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Panel Project Basics

Panel Project: What is it?

- » Panel Project is a basic document for production. It contains all the measurements and types of panels required for a project.
- » It is prepared in cooperation with an architect and a structural engineer and needs to be signed off either by a builder or an architect.

Note

» Preparation of a Panel Project is steered by an EcoCocon technician and can take 1 to 4 weeks, depending on the quality of input materials obtained and the responsiveness of the parties involved.



Panel Project Process: Who needs to be involved?

PREPARATION

Architect

» Prepares drawings of the load-bearing geometry, together with wall-to-roof and wall-to-foundation details.

Structural engineer

- » Provides loads from roof, floors and wind.
- » Requests the EcoCocon Design Technician to provide detailed calculations for parts of the wall (lintels, point loads, screw connections), if necessary.
- » Takes responsibility for the overall structural engineering.

CREATION

EcoCocon Technical Sales Consultant

- » Ensures the drawings and the documents are complete.
- » Collects information about the project, the client, and the building site.

EcoCocon Design Technician

- » Creates the Panel Project.
- » Provides structural engineer with the detailed calculations.
- » Prepares a list of all the materials for delivery.

AUTHORISATION

Builder/Architect

- » Checks the drawings and verifies compatibility with external deliveries (windows, etc.)
- » Signs the Panel Project.
- » Provides the amounts of extra materials to be ordered.

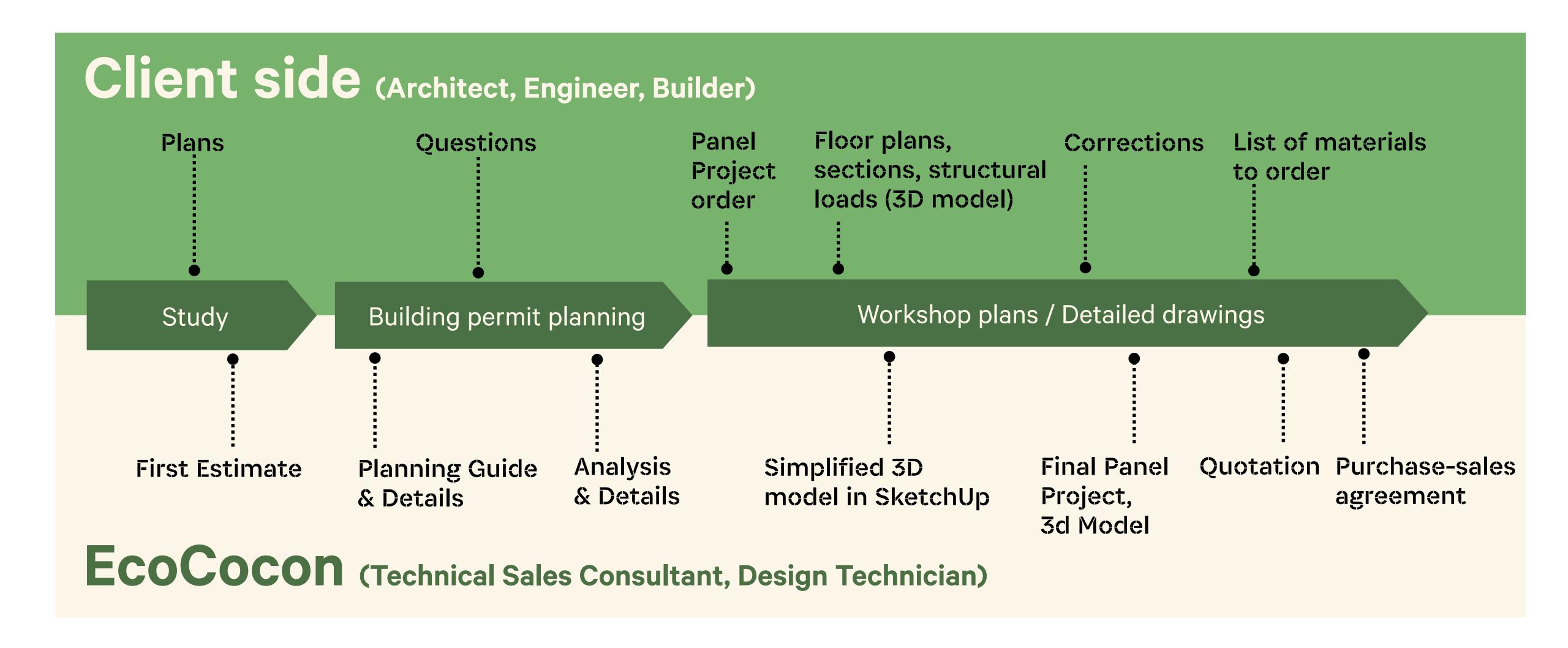
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» Prepares a quotation and a contract for digital signature.

Client

» Confirms the quotation and signs the contract.

Timeline: What to expect and when

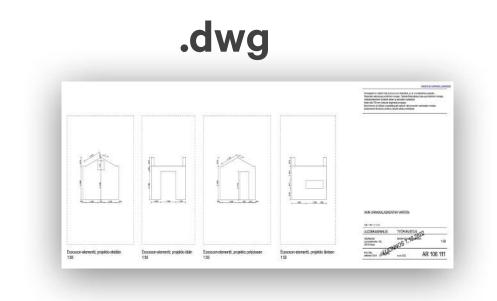


How to Prepare Files

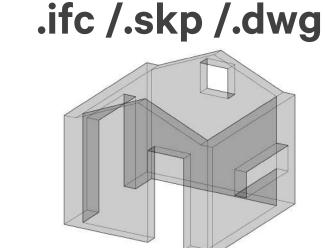
Send us 2D drawings or 3D model

Option 1: 2D drawings

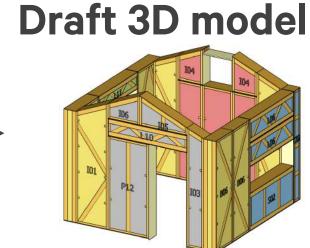
» We transform your DWG floor plans and elevations/sections to SketchUp and send you a 3D model of the panel outlines for verification. After your initial verification, we create the draft 3D panel model for final verification. The Panel Project is then prepared.









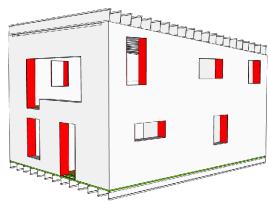




Option 2: 3D model

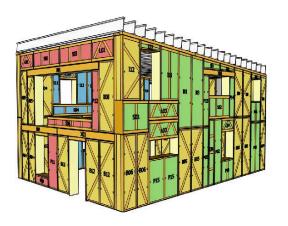
» We simplify your 3D model received in .skp, .ifc or .3ds format and send you the draft 3D panel model for verification. The Panel Project is then prepared.







