



Cities save the world.
Let's reinvent planning.

“Grand Synthesis”

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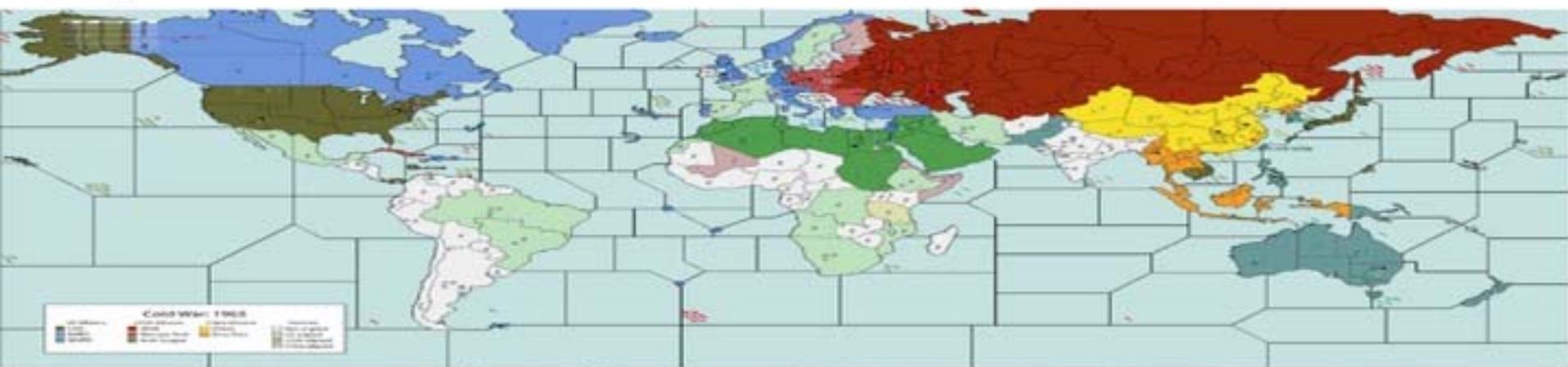
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SYNTHESIS



25 years cold war



50 years ISOCARP

25 years post cold war -> Let's reinvent planning



Let's reinvent planning: 1 mobilise action

from:

- 12 workshop cities
- Isocarp members
- planners worldwide
- young & experienced



