



Portfolio of Projects

Selected Projects for the Call
„Action for Sustainable Future“

Human Rights Space

WE BRING HUMAN RIGHTS TO LIVE

Together with children and youth from all backgrounds we are creating a safe and barrier-free space about child rights and human rights in Vienna.



What will the Human Rights Space consist of?

- An interactive exhibition on child rights and human rights.
- A space to encounter one another where workshops and events can take place.
- An ideas laboratory where children and youth who want to become active on their rights will be supported and connected with already existing initiatives.

We are creating the Human Rights Space

- in an inclusive way: ALL people should be able to go there.
- in a participatory way: TOGETHER with children and youth.

That means: children and youth set up the criteria on how to create the space and they choose the themes which are relevant to them and they want to work on. We are being supported by the expertise of several cooperation partners in the field of child rights, human rights, education and art.

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- Österreichische Liga für Kinder- und Jugendgesundheit
- Amnesty International Österreich
- UNICEF Österreich
- Vienna Master of Arts in Applied Human Rights
- Zentrum Polis – Politik lernen in der Schule
- ZARA Training
- Bundesjugendvertretung
- Verein START-Stipendien
- Verrückte Jugend Aktion (Louis Braille Haus)

Mach's Auf

Maker and repair spaces are often inaccessible for deaf people in Austria and keep them from creative and independent sustainable use of their technologies. As part of MACH'S AUF!, we will explore the following topics through a series of lectures and interactive workshops in which deaf and hearing people come together:

- explore the issue in detail
- generate ideas for alternatives
- try and evaluate them at Metalab

What does it take for deaf people to learn technical skills? Which technologies do deaf people want to design themselves? How can we break down barriers without marginalized social groups being disadvantaged?

With these questions we view the project as a starting point to establish accessibility in creative and cultural places. We also want to draw attention to sustainable effectiveness, guide the careful use of natural resources and repair culture.

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- TU Wien – Institute of Visual Computing and Human-Centered Technology
- Equalizent



Refiction Radio

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Snapshots from the Borders

SNAPSHOTS FROM THE BORDERS

We seek out those people who live and work in and around refugee camps, along borders or refugee routes and are active. People who hardly get a chance to speak in public and if they do, then in the space of resentment.

We want to start a dialogue about why people leave their homes? What they hope for, what makes life difficult, what they are looking for, what they need and demand.

We use radio as a „social place of encounter“: through radio, people can enter into dialogue with each other, listen attentively, ask questions, experience themselves differently, overcome resentments, network and reach an interested public.

Over the years, community radios have accumulated experience in addressing, organizing and involving people with diverse needs. Across all age groups, origins (social, cultural, or geographic), interests, or personal dispositions.

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The Vienna Succession

Asphalt and concrete seal and overheat public spaces, reduce the quality of life and waste rainwater. In the Viennese succession, activists from art, civil society, research and participation cultivate the process of unsealing and create new scope for nature and people.

With artistic participatory actions in three public spots, we show what potential lies dormant under the surface of the city. We unseal, dig, examine, collect, sow, chat, plan, cocreate and produce - together with the people around the openings in the asphalt. Holes, cracks, open areas are offered for the course of things. Qualities of the city are successively „discovered“, nurtured and developed into livable spaces.

This is how we create opportunities for action and experiences of reclaiming urban spaces for people and nature. New ways from sealing to discovering the city are opening up.



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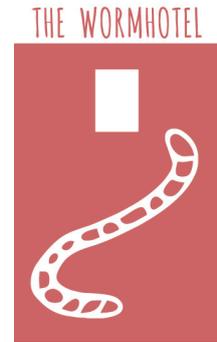
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The Wormhotel

Every day, tonnes of organic waste are indistinctly thrown away in the waste bin, transported, buried or burned, resulting in greenhouse emissions with a high social and ecological price. But organic waste is not a waste, it is a resource! Our project aims to give communities access to shared vermicomposting systems, easy to use and to maintain: the WormHotels.



The WormHotel is an outdoor composting system hosting compost worms capable of turning the organic waste of 20 households into a valuable humus that can be used as a fertilizer.

We will establish 5 WormHotels in Vienna, in various urban contexts, in order to experiment from the scientific, social and artistic perspectives. We will focus on creating a bond between the WormHotel, the worms and the communities (users, local dwellers, schools, etc).

The long term objective of our project is to propose a scalable methodology for implementing community-scale vermicomposting solutions in many cities in Europe.

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Future Council on Traffic: Sustainable mobility in Austria

CITIZENS DEFINE WAYS TO MEET CLIMATE GOALS

If Austria plans to adhere to climate change targets set by the Agenda 2030, it needs to bring about significant changes concerning private transport. People have to become a part of the solution. The Future Council on Traffic aims to involve as many affected parties as possible in the process of discussing and reflecting various forms of mobility in the most populated and traffic-struck area of Austria, the metropolis region of Vienna.

The Future Council on Traffic's ultimate goal is to have the involved people design new, sustainable strategies for individual and public transport and thereby inspiring policy-makers to use the knowledge of the many to solve complex societal problems.

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