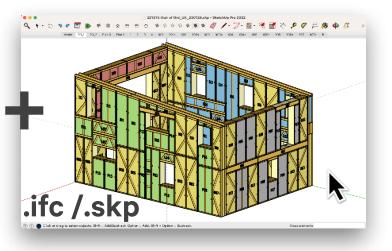
Draft 3D model







Panel Project

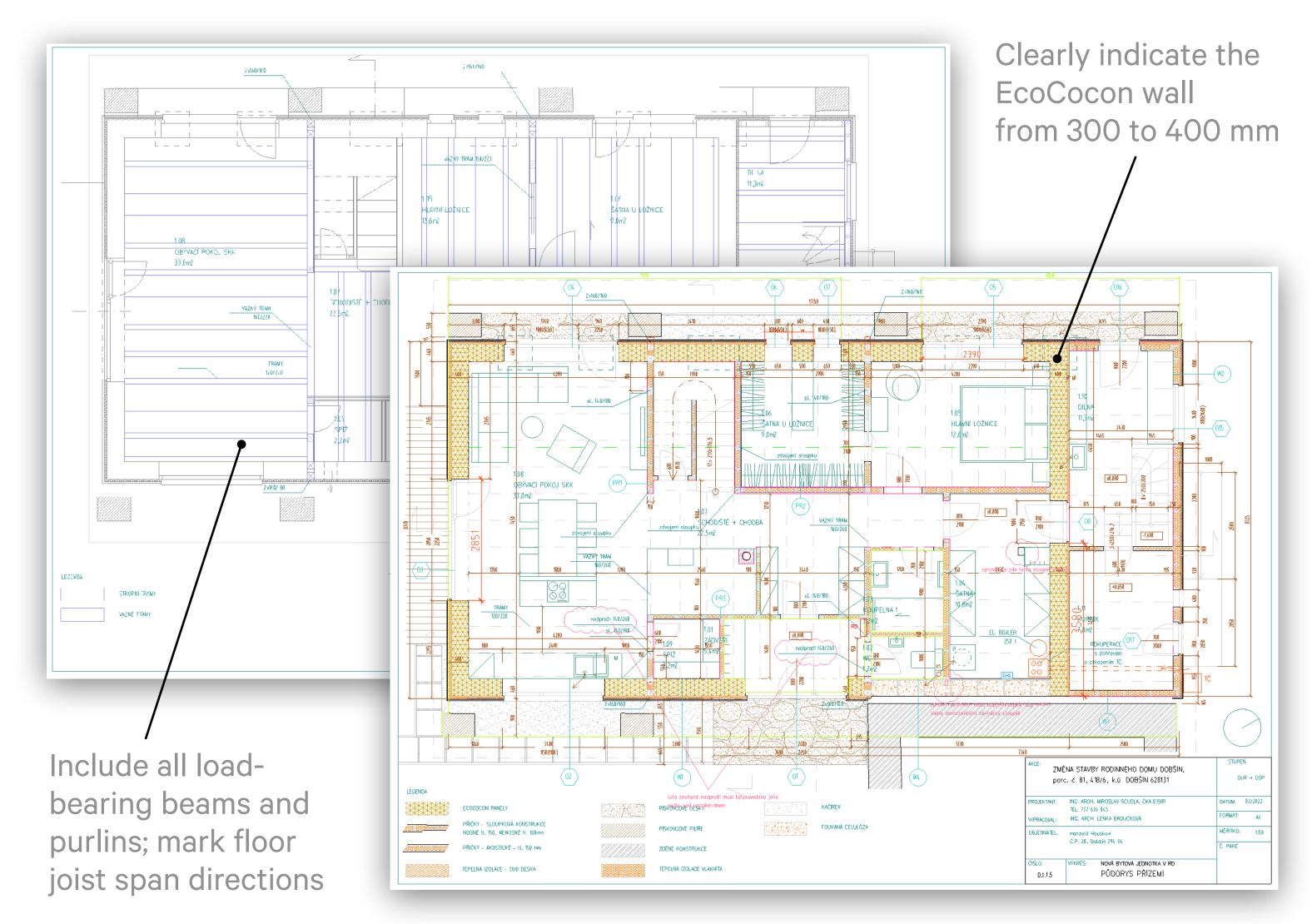


Option 1: 2D drawings (DWG)

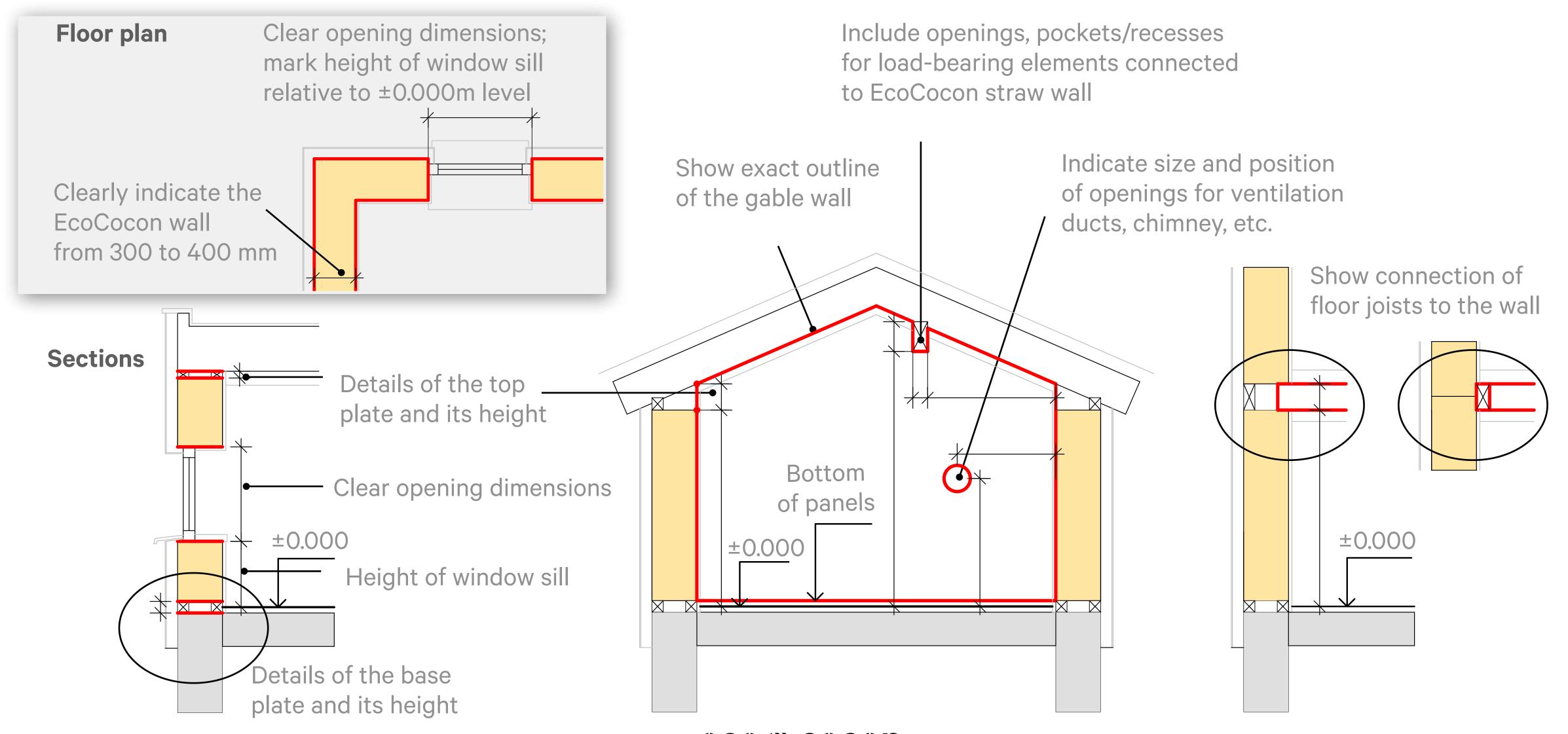
If you work in 2D, send us DWG plans to scale.

Important

- » Clearly indicate the EcoCocon wall.
- » Provide typical sections.
- » Provide wall elevations with visible clear opening dimensions, if the floor plan doesn't show these.
- » Show details at the bottom (base plate) and the top (top plate) of the wall.
- » Show exact outline of gable wall.
- » Include all load bearing beams and purlins; mark floor joist span directions.
- » Indicate any other special requests (e.g. openings for ventilation ducts, chimney, etc.).



