Local Adoption Pilot Database

Purpose

Samara has started collecting data to organise the formation and cross-pollination of learning between:

- Local adoption pilots we seek to understand and support
- Ambassador support pods (3-4 people) who meet to share experiences and explore best practices

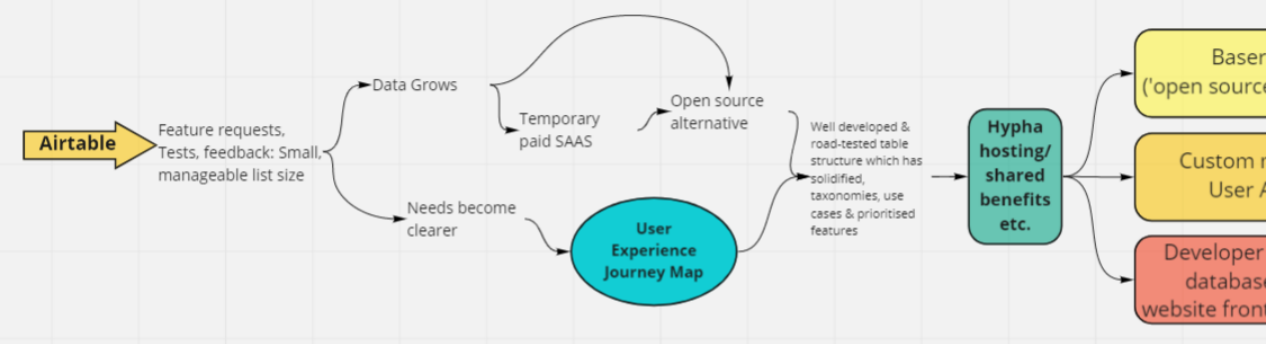
We have started to turn this initial data into a working database, which will act like a **networking hub.** To begin, the idea is to connect and help Ambassadors co-support and co-create with an explicit focus on local adoption pilots.

Initially, we have transferred the data to an Airtable in order to have the flexibility to play with the structure and allow the users to drive and co-create development. This is a strategic choice before investing in a particular technology pathway.

We envision a period of collection and ongoing adjustments before designing a more in-depth user experience and choosing a longer term or more sophisticated software solution.

- Currently any aspiring or graduated SEEDS Ambassadors can:
  - Add themselves to the pilots directory and register interest in joining a support pod
  - Start or create a pilot project record

Development roadmap:



Samara has started supporting Ambassadors and established starter pods and pilot support using the following tables (sets of data):

- Location
  - This links cities and towns to countries, ecoregions and bioregions within their bio-geo-realms.
- People interested in local adoption pilots and cross-pollinating learning
  - This allows people to sign up so that they can link themselves to pilots and pods, as well as adding many of their interests related to pilots and/or joining a pod.
- Local Adoption Pilots
  - This lists the local adoption pilots and pulls in information about the location based on the links above.
  - This table gives a chance to develop and explore which commonalities will be valuable for Ambassadors to know about Pilots. At the moment this happens with:
    - A type (pilot context: urban/rural setting and technology access level)
    - A phase (pilot developmental stage)
  - This table and accompanying form allows much more detailed long-form feedback about various aspects of Pilots. This is a wonderful potential precursor to web-pages which tell the story of each pilot as a case study.
- 'Ambassador Pilot Pods'
  - This links people into 3-4 people pods in order to collaborate and share knowledge. The aim is to enable ambassadors to support each other.

The sections below display each of these starter tables and the partially converted data.

Pilot People Directory:

The primary purpose of the database is to connect people and facilitate the regenerative processes of mutual support and learning. One of the sets of information is a people directory.

This was created to allow ambassadors and those interested in joining pods or pilots to freely contact each other and look for areas of synergy or similar interests in relation to pilots. Initially much of the data is free input. This is so Samara and ambassadors can see what kind of interests and information appear. As the data grows we envision consulting ambassadors to create a more contained set of categories which are relevant to pilot needs.

See the table here

Current Pilot data, organised by Type and Phase:

See the table here

Ambassador 'Pilot Pods':

