

# **City Makers in Berlin**

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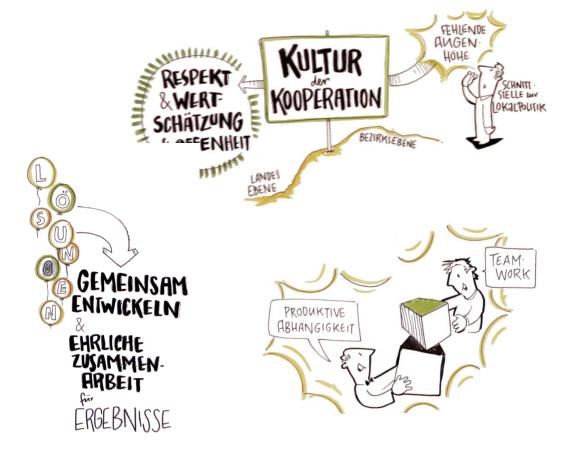
A Study on Cooperation between City Administration and Politics and Civil Society



# The Study Focus:

## Pioneer-Civil-Society-Initiatives

- Cooperation
- Interfaces
- Projects

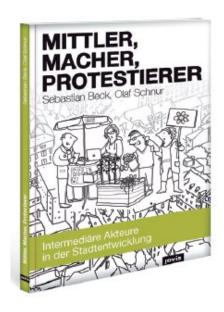


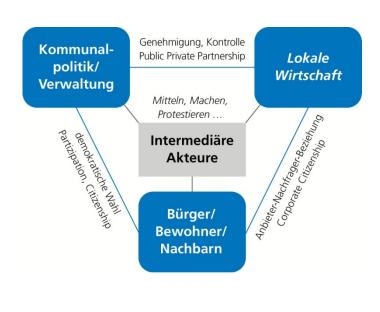


## Scientific Background:

Civil Society Initiatives as a growing Potential in Urban Regimes

- Taking over Responsibility for Neighbourhoods
- Caring about the Future Development of the City
- Competences, Ressources and Networks







# **Charactaristics of the Study:**

#### City Makers / Stadtmacherinnen und Stadtmacher

DESI,
 Scientific Institute from Berlin



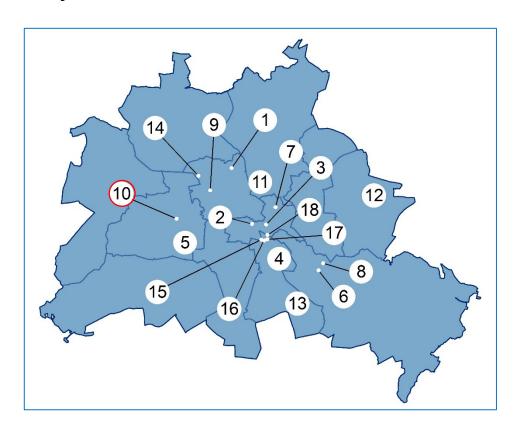


- L.I.S.T.,
   Community Management Institute from Berlin
- vhw, Federal Association f
  ür Housing and Urban Development,
   Initiator and Sponsor
- Timing: June 2016 to January 2017
- Initiatives in Study Sample: 30
- Focus Study on 5 Initiatives (including "Willkommen in Westend")
- Methods: Document Analysis, Expert-Interviews, Site Visits,
   Qualitative Network Analysis



#### Where did we look at?

#### City Makers in Berlin, 30 Initiatives



#### **Local Initiatives:**

- (1) Himmelbeet, (2) Reuterforum,
- (3) Kotti und Co, (4) Schillernde Hunde, (5) Initiative Bundesplatz,
- (6) SchöneWeider Ufer, (7) Mediaspree versenken!, (8) Bürgerplattform Berlin Südost, (9) Moabit hilft,
- (10) Willkommen im Westend,
- (11) Pankow hilft, **(12) Hellersdorf hilft**, (13) Ankommen in Südneukölln,
- (14) Initiative Haus der Statistik,
- (15) Campus Cosmopolis, (16) Sharehouse Refugio,
- (17) Ein Quadratkilometer Bildung,
- (18) Rütli Wear.

Initiatives on City-Level: Stadt neu denken, Think Berl!n, Gentrification Blog, Openberlin: e. V., Steigende Mieten Stoppen, Mietenvolksentscheid e. V., Bürgerstiftung Berlin, Multitude, Mavis en Movimiento, Give some-thing back to Berlin, Refugees Movement, Move Global.



### Where did we focus on?

#### Criteria für the Selection of Focus Studies

<b>+</b>	New Cooperation- Structures	Plain Debate	
+	"Making" and "Trying out" real Projects		
<b>+</b>	Pioneers, Solution- Orientation	NIMBYs	
<b>+</b>	Local Initiatives	Initiatives on City Level	
<b>+</b>	Bottom Up	Top Down	



#### 5 Initiatives in Focus

Housing-Policy, Refugee Integration and Public Space

Integration as a Cross-Cutting Task

**City Appropriation** 

Encounter Space



Diversity of Berlin

Empowerment
Against
Prejudices

Reorganisation of the Car-friendly City

Working against the Mills of Jurisdiction

Against Expulsion from Neighbourhoods Recovery of Communal Property



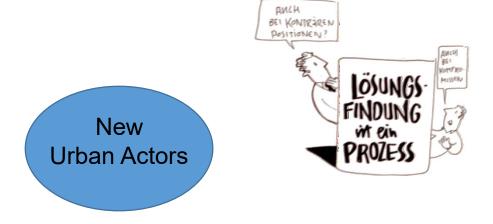
Cooperation is not only about good Will...



- Cooperative Impulses
- Confrontative Cooperation



#### Special Position of Refugees Welcome Initiatives



Active & Valuable Ressource

- Knowledge
- Putting Things into Action

- Professional Services
- Expert Knowledge
- Broad (digital) Networks



#### **Culture of Cooperation**

- High Connectivity to Agendas of Administration: On District Level
- Though: This was heavy learning, especially for the Adminstration
- Especially with Refugees Welcome Initiatives
- An aprreciating View



- More reserved Cooperation on Berlin State level
- That doesn't mean no successes: Cooperation on Masterplan for Integration surprisingly well



#### The Struggle to keep on going

- Developing furtherleading goals whilst everything is still running
- Best Practice: Ulme 35
- In the End: City
   Makers are an active
   Potential for local
   Democracy and
   social cohesion





# **Open Ends**

#### Where does this all lead to?

- Do we encounter the Formation of a new Social Movement, looking at City Makers, especialy with the Focus on Refugees Welcome Initiaitives?
- What kind of Cooperation Culture do you really want?





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