

The instituent¹ praxis: creating our model

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The city is a laboratory. It gives wrought in the permanent experimentation of the processes of institutionalization. Also in it, independent of the regulatory logic, there are many initiatives and practices of communities in which in our particularities and distributed throughout different territories, we face contemporary urban challenges, shaping the other city idea: the one sustained in citizen dynamics that make visible that the management of the urban is an extitutional process; an assembly of all the above and that doesn't deny the institutions.

Catia 1100 (2015-2019), in Caracas-Venezuela, is a system of projects that support the force of extitutional processes and is made up of urban commons with differentiated forms of appropriation and meaning. This initiative is gestating from the participation of a multiplicity of agents who, in a dynamic scaffolding between the legitimacy and legality of their representations, compose a diverse and open network of collaborative identities in action on the territory.

From the participant-action-research, it proposes to develop new-other perspectives beyond of the practices and forms of dominant planning (still), to think about the conditions and ways of acting in common, and make of these operations of organization, local cultural practices and knowledge integration, recognizable and usable protocols in reinforcing the citizen role in urban production.

1 *The instituent action is a process of struggle for the transformation of the instituted and the forms that the instituted society has generated; processes of action, thought and collective self-creation with own manifestations of time and with the capacity to mobilize the institutionality in function of the interests that have built.*

2 *Processes sustained by extitutions, which, in contrast to institutions, as organizational systems based on an inside-out scheme, propose surfaces in which, eventually, a multitude of agents can be assembled, that also can be problematized and serve as a system of critical functioning before normative institutional organizations (Vivero de iniciativas ciudadanas).*