

FabHouse

**A Sustainable Open-Source System for Houses
Made for Reproduction (in FabLabs) worldwide**

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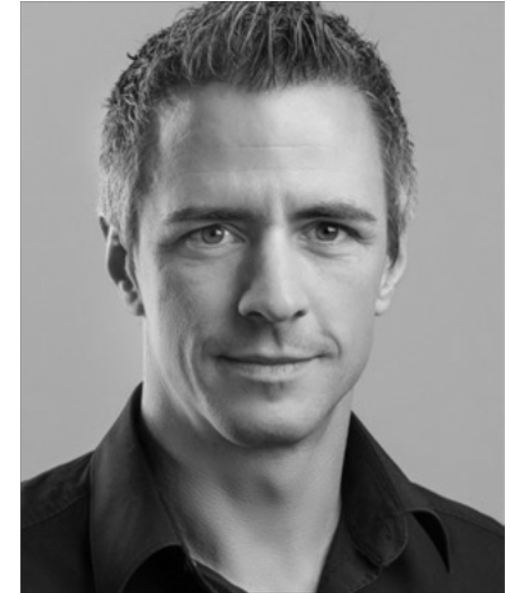
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600m² workshop:

- 3D-Printers for plastics, food, ceramics
 - Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)
 - Photopolymer Jetting (PJ)
 - Binder Jetting (BJ)
 - Stereolithography (SL)
- CNC large format milling (wood, metal, plastics)
- Conventional tooling for wood, metal, plastic (Lathe, milling, etc)
- Molding, casting, vakuum forming
- Eletronics production (PCB production, testing, reflow, soldering, etc.)
- Textile workshop (embroidery, knitting, etc.)
- CNC for vinyl- and textile cutting
- ...

FabLab Kamp-Lintfort

- Pupils/ Schools
 - fabLab@school - K12-courses to introduce STEM in different ways [<https://fablab.hochschule-rhein-waal.de/fablab-school-en>], more than 300 pupils per year
 - Make-It-Digital Symposium (for teachers, school administration) [https://youtu.be/q2D1ikC_nvs]
 - MakerLab, a '3 days summer camp' to explore Making (kids in the age of 6-14 years) [<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zlLeVa4DpzQ>]
- Citizen
 - OpenLab, regulary
 - FabTalks
 - 'green' Mini-Maker Faire (April '19)
- Economy
 - competence center, contract research, etc.
- Students
 - >12 courses with Digital Fabrication embedded/purely focused on DF
 - 4 courses permanently implemented into the curricular
 - and Interdisciplinary Projects
 - cross-program courses, to bridge the perspectives of the diverse disciplines, i.e. design, psychology, economics, electrical and mechanical engineering, biology, logistics and computer science.
- Global
 - FabAcademy [<https://fablab.hochschule-rhein-waal.de/fab-academy-en>] since 2015
 - Fabricademy Bootcamp 2017 [<https://textile-academy.org/textile-academy-bootcamp-wrapup/>]
 - Fabricademy [<https://fablab.hochschule-rhein-waal.de/fabricademy-en>]

To make almost
everything ...

Prof. Dr. Neil Gershenfeld, MIT

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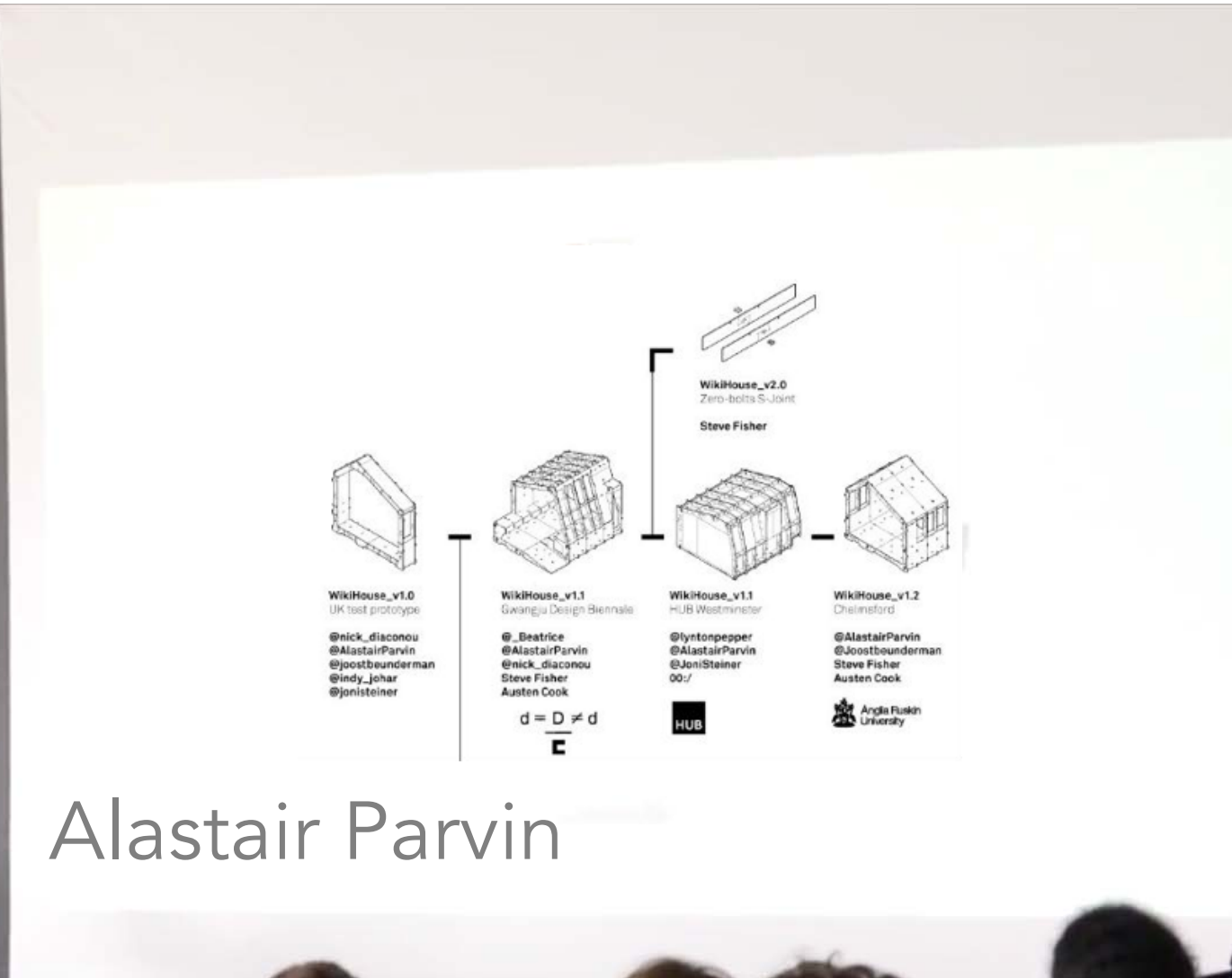
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FROM FAB LABS TO FAB CITIES