Cities save the world: 2 devolve action

12 planning topics

Port and city

City after industry

Food for city

Energy for city

Economy as leverage

Knowledge region

Connect globally

Plan beyond borders

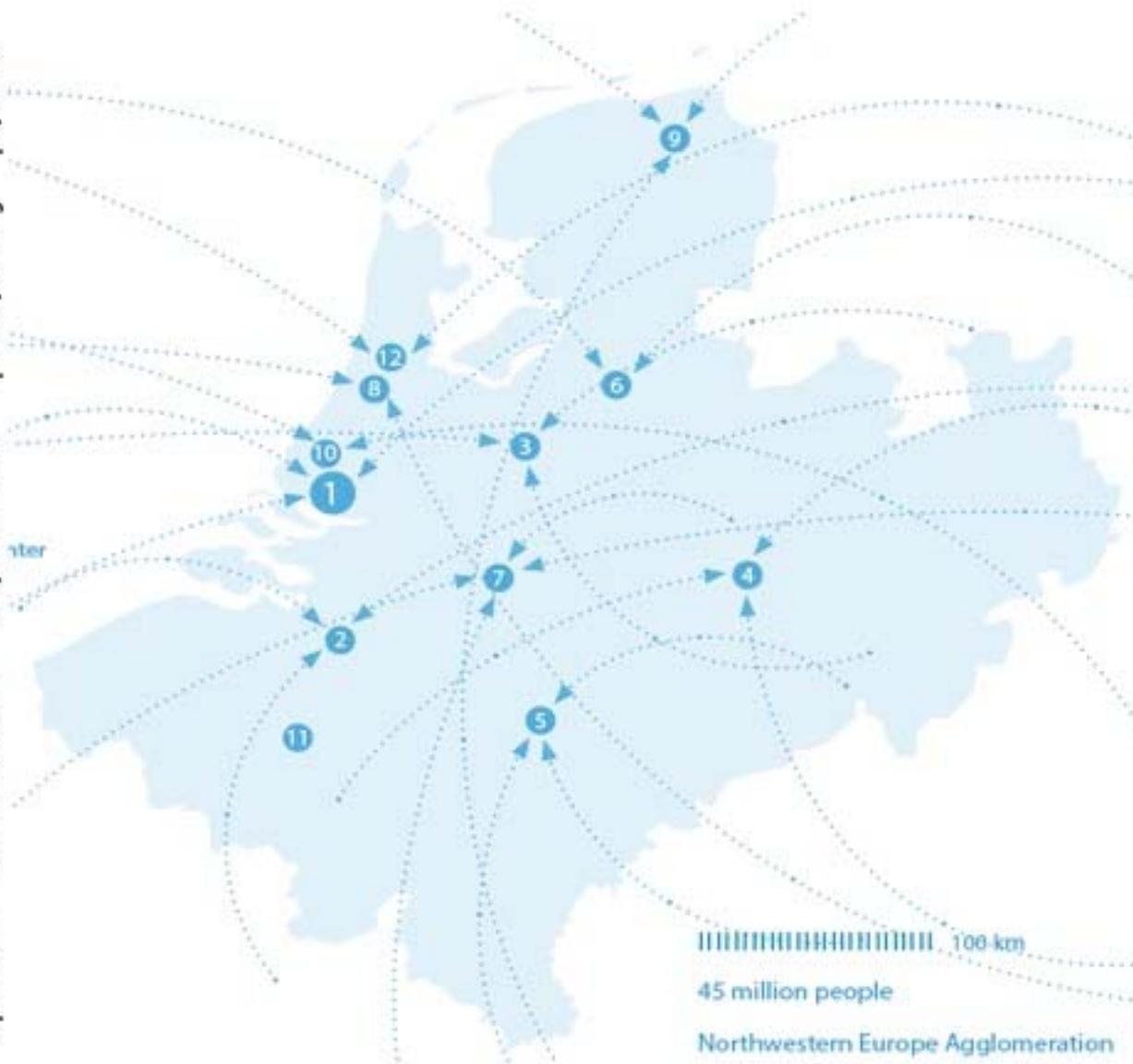
Plan across agencies

People build city

People – city - world

People are the city

spatial
functional
connecting
governance
people



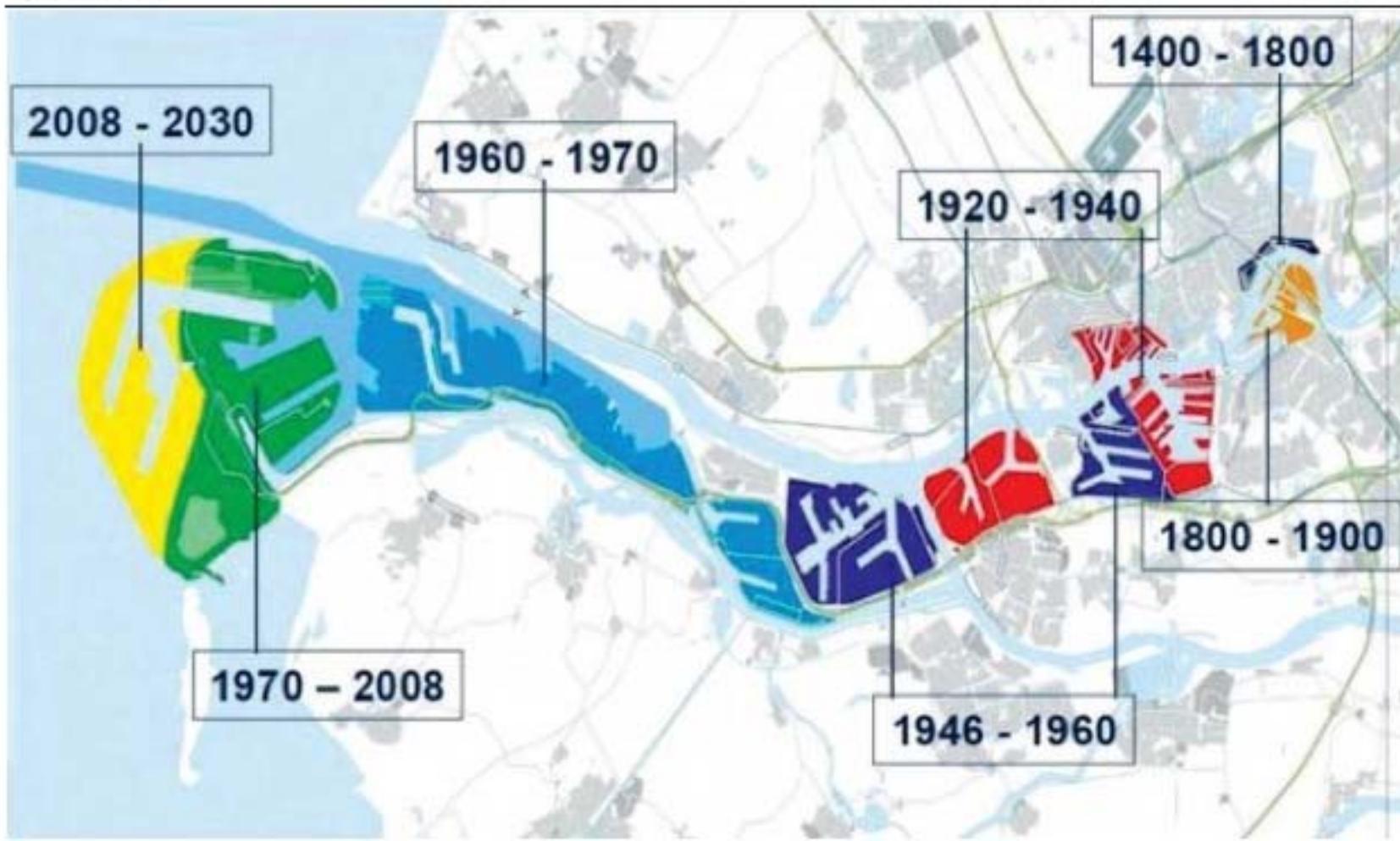
Rotterdam

- SYNERGY = added value + collaboration + coherence
