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Smart cities without people? Foucault, Deleuze and the *subjectivation* process

Content

A *dispositif* (an apparatus) is a heterogeneous set of discursive and non-discursive practices that include all kinds of institutions and processes, functioning as a network, connecting all of its elements, and always having a strategic function that results from the intersection of relations of power and relations of knowledge. Hence a «grid of intelligibility» that sustains power and government while producing subjects. It is with the notion of apparatus that we will grasp the essence of a smart city and the *subjectivation* processes generated within it.

Learning goals

1. Terminology clarification concerning «*dispositif*», «*subjectivation*» «technics» and «technology».
2. Foucault and the apparatus as mechanisms of power
3. Deleuze's «What is a *Dispositif*?» (1989)
4. Agamben's «What is an Apparatus» (2007)

Key questions/challenges to be tackled in the workshop

1. Understand a smart city as a «*dispositif*».
2. Apprehend the *technological constitutivity* of subjectivation.

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