Klimapolis – Inaugural Lecture Science for Accountable Urban Governance

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Why Cities?

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Political Mandates

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SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES







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Potential Factual Political Mandates Responsibility Effect SDGs 75% of global 75% of the energy and global urban UN Habitat III population material flows EU are consumed live in only 25 in cities City networks states



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Cities in the **Climate Regime**





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"Models and analytical tools tailored to these communities need to be developed, because the approaches used in cities in the global north cannot be transplanted. Data scarcity, informal socio-economic processes and limited local capacities must be considered."

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 - Digital revolution
 - Materials
 - Green infrastructure

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- 6. Recognize global sustainability context

"A systems approach is needed to deliver on global climate change as well as the UN's New Urban Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals. More needs to be known about interactions, trade-offs and synergies between "urban processes and their impacts elsewhere. This entails working across disciplines and governance silos."

Urban Metabolism and Accountable Governance



Figure 2: Urban metabolism framework and accountable strategic planning (Zengerling/Vignola) drawing on Ferrao & Fernandez (2013) and Musango et al. (2017).

Zengerling, C. (2019). Governing the city of flows: How urban metabolism approaches may strengthen accountability in strategic planning. *Urban Planning*, 4(1), 187-189.

Governance =

"... is the sum of the many ways **individuals and institutions, public and private**, manage their **common affairs**. It is a continuing **process** through which conflicting or diverse interests may be accommodated and co-operative action may be taken. It includes **formal institutions** and regimes empowered to enforce compliance, as well as **informal arrangements** that people and institutions either have agreed to or perceive to be in their interest."

Carlsson, Ramphal, Alatas, & Dahlgren, Our Global Neighborhood, 1995





"the quality or state of being accountable; especially : an obligation or willingness to accept responsibility or to account for one's actions; being answerable, explainable"

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 16

Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels









Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary



















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"**Transformative science** characterizes a type of research that does not only observe and describe societal transformation processes, but that **actively initiates and catalyzes these processes**.

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Therefore scientists are actively **involved in ongoing** transformation processes in order to learn about them."

(Uwe Schneidewind 2015)



"Real Life Laboratory" Approach in Design Research Practice

Problem Analysis

Characteristics and challenges relating to the existing situation

Vision

Guiding idea that expresses needs and visions for the future and enables a paradigm shift

Strategy

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Feasible proposal how to this idea could become reality, which actors to involve and which steps to take

CHANGING

Pilot Projects/ Real Life Experiments

Small-scale and easy-to-implement projects to test, develop and prove

feasibilty and effects

LEARNING

Strategic Projects

Large-scale and long-term projects to re-structure the infrastructure and landscape system

Example 1: The neighbourhood of short distances

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Komponier' Dir Dein Viertel!

Wir möchten Sie einladen, gemeinsam ein Wege- und Freiraumkonzept für das **Komponistenviertel** in Barmbek-Süd zu erarbeiten, das Ihren Bedürfnissen gerecht wird!



FREIE FAHRT FÜR FUß UND RAD! EIN FUß-, FAHRRAD- UND FREIRAUMKONZEPT FÜR DAS KOMPONISTENVIERTEL

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Example 2: PlanBude Hamburg St. Pauli







Example 3: ChangeMakerSpace



Bryony Simcox, Jan Carbonell, Mansi Parikh, Quan Nguyen Ha, Guillermo, Cathrin Zengerling, UNEASH SDG Innovation Lab, 2018



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Science Caravan to Itaim Paulista







PREFEITURA DE SÃO PAULO Prefeitura Regional ITAIM PAULISTA

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CHAMANDO A ATENÇÃO

SÁBADO, 04 DE MAIO. 8h30 às 11h30

Nós somos as crianças e funcionários da escola Dama Entre Rios Verdes e sua comunidade e hoje estamos unidos em uma ação de limpeza e protesto da Praça Mãe Preta e entorno. Se a "Cidade é Linda" que seja linda para todos nós, 🖳 principalmente para os que trabalham nela e moram nos bairros

Queremos uma Praça linda e voltada para o lazer da comunidade, queremos um bairro bem cuidado, limpo, seguro e que atenda os interesses da nossa comunidade, por isso contamos com você para nos apoiar nesta ação, para cobrar do poder público seus deveres e para conscientizar a comunidade a não jogar lixo e entulho nos espaços públicos, bem como não depredar o patrimônio público.

Juntos somos mais fortes!

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Six main **modes** of urban governance

Self-governance	Govern own activities
Provision	 Provision of certain services and resources
Regulation	 Local law-making and planning law / exerting local authority
Enabling	 Support, coordinate and incentivize activities with or of private businesses, NGOs, local communities and citizens
Partnership	Cooperation with other stakeholders
Experiment	 Implement and test local (temporary) interventions
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