- UNDERSTAND evolution of port-city interaction
- IDENTIFY & SAFEGUARD synergies



Rotterdam

planned



Eindhoven

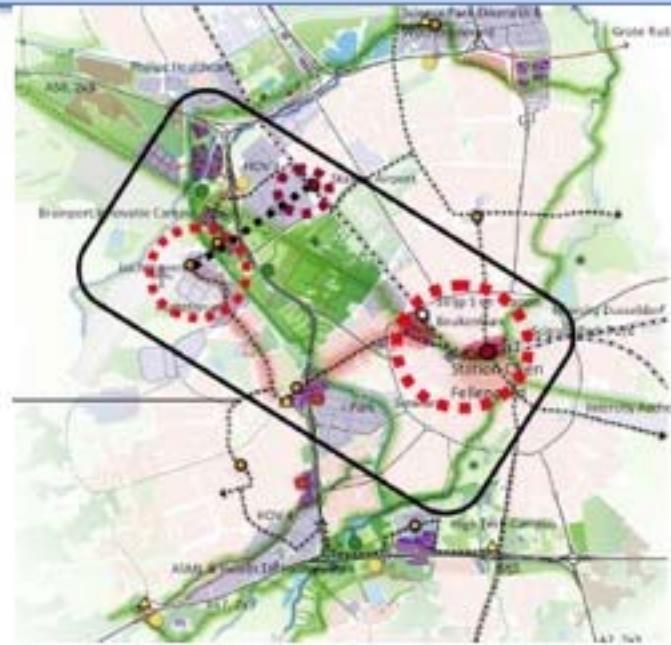
- Planners: DESIGN places -> FACILITATE urban processes
- Build trust between COMMUNITIES
- Stimulate STARTING points



Existing> challenges for planners

City after industry

Eindhoven planned



Wageningen

- RETHINK - Don't ignore food
- REIMAGINE social-spatial dimensions of food
- RECONNECT Food systems & food spaces



