

Human Invasives Interactions

-involves the study, planning, and design of the interaction between people and invasive plants and animals

Invasive animals are successful at growing in our changing urban habitat. Instead of spending limited resources on eradicating invasive species, what can we do once we appreciate them as a technology of renewal resources?

In the current trend of makers, 3d printers and self-taught inventors, perhaps it's time we also remodel the idea of 'harvesting from nature'? Can we allow ourselves to invent how we consume our invasives species, rather than outsource to experts, food industries and supplement companies?

What if activism was performed by eating to control populations as opposed quietly abstaining?

Peep into Prototax

Lisa Ma in collaboration with Brussels based collective FoAM, who hosts a scenario planning workshop to prepare the second stage of HII - Prototax (HII stage 2 in 2014)- the policies, monetary systems and municipal taxation implication in an era of citizen autonomy promoted by HII.

Investigating the tax challenges in an era when we grow our own food, share our designs and manufacture our own products. How would transactions be taxed when there are more sufficient self-producers? With the increasing industry research in using animal bi-products, people might be encouraged to productively 'tax-dodge' by hunting invasive species and directly using them to replace traditionally mass-marketed products, such as cosmetic, colouring and even bio-plastic cartridge replacements for 3d printing. Therefore manufacturing - something usually associated with being environmentally damaging ends up saving the financial expenditure on governmental urban ecological budgets.

Working together with TImelab to fuse together the scientists, chefs, city planners, food tax experts and hunters with the belgian food council, the workshop will be apart of the closing symposium Grote woorden, kleine revoluties event at the Vooruit.