Atlas of Details



Franco Albini, Albergo-rifugio per ragazzi Pirovano 1948-1952

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Text

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Architect

Franco Albini (1905-1977)

Name of the building

Albergo-rifugio per ragazzi Pirovano

Site

Via Funivie, Breuil-Cervinia, Valtournenche, Aosta (IT)

Client

Giuseppe Pirovano (1908-1993)

Contractors

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Other actors

Luigi (Gino) Colombini (1915-2011)

Project 1948-1950

Building permit

1949

Start of construction works

1950

Project variations

1946: project of a house with ski school;

1948 march: development of two projects (solution A and solution B);

1948 april: development of the so-called project "Casetta a Cervinia" (solution C); 1948 december: project variant introducing elements present in the final version (location, truncated cone pillars on the valley side and part of the structure built using the "rascard" technique);

1949 march: definition of further details of the project close to the final solution (among which the composition of the plant by addition of staggered elements); 1949 may: "Albergo a Cervinia" project with "mushroom" elements above the truncated cone pillars;

1950 february-march, 1950 may: final project;

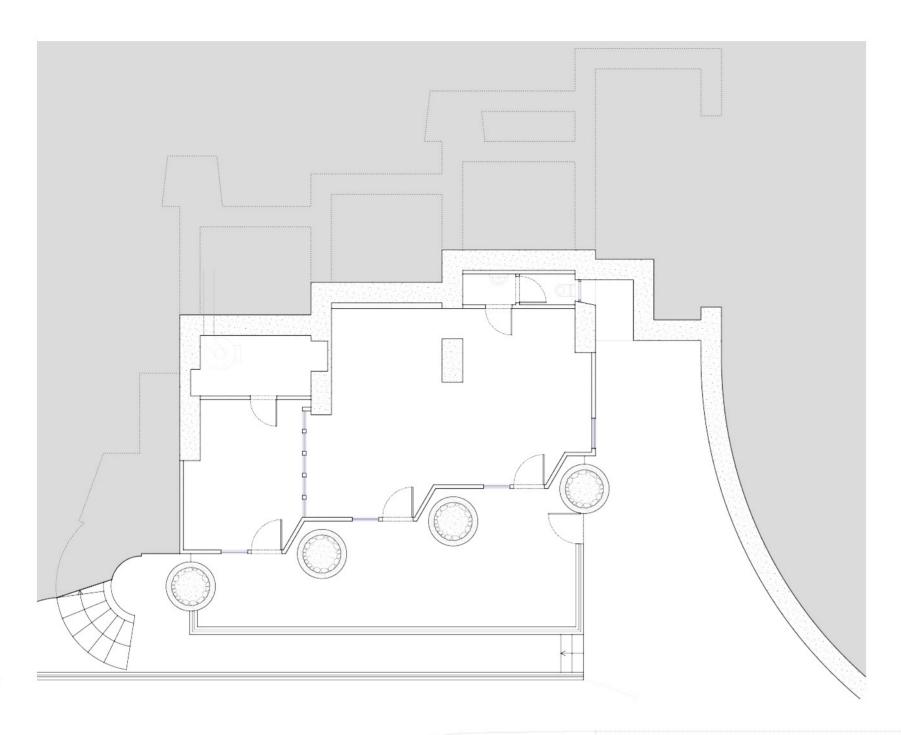
1951 august-september: project of the wooden flagpole with metal tie rods for the flag and the advertising inscription; project of service volume under the large terrace; 1952 june-1953 october: project for the enlargement of the refuge hotel; 1955 july-1960 july: further enlargement project (not realized), in collaboration with Franca Helg

