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LANZAROTE: Biosphere Island

Arrecife: Biosphere City
Defining urban parameters

What exactly is a "Biosphere City"?
Which urban parameters define this urban model?

Is the Biosphere City a viable urban model similar to the Sustainable City, the Eco City, the Green City, the Smart City, the Digital City, the Productive City, the Arrival City, the Social City, or the Future City, or just an urban marketing office's creative and innovative neologism in the insecure process of finding an identity? Is it a communicable result of the search for a unique feature of an active and future-conscious "city for people?"

But maybe, it is a vision and necessary utopia. The legitimate wish of a city to turn its unclear future into a colorful image with a variety of options.

The advantage of the "Biosphere City" in the long list of creative urban models is its integration into the Man and Biosphere Program (MaB). The "Biosphere City" is part of an area declared as a biosphere reserve by UNESCO and defined as model region, a test field. The program that explicitly integrates all actors and inhabitants and asks for their active participation in the process focuses on the further development and investigation of the relationship between man and the environment also in the urban region, because urban zones have increasingly been declared biosphere reserves since 1993.

The biosphere reserve of Lanzarote presents its capital as such a test field. In cooperation with the UNESCO Oficina de la Reserva de Biosfera, the Landscape Architecture Group studies the question of whether the Biosphere City is an ideal city.

Within the topic "Future models of the city," the UrbanLab:Arrecife2.0 will validate and prioritize the urban parameters of a city in the 2017/18 winter semester. Criteria will be structured in hierarchies, combined, and scenarios will be developed for Arrecife: The Biosphere City. In a second step, the scenario will be transferred to the real context and an applicable strategy will be developed.

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