

Hello dear CityLAB Community,

Don't let the last rays of sunshine fool you – the time has come to get comfy on your couch with a blanket! We've prepared something for you: the ultimate blockbuster about our mission as Berlin's innovation lab – without any Hollywood stars whatsoever but radiating CityLAB charm. And that's not everything: Find out how the 2024 watering season went, what ideas our Summer School came up with and how the *Kiezlabor* is making the neighborhood greener.

So pop the popcorn, roll the film and enjoy this cinematic newsletter from the very heart of CityLAB!

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Spotlight 1



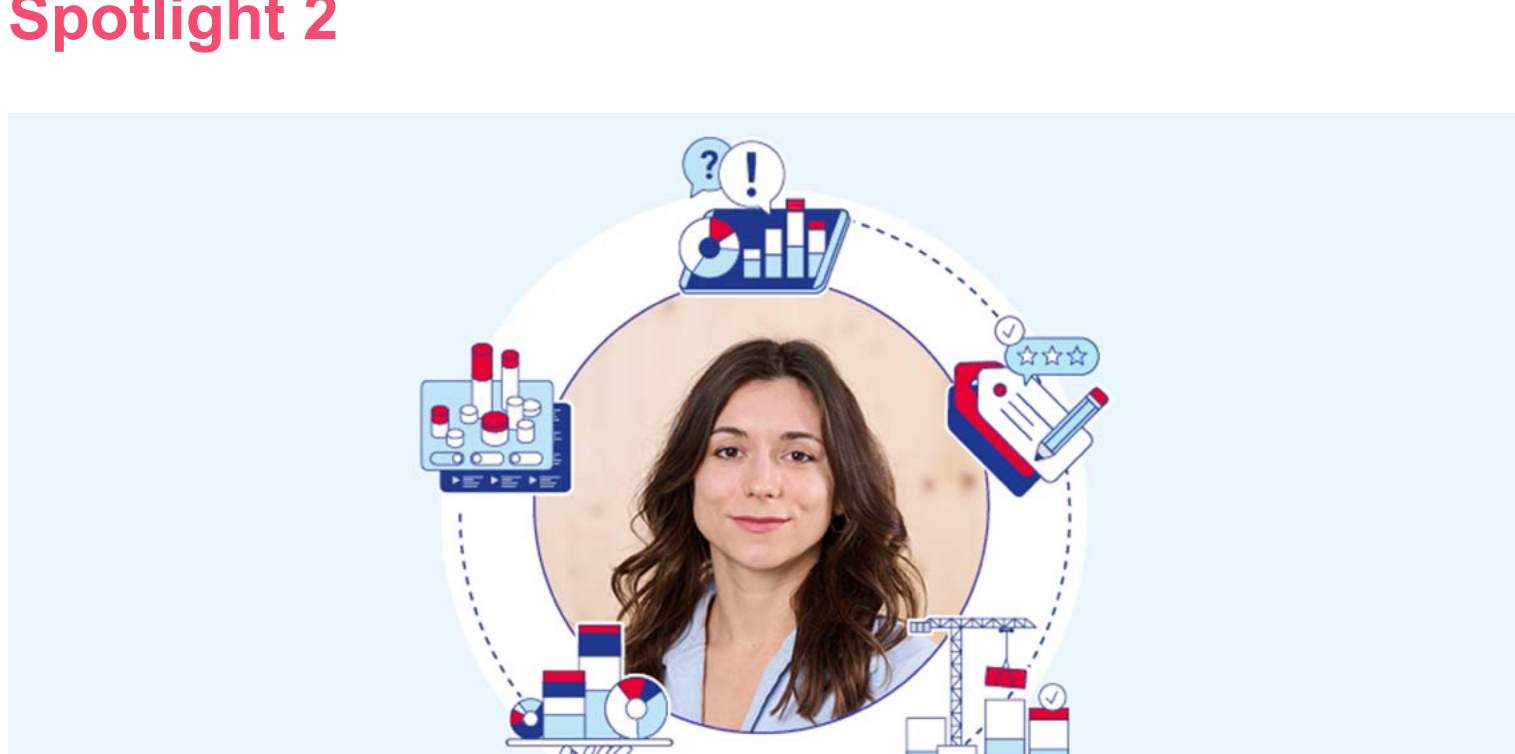
CityLAB Team

Curtains up: A look behind the scenes

Do you also have to explain to your parents time and again exactly what you do at work? Since we hear this question so often, we decided it was time for a CityLAB explanatory film. In this portrait, we'll provide you with comprehensive insight into the world of CityLAB Berlin – from the perspective of our team. We introduce you to our projects and working methods and tell you about the direction in which the future of our city is going. Take a look and find out how we are shaping and developing the Berlin of tomorrow.