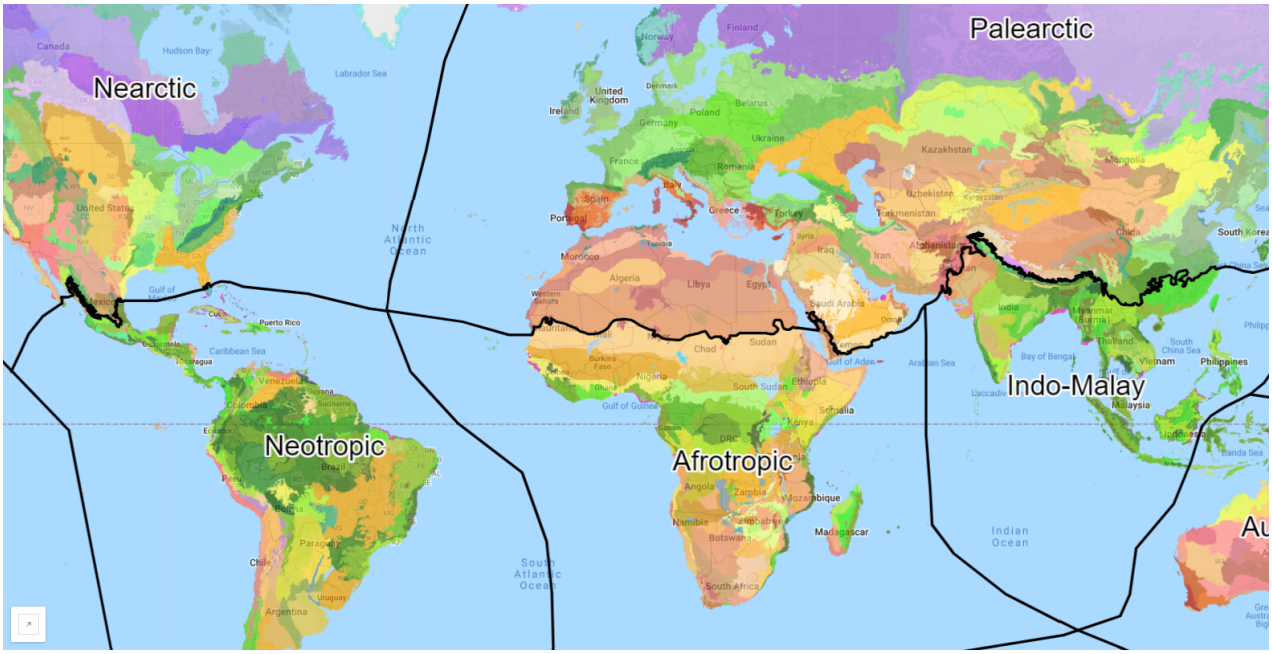
See the table here

Ecoregion map:

Originally we started using the bioregions from the One Earth website, but then discovered there were no exact defined borders. This meant no effective way for ambassadors to clearly identify the relevant location and regions to add their information with.

We then discovered the below interactive Google Earth map which overlays the ecoregions, biome and bio-geo-realms. We have used this interlinked data to allow any city or town to be added to the database referencing the correct attached location data. This creates a user friendly experience that still encourages location in a much more relevant way to the regenerative work we are doing. Having to go into the map and find one's location is also a useful educational experience for many and naturally encourages discussions around these ecological factors entering into the pilot and pod activities.

Click the image below to visit the interactive map and find your location!!