End of construction works

1952

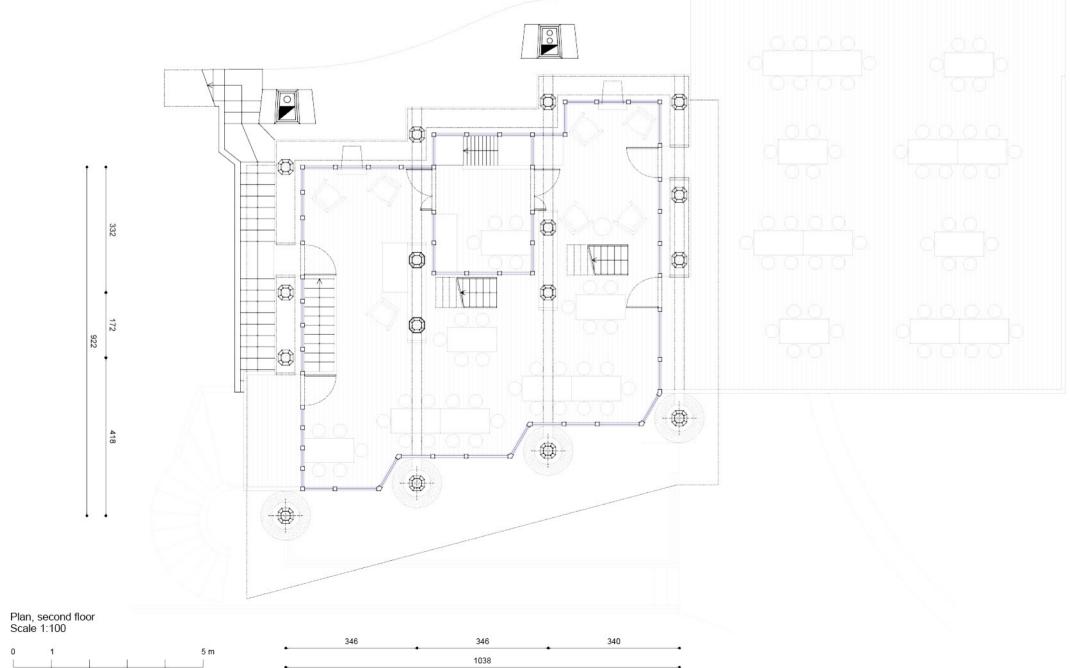
Construction system

Stone and concrete masonry, respectively for the part above ground and for the part partially buried; stone pillars on the front towards the valley. The third floor and the attic are built with the traditional system of the "rascard" in larch boards.