Option 1: Show 2D details and important dimensions



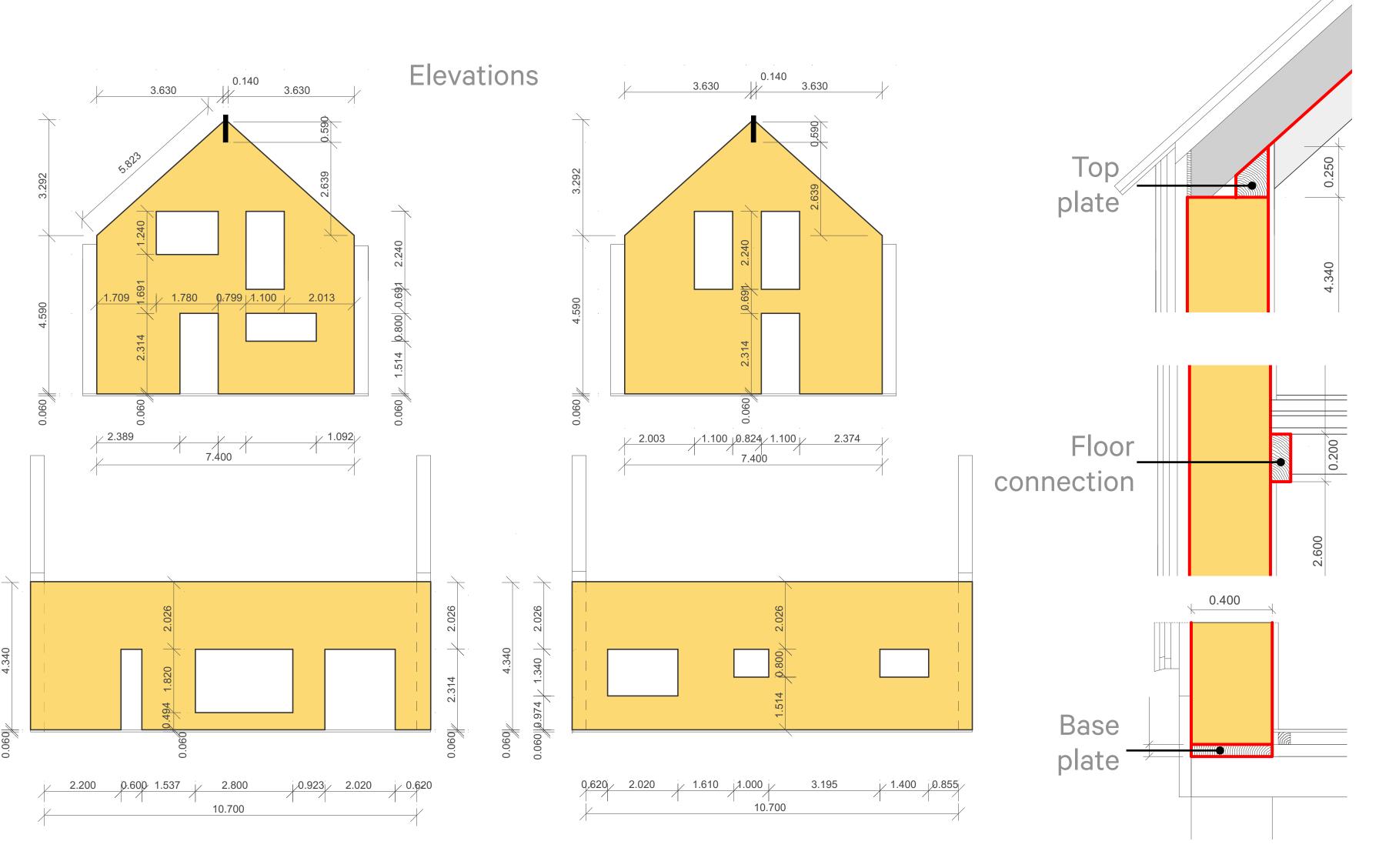
Ideal solution for Option 1: EcoCocon wall elevations

For maximum clarity, send us drawings of the EcoCocon wall elevations (no need for you to draw individual panels).

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- » Simple outlines are sufficient.
- » Draw clear opening widths.
- » Include load-bearing elements connected to EcoCocon straw wall.
- » Do not forget to indicate dimensions of the base plate and the op plate.

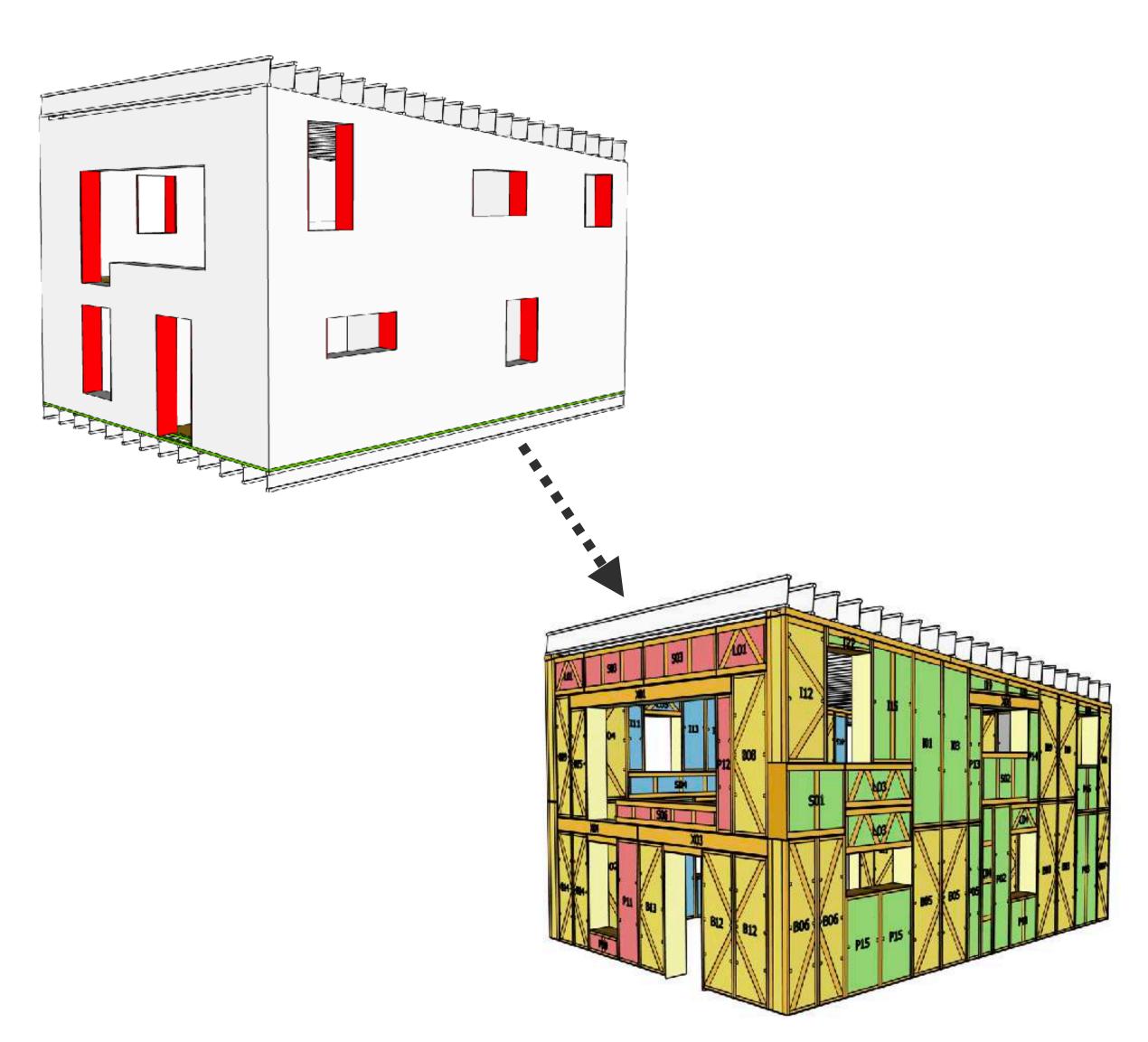


Option 2: Send us .ifc or .skp 3D model exports

Most 3D modeling softwares, such as Archicad and Revit, enable the export of 3D elements to .ifc or even .skp file formats. This is the most efficient way to create a Panel Project.

Steps

- » Create a separate layer and create a 300-400 mm thick wall with exact measurements.
- » The geometry does not need to show panels, the wall can be assembled as one or several simple geometric elements.
- » Include all load-bearing elements connected to EcoCocon straw wall, base plates and roof plates in the export.
- » Exclude all other layers from 3D model before export.
- » 3D model must show clear window openings.



