

## CV & PORTFOLIO

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## Hello

My name is Lars Zimmermann. I was born 1980 in East-Berlin in Germany. I work as a designer, artist, activist & educator. This is my work so far.

This vita & portfolio is interactive and highly clickable. I am an openness person: almost everything I create is publicly available on the web. So please click and study the work. If you hold a printout in your hands scan the QR Code below or visit [larszimmermann.de/vita](http://larszimmermann.de/vita) for the digital version

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# Projects

My work is research oriented and process driven, some projects run for several years, they evolve and iterate over time in feedback with their results. Those projects are marked with an \* and are only mentioned in the year they started.

## 2020

- Bauhaus Klimafabrik \* [→ visit](#)
- The Mifactori OPEN DESIGN YouTube Channel \* [→ visit](#)
- 11 Open Design Lamps [→ visit](#)
- Commissioned by your future SELF [→ visit](#)  
#SustainableDesignRevolution Campaign

## 2019

- Modularize It! A New Design Research Programme \* [→ visit](#)
- Make Nachhaltigkeitsbildung nachhaltig! \* [→ visit](#)
- Kreislaufschule \* (→ 2020) [→ visit](#)
- Created Events: Open Source Circular Economy Days Berlin  
@Baumhaus Berlin [→ visit](#)

## 2018

- FFFS – Fixing Funding For Sustainability \* [→ visit](#)
- Video: What Is Open Source Circularity? [→ visit](#)
- Der Palast der Projekte – Die Ökostadt \* (→ 2019) [→ visit](#)
- Climate Change Survival Xmas Angels [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: Open Source Circular Economy Days Berlin goes  
EUREF-Campus! [→ visit](#)

## 2017

- “Make: Circularity” an Open Poster [→ visit](#)
- OHO – Construction Toy [→ visit](#)
- Hugo – Construction Toy [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: *Global* Open Source Circular Economy Days [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: Open Source Circular Economy Days Berlin 2017 [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: OSCE-Saturdays Berlin
- Created Event: „City Hacking“ Open Office Hours @ZK/U [→ visit](#)

## 2016

- Video Series: Business Models For Open Source Circularity [→ visit](#)
- Hackable Chessboard [→ visit](#)
- Modularity Research \* [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: *Global* Open Source Circular Economy Days 2016 [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: Open Source Circular Economy Days Berlin 2016 [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: „Open Labs“ as part of the Disruptive Innovation Festival 2016 [→ visit](#)

## 2015

- „The City Is Open Source“ – City Hacking Programme \* [→ visit](#)
- Mifactori – Open Design Studio \* [→ visit](#)
- „Open Source is Coming“ – Christmas Calendar [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: *Global* Open Source Circular Economy Days 2015 [→ visit](#)
- Open Source Circular Economy Days Berlin 2015 [→ visit](#)

## 2014

- The Global Open Source Circular Economy Days! – Campaign, Platform & Network \* (→2018) [→ visit](#)
- IPO Tables\* (→2019) [→ visit](#)

## 2013

- Open It Agency – Consulting Open Source Hardware \* (→2018) [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: OPENiT Festival [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: City Hacking Academy [→ visit](#)
- Created Event: Refugee-Camp-Trade-School [→ visit](#)

## 2008-2012

- OWi: Open Ecological Economy \* (→2013) [→ visit](#)
- Research Project On Economy & Digital Media \* [→ visit](#)
- Baubus \* (→2015) [→ visit](#)
- Blind Spots – den Kapitalismus auflösen [→ visit](#)
- Natur digital [→ visit](#)
- Connected Nature [→ visit](#)
- Phytias Brain – A “Play” (Bachelor Thesis) [→ visit](#)
- Fleurs Du Utopie – Performance Lecture [→ visit](#)

# Key Articles & Publications

I write to share insights, provide explanations or ask questions on sustainable design. If not mentioned otherwise these articles are published on my websites.

## 2020

- Why are Creative Commons “Non Commercial” licenses not Open Source and a big problem for sustainable Hardware & Product design [→ visit](#)
- What is Open (Circular) Design? [→ visit](#)
- What is the final version in Open Circular Design? [→ visit](#)

## 2019

- Rectangularize It: Automation Vs. Digital Manufacturing Scraps [→ visit](#)
- Modularity Makes Sustainable Wealth [→ visit](#)
- Make Funding Applications Open! #FFFS [→ visit](#)

## 2017

- „Pre-Use“ – A Term & Strategy For Open Circularity [→ visit](#)
- The Open Source Circular City – Insights & Approaches For City Hackers [→ visit](#)
- Turn Failed Sustainability Startups Into Fertile Soil With Open Source [→ visit](#)
- Our Circular Economy is a Spiral Economy? [→ visit](#)

## 2016

- Book Chapter: „Open Source ist unfassbar hässlich“; in: „Die Welt reparieren“, [transcript] [→ visit](#)
- Journal Article: „Zusammenarbeit unter Unbekannten“, in: „Ökologisch Wirtschaften“, oekom [→ visit](#)
- Don't invent a new modular system try to hack into an existing one! [→ visit](#)
- The Urban Food Gardener – An Agent & Institution for the Circular City [→ visit](#)
- Berlin Grid – A Network Effect in Open Modular Parts [→ visit](#)

