Title:
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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