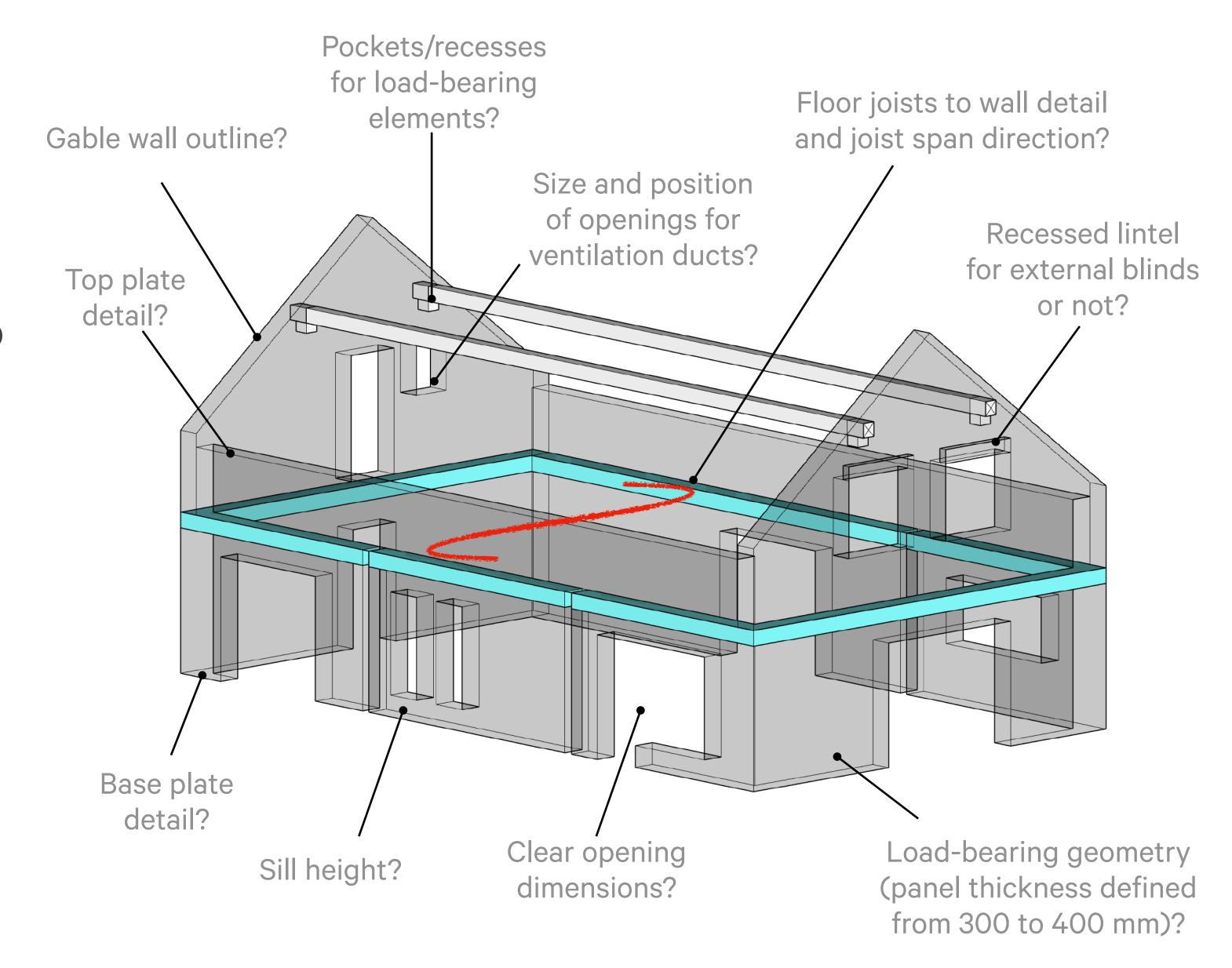
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Check Before Sending

Checklist for Architect

What needs to be clearly defined in the project:

- ✓ Load-bearing geometry: 3D model or 2D floor plan, sections, elevations (panel thickness: 300-400mm)
- √ Clear opening dimensions
- √ Window sill height relative to ±0.000m floor level
- √ Base plate details
- √ Top plate details and angle with roof
- √ Gable wall outline (top of panels)
- √ Recessed lintel for external blinds or not
- ✓ Size and position of wall openings for ventilation ducts, chimney, etc.
- √ Floor joists to wall detail and joist span direction
- ✓ Pockets/recesses for load-bearing elements connected to panels (beams and purlins)
- ✓ Other vertical load-bearing elements (partitions/ posts)



Checklist for Structural Engineer

This is the minimum that needs to be provided:

Loads

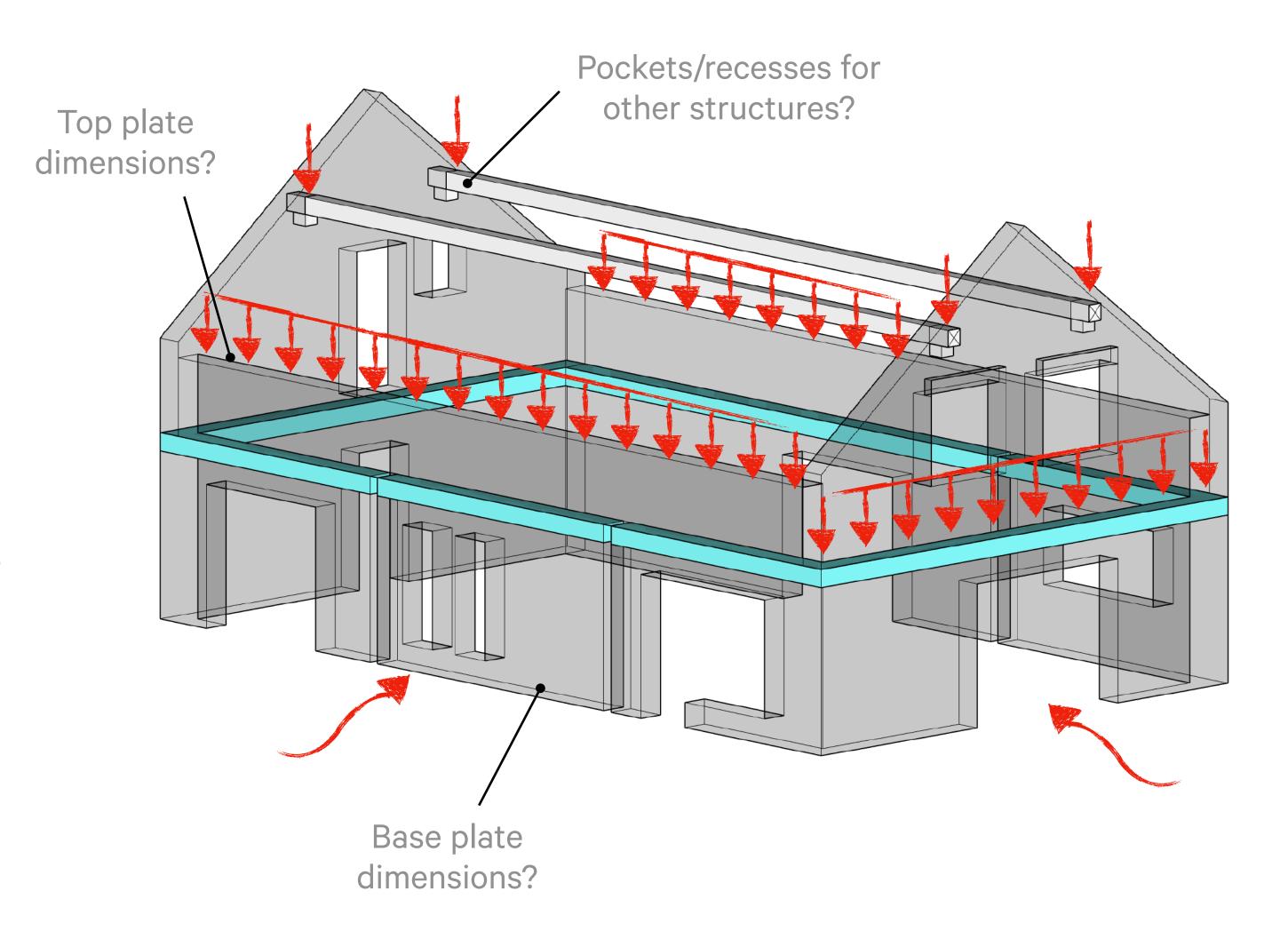
- √ From roof to walls
- √ From ceiling (floor joists to walls)
- ✓ Point loads
- √ Wind loads (horizontal)

Dimensions of load-bearing elements

- √ Load-bearing geometry
- ✓ Dimensions of all load-bearing elements connected to EcoCocon straw wall, including base plate and top plate dimensions

