

LIVING LABS AS ETHNOGRAPHIC INTERVENTIONS

RESEARCH WORKSHOP

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NEW DATE: Friday 27th August, 2021, 13:00-16:00 hrs.

Living labs are an increasingly applied experimental research and innovation method that engage users as co-creators of new technologies, products and services in open real-life communities and settings. They are part of a new trend that aims to involve users and citizens more actively and earlier in the development of products and services rather than to develop technologies and policies in closed and distant laboratories or offices. Living labs do not only bring people into development and planning processes but also development and planning into society while making their potentials, controversies and possible conflicts a public and political matter.

The aim of this workshop is to explore the knowledge practices and methodologies implied in living labs and to discuss how living labs can be employed in ethnographic research.

The workshop brings together experiences from three research projects and invites all participants to share and discuss related research experiences. The workshop will be graphically facilitated by artist and graphic storyteller Jody Ghani Nordby <https://jodyprody.com>

PROGRAM

13:00-13:15 Welcome by Maja Hojer Bruun, Aarhus University.

13:15-13:50 Rachel Charlotte Smith, Aarhus University and Vaike Fors, Halmstad University: *Design Ethnographic Living Labs for Future Urban Mobility*.

13:50-14:25 Sandra Lori Petersen, Thea-Maria Sørensen and Adam Veng, University of Copenhagen: *How to move beyond "Put up with it, or move out". Interventions around neighbour noise*.

Coffee break

14:45-15:20 Andreas Brandt and Maja Hojer Bruun, Aarhus University: *Experiments and Experiences with Urban Living Labs*.

Discussants: Kasper Tang Vangkilde, University of Copenhagen, and Noa Vaisman, Aarhus University.

15:20-16:00 Discussion and workshop based on Jody's drawings.

The workshop will be held at Aarhus University and follow the Covid-19 guidelines in force at the time of the workshop. The number of participants will be limited to 50. Please sign up no later than 19th August: <https://events.au.dk/livinglabs2>



The workshop is part of the Experimental Ethnographic Methods workshop series. The workshops aim to generate novel thinking about, and experimentation with, creative qualitative research methods in uncertain times. Participants include ethnographers, artists, STS scholars and others interested in interdisciplinary collaborations. For more about the Experimental Ethnographic Methods initiative please contact Maja Hojer Bruun (mhbruun@edu.au.dk) and Noa Vaisman (noa.vaisman@cas.au.dk).