



The Experiment Kit for City Labs

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City labs and experimental governance

- City labs: 'smart interface' enabling co-creation between public and private parties to address urban challenges
- Experimentation: conducting projects to learn rather than to achieve a predetermined outcome

Research question

- How can city labs successfully take up a role in experimental governance?

Aim

- contribute to a better understanding and critical appraisal of city labs as a form of 'experimental governance'
- develop a practical tool to support the experimental role of city labs

Methodology

- together with "Fund for creative industries" and their network of city labs
- inventory of challenges and good practices (survey + in-depth interviews)
- co-design workshops with 4-5 city labs
- local testing (participant observation)
- 'feedback & reflection' workshop
- final public event