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Spotlight 2



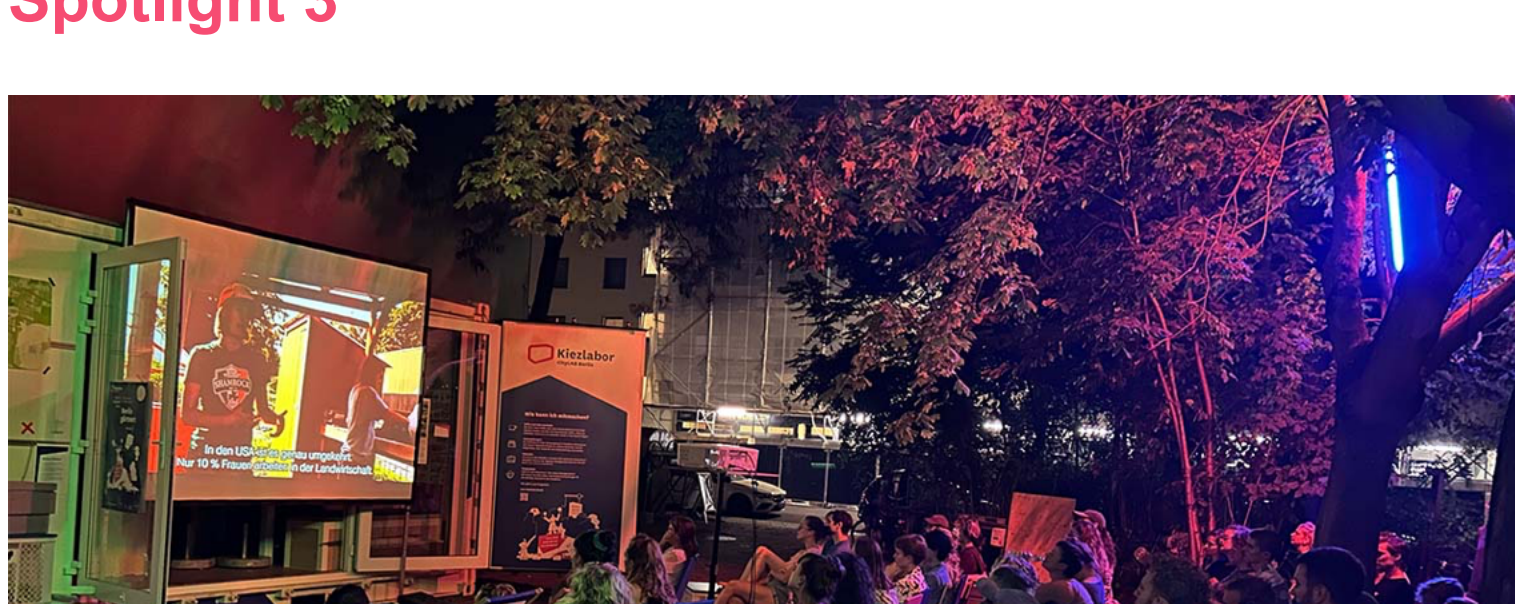
ODIS

Open Data and the City: the first ODIS column

And once again, up goes the curtain: Do you want more data? We have more data! In our first column, Lisa Stubert, Division & Project Manager at the *Open Data Information Service (ODIS)*, explains how the phrase "Open up discussion spaces" not only makes people laugh when working with data but also provides genuine insights – and what surprising insights a data project at the Janusz Korczak Library has brought forth. Curious as to why many people are so often in the dark when it comes to open data? The ODIS flashlight shines a light in the darkness.

