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The collage of our shared snapshots at the UN common premises.

We utilized digital media to get an insight in each other's everyday. The result was a collage of concrete personal images and statements on young people's aspirations and concerns.

Modern technology allows young people to constantly document and share their everyday through digital platforms. The codesigners from KADK acted on this by inviting the University of Prishtina students to share images from their everyday life. In response, the codesigners from KADK would send similar pictures to the students from their everyday life in Copenhagen.

The challenge was prompted with opening questions such as; "Where are you together with friends?", "What do you do together?" and "How do you use your local neighborhood?". Our photos were sent through email and social media and shared within our fellow Facebook group.

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"I think that seeing the snapshots we could see that engagement is not really missing."

- Trina, University of Prishtina

Why is this valuable?

We had to let the project grow from "what was already there" by asking concrete questions. The resulting collage functioned as the first concrete material in the project, full of stories, aspirations and concerns, and it was later used in both the "City walks" and the "Everyday stories as a game of domino" workshop. Sharing everyday glimpses within a network of young people using digital platforms is a good way of getting to know each other also to establish a working process in which everyone can contribute. The activity also functions as a way of carrying out ethnographic research together, creating a reflective perspective on everyday life.