



News from the CityLAB Berlin

June 2023

Hi , dear CityLAB-Community!

Just two more days to go and then it's time to open the doors to **our big summer party!** We're looking forward to spending a full day with you – complete with a packed program and plenty of passion for digitalization, smart city, open data, prototyping and innovation processes! **We provide you with all the necessary information here** – as well as sharing details of other highlights that await you on June 29, including the opening of our **Kiezlabor**, which passed its first test in the wild at re:publica. And now, we hope you enjoy all the surprises we're no longer able keep to ourselves!

Spotlight 1

Last call: Immerse yourself with us in the CityLAB universe!



What is there to explore at the summer party and how do I go about working out my own personal program? How exactly do I get there and can I be sure I won't die of thirst when I do? We want to make sure nobody is let down, so this blog post is dedicated to EVERYTHING you need to know for the June 29 at Von Greifswald. For anyone who hasn't yet signed up – ***you can do so here***. In addition, we'd love it if you could share your attendance with your network, such as here on **Instagram, Twitter, Facebook or LinkedIn** – the more the merrier!

[To the blog \(GER only\)](#)

Spotlight 2

Prototyping meets summer party: meet Kiki, Ernst and Roki!



Ever **discussed Berlin with a Currywurst?** Or talked to a bee – a passionate advocate of green oases in the city – about climate change? We're sure that, like our prototyping team, you can't imagine anything better, which is why we're getting our **ChatGPT chatbot to take on three different roles at our Kiezbot** – taking interaction with artificial intelligence to the next level. In addition to Ernst, the Berlin expert who takes the physical form of a Currywurst and Kiki the friendly bee, tech nerd Roki will also be ready and waiting to answer your questions – exclusively and for the first time at our summer party, directly at the entrance and at the Kiezlabor! If you'd also love to engage with a meticulous interlocutor who can offer qualified tips on innovation processes, you're more than welcome to **talk to our chatbot on the Public Design Handbook**, who will also be available to answer your questions on June 29!

[Sign up now](#)

Spotlight 3

Ciao beta, hello opening: the adventurous travels of the Kiezlabor!



Once upon a time, not so long ago, a **six-ton shipping container** decided to stop exploring the seas and head for an even more adventurous destination: **transporting digital transformation out into Berlin's neighborhoods!** We too thought this was rather unusual at first – but since our mission is the same, we were curious after all and have worked hard over the past few months to make this dream come true. This or something similar was the start of our **"Kiezlabor summer fairy tale"**, the first lines of which were written at this year's re:publica. In this blog post we review the **highlights of our beta version and our involvement in re:publica with the Berlin lab**.

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Since some stories can be told even better in film, we've summarized the journey undertaken by our container to date in this video – which is already giving us the goosebumps.

[To the video](#)

Event Highlights

June
29

09 a.m. - 10 p.m.

CityLAB summer party and opening of Kiezlabor



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Berlin: An einem Tag gelöst
Lernen, Verbinden, Mitgestalten



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You're reading your first ever CityLAB newsletter and have scrolled straight down to the events – now you're asking yourself "Huh, what on earth is the summer party?!" WELL, the summer party on June 29, 2023 (THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW) marks our fourth anniversary! For this purpose, we've put together a richly **diverse program of stage and evening events consisting of workshops, keynotes, panels, talks and a musical finale** – all focused on the digital transformation of Berlin and involving fantastic speakers from all over the world. You can hardly believe it? Well, it's true: if you don't believe us take a look at the program here and sign up right away! And if that's not enough: at our summer party, a **former shipping container will also be opened** – attentive readers have a definite advantage here! We'll see you in about 48 hours from now, your face beaming with joy at the diverse program in Von Greifswald! We can't wait!

[Sign up](#)



Sensors measure the world and artificial intelligence analyze it! German cities, too, are to become more efficient, technological, progressive, sustainable and intelligent – Berlin is already on its way to becoming a smart city! But what role will human beings play in the cities of the future? And how did Berlin's smart city strategy come into being in the first place? How can we ensure that the common good is at the heart of tomorrow's city, and not just efficiency? **Rbb Inforadio discussed these questions with a panel that included our colleague Niklas Kossow – the entire broadcast is now available in audio online (GER only) and for reading in the Technologiestiftung blog (GER only).**

[To the audio](#)

Did we mention that the day after tomorrow is the day of our big summer party? We didn't? We did? Well, the more you say it, the easier it is to remember! See you then – all the best!

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