How Might individuals contribute to the issue?
How Might groups contribute to the issue?
How Might non-governmental institutions contribute to the issue?
How Might governmental institutions contribute to the issue?
How Might We contribute to our neighbourhoods?
How Might We contribute to our streets?
How Might we contribute to our cities?
How Might We contribute in our apartments?
Estuary restoration in the Comox Valley: A community prepares to unpave a parking lot and put up a paradise.

One of its greatest values is that it’s literally creating common ground where citizens can imagine together with First Nations partners what a healthier, more inclusive and sustainable future looks like. Tim Ennis
Kuja Kuja is a system to improve customer satisfaction amongst refugees around the world. It’s a system powered by people, and enabled by technology.

At Kuja Kuja we want refugees to demand world class services every day.
Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs’ (‘MOIA’) citizenship application assistance program, NYCitizenship, helps immigrants to apply for citizenship and encourages them to participate in free financial counseling services.

This case study is a part of a cross-sector initiative to explore how service design can be used to make public sector financial empowerment services more effective and accessible.
Each year more than 50 thousand birds stop by on their migratory route.

İzmir Bird Paradise, spreads around an 8,000-hectare area with reeds, islands, peninsulas and salt marsh pools with 289 bird species. Some of the most observed bird species are Flamingos, Dalmatian Pelicans and Small White Herons.
The total number of vertebrate and invertebrate species in the Aegean Sea is 3519. There are 68 fish farms in Izmir.

*Turkey is now the largest fish producing nation in the Mediterranean Basin surpassing Greece and the second largest producer of fish in Europe after Norway.* Çağlar Erdoğan
The Historical Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina has become a ruin. An action to 1) preserve the existing building. 2) empower the bottom-up social processes 3) transform the institution into a catalytic urban cultural hub.

Reinforcing the idea that the ‘People’s Museum’ belongs to everyone, we envision it as a living space that manifests no difference between its collection and public function.
Communal homes for low-income Jewish families. Families occupied individual units organized around a courtyard and had access to shared bathroom and cooking facilities that alleviated the cost of living.
A total of five public piers recently installed along the Karataş-Üçkuyular waterfront. Their design refers back to the privately-owned piers that once dotted the same waterfront and gave sea-bathers direct access to the water right at their doorstep.
“Bridging Peoples” is a non-profit charity and solidarity association, founded with a view to developing/strengthening public friendship and solidarity between peoples and facilitating solidarity vis-à-vis social-political catastrophes and natural disasters with severe social consequences. The purpose of the association is to struggle against all sorts of othering, hate speech, discrimination, racism, nationalism, sexism and denominationalism.
İhtiyaç Haritası is a non-commercial platform web platform to connect those in need of something with others who can help.

The platform has three different sections (1) Enter a request, (2) Become a volunteer and (3) support others. The editors do not approve direct money demands, personal or food requests. Instead, you can ask for things like school materials or sports equipment.
By interrogating gender issues, the program aims to theoretically and empirically contribute to the solution of the problem of inequality between men and women that affects women’s social status and critical academic studies regarding gender roles and male-women equality as well as LGBT studies.

*Dokuz Eylül University, Graduate School of Social Sciences, Department of Women’s Studies was founded in 2013.*
Süslü Kadınlar Bisiklet Turu — Fancy Women Bike Ride

Izmir, Turkey

Süslü Kadınlar Bisiklet Turu is a women cycling event typically held on the World Car Free Day every year.

