Coexistence and conflict in the age of complexity

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European societies are experiencing rapid demographic, social, and political changes.
The EmergentCommunity project explores the social, spatial, and affective dynamics of coexistence in cities.
Marseille
Tampere
Hyvinkää
Helsinki
Eskilstuna
Stockholm
Malmö
Troyes
Lyon

Research sites
In cities, neither group-based identities nor place-bound belonging explain how coexistence is formed.
Diversity & inequality
Diversity-driven research

• The idea of diversity informs the research design, cuts across the epistemological and methodological framework, and culminates in an open-ended inquiry.

• Fields of research: social and public policy, peace and conflict research, political sciences, urban planning, cultural anthropology, sociology, science and technology studies, signal processing, cognitive psychology, human geography, and interaction studies.

• Methodologies: ethnography, focus groups, interviews, spatial mapping, experimental human research (physiological measuring), and ethnomethodology that are brought together via virtual technologies.
Project activities: data collection I
Project activities: socio-spatial analysis
Project activities: methodological translation
Project activities: validation & data collection II
Initial results & expected outcomes

• The study of social change through emergence:
  • New, empirically-grounded concepts to make sense of the change
  • Potential tools to address the change in policymaking

• New insight into:
  • the meanings and significance of emotional experience for coexistence
  • the subjective, intersubjective and social nature of emotions in everyday life
  • the methodological avenues for the study everyday life and everyday emotions
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