Idea



Alastair Parvin



Make something BIG: A FabHouse




2017 „pitch“ idea „FabHouse“

FabHouse: An Interdisciplinary Project



Focus on Sustainability



„minimize resource consumption and environmental pollution while at the same time creating the greatest possible benefit for the customer, the company, as well as the social and ecological environment.“

-- Ursula Tischner, Heidrun Moser. "How to do Ecodesign."



12 Students, different backgrounds (computer science, environmental sciences, mobility and logistics, international business sciences)

Eco-Design-Sprint

1. Analyse existing products:
Deep research on existing solutions (for the house but also its sub-systems), alternative construction methods and materials, etc.

2. 'Re-Think your product':
What if? Do challenge your decision at any time! Dig into the details and identify potential for improvements. Evaluate different techniques for production.

3. Identify potential for sustainability:
Analyse the envisioned solution and define criteria for sustainability. Create a plan for monitoring these criteria throughout the process. Run tests on materials and solutions. Measure data if you can; if not, do an analytical assessment.

6. Prove the sustainability: Observe, measure and critically reflect your work, outcomes and impact.

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Wiki-House

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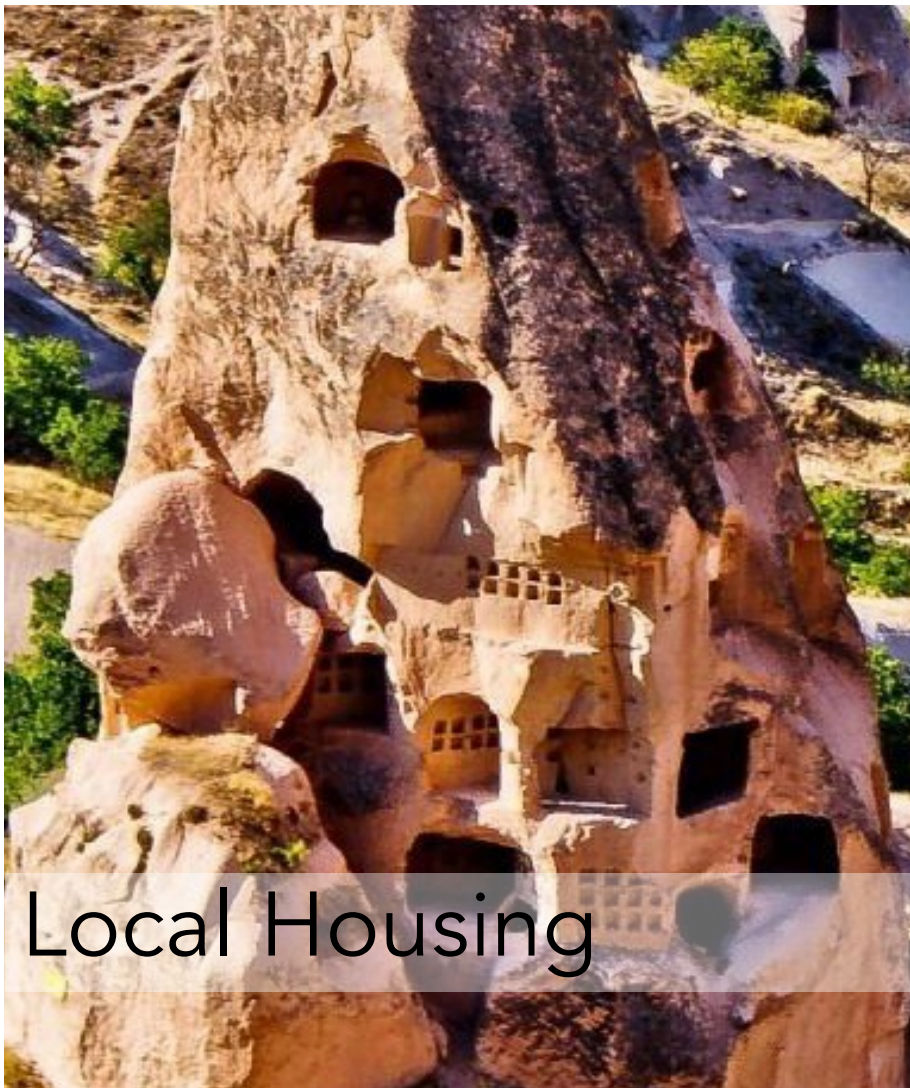
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Earthship