## 2015

- Patents & Innovation-Costs in an Open-Source-Circular-World [→ visit](#)
- Institutions of Open Source & the current State of Open Source [→ visit](#)

## 2014

- Book Chapter: „Open Source Hardware Business Models“, in: „Building Open Source Hardware“, Addison-Wesley Professional, 2014 [→ visit](#)
- Series with 6 Blog-Posts on Open Source Hardware & Freedom [→ visit](#)

## 2013

- Mit Hacken auf ins grüne Glück! Städte grün hacken. [→ visit](#)
- Dinge die sprechen und Kreisläufe bilden [→ visit](#)
- Open Source against the Singularity [→ visit](#)

## 2008-2012

- Who pays The Designer? Open Design Business Models [→ visit](#)
- Book: „Robert Siebkopf“ – Children Book, Knabe Verlag Weimar [→ visit](#)

# Talks (Selection)

Talks and Lectures are an important and beloved part of my work. I give a lot of them every year. Here is just a small selection of 3 talks per year. Since 2019 I don't use slideshows but public websites for these talks you can find [→ here.](#)

## 2020

- Re:publica 2020, *Covid-19 postponed*
- Circular Design Conference Salzburg, *Covid-19 postponed*
- XR Global

## 2019

- 36c3
- PLATE Conference
- Fabricademy Barcelona

## 2018

- Fab City Summit Paris
- Re:publica 2018
- Greenlab @Art University Weißensee

## 2017

- WORLD EXPO2017 Astana
- Climate Innovation Summit Mailand
- Open Tech Summit Berlin

## 2016

- Re:publica 2016
- Lunch Talk @IXDS
- Science Hack Day Berlin

## 2015

- Disruptive Innovation Festival
- Open IT Gipfel (House of Representatives/Abgeordnetenhaus Berlin)
- Fraunhofer UMSICHT Oberhausen

## 2014

- Degrowth Conference Leipzig
- Ouishare-Fest Paris
- SDC Berlin

## 2013

- @Austria Chamber of Commerce/Wirtschaftskammer Österreich
- Vienna Open
- Solidarische Ökonomie Kongress

# Collaborations

Most things work through collaboration. Of course almost all of my projects are based on collaboration, I often work with communities. But here are a few collaborations that were important and happen outside of the projects mentioned above.

## 2020

- Member of the Advisory Board for the 6.5 Mio Euro Horizon 2020 research project „OPEN!NEXT“ [→ visit](#)

## 2019

- Co-Author for a DIN-Spec-Norm for Open Source Hardware [→ visit](#)
- Creative advisor for the search engine „OHO - Open Source Hardware Observatory“ search engine [→ visit](#)

## 2018

- Mentoring Expert @„REmodel“-Project for Danish Design Center [→ visit](#)

## 2017

- Advisor of the european research project OPEN! [→ visit](#)

# Teaching

Teaching at universities beyond talks & guest lectures.

## 2019

- Guest Professor in Industrial Design @Hochschule der bildenden Künste Saar (HBKsaar) SS 2019 [→ visit](#)

## 2016

- Mentor at Hochschule für Gestaltung Schwäbisch Gmünd during „Workshop-Wochen“ [→ visit](#)

## 2014

- Mentor during „Workshopwoche“ @University of Art and Design Burg Giebichenstein Halle + Campus Hacking Labs @Burg Giebichenstein

## 2011 & 2009

- „Creative Interactive Journalism“ @University Leipzig

# Other

Things that do not fit any of the boxes above but are still important or worth mentioning: Education, Grants, Prizes, Exhibitions, Family, Hobbies.

## 2020

- Prize: Nominated for “13th Annual German Sustainability Award Design” (“Deutscher Nachhaltigkeitspreis Design”) für “Open Circular Design” [→ visit](#)

## 2018

- Grant: Mozilla Open Leaders Programme [→ visit](#)
- Prize: „Makers Of Merits“-Prize for outstanding booth design „PET Palace“ MakerFaire Berlin
- Prize: „Best Talk“ @MakerSlam at MakerFaire Berlin
- Job: Junior Lab Organizer & Coach <sup>(→2013)</sup> [→ visit](#)
- Family: My first son - Fritz was born.

## 2017

- Stipend: „Ständige Vertretung“ @ZK/U Berlin [→ visit](#)
- Exhibition: OPENHOUSE @ZK/U Berlin (2x)

## 2016

- Grant: Artist in Residence at “Planet B” @NRW-Forum Düsseldorf [→ visit](#)
- Exhibition: „Planet B“ @NRW-Forum Düsseldorf [→ visit](#)



## 2015

- Stipend: @Künstlerdorf Schöppingen
- Exhibition: Galerie im Park Viersen

[→ visit](#)

[→ visit](#)

## 2014

- Prize: „Best Hack“ for IPO Tables @Science Hack Day Berlin

## 2013

- Stipend: „Kunst, Wirtschaft, Wissenschaft“ @Künstlerdorf Schöppingen

## 2004-2007

- Studies: Medienkultur @Bauhaus-University Weimar (degree B.A.)

## 2001-2004

- Studies: Biology & Physics in Heidelberg & Berlin (no degree)

## 1980

- Born in Berlin (GDR)

Hobbies: I play several instruments and record music from time to time. I like to read and love classic literature and music: Shakespeare, Mozart, Robert Johnson are favourite artists, maybe surprisingly classic :-)

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