

Hello dear CityLAB Community,

Let's be honest: What's a year-end without a review? Unthinkable! Whether your music app proudly announces you've listened to 567 hours of melancholic piano music or your step tracker claims you've walked from Berlin to Rome – looking back is simply part of it. But our newsletter has even more in store for you: highlights from the GD:B community, a Parisian digitalization romance, and of course, a sneak peek into the future with a save-the-date for our Sommerkonferenz 2025!

Happy reading!

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Spotlight 1



CityLAB

Our Year in Review: Five Years of CityLAB – Achieved So Much, Aiming for More!

We've prepared the ultimate year in review for you! Not only do we look back on the past year, but we also celebrate our fifth anniversary: five years of innovation, creativity, and forward-thinking ideas for Berlin. Over the past half-decade, CityLAB has become a vibrant space actively shaping the city's digital transformation – and we couldn't be prouder. We hope you'll feel just as sentimental as we do while browsing through our review.

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Spotlight 2




Gemeinsam Digital: Berlin

One Strategy, One Community

Just a while ago, we were sitting at the first community meeting of the year at Platz der Luftbrücke, and now the scent of speculoos is already in the air. It's time to pause and reflect on the year in the context of the Smart City. In the new blog post, we look back on the highlights of the year: How was the topic of impact discussed within the GD:B community? What insights did Smart City expert Anja Lüttmann gain from measure support? Which projects did we successfully implement in 2024 – and what's planned for 2025?

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Social Media Highlight

 **Instagram**
LABnight 2024 – A Magical Event

On December 5th, our community once again showed us how powerful the combination of exchange, inspiration, and holiday magic can be! Guided tours of the CityLAB exhibition, highlights from the Kiezlabor tour, and a musical performance made the evening unforgettable. Thank you to everyone who joined us! Check out the best moments of the evening in our photo gallery.

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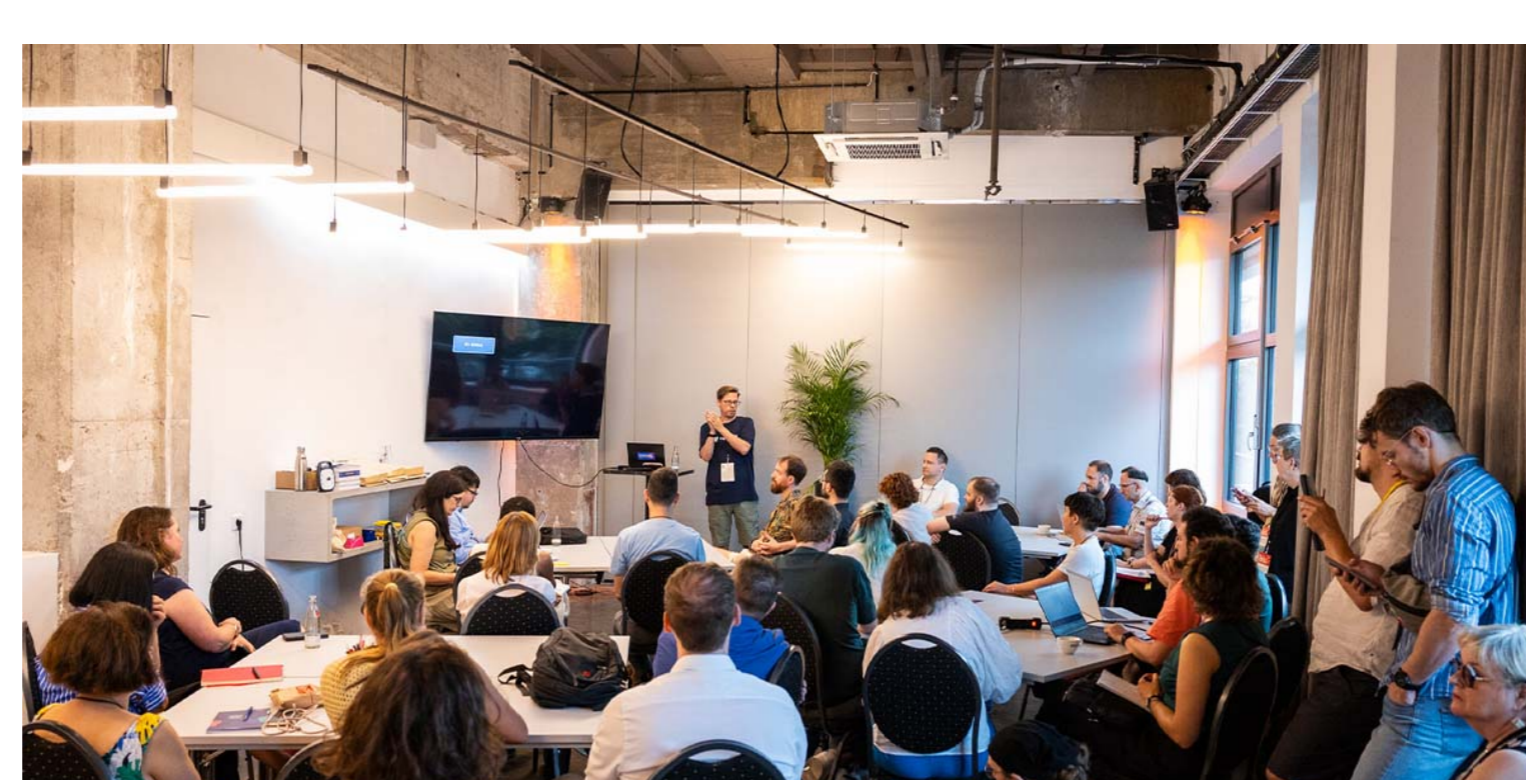
International

Paris, mon Amour

Why is Paris a pioneer of urban transformation? Whether it's swimming in the Seine or adding more green spaces instead of asphalt for a resilient future, the city impressively demonstrates how tradition and innovation can harmonize. We were lucky enough to immerse ourselves in this vision: at the Screenless Cities Conference organized by the Urban AI think tank, we presented projects like *QTrees*, our mobile *Kiezlabor*, and the *Talking Treebot*. Together with international participants, we discussed how technology can make cities more livable.

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Events



18.06.2025

Save the Date

Sommerkonferenz 2025

Umweltforum Berlin, all day long

If, while reading this newsletter, you're already looking ahead to next year and wondering when the next big CityLAB event will be, we've got just the info you need: Our annual Summer Conference will take place on June 18, 2025, at the Umweltforum Berlin, where historic architecture meets sustainable innovation. Look forward to a unique atmosphere, diverse program highlights, and the chance to connect even more deeply with the CityLAB community. More details will follow in the coming year – but one thing's for sure: we can't wait to celebrate this special day with you!

[Save the Date](#)

Looking ahead

It's a Wrap! As we munch through the last cookies in the office and our coffee machine joins us in the year-end sprint, we're peeking into the crystal ball tells us: quite a lot! You can expect another year full of surprises, collaboration, and fresh inspiration at CityLAB. Until then, it's time to take a deep breath, sweep a bit of glitter out of the office, and jump into the new year with energy. We'll be right by your side!

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