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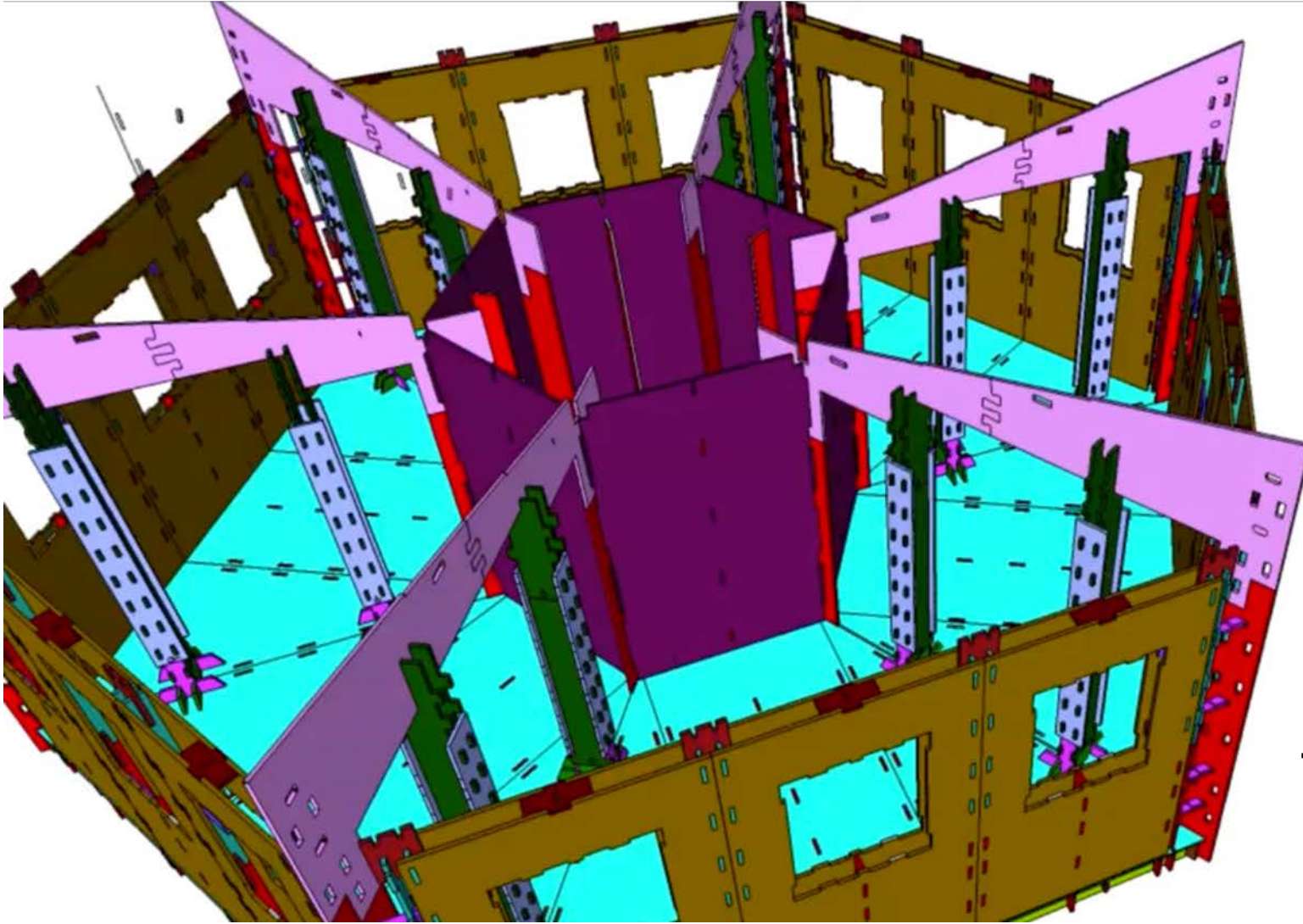
Local Housing

