06.11 A GOOD CITY HAS INDUSTRY

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World Transformation Sessions

You Are Here puts twelve urgent questions on the agenda, both in exhibition and in programme: with the slogan "no transition without spatial transformation", we ask the question what role spatial design can play in imagining and testing optimistic answers. The World Transformation Sessions is a series of twelve public debates where innovative practitioners speak up. Their presentations are followed by a conversation with other persons of interest. As such, transition thinkers, experts, spatial planners and architects are invited to the 23d floor of the WTC-I building.

What is it all about?

Over the past decades, the renewal of the European city has gone hand in hand with the rapid growth of the services and knowledge economy. But in our attempt to make the city an attractive place in which to live and work, we have also driven industry out of the city. It happens more and more that "industry in the city" becomes necessary: to reduce the distance between production and consumption, and to harvest local quality and craft. If, in addition to offices, universities or schools, we also anchor the industry more firmly and set up these manufacturing spaces around urban public spaces, we build an enterprising and sympathetic city where thinkers and makers work together and support each other.