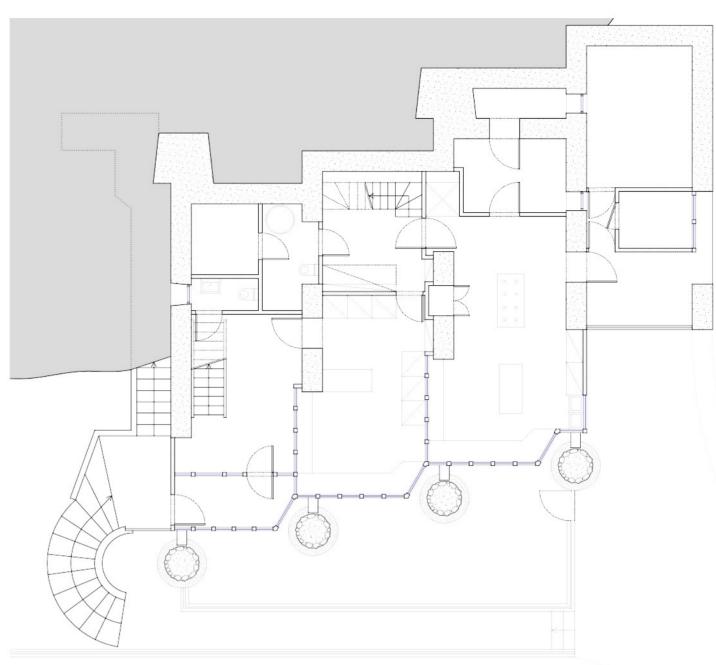


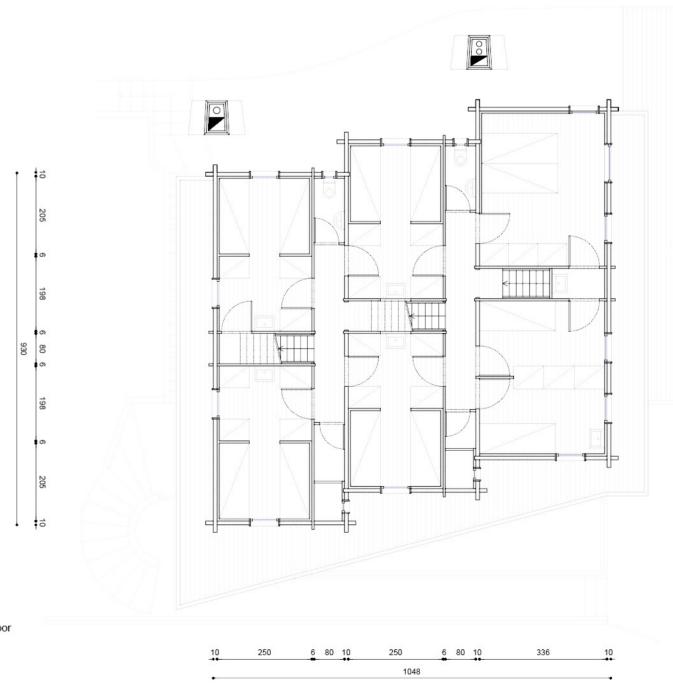
Plan, ground floor Scale 1:100

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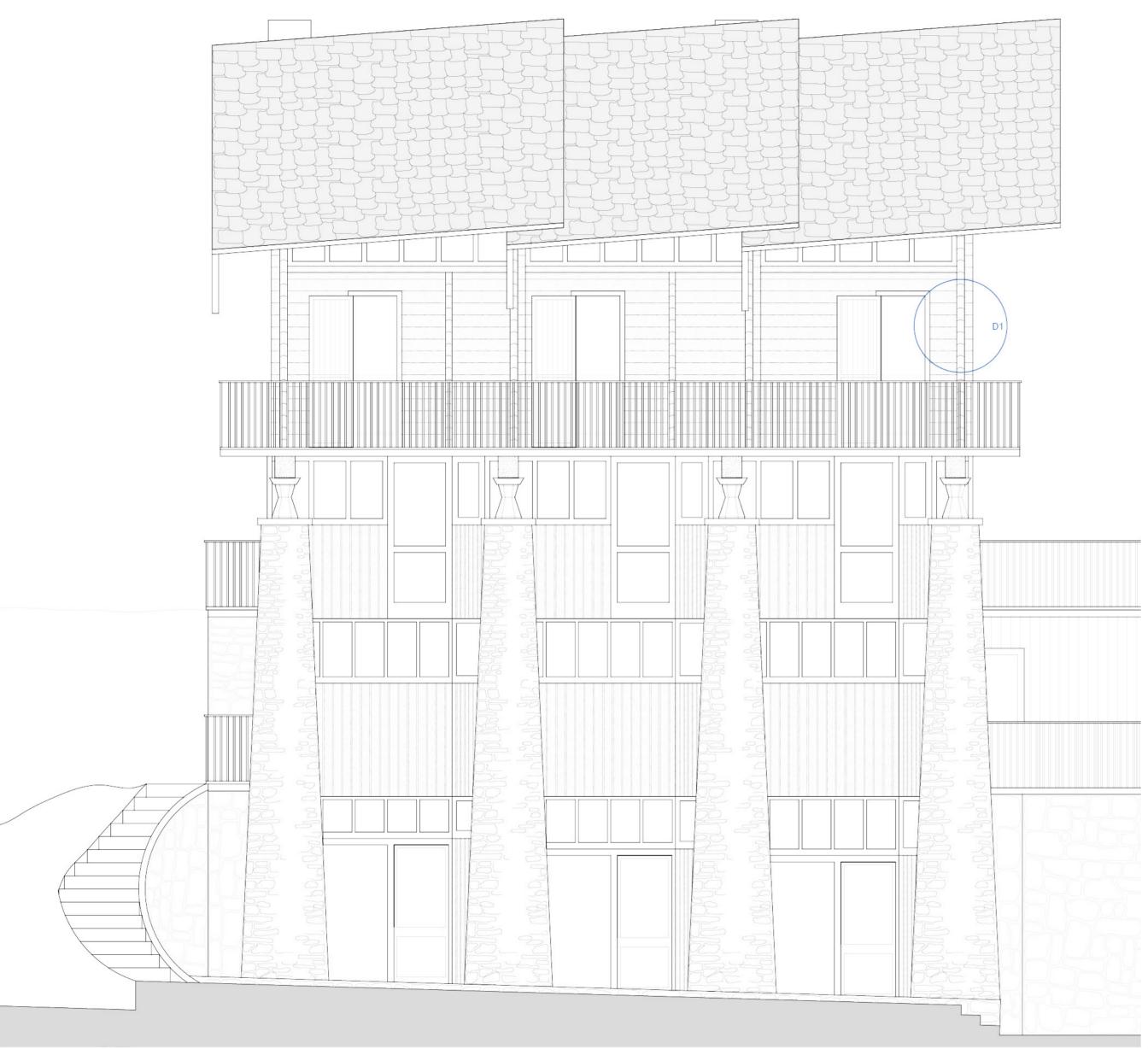


Plan, first floor Scale 1:100









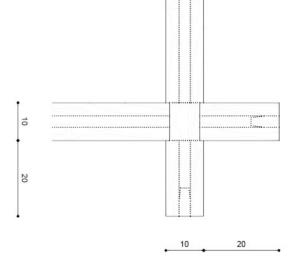
Elevation, west front Scale 1:50

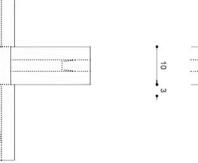
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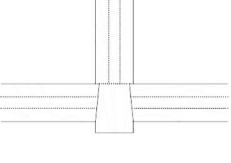
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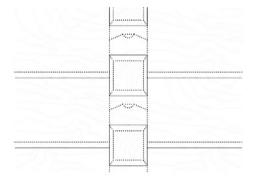


