In 2010 the architect Alberto Cattani created the very first French university student residence out of shipping containers, at Le Havre. These 100 detachable “studios”, which can be dismantled, are inserted into a steel structure. They are designed as short-term accommodation, which could eventually be moved to a different city. It’s a very “mobile” approach to property!

Alberto Cattani is a DPLG architect, born in 1947 in Parma. He is best known for designing numerous UGC cinemas in Europe (Spain, Italy and France), as well as theatres, art galleries and public institutions. He is also a professor at the Paris-Villemin school of architecture.

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