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Abstract

Lanyu (Orchid Island) lies off the southeast coast of Taiwan. The island has possessed

abundant ecological resources and unique precious aboriginal culture. The Tao tribe is the native

resident in the island and the below-ground house is one of its traditional cultures. This research tries

to establish an assessing framework for sustainable house design in Lanyu by applying the concepts

of green architecture and the languages of its traditional architecture. This research first, through

literature reviews and expert interviews, determines the criteria and subcriteria to be used in the

initial assessing framework. Then, through expert questionnaires, the Delphi method is used to

finalize the assessing framework. Finally, the Analytic Hierarchical Process is used to identify the

relative weights of criteria and sub-criteria and then obtain the priority weights of sub-criteria. The

below-ground house sub-criterion has highest priority weight and should be used in the sustainable

house design. Based on the obtained sub-criteria, an exemplary design case is presented.

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