

In Cinisello Balsamo, in the province of Milan, works are underway for the construction of the wooden extension of the Bassini Hospital, with the Platform Frame system. The wooden structure will rise in place of a 13,000 sq m reinforced concrete ecomostrum, the former hospital auditorium, a never completed work, which has left to disfigure the city and today finally demolished. Once completed, the new building will house the Asst Nord Milano headquarters and will have significant energy saving and aesthetic features, for the purposes of urban regeneration.

# **PRODUCT SPECIFICATION**

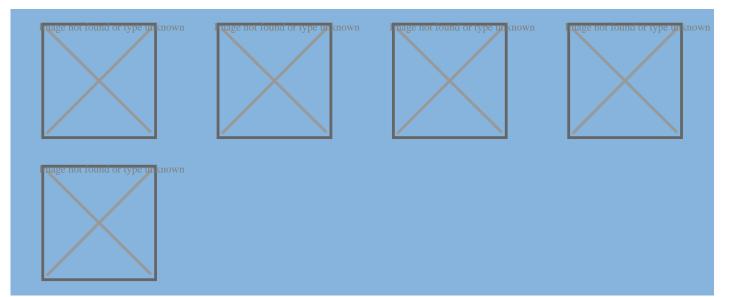
Retirement home expansion

Localization: Cinisello Balsamo

Intended use: Hospitals Multipurpose facilities

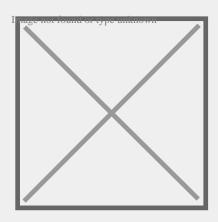
Architetural and structural design:

Total area: ft



## **BUILDING SYSTEM**

**Platform-Frame** 

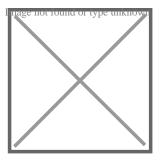


#### **Reasons for choosing the Platform-Frame system**

The Platform-Frame system is ideal for building prefabricated multi-storey homes and other types of timber buildings. This system can be used to create single residential units and condominium buildings of up to four floors in elevation. That explains why this construction technique is especially suitable for timber buildings for social housing needs: structures for emergency accommodation needs and shared community spaces. The system also offers excellent insulation and antiseismic properties: it offers the highest structural coefficient of all timber construction types. It's also an economical and easy to erect system.

#### About the Platform-Frame system

In the Platform-Frame construction system each floor of a building functions as a platform to support the floors above. Although developed in Northern Europe, the Platform-Frame system is widely used in North America. Each wall or floor is composed of evenly spaced laminated wood or KVH structural timber studs. The building frame is covered on the exterior side by OSB structural cladding, fixed by means of ring-shank nails and metal angle brackets. The Platform-Frame system is generally built on a reinforced concrete plinth. The connection between timber building and foundations is assured by threaded steel bars or expansion anchors.



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