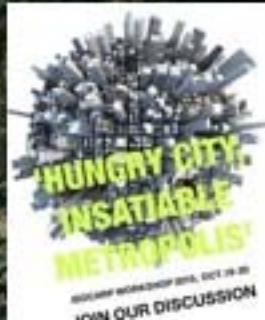
Existing> challenge for planners

Feeding the city



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ISOCARP
2015



Green energy renews city

Groningen

- PLACE based innovative energy transition
- Design is POLITICAL – politics is DESIGN
- Planning as TRANSLATION

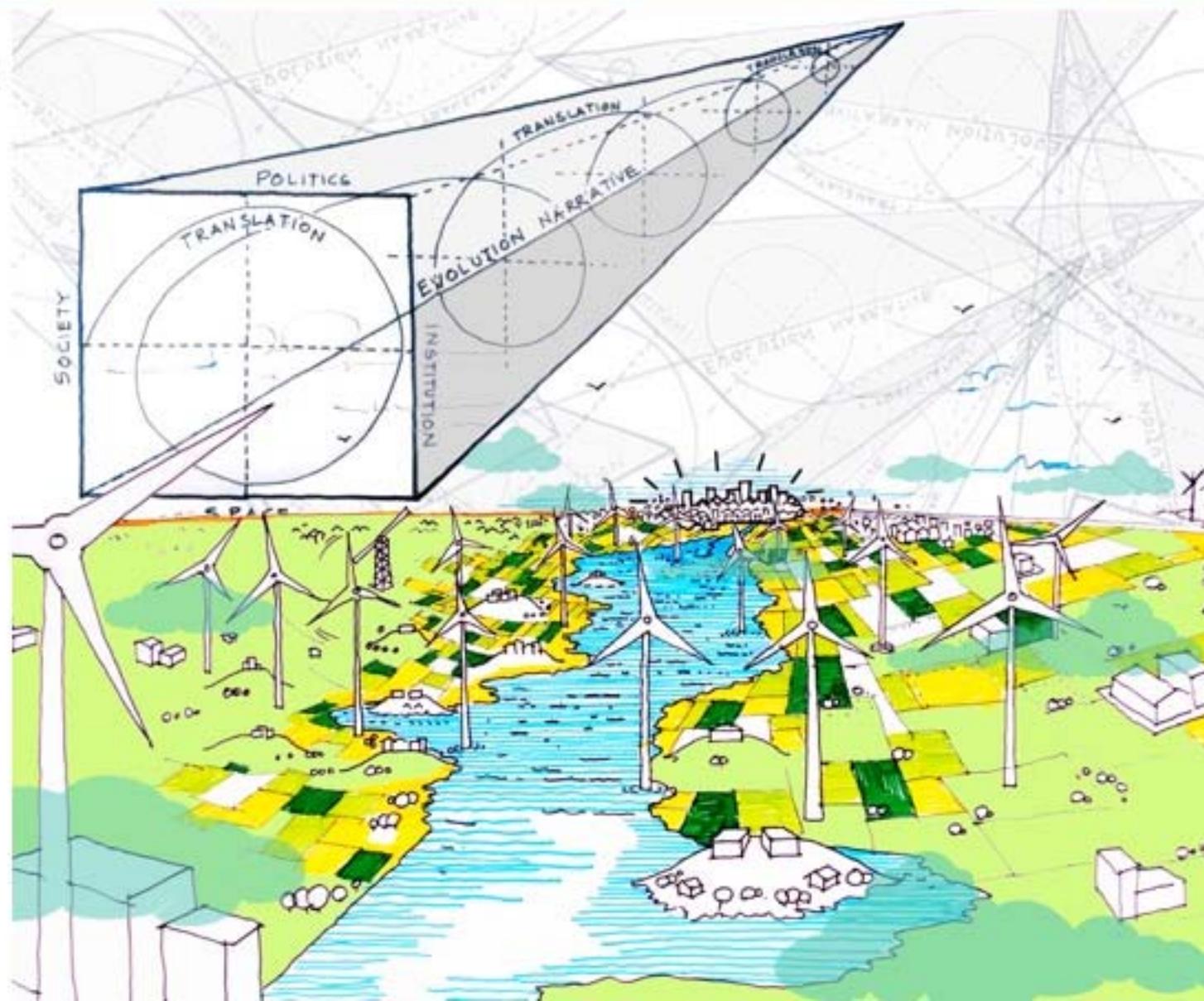


Existing > challenges for planners

Green energy for city region

Groningen

planned



Cleaned region lifts economy

Dortmund

- Dortmund needs a CLEAR strategy
- Create new DIVERSE jobs
- REBUILD identity to reconnect society