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Spotlight 3



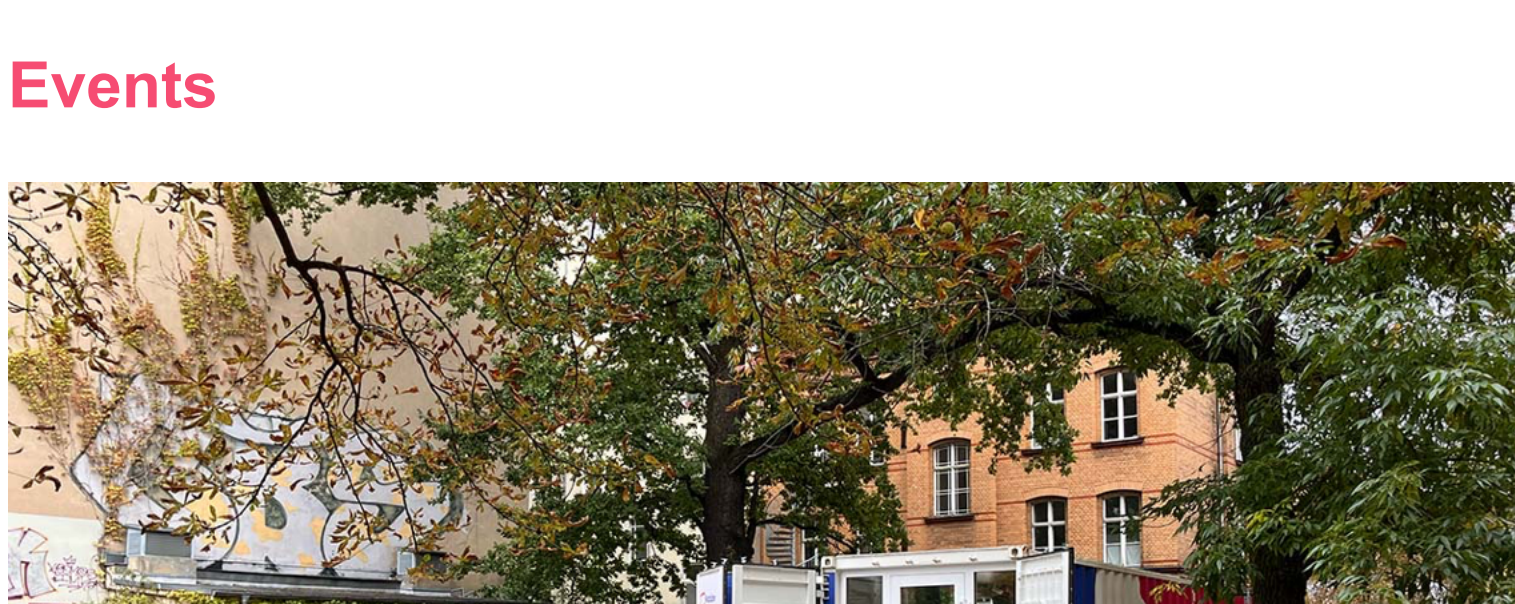
Kiezlabor

Planting Ideas, Harvesting Connections!

What is a citizen's office doing next to a vegetable patch? Ensure that everything is in the green range without an appointment. At least that's how it went at our neighborhood lab according to the motto "Berlin goes gardening". As guests at the Bauhütte community garden, we were blown away by the committed neighborhood after just four days of a packed program – and by our first open-air movie screening in front of the container in still summery temperatures.

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Events



Kiezlabor

The Kiezlabor in Pankow

Inner courtyard of the Bibliothek am Wasserturm in Pankow

Our last *Kiezlabor* site for this year is coming to an end: In the inner courtyard of the library at the Wasserturm in Pankow, we are still designing the city together in the form of Kiezblock consultation hours, action days and digitally savvy workshops until October 4. Under the motto "Young in the big city. Opening spaces, giving spaces", we still have a lot left in our program for the last ten days – and are looking forward to the big closing party of the season with an intercultural table and silent disco. Will we see you in Pankow?

[To the Kiezlabor](#)

25.09.

Gemeinsam Digital: Berlin Annual Conference 2024

09:00 AM – 03:00 PM, Rotes Rathaus

You can't make it to Pankow but would still like to get involved in the city? Great, just come along to the *Gemeinsam Digital: Berlin (GD:B) Annual Conference 2024* at Rotes Rathaus tomorrow on 25 September! If you feel a part of the expert Smart City community but haven't registered yet, register now free of charge. Places in the historic ballroom are limited, and we look forward to a productive discussion on this year's conference theme: *Impact*. Let it work its magic on you.

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26.09.

Summer School @Transferale 2024 Transfer and Science Festival

12:00 – 02:00 PM, Kuppelhalle @silent green

At this year's Summer School, students from the Berlin School of Economics and Business and the Berlin School of Economics and Law developed data-based solutions to facilitate the arrival process in Berlin. The prototypes deriving from it have turned out diverse: from multilingual online information and user-friendly forms to creative welcome and orientation solutions. At this year's *Transferale* on September 26, 2024, at *silent green*, the students will present their specific solutions that could make Berlin a positive example of an "Arrival City". Register for the event and drop on by!

[Further details](#)

15.10. – 17.10.

SCOON Smart Country Convention 2024

hub27, Messegelände Berlin

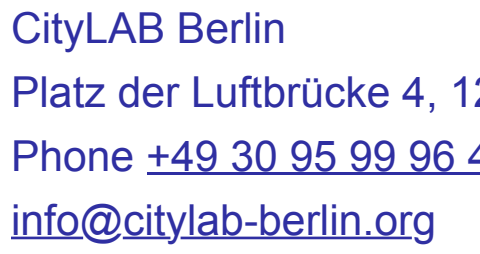
The digital and the public sector have been a match for some time now. The seventh annual Smart Country Convention will show how digital administration in Germany can become even better, from October 15 to 17, 2024, in Berlin. And of course we'll be there – you too? As always, registration is free, so come along if you've always wanted to say hello in person!

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Looking ahead

End credits: A contented smile on the faces of our readers who have just browsed through the latest highlights. The box of popcorn is empty, the newsletter is finished, but the anticipation for the next update is unbroken. Stay tuned and see you next time!

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