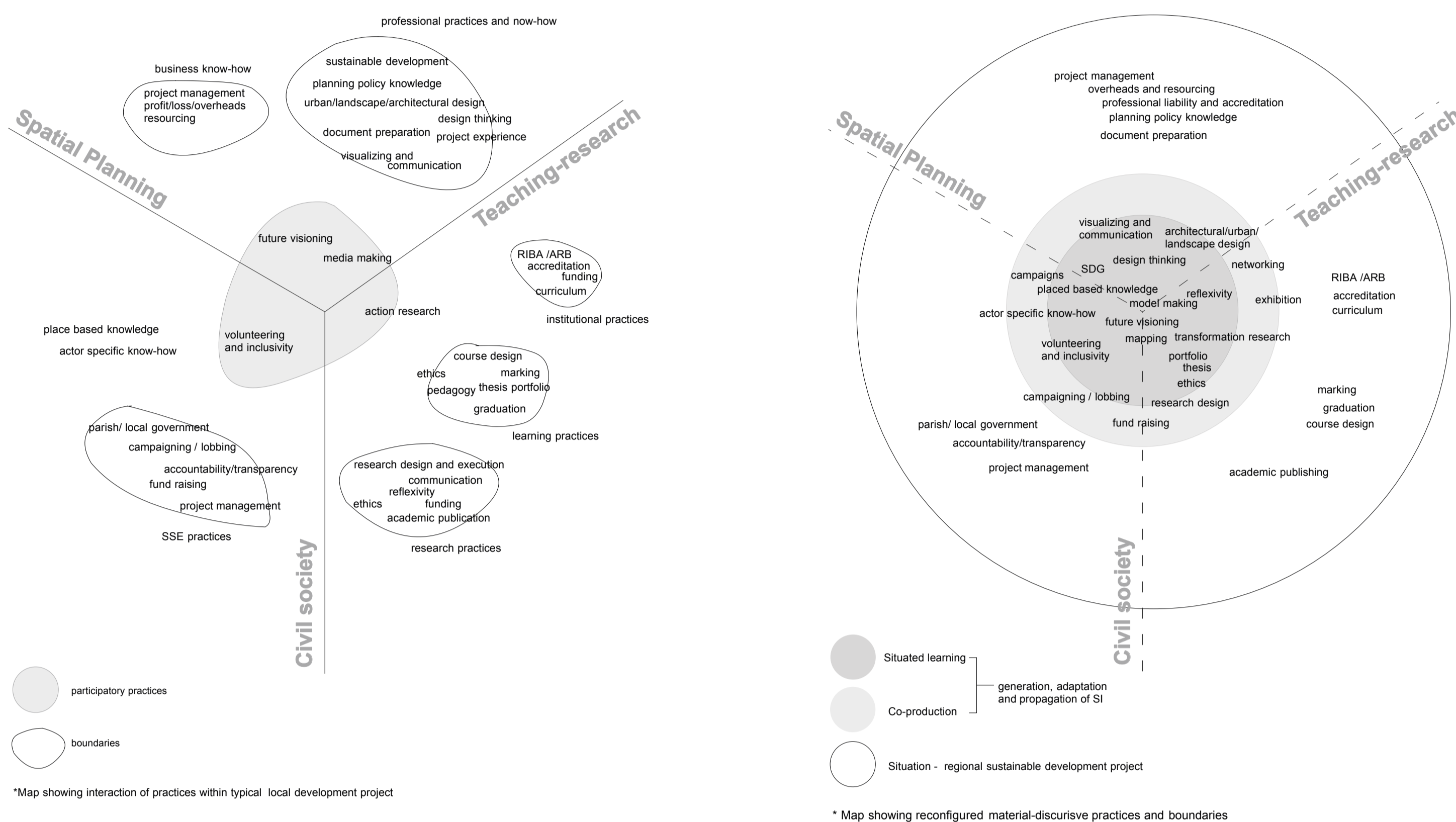


Entangled Agencies: Three Cases of Motion, Change and Becoming Social Innovation in Disadvantaged Rural Regions



Research Objectives

- ▶ Through three case studies analyse and illuminate the process of spatial spread within social innovation in disadvantaged rural regions.
- ▶ (Re)think social innovation and the dynamics of spread through the ontological and posthuman turn contributing towards theoretical knowledge.
- ▶ Co-develop a mapping methodology to reveal and examine motion and change (spatial spread) and the distribution of agency within social innovation.

Research Questions

- ▶ How do material-discursive practices (Barad 2007) serve to spread social innovation in the spatial reconfiguration of disadvantaged rural regions?

Core Concepts & Theoretical Foundations

- ▶ Social innovation (Howaldt & Schwarz, 2010)
- ▶ Repetition, opposition and adaptation (Tarde, 1903)
- ▶ Posthuman performativity (Barad, 2007)
- ▶ Assemblage (Deleuze and Guattari, 1987)

Methodological Framework

- ▶ Interviews and participant observation
- ▶ Document analysis
- ▶ Hybrid mapping. (A new method co-developed within the research drawing on, amongst other tools, 'innovation biographies'.)

First Achievements

- ▶ In depth case study research shows how the combination of professional spatial planning practice with teaching and research practice supports the social and solidarity economy foster sustainable local planning and development.
- ▶ The research reveals how agency is distributed within specific material-discursive practices, such as a participative model making workshop and regular monthly meetings, and how such practices serve to co-generate and propel (spatial spread) social innovation through space and over time.

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- ▶ NYLON Einstein Research Group, Berlin. Part of NYLON international research network (London, New York, Berlin). Georg-Simmel-Zentrum für Metropolenforschung, Humboldt-Universität Berlin
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Presentation

- ▶ 'We're all in it together: Social Innovation Assemblages in Disadvantaged Rural Regions'. Räumliche Transformation: Prozesse, Konzepte und Forschungsdesigns, Leibniz Universität Hannover, 23 May 2018

Research group

- ▶ **Hybrid Mapping Working Group.** A new Berlin based collaborative and transdisciplinary research group advancing methods and knowledge on hybrid mapping.