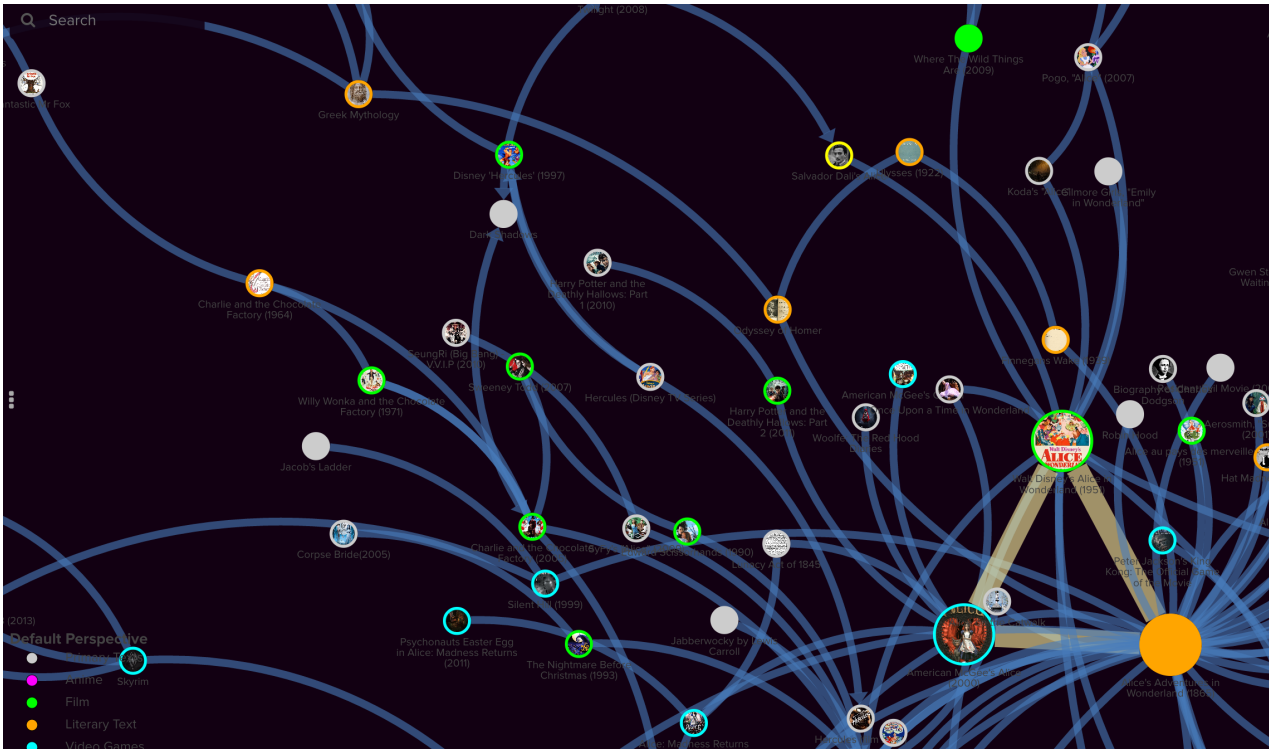


**Unfortunately there is not yet a search function in this map, but we are working on our own version which allows this. If you live in a small village or town, search it on another map and note the nearest large town to make it easy to locate in this map for now.*

(Social) System Mapping for Data Visualization

Samara is adapting this data with social system mapping in mind. At the moment there is not enough data or links to make a social map reveal very much.

