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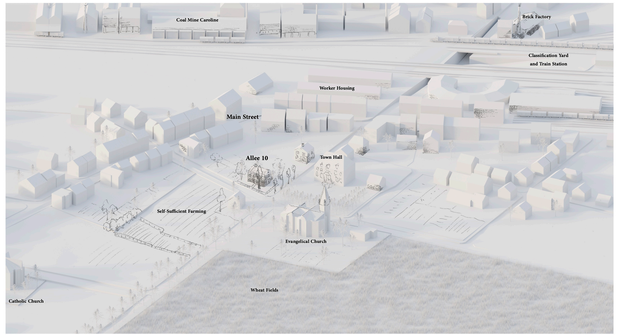
Germany
North Rhine-Westphalia
Hohenstadt

Hohenstadt

Allee 10 abandoned in 1968

Gold cleaning after the war



Aerial Network Allee 10 in 2020

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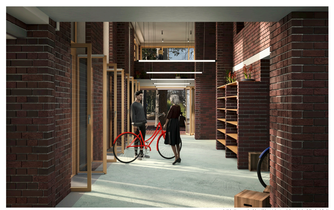
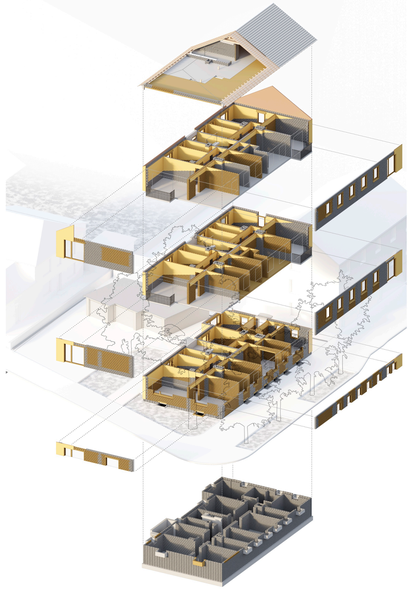
section perspective - 1:100

outdoor cafe with sun terrace (weekdays and weekend place before)

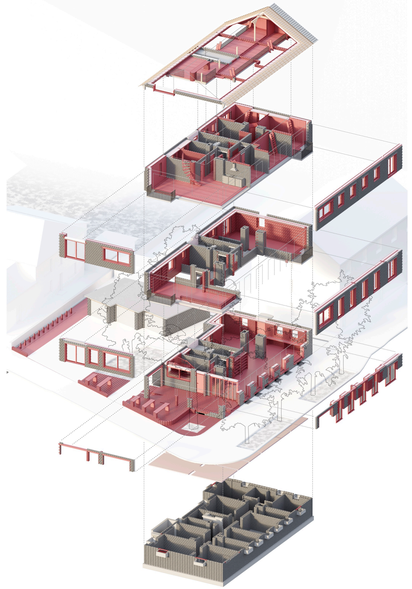


Inside single commercial workshop with large windows towards the courtyard (place Zeitl and Zeitl Street)

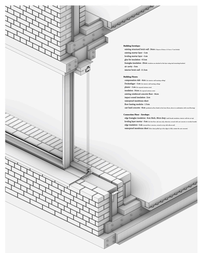
Living room and kitchen of shared housing



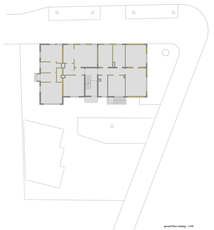
exploded view of existing situation



exploded view of proposal



construction detail - 1:10

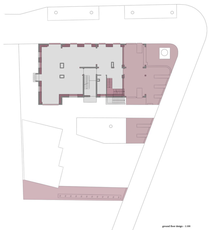


ground floor existing - 1:100

third floor existing - 1:100

second floor existing - 1:100

first floor existing - 1:100



ground floor design - 1:100

third floor design - 1:100

second floor design - 1:100

first floor design - 1:100

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