Existing > challenges for planners

Cleaned region lifts economy

Dortmund planned



Delft – The Hague

- Make a LIVING campus
- USE new station to integrate city with campus
- Widen profile through COLLABORATION



Existing> challenge for planners

Knowledge powers region

Delft – The Hague

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Schiphol

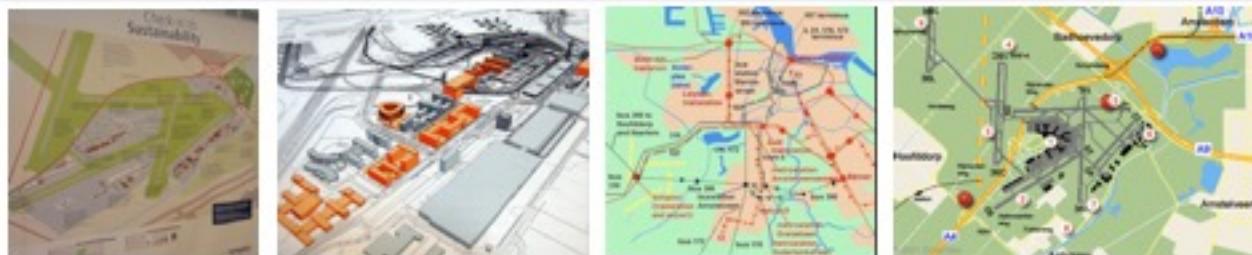
- CONNECT – not all cities need an airport
- INTEGRATE – joint governance & symbiosis
- REORGANISE – airport city as a real city



Connect in global world

Schiphol

planned



Maastricht – Aachen – Liege

- POSITIVE & integrative borders
- ORGANIC borders are rooted
- BORDERS require limited intervention



Plan beyond borders

Maastricht – Aachen – Liege

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Projets et espaces de coopération transfrontalière

Les zones d'Interreg IIIa

- Zones éligibles
- Zones annexes

Les projets

- Métropole lilloise franco-belge
- Plateforme transfrontalière
- Flandre-Dunkerque-Côte d'Opale/Flandre occidentale belge
- Hainaut Thiérache
- Pôle Européen de Développement
- Esch-Belval
- MHAL
- Parc des Trois Pays



Plan across agencies

Deventer

- LOCAL initiatives in BROADER picture
- Negotiable and NON negotiable VALUE exchange
- Institutional preconditions for FLEXIBILITY



Existing > challenge for planners

Plan across agencies

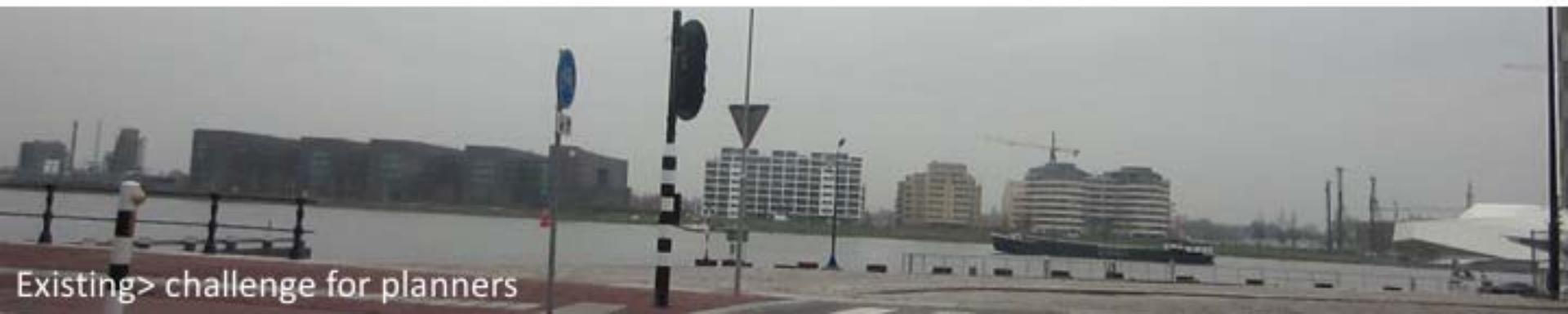
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Amsterdam

