



Critical Art Ensemble

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Peep Under the Elbe

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Initiator:
Critical Art Ensemble

Location:
Germany

Category:
scientific, economy, environment,
social

Users:
CAE (Steve Kurtz, Lucia Sommer
and Steve Barnes), Inhabitants.

Maintained by:
Exhibition 'Natur/Kultur', curated
by Anke Haarmann and Harald
Lemke

Duration:
2008

Description:

The project aimed at providing residents of Wilhelmsburg, a poor and neglected neighbourhood in Hamburg, a water testing kit for analysing the quality of the canal water near their homes in order to find out clean swimming and fishing areas.

Goals:

Try to encourage populations who use the canals for recreation to move around a bit, finding where the safest places were for the popular activities of swimming and fishing.

Beneficial Outcomes:

It empowered people with tools, CAE tested the quality of the local water, and gave the inhabitants water testing kits to monitor their own environments.

Images:

