

### Innovative approaches to urban data management using emerging technologies

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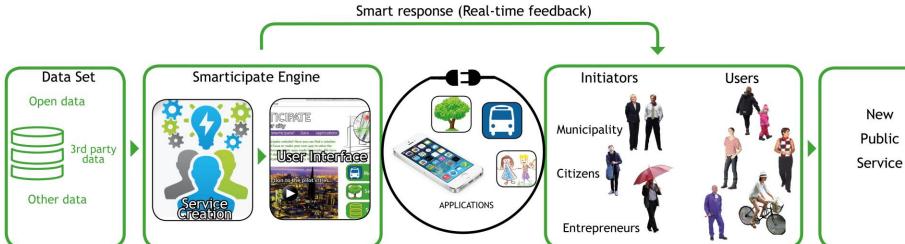
- Key features of project
  - Bottom-Up approach for involving citizens in planning, leveraging creativity, have their say
  - Extensive Piloting with the cities Hamburg, London and Rome
  - Continuous, iterative process
  - Interdisciplinary collaboration in project
  - Services also from citizens for citizens
- Goals:
  - Make open data available in a more useful way
  - Support structured dialogue between stakeholders
  - Support Impact Assessment by visualization and calculation of consequences



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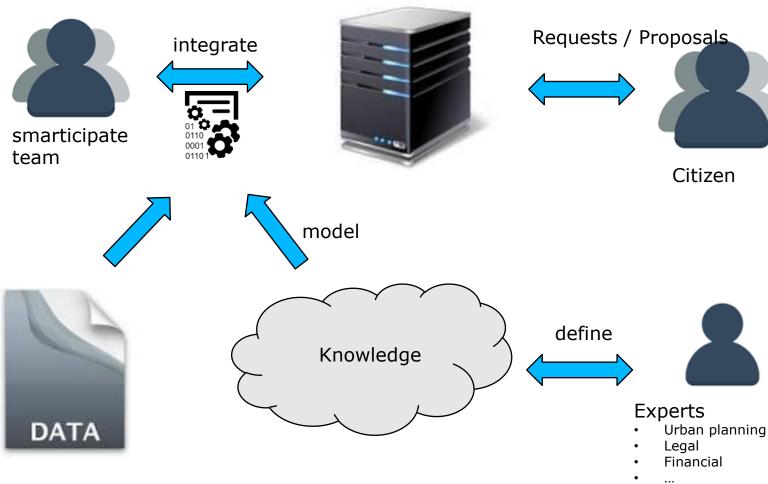
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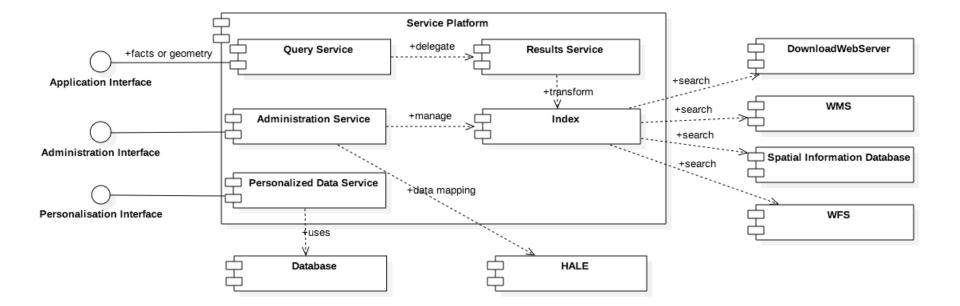


