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Part of Compact Living: Less space, more life



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Robotic storage and moving furniture let small homes do more

Two of the four OBOS Living Lab partners shared slides. Simen Aarseth, Project Director at Pio, argued that storage has barely changed in thousands of years: cages take expensive floor space, are poorly secured and give every flat the same size. For a building with 100 apartments, he showed traditional cages needing 650 m² against 220 m² with AutoStore, where robots bring a resident's bins to a drawer on request. The Living Lab pilot holds around 150 bins for 8 units. Susanne Sekkesæter, CEO of Mase Home, argued that we must live smaller and presented adaptive interior robotics: beds and storage that move into the ceiling or against the wall when not needed. She cited +20% space efficiency without adding a square metre, and apartments with MASE at Bonum that sold 3X faster at a 15% higher price.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Pio's model fits storage for 100 apartments in 220 m² instead of 650 m² of cage storage.
- Bins scale per household, so residents could pay for the bins they use rather than an assigned cage.
- The same system can handle parcel pick-up, equipment sharing between neighbours and handovers for C2C sales.
- MASE moves furniture out of the way when unused, which it says gives +20% space efficiency.
- Sekkesæter urged asking how much more life fits into every square metre, not how much smaller to build.

66%

storage space saved with
AutoStore versus cages, at
3 m ceiling height