

# CLIMATE CULTURE LAB



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Climate Culture.  
Participation as a Mode of  
Transformation.



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# Research Area „Culture of Participation“

- Analysis of social and ecological transformations
- Central Questions:

*Which new forms of civic participation exist and who takes part?*

*How can civic forums be designed to suit specific issues, contexts and goals? How can they be made legitimate and acceptable for the people concerned?*

*How can we find good solutions to pressing issues concerning transitions in contemporary society through dialogue and civic participation? (energy transition, urban development, digitalization, etc.)*



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# Forms of public participation



# Climate and Culture

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- Two-fold Challenge:
  - 1) need for accelerated change (infrastructure, efficiency AND sufficiency, etc.) → addressing the roots of carbon culture → persistency of social and cultural practices and frames
    - → Individual level
  - 2) making transformation democratically legitimate and just
    - → structural level

# Between conflict and creation

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Thank you for your attention!



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