*The Fancy Women Bike Ride aims to encourage more women to use the bicycle and more men to respect women cyclists. Once they see that cycling is possible in urban areas, even with fancy clothes, they consider to use the bicycle in their daily lives.*
An emerging local mobility service that can calculate your destination with different types of transportation.
When a city needs green space, but it’s all out of room, what can it do? The five new gardens are a lesson in finding space where there doesn’t appear to be any. The largest one will spring up around a major city square; the land used to belong to road traffic, but those cars are now being diverted into nearby tunnels.
In the favelas of Rio de Janeiro, residents are turning scarce empty space into community gardens. An Organic Rooftop and a Living Gallery were launched in Vidigal and are now classified as a heritage site by the city government.
For decades, Mexico City has struggled with dangerous air quality. In 1992, it was described by the United Nations as the most polluted city on the planet. Today, it has become a global leader in combating ambient air pollution. Part of the solution are azoteas verdes, the city-wide rooftop gardens.
In 2016, the company started a pilot program to host refugees in conjunction with the International Rescue Committee’s Reception and Placement center in Oakland, California.
With years of expertise in squeezing complex items of furniture into the smallest self-assembly package possible, Ikea has come up with a robust 17.5 sq m shelter that fits inside two boxes and can be assembled by four people in just four hours, following the familiar picture-based instructions, with no extra tools necessary.
Iceland has become the first country in the world to make it illegal to pay men more than women. Under the legislation, companies and government agencies with more than 25 employees will be required to obtain government certification for their equal-pay policies. The government has committed to eradicate the gender pay gap by 2022.
A Syrian and a student of design management at the American University of Sharjah, Amal Atassi conceptualized a support system for refugees who find themselves helpless in a foreign environment.
This project aims at giving migrants the skills and knowledge to become tour guides in the cities they live in. Between 2010 and today in Turin, Milan, Florence, Rome and Ljubljana, over 11,000 people, have taken part in these walks. The routes of migrants take us in discovery of intercultural and cosmopolitan neighbourhoods, uncovering stories and secret corners.
Launched by Japanese designer Tomo Kihara, street debating is a new type of job that collects and shares public opinions in exchange for coins. The process involves raising a question about a topic of public interest to evoke a friendly discussion with passer-by’s.
Car brand MINI is diversifying into urban development with the MINI Living building in Shanghai, which will see a disused industrial complex transform into a space for co-living with apartments, offices and leisure spaces.
Since 2012, Mojang, the makers of Minecraft, and UN-Habitat have been collaborating on an innovative programme in which Minecraft is used as a community participation tool in the design of urban public spaces.
What does coliving look like in the year 2030?

This survey seeks to inform better design decisions when creating future living spaces. To date, more than 7,000 people from almost 150 countries have taken the survey, and the results are now in.
"Pixel Facade" is an adaptive, scalable and repeatable building system that can be applied to various building typologies. The system draws inspiration from our innate desire for nature, also known as “biophilia.”
Pyeongchang has opted for a pop-up stadium and here are seven other cities that successfully transformed or repurposed Olympic venues and public spaces, too.
This unique exhibition space results from a project to revitalize the recreational space of the abandoned Scenic Railroad of Bosque de Chapultepec. The Railroad of Bosque Chapultepec was abandoned for more than thirty years. The new space aims to recover both its original ludic nature and the memory of the city.
Uberisation has come to mean the turning of traditional service industries on their head, by providing a technological platform to match users and providers on a massive scale. It has created a world in which short-term contracts or freelance work replaces permanent jobs. Depending where you stand, that is either a great flexible working environment or a form of exploitation with little protection for workers.
The use of communication technology to deliver medical attention and information is booming. Companies like Alibaba are investing heavily in the industry, as well as establishing their own platforms (such as online health provider Ali Health).
Alcove sells carefully curated packages of smart home technology, all of which are connected with easy-to-use Alcove software. All of them are customized to make disabled persons lives easier.
In South Korea, the entire smart city of Songdo is built around the Internet of Things. Songdo’s networks are designed to ensure its buildings, transportation system and infrastructure are as efficient as possible.
WeWork says its mission is to help people do what they love. Now the office-sharing giant is testing that ethos on a smaller clientele: kindergartners. They launched an entrepreneurship course for children in New York City.
This new paradigm, known simply as Industry 4.0, reimagines how we make things by changing our relationship to production through digital and advanced fabrication technologies, artificial intelligence, and smart and green machines.
Established in 2002. The park supports 900 employees working for over 145 domestic and foreign research and development (R&D) companies, 14 patents, and an estimated value of 266 million $ turnover and $20 million export.