- Planning and action: ALL voices heard
- Planners need experiential COMMUNITY knowledge
- Include INFORMAL in formal planning



Existing> challenge for planners

Build city with people

Amsterdam planned



Brussels

- Multi-level governance AND place based approach
- Global planning schemes for local people's NEEDS
- MOVE from blueprint planning to process planning



Existing > challenge for planners

Link people and world

Brussels planned



People rework the city

Antwerp

- EMBRACE productivity in the city (*broadest sense*)
- INITIATE co-creatively through place-making
- CREATE exploratory propositions and experiments

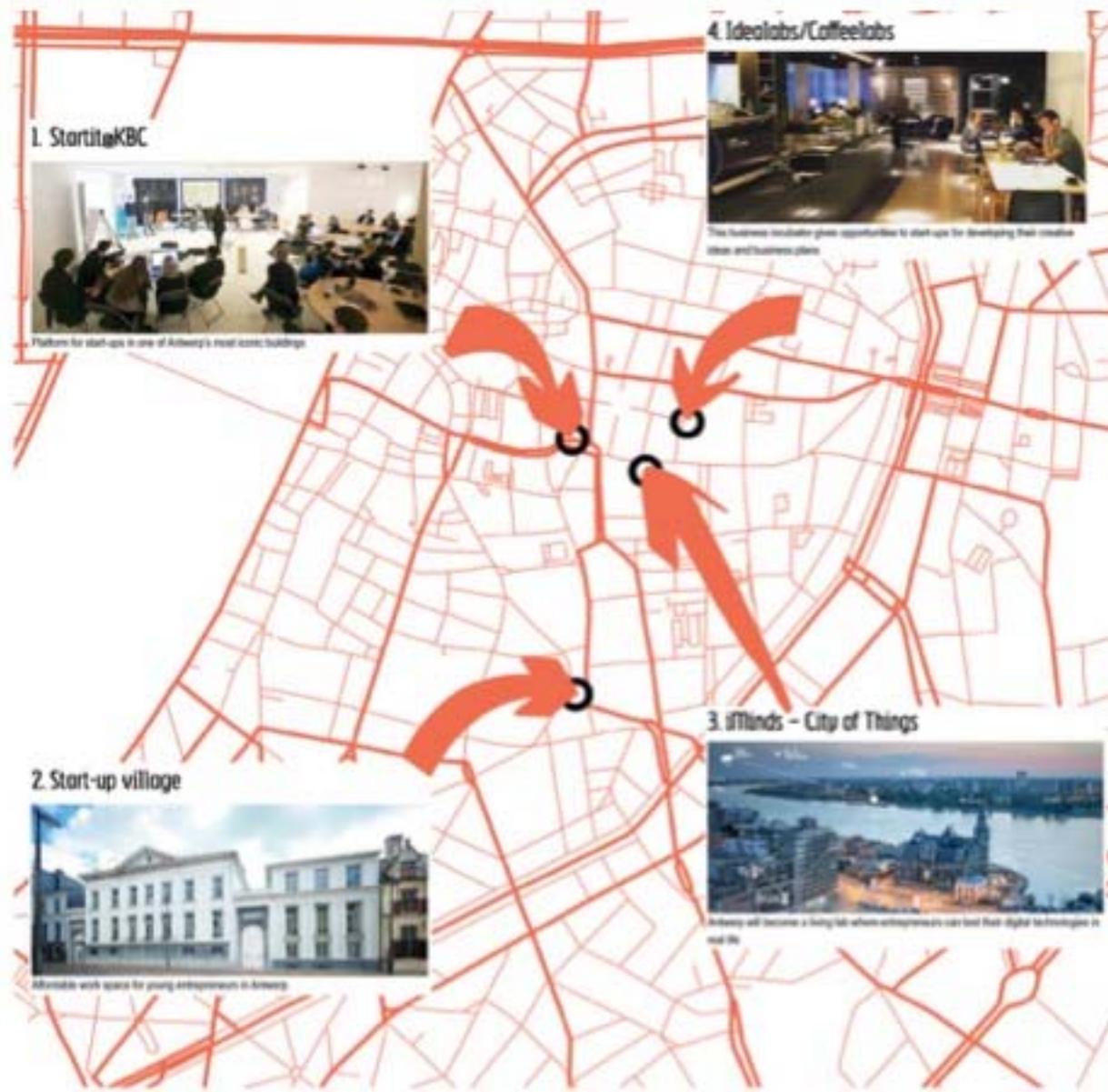


Existing> challenge for planners

People rework the city

Antwerp

planned





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Delft - The Hague



Deventer

Dortmund

Eindhoven

Groningen



Maastricht

Rotterdam

Schiphol

Wageningen

Let's reinvent planning: **3 build bridges**

at:

- Mayors' summit
- Keynote speaker debate
- Matchmaking



- Between all

Politicians' expectations

Mayors' summit



Host

Ahmed Aboutaleb Rotterdam



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M Schreurs Eindhoven



R van der Schaaf Groningen



JR Penn-to Strake Maastricht



W Apperloo



A Wiggers

R Abbi New Delhi F Peer Durban

Henk Ovink moderator

Is planning political?

Keynote speakers

