Welcome!

Place yourself on the professional background map

If you can not find your field on the map grab yourself a bag and write your field on there!

If you are a lived-experience expert (e.g. have disability ) you can give yourself a star/flower sticker too.
Is Inclusive Design Failing Inclusion? Identifying the dilemmas at the core philosophy and practices of Inclusive Design
Who are we?

Luka’s Expertise:
inclusive design; social science/cultural studies; experience design; multi-sensory immersive installations; empirical research; lived-experience insights; consulting in both inclusive design and inclusive performance arts;

Farnaz’s Expertise:
Inclusive design; Human centred design; Design thinking; Inclusive mobility; Healthcare Design; Human factors & ergonomics; Design education; Design in palliative and end-of-life care.
Positionality and Perspectives

We have asked you to place yourself on our Background Map so we can assess the positioalitity of this Conversation and to highlight the range of perspectives which are represented here today.
Disclaimer and Rules of the Room

We not not intend to offend Inclusive Design but rather push ourselves to do better.

In today’s session we ask you to:

1. Be open minded
2. Non-judgemental
3. Listen to others!
4. Be critical
5. Be respectful
Why are we holding this conversation?

Good intentions are not always good enough

Emerging thoughts on things we could do better from within and outside the field of Inclusive Design

Are we afraid to critique the hero?
How critically reflective is Inclusive Design?

Why do we ask if we are afraid to critique the hero?!

To start, think on the following question and mark a representative spot on the spectrum:

How critically reflective is Inclusive Design?

- Not at all
- Barely
- Neither
- Moderately
- Extremely

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Research Questions
Is Inclusive Design failing? What are the dilemmas of Inclusive Design that challenge its core philosophy, and how might they be categorised?

• Why is it timely to critique Inclusive Design as a field? Are we afraid to question the hero?
• How critically reflective are we in Inclusive Design as a field?
• What do we perceive as the dilemmas within Inclusive Design?
• What voices from outside the field provide critical perspectives to reflect on and assess our field? And what are the dilemmas they outline?
• What might be the overlooked or ignored dilemmas of Inclusive Design - the touchy subjects and taboos?
• How do we best capture the dilemmas of Inclusive Design and communicate them both within the field and beyond?
What do we mean by Dilemmas?

Dilemma
“a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more alternatives, especially ones that are equally undesirable.”
Brainstorm

What are the dilemmas of Inclusive Design?
Map

What are the dilemmas of Inclusive Design?
Arrange

Let's organise our thoughts
Could & Should we categorise these?
Communicate

What should we do now?
Digest

Continue the conversation....