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A GRAND CHALLENGE
FOR DEVELOPMENT

decidim.barcelona from e-participation to the devolution of sovereignty

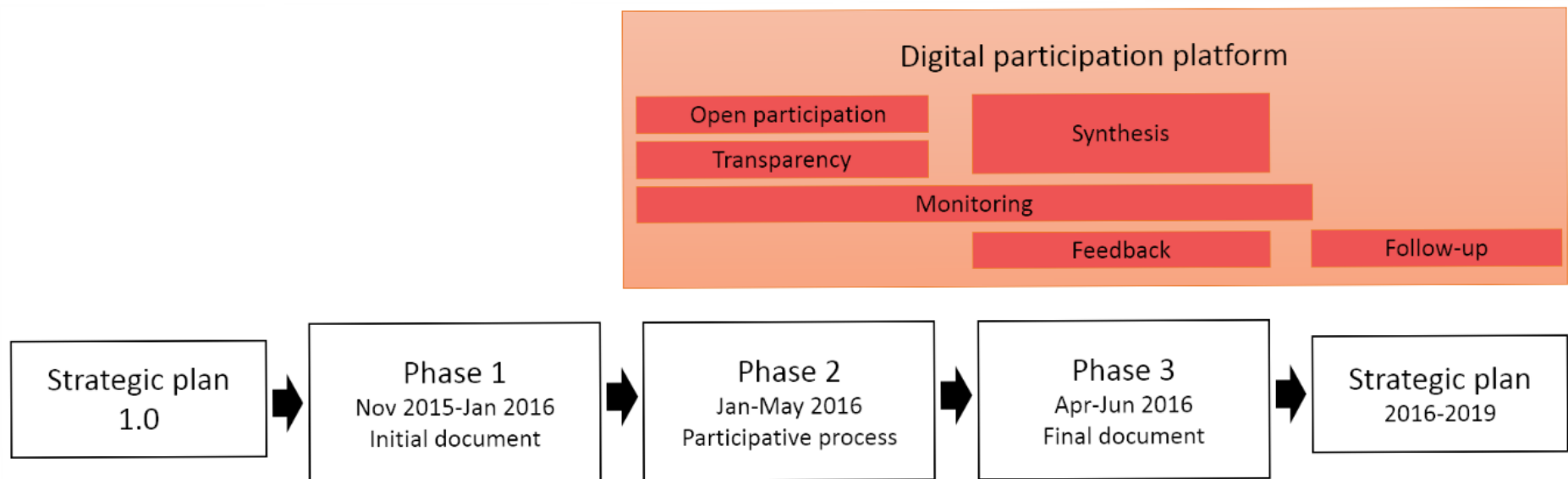
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The strategic plan



