

## 1. POINTS OF DEPARTURE

- ‘The’ energy transition and bottom-up initiatives: a new Dutch policy discourse?
- Decentralized renewable energy generation: need for geographical spaces (e.g. rooftops) → match these new energy systems with the needs and expectations of communities.
- Self-mobilisation, self-governance and bottom-up best practices: not widespread
- Engagement, co-creation and transparency: exception rather than rule in Dutch planning for renewables

## 2. BACKGROUND “NEIGHBOURHOOD TRANSFORMER” AS SOCIALLY INNOVATIVE APPROACH

- Neighbourhood Transformer: coined by Housing corporation Woonbedrijf
- Energy: challenge for social housing residents (energy poverty)
- Externally induced innovations: e.g. neighbourhood energy cooperative
- How, when and where will this work?
- Will the local residents want to become the owners of the energy cooperative?
- Under what conditions?

## 3. CONCEPTUEL FRAMEWORK:

### Environmental Justice:

- Recognition
- Participation
- Distribution
- Capacity
- Responsibility

## 4. RESEARCH

Neighbourhood as locus where the social, political, institutional and physical conditions come together (**place making**)

- A) Historical-institutional analysis of the conditions affecting the neighbourhood
- B) Fieldwork
- C) Interventions

## 5. ANALYSIS:

- Me and my home
- Me and my neighbourhood
- My neighbourhood
- Me and organisations
- My neighbourhood and organisations
- Neighbourhood and wider environment

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## 6. SUPPORT INTERVENTIONS:

### Potential for community development:

- Critical issues, moments, considerations
- Matching agendas and expectations

A walk down memory lane...  
Path dependency and the potential for co-creating sustainable neighbourhoods.