

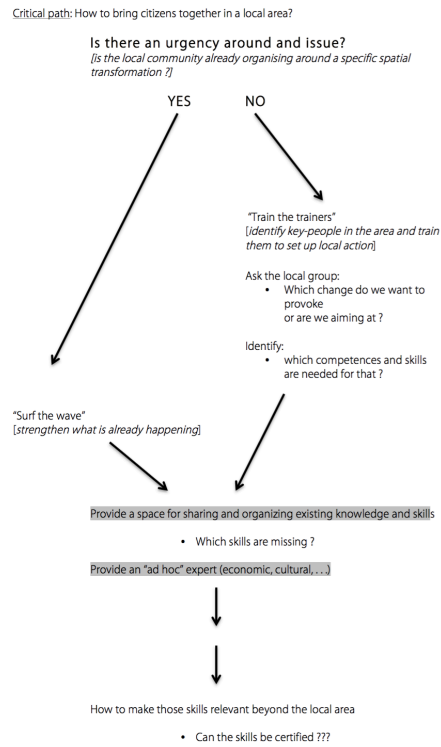


What is learning from context?

= developing skills and competences by being active in the community which can later be re-use in other fields of activity from formal employment to community activism.

The main idea behind “Learning from context” is that through engaging in our community we acquire different kinds of skills. Hard skills, soft skills, social skills, technical skills. Often we need these skills in order to further the ambitions of that community. So we use them and improve them. Learning from context aims at recognising and strengthening those skills, and where possible make them useful in other contexts. (See also <https://www.opencccp.eu/why-learning-from-context/>)

Before Learning from Context can start to happen, a community needs to be organised. Previous work has identified routes leading to a community that can start Learning from Context. Either there is a sense of urgency around a specific issue (this can be a local planning development, an opportunity or threat of local heritage, changing legislation, ...) in which case the Learning can “surf the wave” of this urgency. If there is no urgency, a work of Training Trainers and creating a shared vision of the future happens before the Learning from Context can take place. (see Image below).



In the past, Learning from Context programmes have been developed on different topics:

- The Localism Act and the way it shapes the lived of people in North London
- Meringplatz and the (non) development of a inner city residential area in Berlin
- The living industrial heritage of the residents of La Marina in Barcelona
- The insulation of Somers Town from the economic boom of Kings Cross in North London

As the name suggests, Learning from Context is a context-specific way of Learning, which makes it hard to write fits-all training programme. Examples have been developed for specific themes, such as in urban planning (see Level Playing Field) or OER transit.

While other themes are being explored, the resource of information and lessons will extend.



Videos about previous work

Video on Belearning

<https://youtu.be/l1vTqWoaEUI>

Interview with Christoper Pissarides (as part of Euler)

<https://vimeo.com/174813318>

Video on Elephant Path:

<https://vimeo.com/221553175>

Video on Som La Marina

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=219G0Prub9s>

Video on Prinzessinengarten

<https://vimeo.com/205097956>

<https://vimeo.com/205443579>

Video on City Mine(d)

<http://obiter.us.es/index.php/categories/48-jornadas-y-seminarios/jornadas-y-seminarios-curso-10-11/ii-jornadas-de-creatividad-urbana/850-user-65-voh1gesjr7620t>