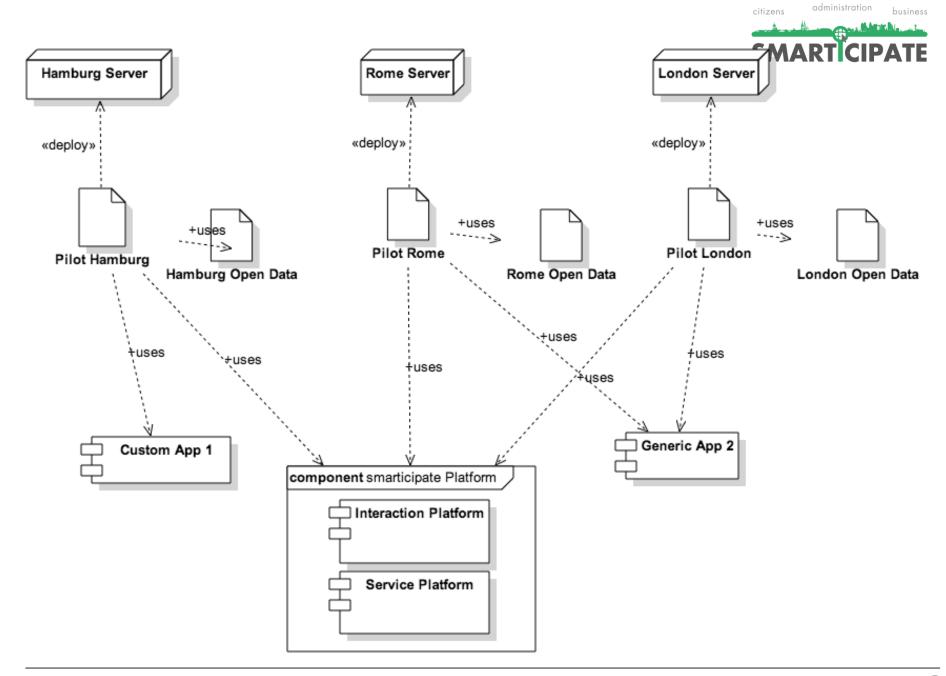
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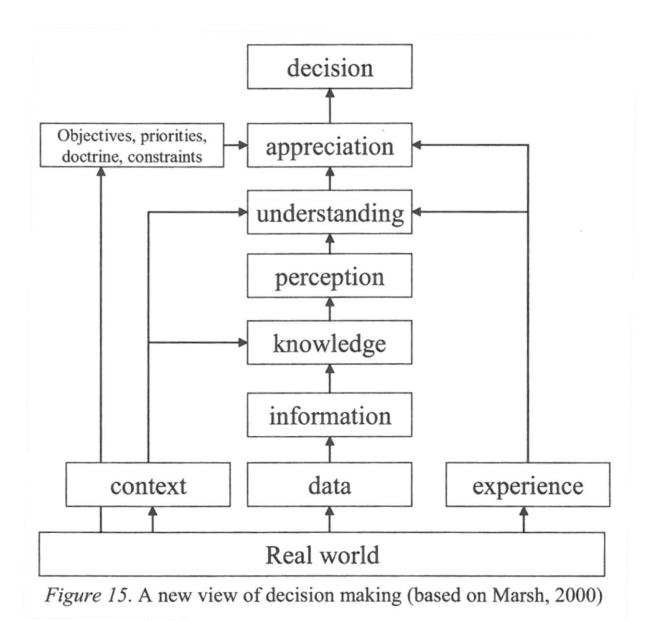
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### Data?

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## Assessment Problem

**Different views** 

Streets can be

- a. connectors of cities
- b. barrier in an habitat



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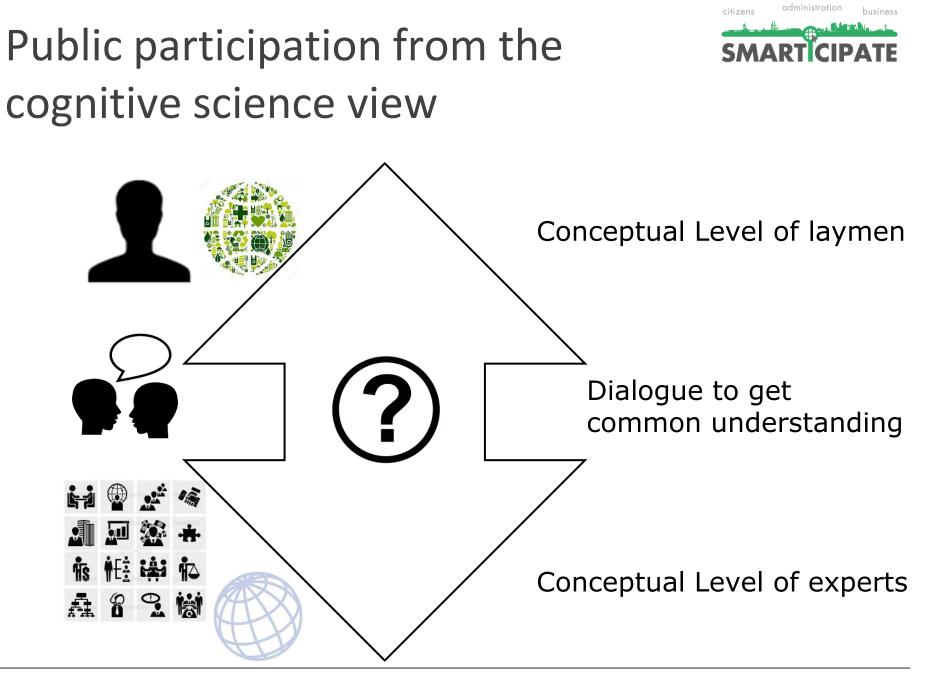


### Hypothesis:

# Impact Assessment is the interpretation of entities and their relationships in a context.

- Interpretation: connecting to already known concepts or sensations
- Relationship: interactions, dependency, influence,...
- Context: Several dimensions
  - Socioeconomic
  - Cultural

The whole process should be use case driven and easy to use



# Public participation from the cognitive science view

- Meeting of Minds
- Visualisation
- Models for semantics
  - Symbolistic model
  - Conceptual model
  - Connectionist model



## Problems with concepts

Vague definitions!

What is a mountain?

