

The OCOCOLOV Design Workshop | One Cinema, One Clinic, One Library, One Village was shaped by the idea that global sustainability issues of an economic, social, and environmental nature should be tackled in accordance with the needs and expectations of local communities.

The workshop was promoted by Architetti Senza Frontiere Veneto ONLUS and ghanic.org, Ghanaian association of small producers of the cocoa district of Sefwi Wiawso, in collaboration with EMERGENCY ONG ONLUS, the Università Iuav di Venezia, the OAPPC della Provincia di Venezia and with the support of the Kwame Nkrumah Pan-African Centre. Specifically, the workshop involved teachers and national and international professionals, architecture students and young Italian and foreign architects in the design of a community centre for the village of Aboduaam.

The projects collected in this volume, namely "measured" architectures which were attentive to the use of "appropriate and appropriable" technologies, illustrate the results of an experience that favoured a reflection on architecture's social role, as well as on the possibility of starting transformations from built-up spaces.

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