

Learning from/with/about the city

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Learning objectives

Knowledge: references and meaning of mapping, public space, awareness of the qualities of the city, landmarks, functions, etc.

Skills: interviewing-listening, representing ideas visually, working in teams to find common ideas, identifying the main emotions and the connections between them and the built environment.

Attitudes: the city as a result of cooperation, the protection as a result of common agreement on what is important, the public space as a result of shared values.

Brief Description

The built environment surrounds us everywhere, and it influences our day by day lives, our emotions, our social skills, our thinking of the world. On the other hand, the built environment is the result of interactions among people and of interactions of humans with the natural environment. The methods used by De-a arhitectura Association are meant to raise the awareness about all these connections.

The workshop will start by exploring an area in the city with a little guidance from the trainers, then reflecting on the experience focusing on several aspects related to perception of the built environment and to meaning and representations of places. The third stage is dedicated to hands-on team work to produce their own representation of the explored area in the form of a poster. The posters will be exposed in the public space as a conversation starter with passing by people to test both the representations and the ideas of what is important in the explored and analysed area.

Methods: direct experience, analysing and conceptualisation of the experience, feed-back from the public space.