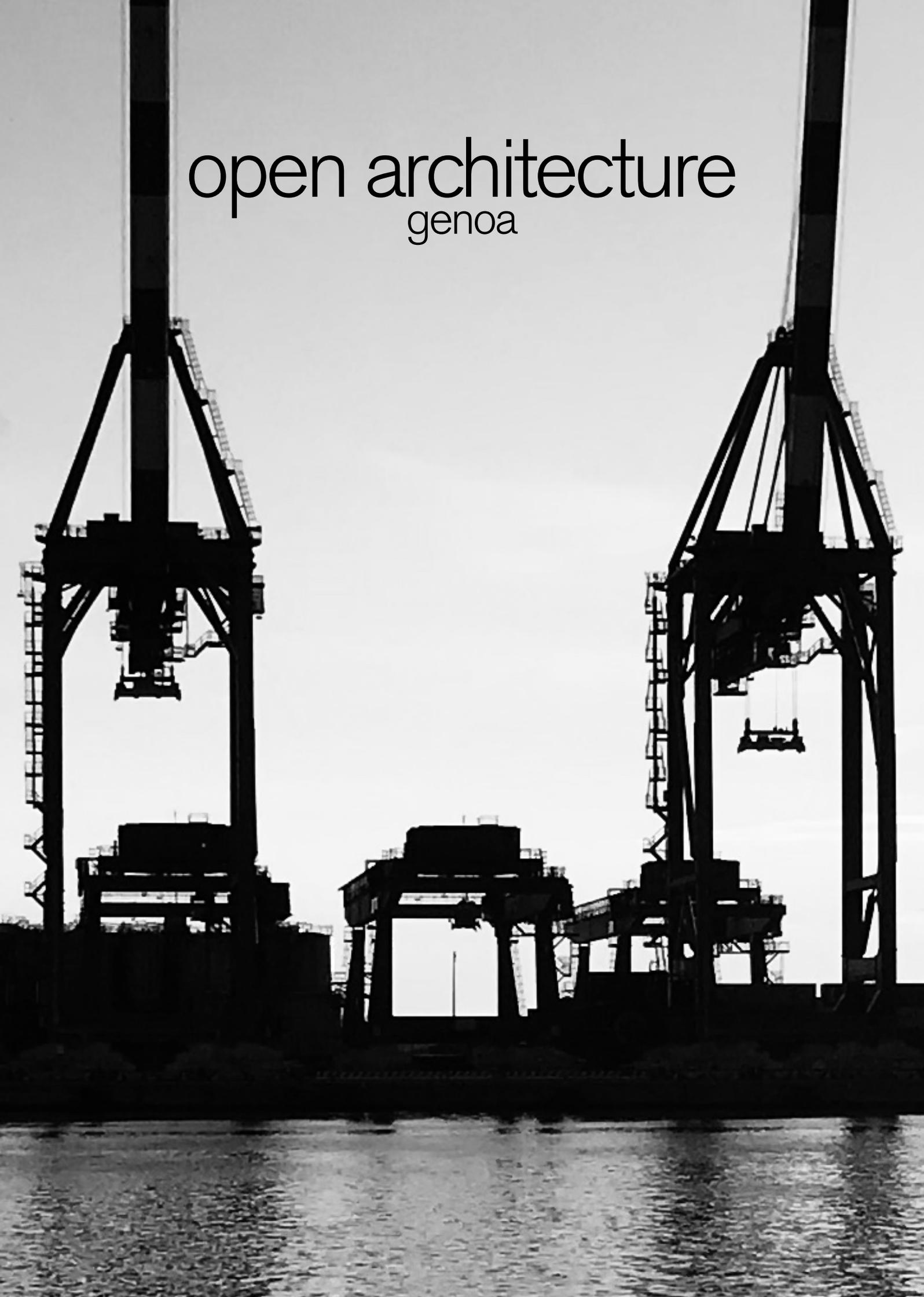


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"Nessun progetto di architettura dovrebbe rinunciare a durare, e per ottenere ciò servono gerarchie di senso. [...] Come possiamo avvicinarci a ciò che è eterno?"¹

The atelier's topic is *Open Architecture*.

A research through drawings and models about architectures that have the ability to last and resist in time.

What makes a timeless architecture?

Which are the characters that allow the permanence and the use of an architecture in time?
Which buildings guarantee various possibilities of use, remaining open to the different appropriations that time brings with it?

Through these questions the atelier wants to work on spaces that do not respond to programmatic needs, but that are infrastructures for life, using the program as an excuse and not as a goal. Interpreting it as a material as well as stone, wood, history or theory.

Infrastructures that resist and open to the widest possibility of use through time.

We chose Genoa and its harbour. We want to investigate the possibilities of buildings that are able to answer these questions, transforming this landscape, its life and its image with architectures able to adapt and be a support through time.

In this sense, the project becomes a cultural fact. A new centre that creates its genesis, its own references. From its presence it builds its past, free to find its evidence in the future.

"The resistance of a building is its capacity of adapting to multiple functions in space and time. Architects should reflect on structures, on architectures open to possibilities. The role of architecture should also ensure the resistance of a building over time."²

¹ Livio Vacchini, Capolavori, Umberto Allemandi e c., Torino 2007

² Manuel Aires Mateus, Aires Mateus per Pionira, 2019, Lisbona, disponibile in URL: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8V_J5S7bAko&t=569s&ab_channel=PIONIRA

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project type: individual

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p.s. : due to current CoViD rules, to take part in the field trip students must have a EU Green Pass or Swiss Covid Certificate or a negative antigen (rapid) certificate taken no longer than 48 hours before entering Italy.

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