People in Samara and People involved in Local Adoption Pilots are consciously structuring the taxonomies, data sets and use cases to highlight and encourage social connections with a view to future mapping. This will help us to work with emergent patterns as much as possible as opposed to imposing perceived patterns or partial summaries. See some example maps below which show the kind of visuals we plan to produce over time: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Greek Mythology
Disney 'Hercules' (1997)
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (1964)
Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971)
Jacob's Ladder
Corpse Bride(2005)
Psychonauts Easter Egg in Alice: Madness Returns (2011)
The Nightmare Before Christmas (1993)
Silent Hill (1999)
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1 (2010)
Hercules (Disney TV series)
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 (2011)
Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll
Where The Wild Things Are (2009)
Pogo, "Alice" (2007)
Salvador Dalí, Ulysses (1922)
Kodak's "Alice"
Gilmore Girls "Emily in Wonderland"
Odyssey by Homer
Woolfrey's Red Hood Series
Walt Disney's Alice in Wonderland (1951)
Default Perspective
Anime
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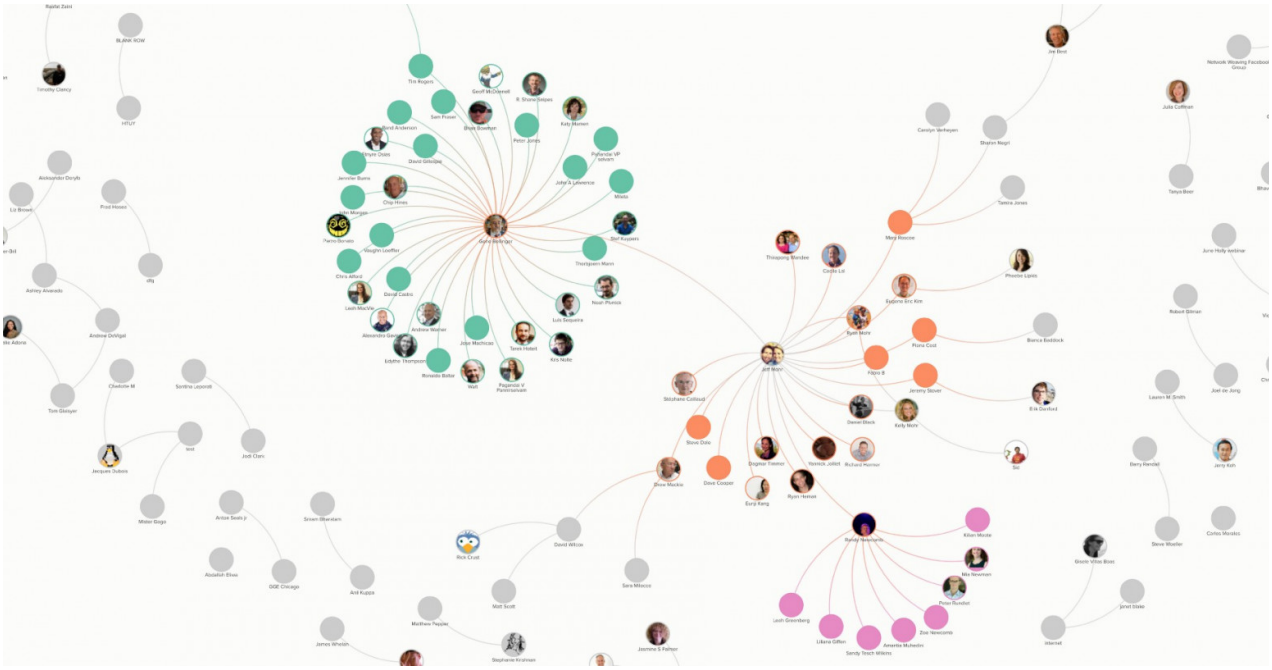
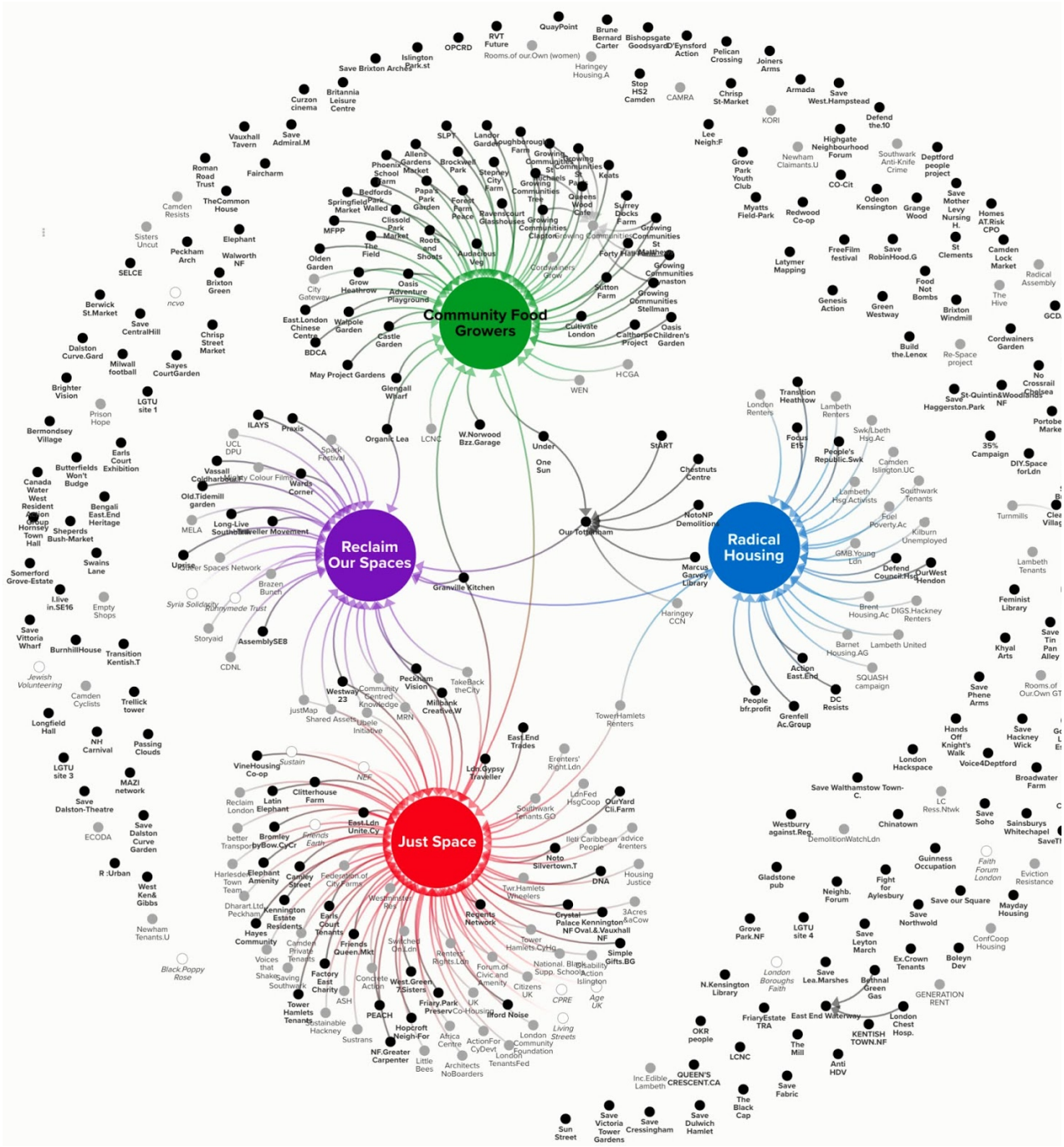
Video Games





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