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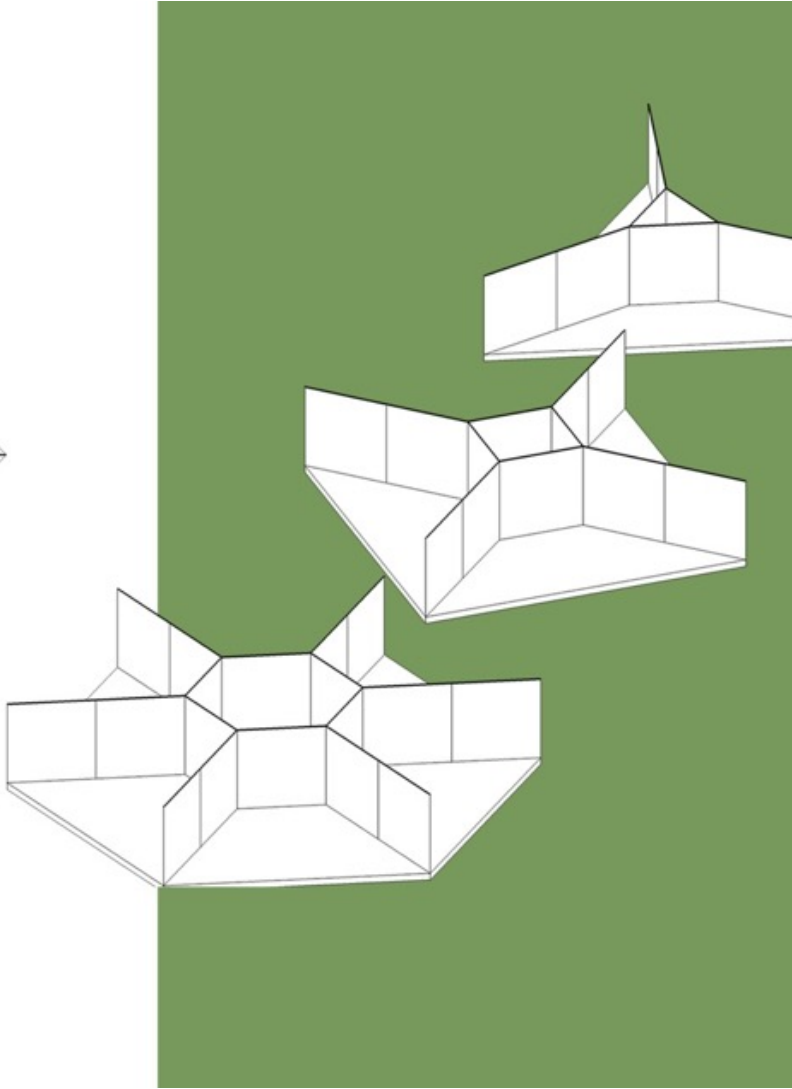
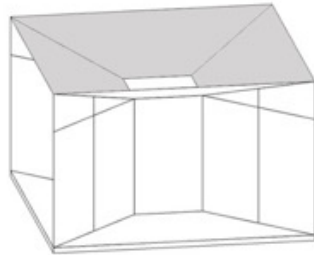
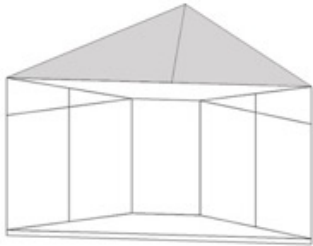
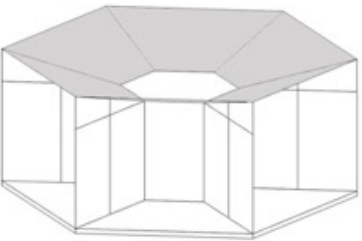
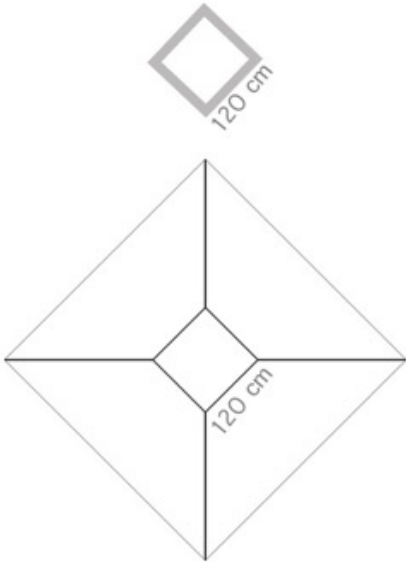
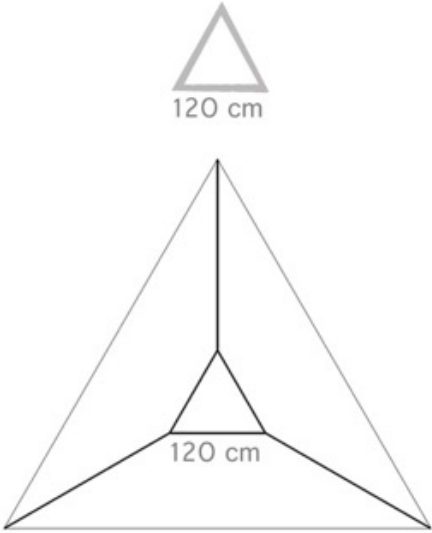
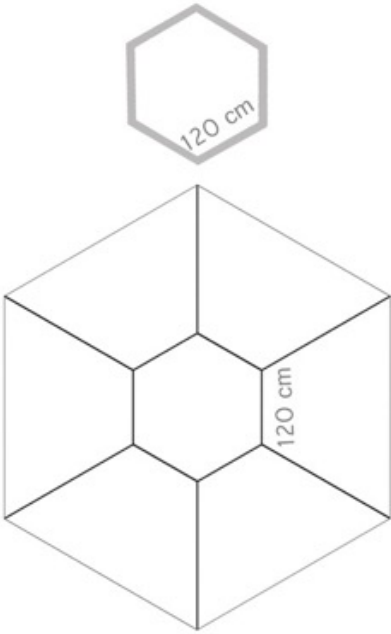
Local Conditions