Other

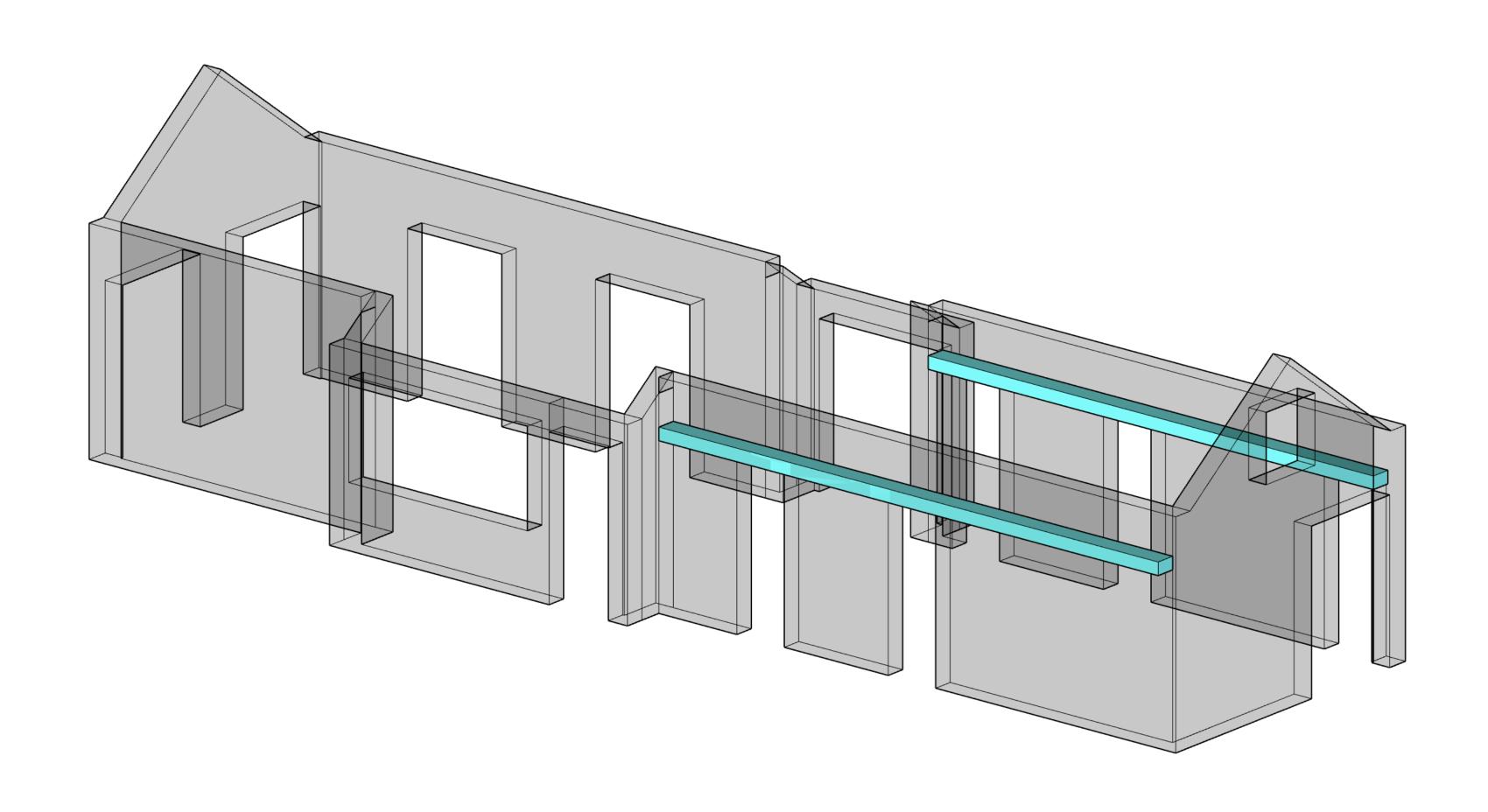
- √ Shear partition walls and other vertical load-bearing elements such as partitions or posts
- √ Special structural requirements



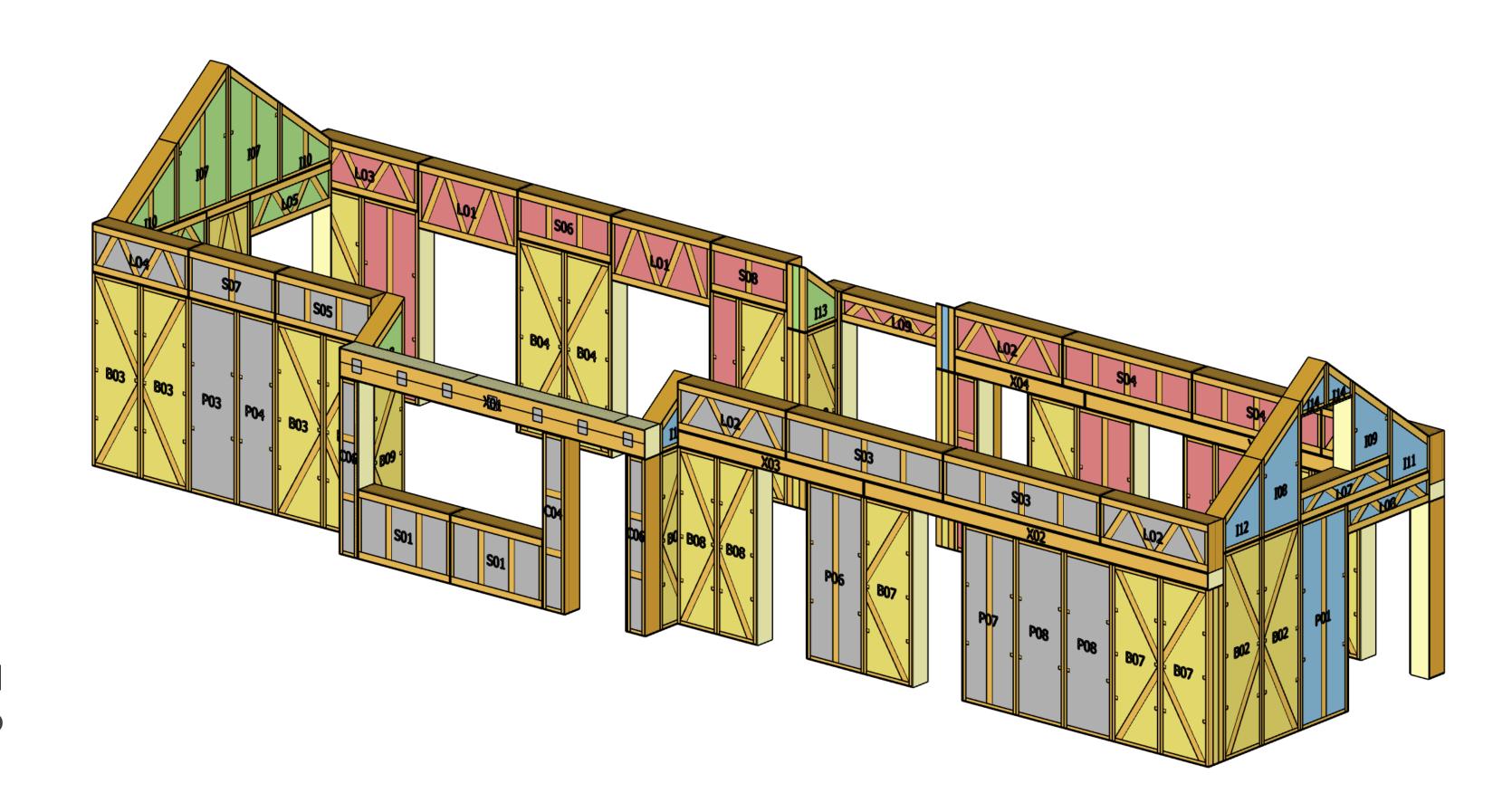
Files You Get in Return

First draft – A panel outlines 3D model

- » A simplified 3D model of panel outlines is prepared first, if the drawings were delivered as 2D.
- » We expect you to check all measurements and correct the model or mark any changes before we proceed with the Panel Project.
- » We provide you with this panel outline model in .skp or .ifc file formats for easy import to your software.



After corrections – a finished 3D model



- » We provide you with the finished 3D model in .skp or .ifc file formats for easy import to your software.
- » We expect you to check all the dimensions of walls and openings and correct the model before the Panel Project is completed.

