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# iSteelGrid – Large Spans Flooring Steel Grid

#### Summary

The present project aimed to conceive and develop a structural solution for a modular metal floor to bridge large spans (up to 15 m), with integrated technical infrastructures, featuring pre-assembled, configurable, and quickly installable components. The goal was to develop a versatile and rapid modular assembly system, foregoing the use of concrete structural floor slabs.

The modules could acquire different lengths, with or without bias, adapting to various architectural configurations, not being limited, as in current modular systems, to standardized orthogonal configurations. The solutions developed integrated wood as a structural element (CLT or double-thickness plywood).



Figure 1. Project concept.

## **Prototype validation**









Figure 3. Dynamic load tests.





Figure 4. Vibration modes – Numerical/Experimental.



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