Climate Culture. Participation as a Mode of Transformation.

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- 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.)*
Forms of public participation

- Amount of participants
  - Information meetings
  - Future-Conferences
  - Citizens' Center
  - Participatory Budgeting
  - Roundtable discussion
  - Wisdom council
- 21-Century Town Hall meetings
- Cooperatives
- Civic association
- Community committees
- Interest groups
- Grassroots networks
Climate and Culture

- 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
Thank you for your attention!