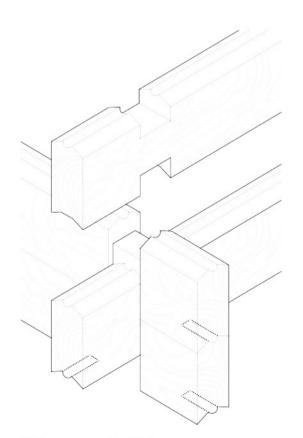




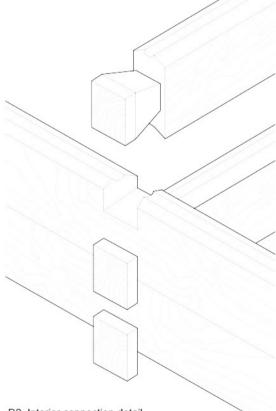
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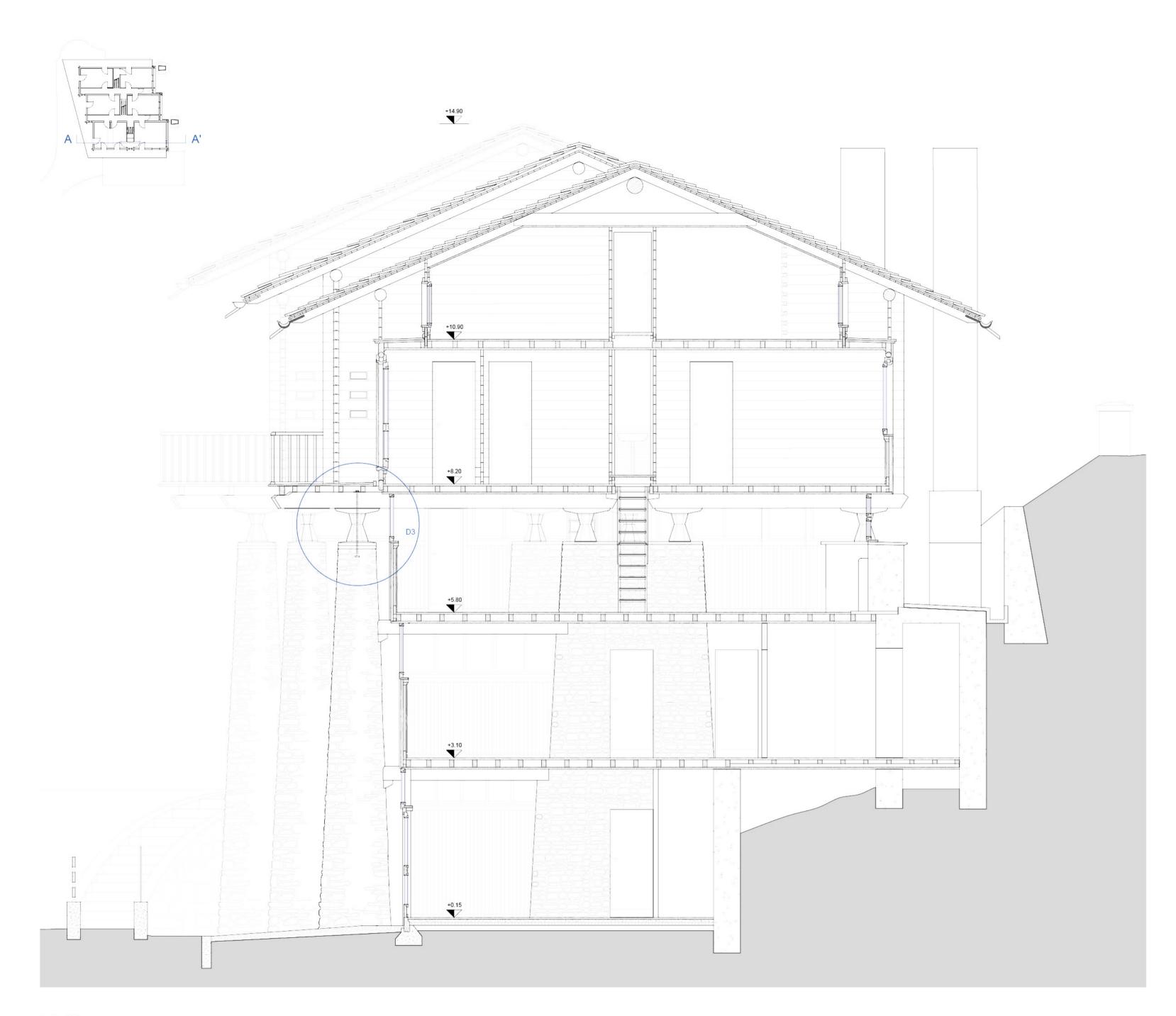


D1. Corner connection detail Scale 1:10



D2. Interior connection detail Scale 1:10

Scale 1:10 50 cm 0 10 1



Section AA' Scale 1:50

0 1 5m



Bolt hole, Ø 3 cm

