

"In the event of..." Anticipatory and participatory politics of emergency provision

Abstract

The project focuses on provision and care in the event of anticipated emergencies. These provisions serve as vanishing points to imagine different concrete futures. During the project we gather several versions of emergency provisions that we test under experimental emergency conditions. Our aim is to find out about how to live a good life - in the face of anticipated futures.

This approach is based on the observation that societies are driven by reactions to disaster scenarios, but that the methods how to prepare for those scenarios, even though they are of tremendous importance, are elaborated by scientific disciplines that are largely hidden from public debate. Our goal is to intertwine artistic and scientific epistemologies to "enact" and create methods to re-create, re-calculate, mediate emergency provisions envisioned for alternative and enriched future scenarios.

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