The „Core“

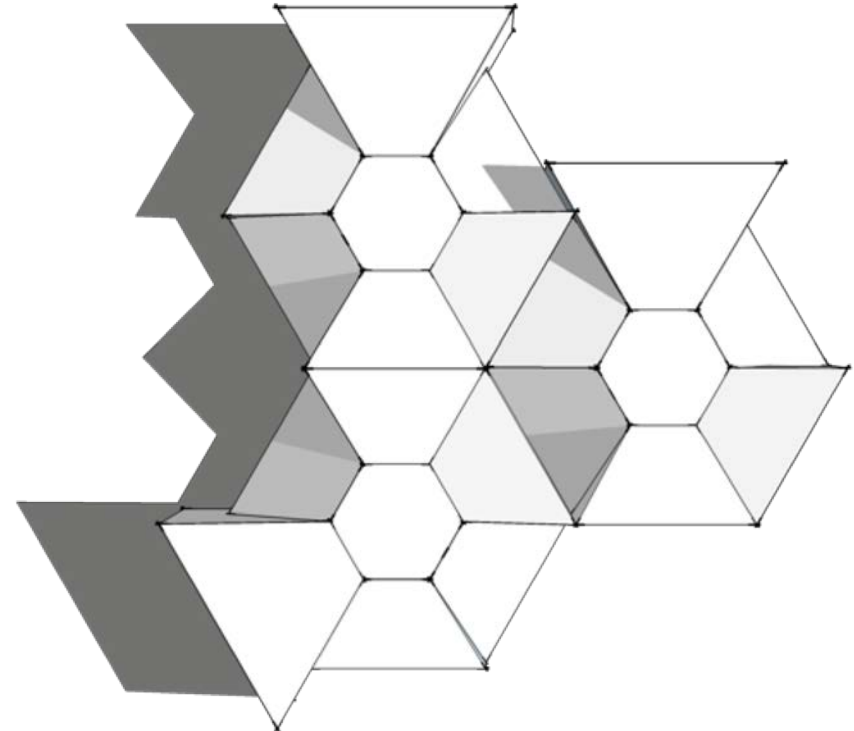
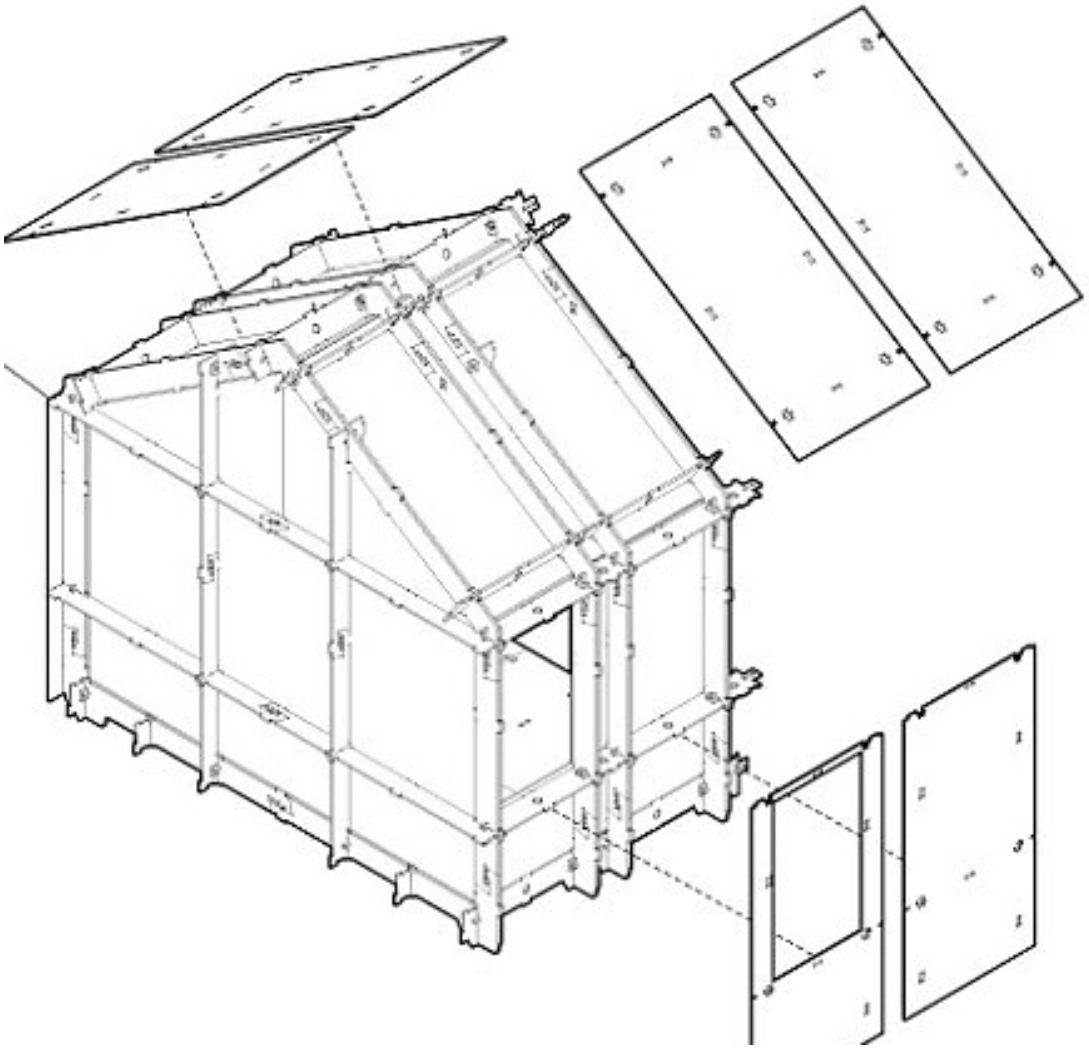
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