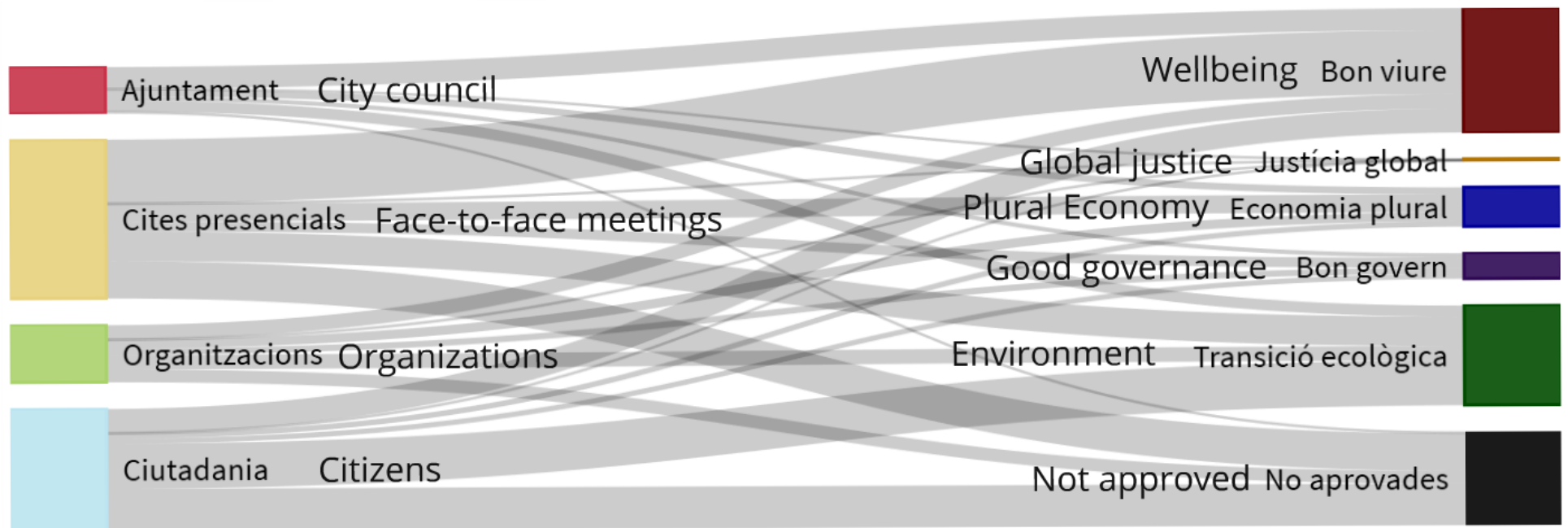
The proposals

10,859 proposals
165,087 proposal endorsements

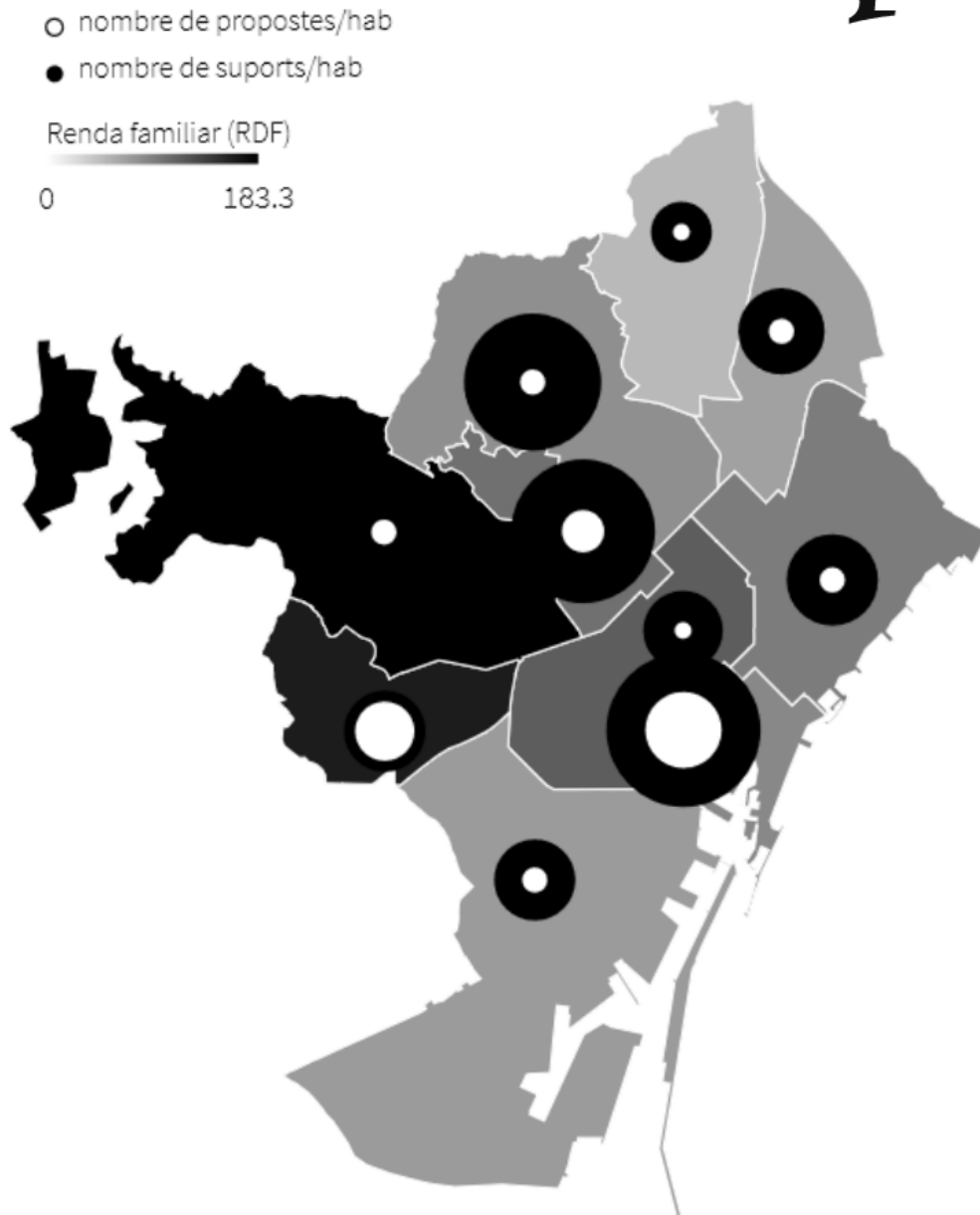
18,191 comments
13,210 comment endorsements