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Final Panel Project & Examples

Panel Project signing

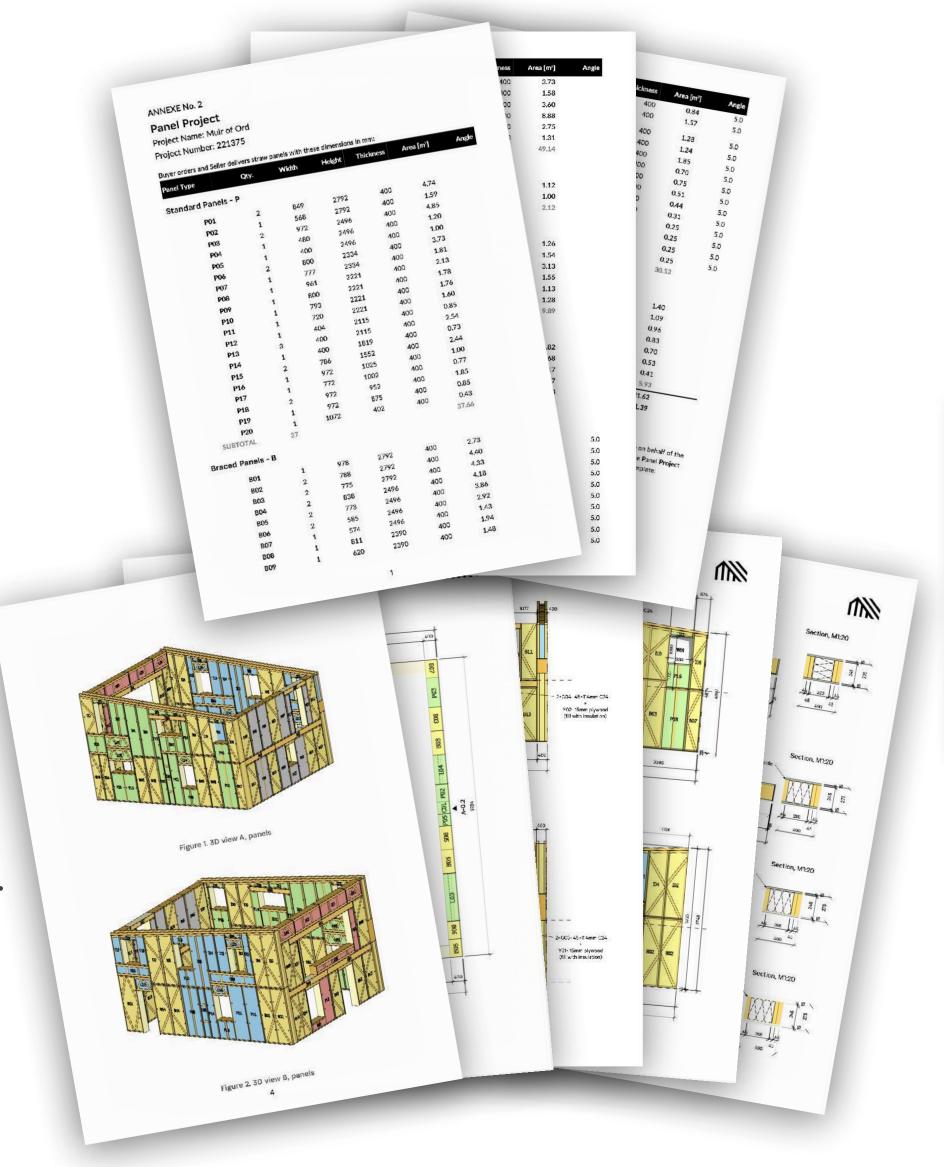
The Panel Project should be authorised and signed by the builder, architect or other responsible person on behalf of the customer.

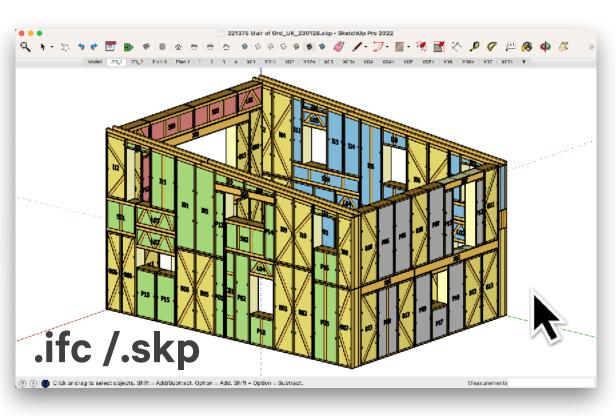
The Panel Project consists of:

- » Table of all panels with dimensions.
- » 3D views of EcoCocon straw walls.
- » Elevations of EcoCocon walls, dimensions of walls and clear opening widths and heights.
- » Shop-drawings of box lintels (if applicable).
- » 3D file of the final model in .ifc or .skp format.

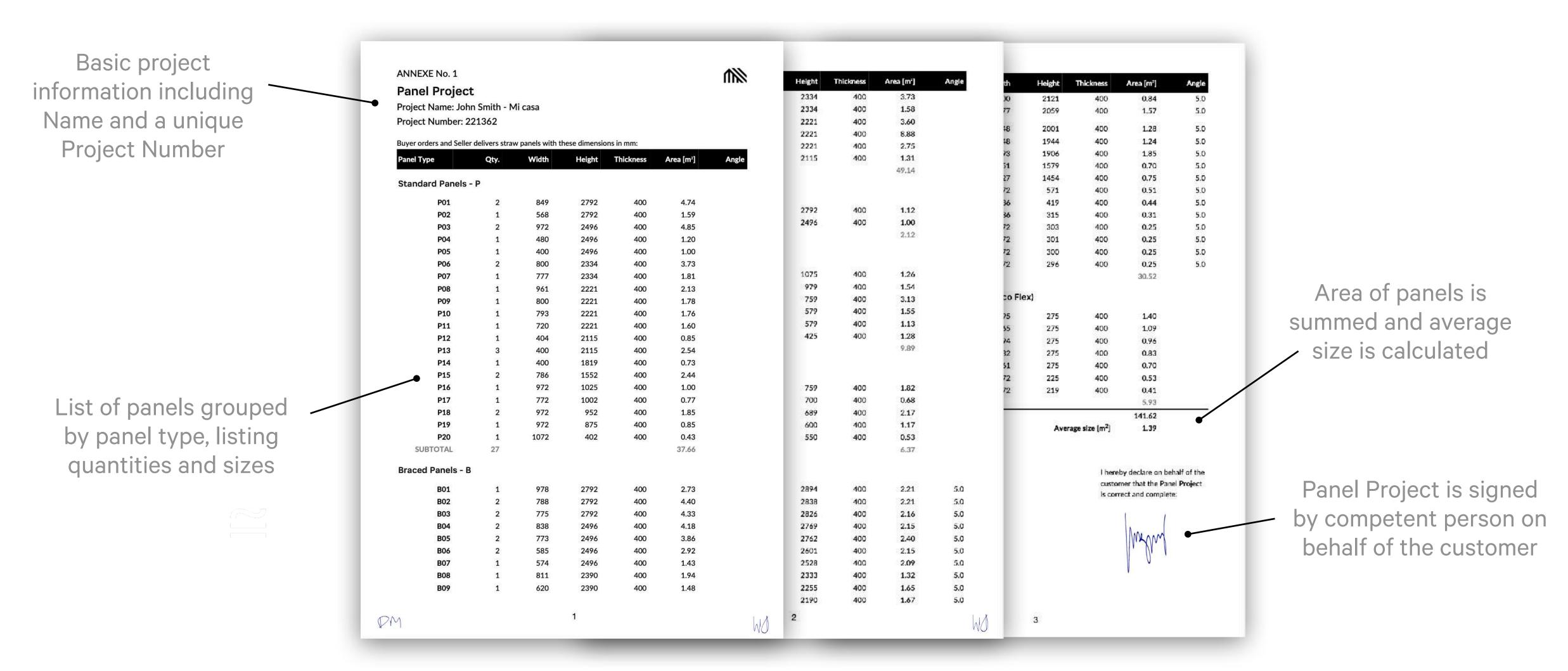
Note

- » Check carefully the dimensions of all wall openings.
- » Check the geometry of the building envelope.
- » Colour coding of panels is based on approximate wall orientation (south, north, east, west).
- » Walls are numbered based on the following logic: "building-floor . wall#". Example: "A-0.3"