Not a question of being itself but being in a context



citizens

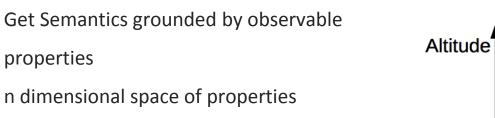


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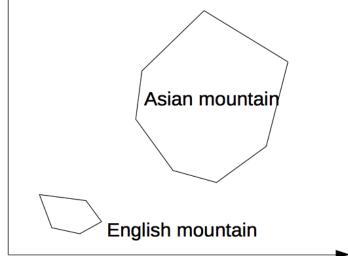
### **Relative relief** Source: Adams and Janowicz 2011



Each entity is a point in this space ٠

**Conceptual Spaces** 

- Concepts emanate as clusters in this space ٠
- Work with known geometry methods ٠
- Prototypes of a concept can be defined ٠ easily





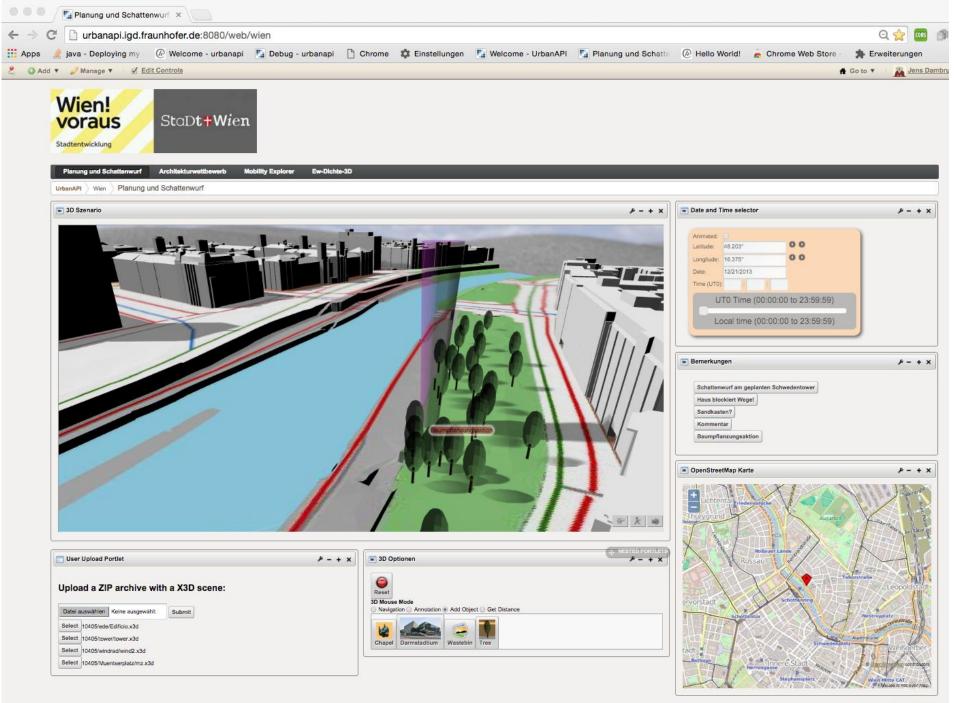


### Application



A collection of technology in question for smarticipate

- Web-based Visualization
- Domain-specific Languages (symbolistic model)
- Semantic Technology (symbolistic model)
- Search engines (symbolistic model)
- Machine Learning (connectionist model)



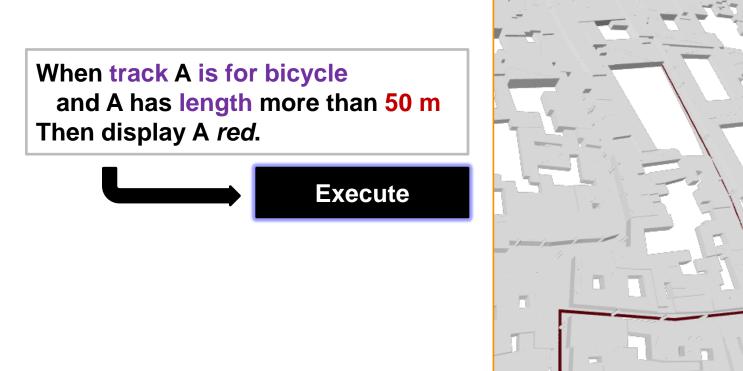


A language on a specific conceptual level – user oriented

- New methods of interaction via language
- Add behaviour and interactive elements
- Needs annotated data
- Bridging the gap to technical concepts like Semantic Web / JSON-LD

## Domain-specific Languages





# Data has to be annotated with concepts for this

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# Outline of automated annotation

Bridging the gap between data and concepts, a topic for research

- Provide target ontology with terms
- Identify Dimensions suitable, both for data and ontology
- Define prototype for this ontology
- Create Conceptual Space from data
- Test if prototypes are in correlation with subspaces in the space created
- Link symbolic concept from ontology to data
- Result: annotated data



- Ubiquitous nowadays, simple search by known terms
- Define a query based on user's concepts (Domain-Specific Language again)
- Results are also understandable on a user level
- Context should be exchangeable
- Use annotated data
- Manual annotation of data is reduced, a hard and tedious task

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Conclusion

- Bring technology to a user level
  - Hide technological complexity
  - Use concepts from cognitive science to bridge the gap between perception and symbolistic approaches
- Use of standards and existing technology where appropriate
- Embrace heterogeneity