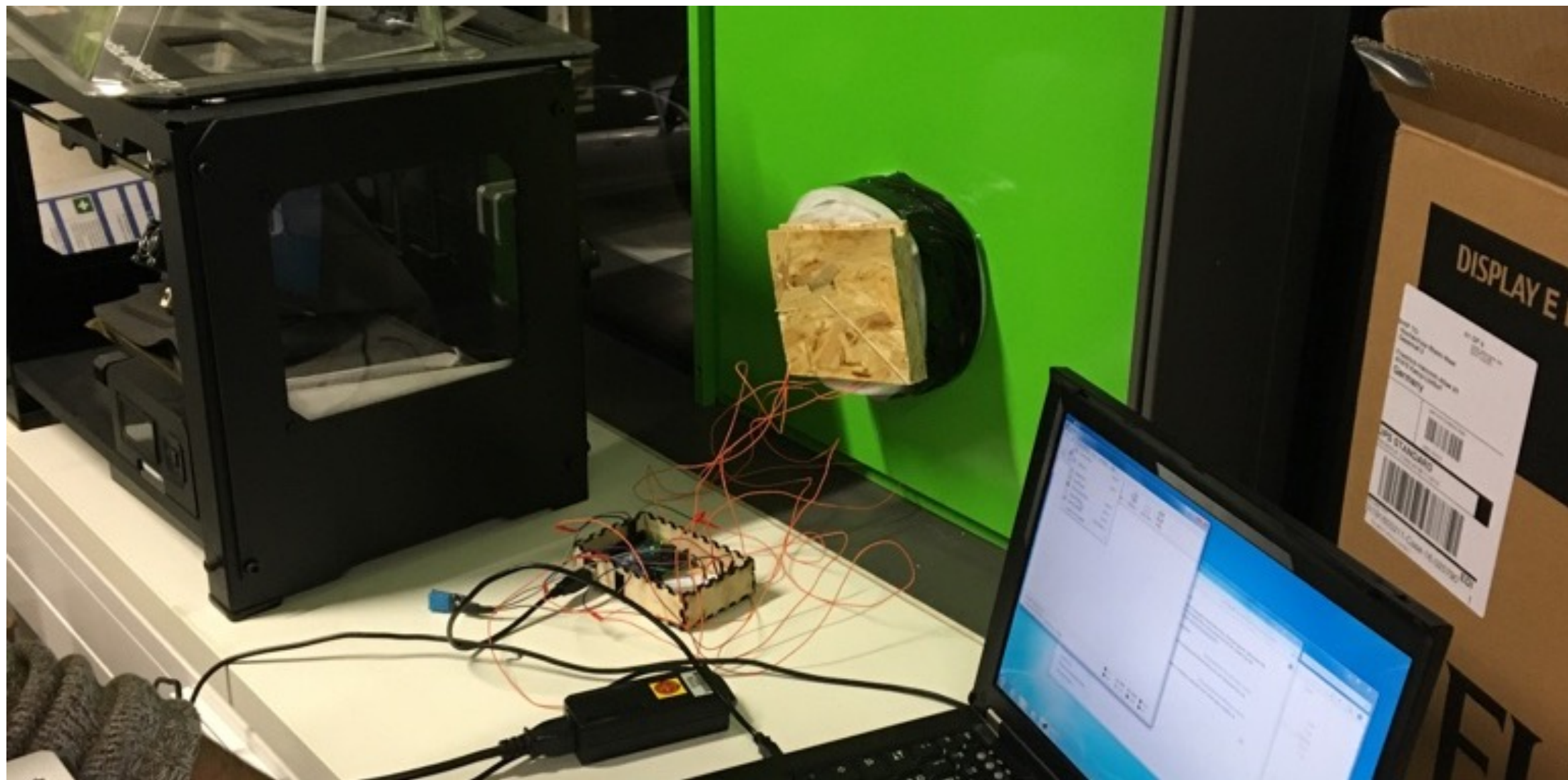
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Modular in Growth

