Recycling Material
Using recycling materials for the workshops and building the structures was not just a matter of budget and sustainability, but also an inspiring challenge to develop an unconventional form language.

After the first workshop, the so far only temporary project was stated as a listed artwork of the city of Turin. This opened new perspectives for a more long-term maintenance of the built structures and created a demand for a strategy for a more permanent use.

Creating Connections
Based on these new perspectives it seemed appropriate to pass the project on to a group of residents. With this in mind we brought together residents and involved students with responsible people from the city of Turin and the sponsoring institutions. For the group that had actively participated it was important to show the neighborhood: We are taking care of the space that we conquered, and we affirm our claim on this space. Two groups were interested in taking responsibility for the developed spaces. The wood workshop was refined and is today used by a group of students, young designers and architects, but is open to residents for small repairs and common projects. The old butch shop was transformed into a open meeting place, used for different activities and is run by a group of woman from the neighborhood. The city agreed to pay for the maintenance of the heating, electricity and two toilets. All furniture as well as the designs of the rooms was carried out by the futures users.