

Mobility Issues in Waiblingen An app-based solution for work commuting

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Introduction



Problem Definition ... the 'settlement sprawl' of 'hyper automobility' (Freund and Martin, 1993 in Adey, 2017, p. 227)

- Population in 2018: 56.357
- The number of existing cars in the city of Waiblingen, per 1000 inhabitants: 589
- The number of work commuters for work into and out of the borders, as defined by the municipality, respectively: 20.370 and 17.189
- The number of employed persons who are residents of Waiblingen: 27.992
- The number of employed persons for whom Waiblingen is their workplace 21.575

Research Question

How might companies reduce the usage of the private car for work commuting in Waiblingen by implementing an app-based solution?



A research design is a plan that logically links the research questions with the evidence to be collected and then to be analyzed in a case study. (Yin, 2018, p.288)

Methodology

Case Study Method

Systematic literature review

Focus Group

Participant Observation

Participant Observations

















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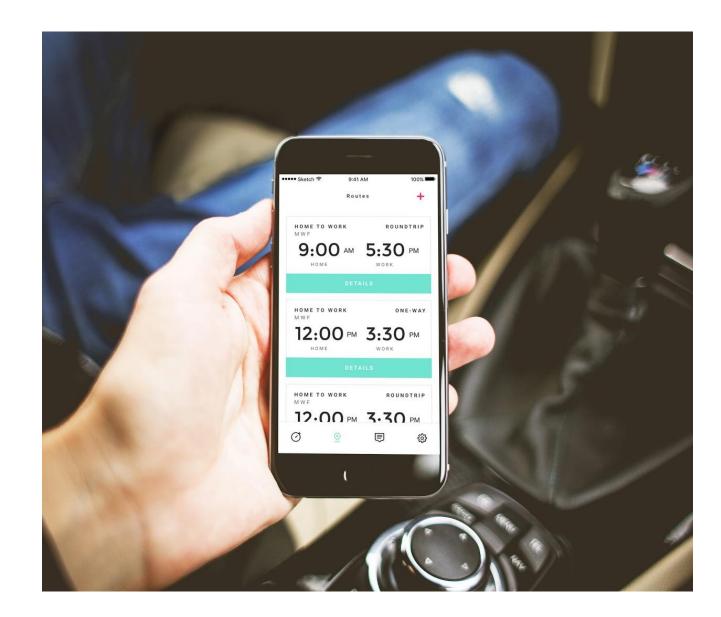


Case Study

Splitting fares Inc (SPLT) a Detroit based United States start up corporation which was founded by Anya Babbitt in 2014.

A smart phone-based platform that lets companies, universities and municipal authorities offer ride sharing services to their employees or students.

SPLT claims to have 140,000 users in the United States, Mexico, and Germany in 2018





Focus Group

Focus group with selected experts 8 participants; one and half hour Open/Closed Interview Work commuters, different modes of commuting Insight in lived and experienced everyday mobility

Problems regarding mobility

Gesprächsleitfaden

Fokusgruppe am 25.06.2019 von 19:00h-20:30h

• Ziel der Befragung: Mobilität in Waiblingen – Wie gestaltet sich Berufspendeln für Berufstätige am Stan

Zeit	Thema	Methode
5 min.	1. Einführung & Organisatorisches	Vortrag
	Danke und Wilkommen	Moderator
	 Charakteristik von Fokusgruppen: informell, offen, vielschichtig (viele Wege), ausdehnbar, alle Sichtweisen, verschiedene Meinungen werden akzeptiert. 	
	 Es gibt keine richtigen oder falschen Antworten Ziele: 	
	 3 Studentengruppen HfWU, Master Sustainable Mob.: Modul: Problembasiertes Forschungsprojekt: Mobilität 	
	(Probleme) in Waiblingen -> Lösungsansatz (Seminararbeit), Fokusgruppe: Sicht von "Experten"	
	Gibt es Fragen, Anmerkungen, Bedenken?	
10	2. Vorstellung und Warm-Up?	Fragen stehen
min.	 Stellen Sie sich doch bitte in der Runde kurz vor: 	zur Orientierun
	 Vorname, Name, Wohnort, Arbeitsort (Firma) 	auf dem
	 Bevorzugte Art des Pendelns, Mode 	Flipchart
	 Meist benutzte Art des Pendelns 	
	Unterschiede? Warum?	
20 min	3. Erlebte Mobilität (Waiblingen, Pendeln)	Explorativ
	 Beschreiben Sie wie Sie persönlich Mobilität (in Waiblingen, Pendeln) erleben? 	
	- Welche persönlichen und allgemeinen Probleme / Schwierigkeiten / Auffälligkeiten fallen Ihnen auf	
	im Bezug auf Mobilität / Verkehr / Infrastruktur?	
	Warum? Evtl. Gründe	
	- Wie könnten diese Probleme verbessert oder behoben werden?	

Possible Outcomes Hypothesis Creation

- Enhance Companies Reputation
- Employees Benefits
- Possible Reduction of number of cars on street
- Economic Factors
- Benefits To Other Stakeholders
- Environmental

Conclusion





COMBINATION OF VARIETY OF SOLUTIONS AND APPROACHES – INTERLINKING

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THE SOLUTION IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE WHEN IMPLEMENTED ALONG WITH OTHER SOLUTIONS

Future Research

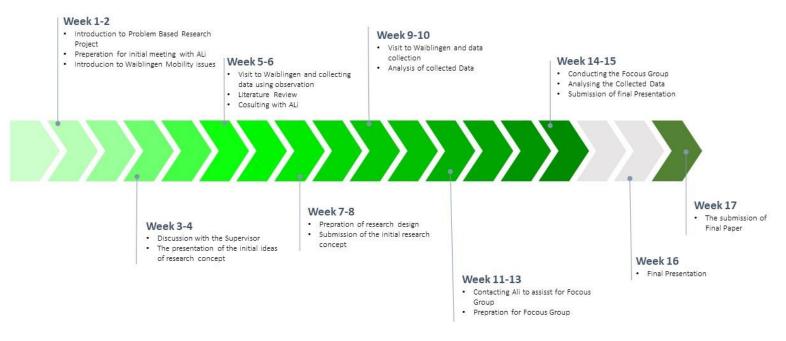
Masters Thesis – hypothesis testing

How effective the app could be in decreasing number of cars if the solution is implemented in real world?

Investigation of critical mass of users of the app



Work plan and packages



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Work plan and packages

Source: Authors

Thank you!