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roof: self-made tiles vs. metal sheets

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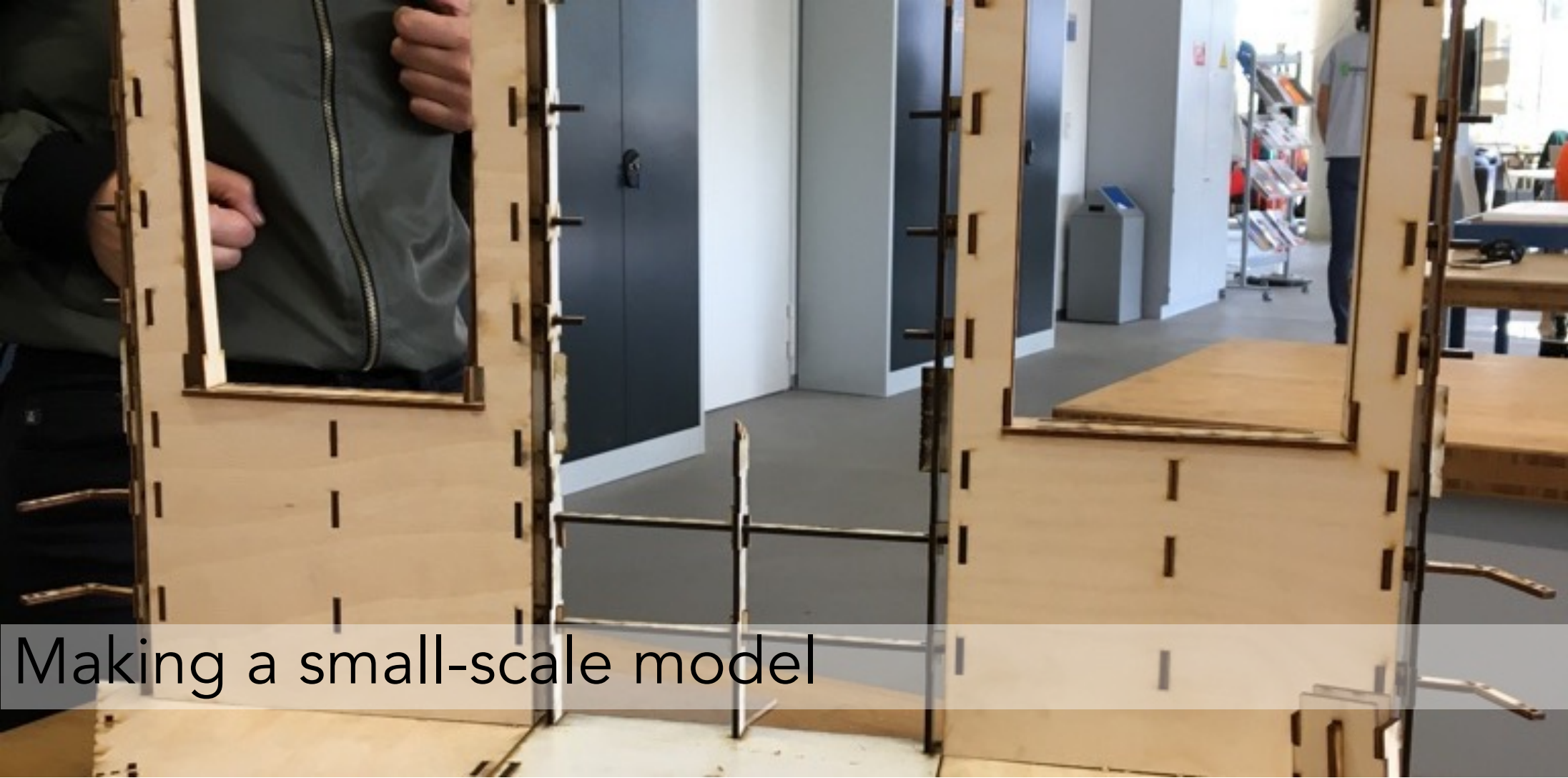
Water supply & filtering

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Heating: solar heater vs. bio-mass reactor

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Making a small-scale model

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Making a real-scale prototype

