



# Climate-wise collaboratorium

Pathways for the collective climatic intelligence at the COP26

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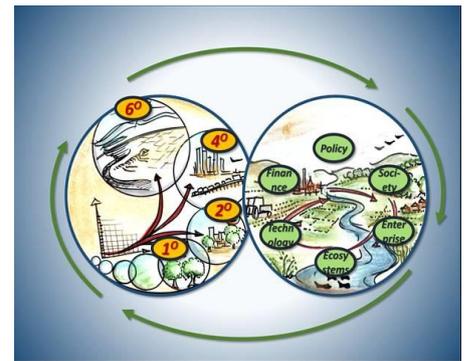
## CLIMATE-WISE COLLABORATORIUM

This is about the transformations ahead for net-zero cities, transformative adaptation and 'climate-wise' societies.

Such transformations are made of *deeper* layers - social, technical, economic, ecological, political and cultural - far beyond any single field or sector. They call for the collaboration of *wider* communities – public, private, civic, scientific and citizens at large. These all add up to a '*collective climatic intelligence*' – the capacity for collaborative learning, thinking, innovation and action.

This [Collaboratorium](#) / '*collective climatic intelligence Lab*', is an international program of dialogue and experimentation on the [Climate-wise](#) frontiers.

At the Glasgow COP26 we plan 3 main themes, with on-site activities and interactive dialogues / workshops (8-12<sup>th</sup> Nov):



### a) Mapping the collective climatic intelligence

We aim to explore by real-time cognitive mapping and visual storylines (i.e. cartoons), the *collective climatic intelligence*, such as it is, and the pathways towards it – work in progress on [climate-wise-mapping-the-frontiers/](#) and [Climate-wise – storyline](#) .

(mobile activity, various locations & times).



**b) Net-zero cities  
– who does what,  
how & where**

Cities everywhere aspire to this transition, but usually find it very challenging. We have to overcome not only resistance to change, but the challenges of climate actions overlaid on existing social / economic conflicts, traumas and post-truth divisions (to name a few). We need new methods and tools which can mobilize *wider* communities, with deeper layers of value, and further horizons of change.

Meanwhile there are new insights from Europe and beyond - urban 'living / thinking labs', regional transitions, collaborative governance and smart-wise 'human-artificial intelligence'.

In this interactive workshop we focus on the practical issues of (a) circular economies and/or (b) energy efficiency in buildings.

(location tbc).



**c) Transformative  
adaptation –  
what do we need  
to know and  
how?**

This builds on the UKRI-funded *Towards a Sustainable Earth* program, with a focus on the project <http://peri-cene.net>. We are looking for ways to bridge the gaps between adaptation / resilience research, and the social, political and cultural realities. Such gaps include -

- **'adaptation gaps'** and trans-boundary questions: how to link climate with other societal agendas – social inclusion, democracy etc;
- **'change gaps'** and trans-formation questions: how to connect dynamic change / emergence in physical systems alongside other societal systems;
- **'worldview gaps'** and the trans-modal questions: how to connect different agendas / discourses from public, private & civic communities (i.e. from full climate denial to displacement or greenwashing).

In this interactive workshop we explore the research methods and tools which can address such gaps. (location tbc).



### Post-COP review

To review all this and plan ways forward, there's an open invitation to the **Climate-sight 3.0** workshop (online, Dec 3rd)



### Background

The new **Systems Change Lab** report shows 40 sectors where transformation is called for – and in each current progress is between slow and zero. But it seems they miss out the biggest transformation of all – the capacity of humans to transcend the maze of power and trauma and corruption, to realize something of the ‘*collective climatic intelligence*’...

For more see the following

New book: *Deeper City: collective intelligence and the pathways from smart to wise*

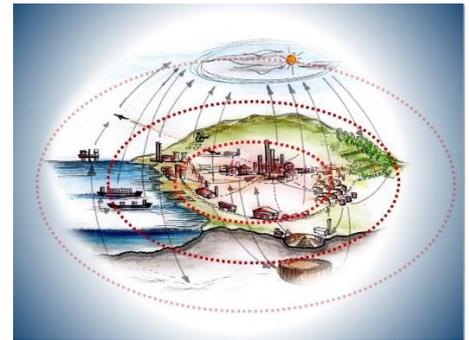
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Overview of methods:

[www.manchester.ac.uk/synergistics/](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/synergistics/)

Collaboratorium (Collective Intelligence Lab):

[www.manchester.ac.uk/synergistics/conversations/](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/synergistics/conversations/)



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