

EuroTeQ Collider 2024

Challenge

Circularity among students

Category

People

Focus

Entrepreneurship

Each semester new german and foreign students arrive at the different student dorms around Munich and some students leave. Those who leave cannot take some used and still useful items with them and leave them in the facilities or throw them away. Those who arrive have to buy some items that they cannot bring with them from home.

Problem definition

What you can observe: a considerable amount of electrical and households items is left behind after each semester, sometimes in the streets or at the lobby creating a messy place and damaging sometimes the items.

Description

How can we connect the still useful items from the students that don't need them anymore with those who might need them? How can we promote circularity values among students in the dorm communities? Which values could be implemented and with which actions?

Key questions

- Which possibilities are there to promote circular values among students in the student dorms?
- How to reduce the amount of working items thrown away?
- Which hidden problems are there in this situation?

Links

Studentenwerk Olympiadorf:

<https://www.studierendenwerk-muenchen-oberbayern.de/wohnen/wohnanlagen/muenchen/muenchen-mitte/studentenviertel-olympisches-dorf/>

Olytopia (Sustainable project in the Olympiadorf):

<https://zerowaste-muenchen.de/2020/11/13/projekt-olytopia/>

Skills

Interest for circular economy.

Curiosity, thinking out of the box, creativity.

Partner

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