Rajni Abbi:
politician



Maarten Hajer:
scientist



Yusuf Patel:
developer



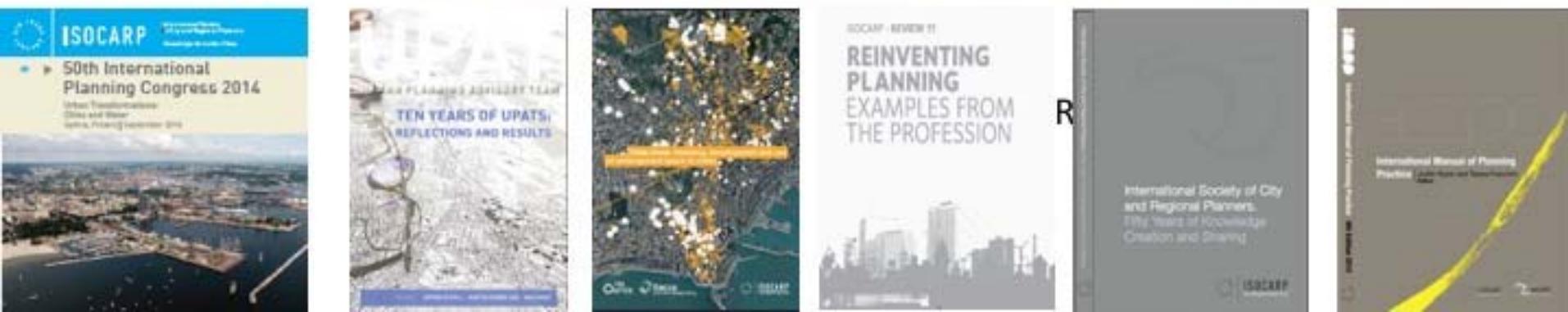
- Need for planning in developing countries
- We need new urban imaginaries
- Planning between power

Keynote debate outcomes

- Planning mediates multiplicity of forces
- Planning adds to creating equity and prosperity
- **Planning balances sustainable growth**
- **Planning needs political support to thrive**
- **Planning has the tools to elaborate deliberative democracy**

Future of planning?

Mining collective memory (50 years ISOCARP)



Key planning issues

- rapid urbanisation
- implementation
- governance
- participation

Planning modes

- prescriptive
- laissez faire
- interactive guidance
- 'deliberative democracy'

Planning the future?

Planning for selfish gene or altruistic cooperation?



Human society needs both -> **planning is political**

If planning is political - do planners have to be political?

'Without an understanding of people and politics planning is merely a technocratic tool'

Jaime Lerner

Roles and responsibilities of planners?

Planners have a social responsibility to the planned in a coalition with all stakeholders

Let's reinvent planning: **4 act now**

- Matchmaking
- Debate on ISOCARP's future
- Action Book
- Disseminate congress results



Thank you

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