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That reflects on the changes happening in the field of architecture at large, including urban and landscape design / that identifies problems and issues in regards to living and working conditions while reflecting on social engagement and civil involvement / that provides a meeting space for the increasing number of groups committed to improving urban, landscape and architecture processes / that pursues finding new methods of collaboration between entrepreneurs, architects, and designers / that acts as a catalyst for public discourse by creating a database of accumulated experiments, observations, and investigations / that advocates the improvement of regulations for architectural creation and finding solutions to the issues of social justice as well as ecology and economic crises / that provides the means to exchange and disseminate information as well as experience.

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When facing ecological, economic and social stakes, Europe urgently needs to imagine new ways to be creative and sustainable. Meanwhile, a multitude of citizen-based micro-initiatives are emerging and constitute a laboratory for the future European city; these initiatives ought to be known and shared.

Cross-disciplinary teams, as well as inhabitant associations, are proposing architectural and urban solutions that are evolutive, economical and free from normative limits, where legislation is evolving through experience. These initiatives show that Europe is unique in its diversity and the quality of the answers it produces in a context of crisis; they also show that architecture, hence culture, can take its share of intelligent, sustainable and inclusive growth.

The project is based on a bottom-up observatory of designed and realized projects, and aims at creating a vade mecum to be used by the public audience and that is based on three lines:

- A survey that allows sharing and highlighting the multiplicity of creative solutions, whether they are constructive, social or ecological.
- A critical analysis of some selected innovative projects that address deprived populations. Political or juridical tools will be drawn from these examples.
- Circulation and dissemination of these experiences, in order to create a knock-on effect through jurisprudence.

This observatory also aims at democratizing architecture, favouring know-how, while helping norms and juridical administrative frameworks to evolve.

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