Origin of the proposals

Categories



The participants



~42,000 citizens
1,700 organizations

220,000
interactions

sports association

individual citizens

The network

individual citizens

school parents association

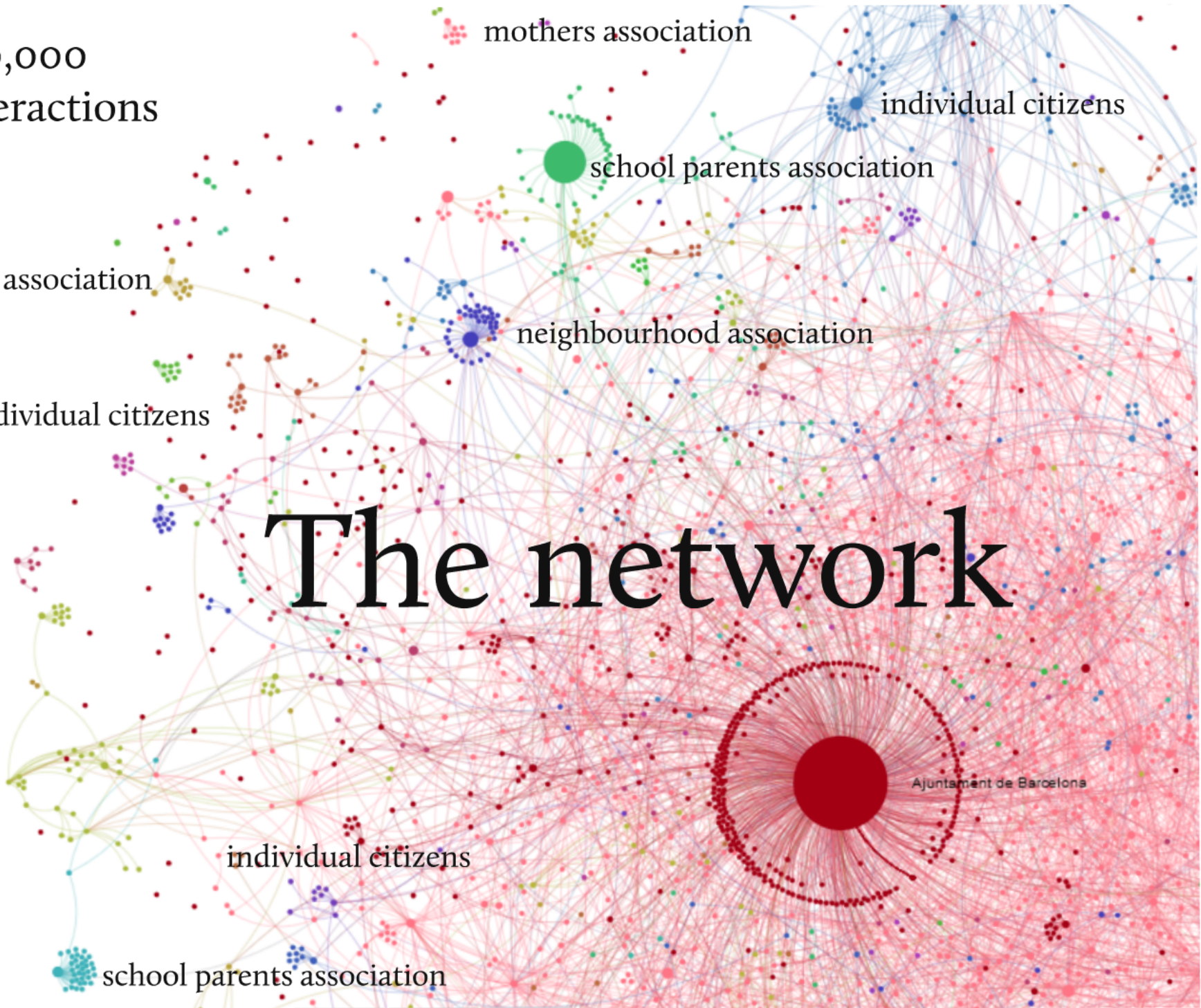
mothers association

school parents association

neighbourhood association

individual citizens

Ajuntament de Barcelona



Systemic changes

Signification: Shifts in meaning

- Disenchanted citizen.
- Informed citizen.
- Empowered citizen.
- Governments not getting it.
- Hacking politics.

Legitimation: Shifts in norms

- Transparency to reconnect.
- Government as another actor.
- Organizations as another actor.
- Binding consultations.
- Municipalism vs. the State.

Domination: Shifts in power

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- Inclusion of minorities.
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Transformations in the functioning

Deliberation as a
new democratic
standard.

Openness as a
prerequisite of
deliberation.

Accountability &
legalislatiive footprint
as legitimizing
subproducts.

Participation,
pluralism, social
capital, deliberation:
virtuous circle.

Impacts

Lesser role of
intermediation and the
institutions in favor of
individual participation
individual and liquid
collectives.

Less but especially
better proposals;
informed deliberation
resulting of the
amount and type of
interaction.

New balance between
representatives,
experts and citizens in
a new ecosystem with
new roles and
relationships.

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