

Bespoke Design Lab Workshops

Convening for open dialogue, focussed collaboration and shared action

CONNECTED BY DATA offers bespoke facilitated processes bringing together an inclusive group of stakeholders to build common understanding of a problem, identify possible solutions and co-develop shared strategies for action.

We carefully create each lab so that participants have informed and practical conversations focussed on transforming some aspect of the collective governance and use of data and AI. We work with commissioners and partners to run dissemination and follow-up activities that build and sustain momentum from the lab.

"[The design lab was able to] bring together a large number of diverse organisations to share views, approaches and find common ground to take forward projects together. It is a rare opportunity but very much needed in the field." Feedback from past lab participant

Policy labs explore, evaluate and refine potential policy measures or advocacy positions to respond to particular opportunities or risks of data and AI.



With support from the Open Government Partnership (OGP) we hosted a [one day international design lab on the fringes of the OGP Global Summit](#) in Tallinn, Estonia. The lab developed three draft policy commitments to bring greater transparency and public involvement to national AI strategies, procurement and regulation.

The results are featured in the Open Government Guide, and are informing a range of national action plans.

Practice labs focus on co-design of strategies and shared resources to elevate voices from communities affected by data and AI.

Convened with ISWE Foundation, the [Resources for Effective & Inclusive Public Deliberation on Data & AI lab](#) brought together 25 deliberative democracy and AI engagement practitioners for a 2.5 day residential meeting to explore the opportunities and challenges for scaling up meaningful and informed public participation around data and AI.

The lab led to a number of co-developed funding bids, follow-up working groups, draft resources and strengthened community bonds.



Narrative labs support development of shared stories, language and frameworks for advancing change.



The [Future Data Narratives Design Lab](#) invited experts to start the co-creation of a strategy for shifting inaccurate & damaging ways data is currently framed & understood in media, policy and industry narratives.

Working with [an expert partner](#) we developed an invite list and agenda that brought together participants from the UK and internationally for a day of structured discussions in London, leading to a set of outline strategies for action.

Get in touch (hello@connectedbydata.org) to explore how we could run a design lab for you. We'll explore your goals and focus, the right approach (from online sessions, to multi-day retreats), and stakeholders to engage, before putting together a costed proposal, and agreeing next steps.