

GIOVANNI XXIII SCHOOL COMPLEX

location:	Avezzano (Italy)
client:	Town of Avezzano (AQ) - Public and school buildings Department
consultants:	Sinergo Spa (engineering); Woodcape (X-Lam structure); UBU (visuals)
gross surface:	2 200sqm
cost:	2,3M € excl. VAT
phase:	international competition
timetable:	03.2021 - 12.2021
awards:	4th prize

The project shows itself as a single compact volume housing both the primary school and the gymnasium. The adopted strategy aims to keep together those two functions in order to leave a wider area to be dedicated to the equipped garden.

The axes that draw the intervention mark as many lines of the reconfigured space: the architectural axis (east-west), on which the new school "rests", and the urban one (north-south), which scan the sequence square-recreational court-accesses.

The volume, starting from a solid prism, has been defined by successive rejects and slips that identify areas and functional blocks. The porch overlooking the square guides students to the school main entrance and to the one dedicated to the gym. The gymnasium volume setback, compared to the main school block, identifies a generous square. In this way the gymnasium has been drawn as a pin between the primary school and the secondary one that will be realized at a later time.

A composition that generates an architectural organism characterized by formal simplicity, volumetric compactness and constructive rationality.

