

IMPACT-KIOSK Varanasi



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Impact-Kiosk is a project by Positive Nett-Works e.V. Genisis Solutions GmbH and many impact partners



Concerned by the disastrous effects of climate change and rising sea-levels, passionate makers (artists, engineers, programmers, economists, etc.) joined efforts to develop appropriate solutions to raise the individual and communal resilience of the affected people and regions world-wide.

Started in Germany, the vision of up-cycled floating platforms rapidly convinced likeminded Indian makers to join the creative humanitarian undertaking. Together, they developed the modular „Open-Island“-concept and released the DIY-manual open-source at the MakerFest 2015 in Ahmedabad.

Through their floating best-practises in India, Thailand and Germany, a global community of „makers-4-humanity“ emerged, that serves as a catalyzer for social innovation and coordinated self-help with local and international impact-partners.

As the humanitarian problems are various and complex, their new project provides a more flexible system to address specific issues in individual environments. The „Impact-Kiosk“ adopts the proven strategy of Open-Island, but can now be used anywhere and for many purposes. Physically, it is a transformed and individually equipped rickshaw, connecting local communities and their problems with the collective knowledge and facilities of the global makers crowd through an online interface. Combined with a social entrepreneurship franchise system, the „Impact-Kiosk“ can become a relevant tool to disseminate existing solutions for sustainable development and creates jobs for disadvantaged people at the same time.

Social Art



Open-Island started as an artistic „Social-Sculture“ and over the years became a symbol, platform and community for glocal change.

Social Design



The m4h Design-Challenge 2017 co-develops a mobile impact accelerator and collects open, appropriate solutions for humanitarian issues.

Social Business



The „Impact-Kiosk“ social franchise combines individual profits with communal benefits and can address various challenges on local level.

Through regional Impact-partners, the social entrepreneurs are being trained to manage an individually equipped Impact-Kiosk and earn their living with a selected range of sustainable services and products. On the other hand, they spread appropriate knowledge for communal resilience like urban gardening, DIY-lowtech constructions, digital education, environmental issues and can further serve as grassroots centers for health and sanitation campaigns and social community challenges of all kind.

Within this years project development, the makers4humanity invite organizations, companies and passionate people to become Impact partners in India and elsewhere.