There are three centers established by Technopark İzmir; Innovation Center, Atmosfer Technology Transfer Office and ClassBoom Technology Incubator.
Perched on a hillside and overflowing with greenery, it is a place where young and old learn, teach, and think about mathematics in peaceful remoteness.

Unpretentious and unostentatious, the houses made out of rock, straw and clay give off a simple welcoming air.
EGE Technopark is one of the oldest technology centers of Turkey. It has started to operate by establishment of EBİLTEM Technology Transfer Office in 1994.

The vision is to revolutionize the academic, institutional, and individual entrepreneurship concepts within the field of “Life Sciences and Health”
One of the fundamental roles of government is to provide a broader framework whereby the private sector can participate actively in the building of harmonious cities, where the spatial, social and environmental aspects of a city are of equal importance.

Its mission is to “to distil, create and share knowledge on liveable and sustainable cities”.

Centre for Liveable Cities
Singapore
The so-called maker movement is an umbrella term for a new generation of hackers, artisans, designers, artists and entrepreneurs, who are all part of the rise of a worldwide technology-enabled extension of DIY culture. Makers are now empowered to entirely design, model and fabricate what they want themselves.
Bisim offers you the chance of renting a bicycle and spending delightful hours along the Izmir Gulf from Sahilevleri to Çiğli.

You can rent bicycles daily with Izmir Card, city card or Bisim card. Kiosks available on the rent a bicycle station will help you through all steps of the transaction. Unlock the mechanism by pushing the bicycle forward and take it by pulling it toward you.
The Peninsula area covers Karaburun, Cesme, Seferihisar, Urla and Guzelbahce. The app has integrated maps for themed routes to enjoy the nature in this area.
Guides visitors inside the park and get information on surrounding animals. Additional info: parking location and space availability, visiting hours, news and public transportation.
Yuklematik station are kiosks that allow to load cash on İzmirim Card, the transportation card of the city of İzmir. They are placed at Metro, Izban, and Ferry stations.
Sustainable water kiosks, powered by solar panels, local production
Smart Bus Shelter
Izmir, Turkey

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Each Link provides superfast, free public Wi-Fi, phone calls, device charging and a tablet for access to city services, maps and directions.
Safecity provides you with a collection of curated resources ranging from safety products, mobile applications, self defence classes and important legal information to help you stay safe and take necessary action in case you have been harassed. You can reach out to us to connect you to an advocate in our circle.
Imagine if next time you saw a plan for an oversized monster tower block proposed for your street, you could get out your smartphone and swipe left to oppose it? Or see a carefully designed scheme for a new neighbourhood library and swipe right to support it? It’s like Tinder for cities.
As the IntelligentCity system is also pitched as a way to maintain social control, “prevent[ing] crime by keeping lights on in problematic neighbourhoods”.

e.g. a navigational headsets for blind people use sensors in lamp-posts to help you “hear” your surroundings as a “3D soundscape”.

THEGUARDIAN.COM/CITIES/2014/NOV/13/SCI-FI-FUTURE-LAMP-POSTS-STREET-LIGHTING
Scooters have taken over Santa Monica, caused fury in San Francisco and are spreading to other US cities and likely Britain. Are they fun and environmentally friendly – or a dangerous nuisance?
The city just dropped a serious operating system upgrade for South L.A.: a solar-powered “smart bench” and bus shelter complete with USB charging ports for phones and other electronics, Wi-Fi, and fancy LED lights.

Soofa’s “smart bench” treats public transit users like 21st century citizens.

A website where citizens can share their opinions and ideas to improve their cities. It aims to inform users about smart city practices and to contribute to users’ ideas, comments and appreciation, and participation in surveys to help cities evolve and become more “smart”.

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