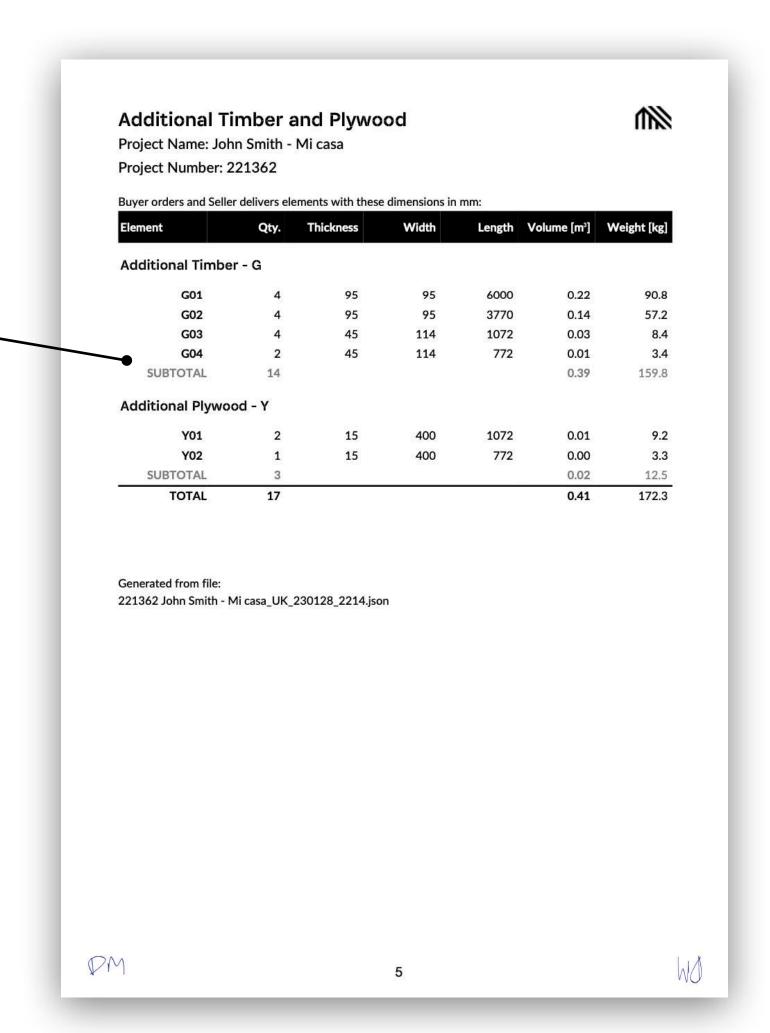


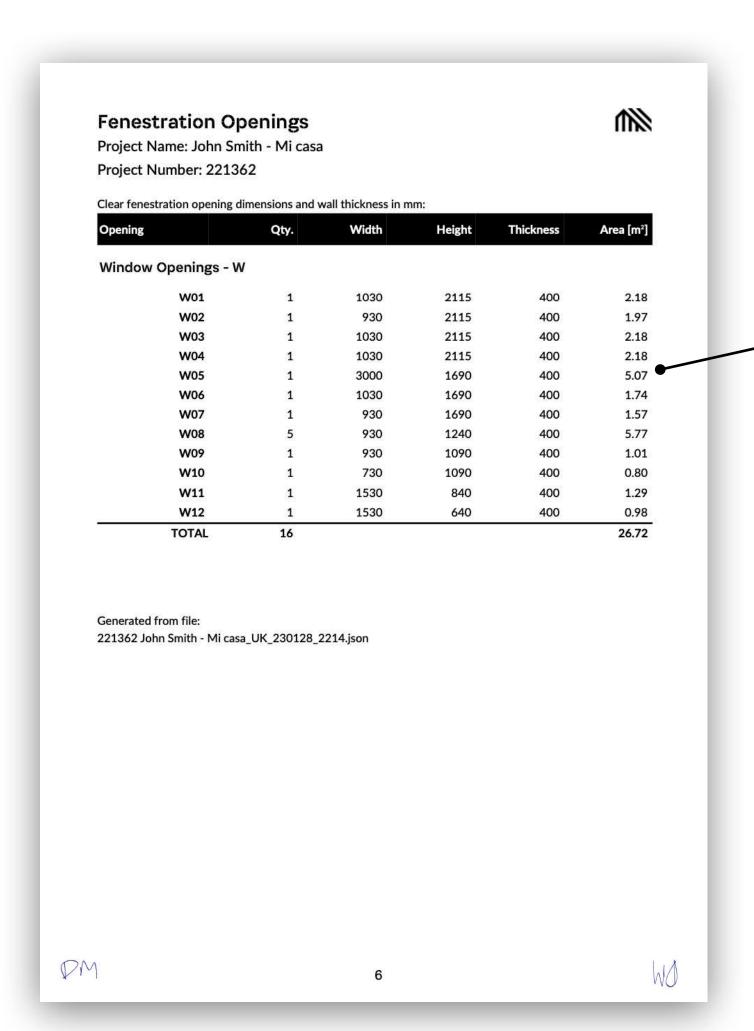
Panel Project example - Project information and list of panels



Panel Project example - Additional materials and openings

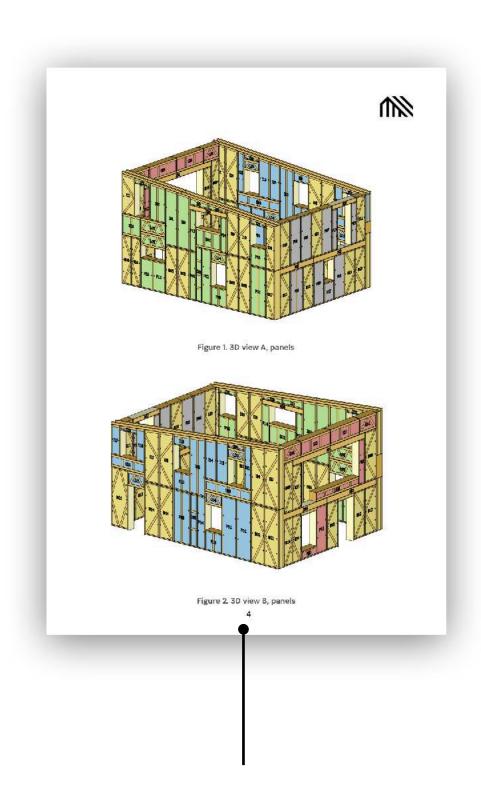
Any additional timber and plywood required for panel assembly is listed here – easy to find and identify items when receiving delivery



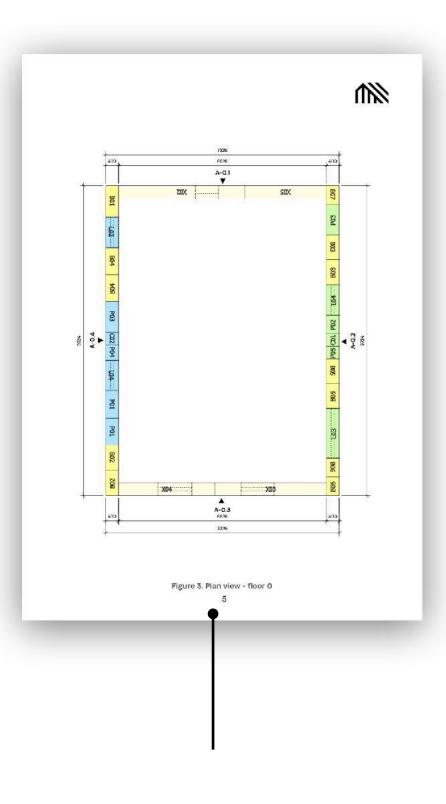


Wall openings are listed with clear opening dimensions – useful when ordering windows

