

opponent's report

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the task of this thesis is fundamentally important and well chosen. existing buildings, i.e. existing resources, are more valuable than ever and must be used in the best possible way. it is also important from a social point of view to use existing structures, to let the residents live where they are used to.

the historical review is well presented. the explanations about the technology used at the time are very detailed. the references to international examples are important. the work of lacaton vassal from france is particularly groundbreaking.

despite all the theory, the realized result is ultimately the most important thing that we architects have to deliver. the implementation of the improvements will ultimately determine people's happiness and the associated future sustainability of the buildings.

so it is right not only to change apartments and add open spaces to the façades or create additional apartments on the roofs, but also to integrate communal spaces and other hybrid uses such as cafés or kindergartens.

all of this is presented and implemented in the work in a very comprehensive manner. a recommendation for further in-depth study in this field for the future professional career of eliška kořínková would be further down the line:

can public or semi-private uses also be brought to the top level, because there are more possibilities for column-free spaces and the view from the roof terrace is a great attraction. can these buildings, with their large proportion of concrete exterior surfaces, be used for ranking plants, green facades? can biodiversity be positively influenced by green roofs? what do technical solutions look like if additional windows are cut into the concrete elements and balconies are added? can even more radical, poetic measures be taken to make the buildings not only more meaningful and practical, but also more emotionally effective and thus truly loved?

the grade for this thesis is an A.

i wish eliška kořínková every success!

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