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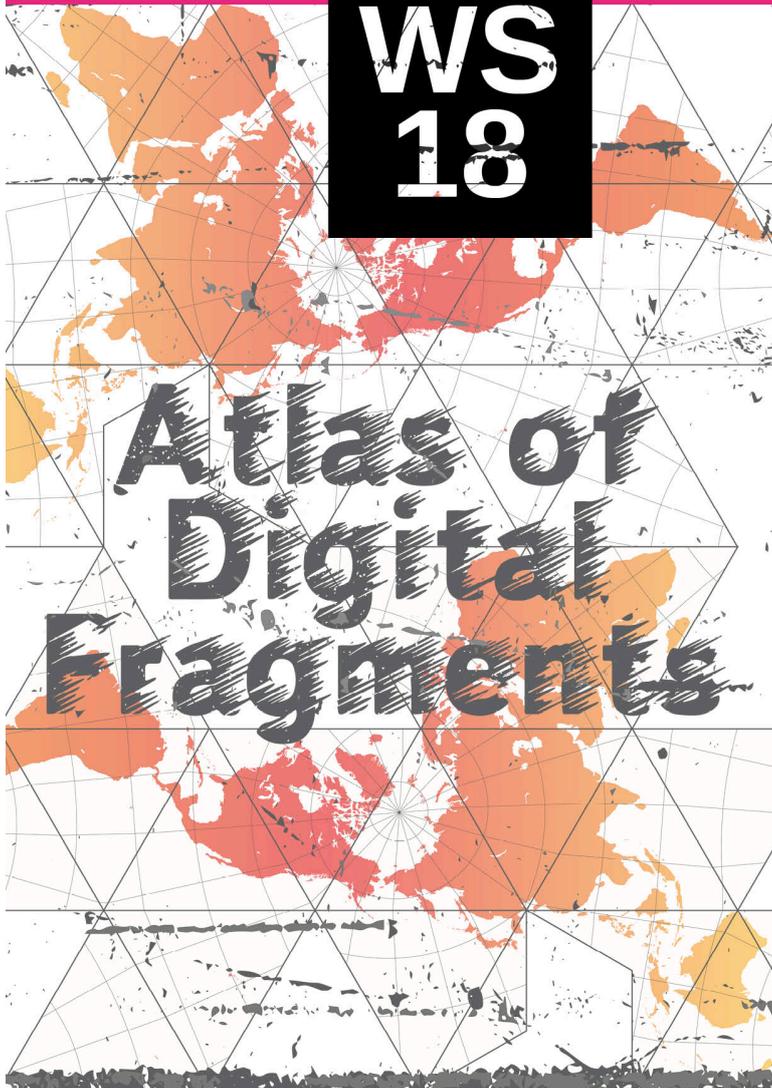
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Seminar

WS 18

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The seminar provides an introduction to the critical study of the smart city discourse, combined with collective research, analysis, discussion of global case studies of the digital fragments. The seminar will result in a collectively written and designed Atlas of Digital Fragments, which could be published or exhibited.

Seminar, 3 ECTS
MA UD, MA Arch, MA SRP: WP

Teaching Day
Monday, 10am - 12pm, A 606

First meeting
October 23rd, 2018, 12pm, A 606

Application
Registration on a list

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