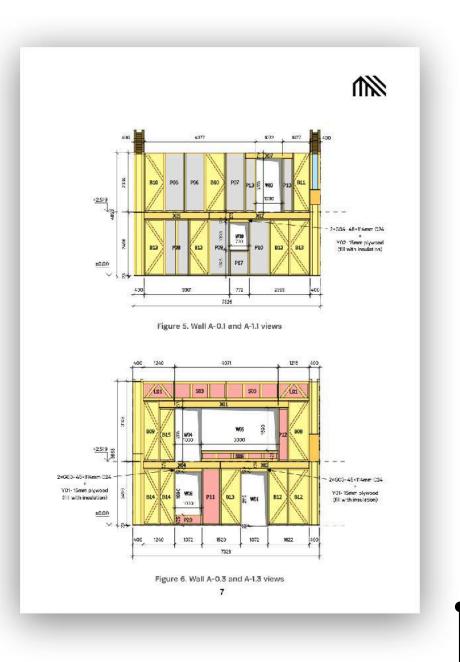
Panel Project example - Drawings

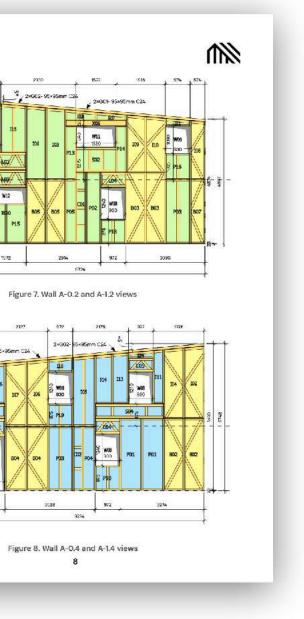


3D views of the structure



Plan view showing overall dimensions and wall numbering

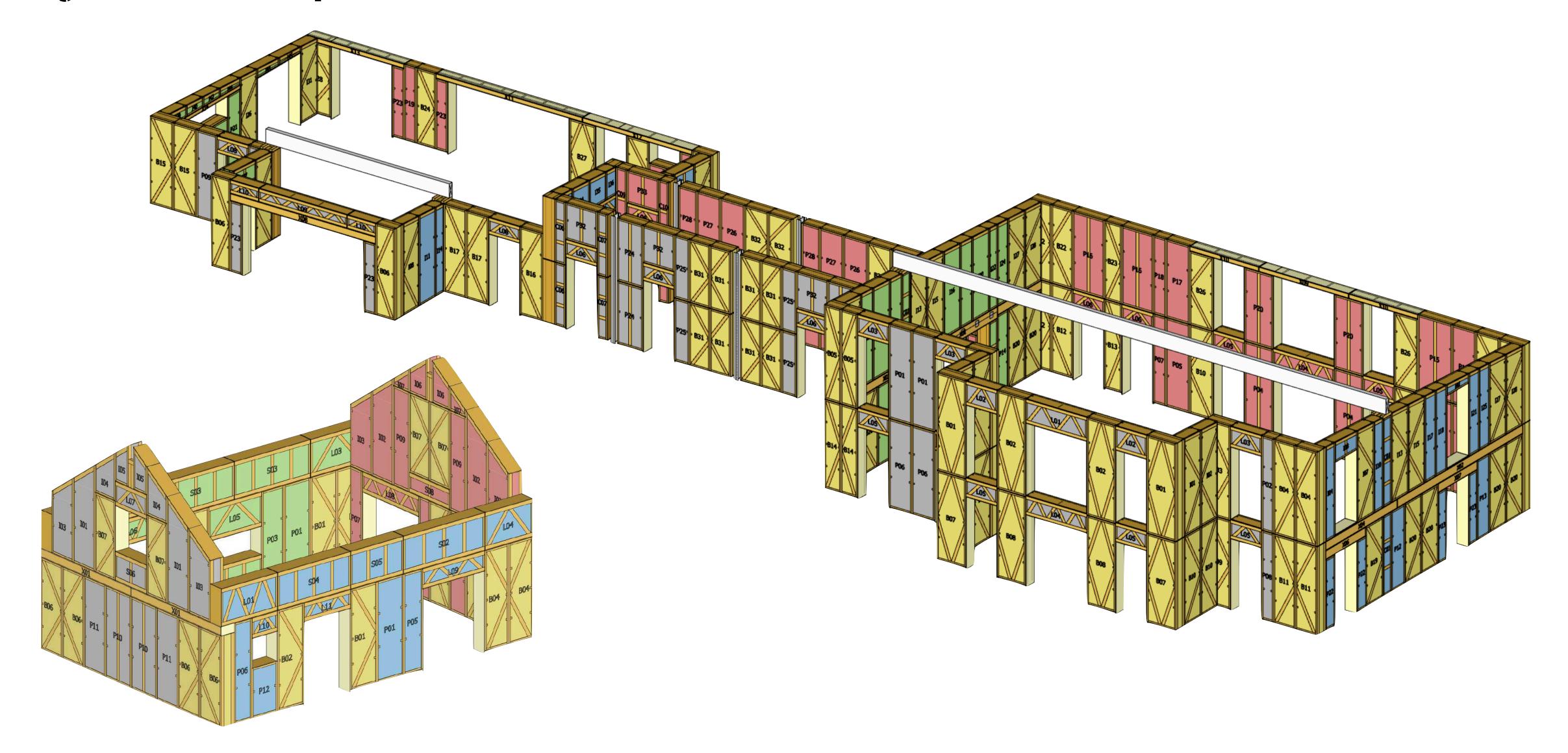


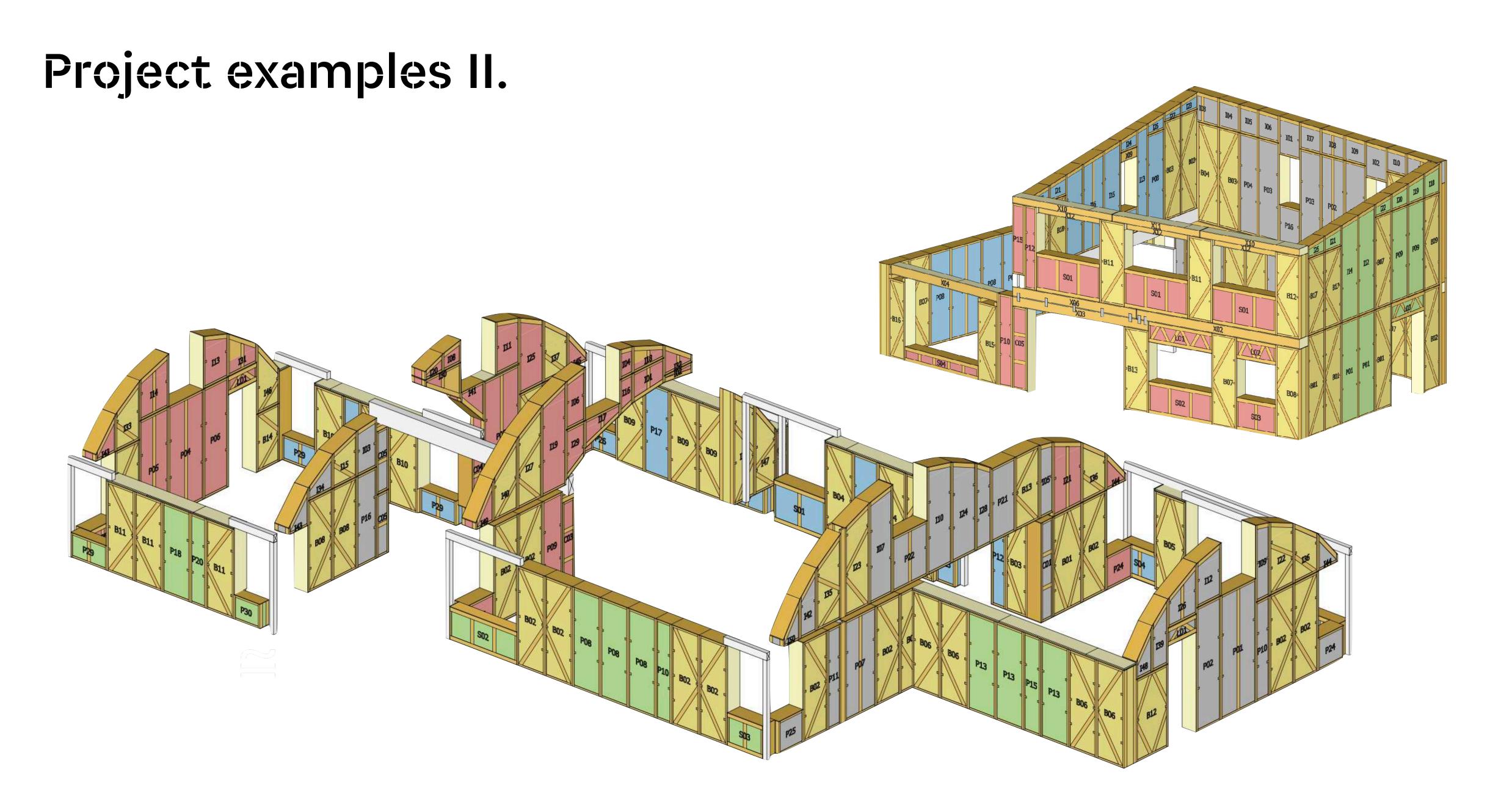


Shop drawings of box elements

Wall elevations showing panel arrangement with dimensions of openings and floor levels defined by architect

Project examples I.





Project examples III.