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Production

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FabHouse Assembly

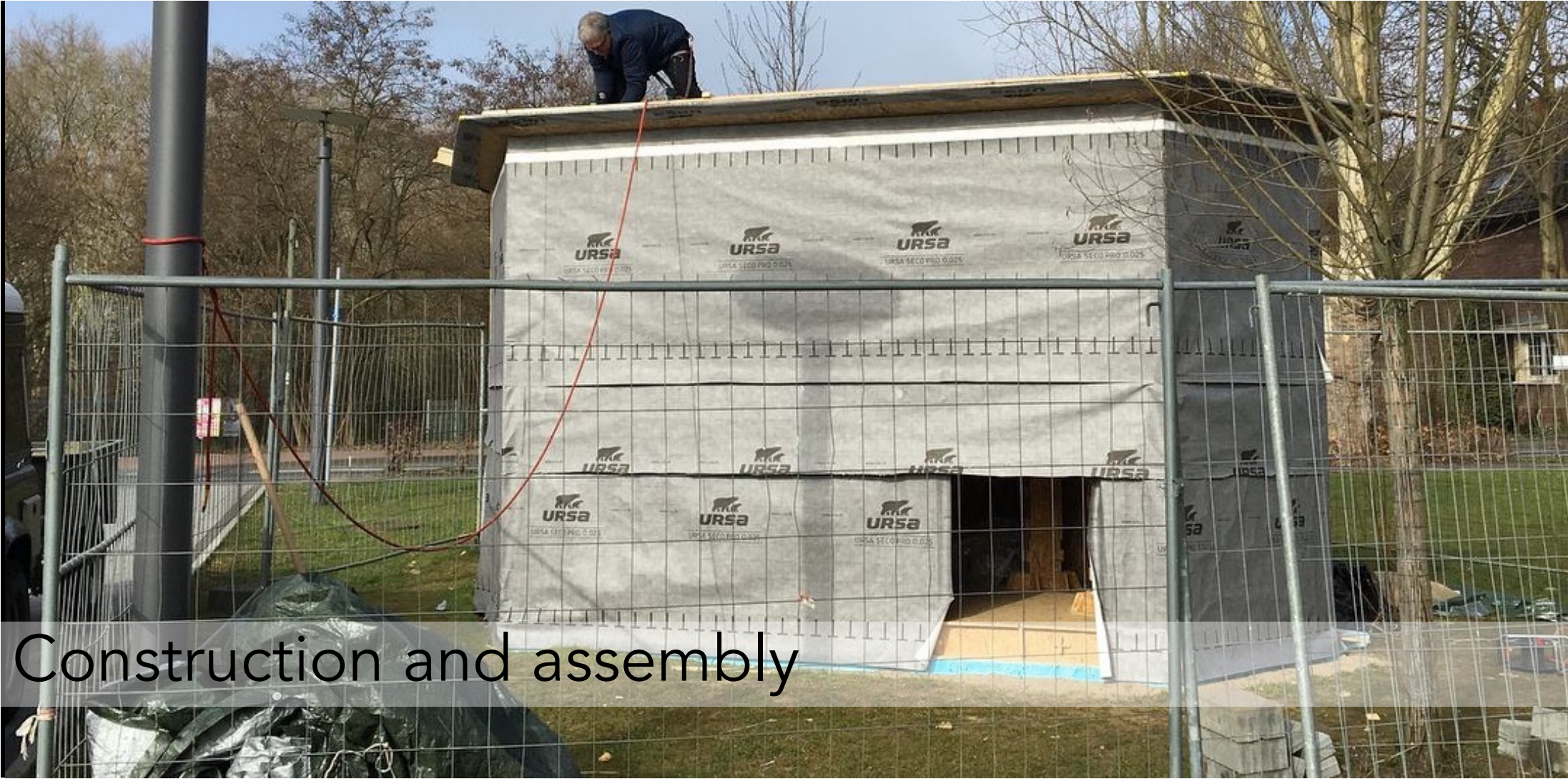


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Prove 'sustainability' under life conditions



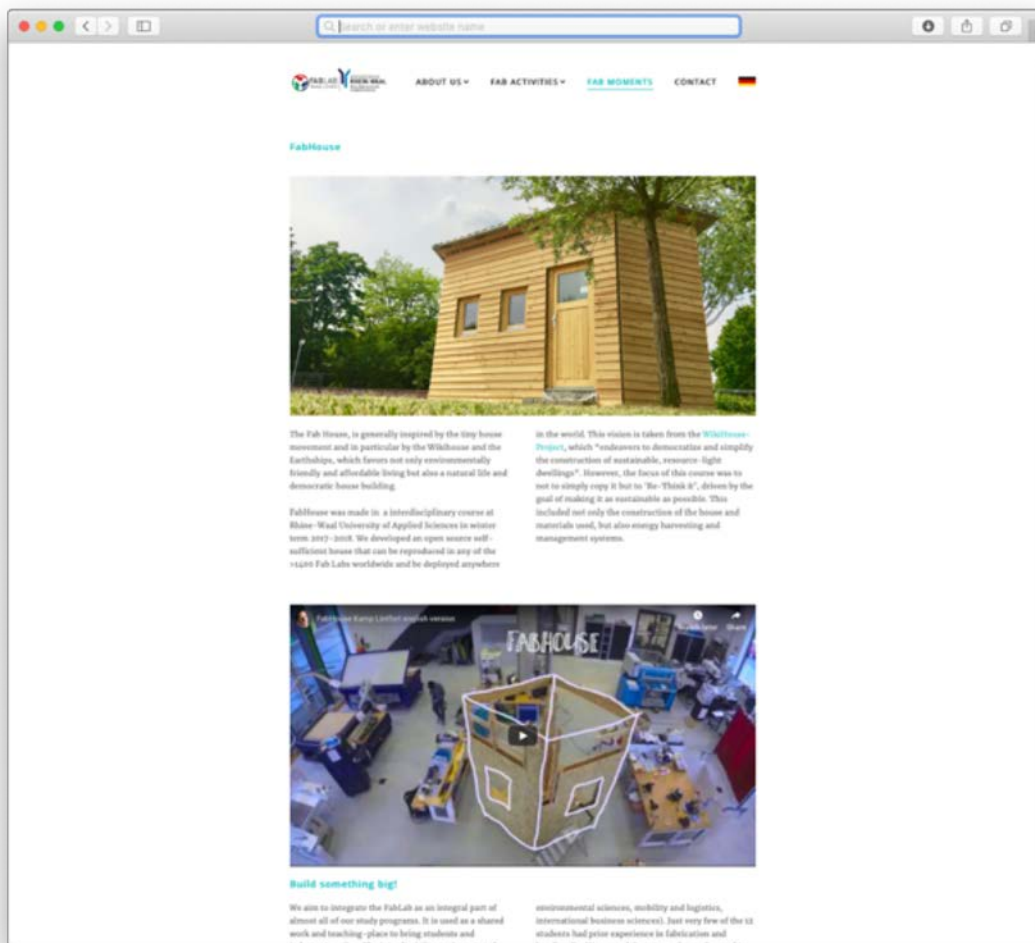


Review & Outlook

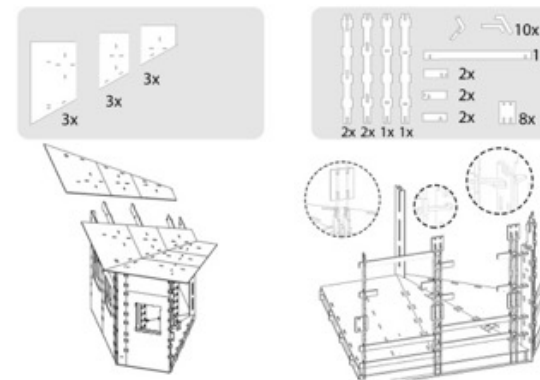
We made it...

- It is a real house (even though just small scale, because of legal issues)
- It is sustainable (in multiple ways)
- We have learned how to improve and will create another one – version 2.0
- We have tested a new eco-design approach (Eco-Design-Spint) and will further develop it.

Documentation: Open Source



<http://fablab.hochschule-rhein-waal.de/fabhouse-en>





In 2020 we will open an additional
FabLab at Kamp-Lintfort

As part of the fair
„Landesgartenschau 2020“

<https://www.kamp-lintfort2020.de/landesgartenschau/projekte/green-fablab/>



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