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REPORT 2021

The public health and socio-political landscape remained highly unstable throughout most of 2021 constraining exhibition programs and limiting opportunities for cultural assembly. At Office for Joint Administrative Intelligence, we attempted to mitigate the situation via combined strategies of Consolidation, Alliance Building and Tactical Relocation CAT. In February we moved our Brussels office out of the miasma of the city center to better ventilated quarters on Quai de Charbonnage in Molenbeek. Throughout the year, four deceased individuals were posthumously recruited via our O.J.A.I. Dead Members Program. We are delighted to welcome Maryanne Amacher, Divine (Harris Glenn Milstead), Rosa Parks and Vladimir Mayakovsky to this most esteemed assembly of deceased experts. Later, we introduced standardized TERI* tunnel evaluation paperwork through which new pedestrian tunnels in Charleroi, Chisinau, Brussels and Banja Luka were successfully uploaded into our mythology. A second O.J.A.I. research expedition to Chisinau, Moldova took place throughout August 2021 and involved alliance building, tunnel inspections and an official photo opportunity.

The O.J.A.I. Radio Service went from strength to strength throughout 2021 with quad-weekly, hour-long scheduled programming on Cashmere Radio Berlin and Dublin Digital Radio. This year's show themes included Sonic Extre—ism, Noisy Neighbours, Codeword Charleroi and Occult Sounds. In February, we invited artist Merle Vorwald to guest present a show dedicated to the infamous speedcore DJ Liza 'N' Eliaz. The following month, writer and curator Padraic E Moore guest presented an hour-long show dedicated to the forgotten 1980's avant-garde band Gina X Performance. Our October broadcast entitled Lonely Office Block explored the emotional footprint of geographically remote and neglected institutional buildings. It featured a new song written specially for the transmission by Nina Hynes and was exceptionally transmitted on RadiOrakel 99.3fm in Oslo as well as on our two regular stations in Dublin and Berlin. O.J.A.I. also contributed our first ever radio play entitled Eternal City to the Sceneries Not Songs series curated by Parasite 2.0 on Radio Orsimanirana. As of December 2021, O.J.A.I. had a 18.3% and 14% radio audience share in Dublin and Berlin, an increase of 1.3% and 1.5% respectively. In January a monthly physical assembly called the Radio Listening Club RLC was inaugurated in Berlin and continues to go from strength to strength.

In the second quarter of the year, we undertook efforts to reassert our physical public presence. In April, we participated in Radiations at Sagacity in Brussels, a collaborative project including Intermerz Collective (Koenraad Claes & Remco Roes), Angyvir Padilla & Bestialo Culapsus, Yoel Pytowski and Maria-Krisztina Nagy. The exhibition was initiated and curated by Nagy and was generously supported by the Federation Wallonie-Bruxelles. On November 11th we inaugurated O.J.A.I.'s first ever Brussels solo exhibition at SB34 Clovis. Fruit Anxiety, Desire and Method was curated by Pauline Hatzigeorgiou with scenography by Steven Jouwersma. The think tank themed installation acted as a stage for a commissioned performance program including Julia Zinnbauer, Robin Faymonville and Marjolein Guldentops.

After a long wait, our new publication Auditing Intimacy finally encountered the public in November 2021. The book was commissioned to celebrate the 5th anniversary of O.J.A.I. and encompasses postal correspondence, photographs, declassified documents and lexicon of practice-specific jargon. In a spirit of transparency and full disclosure, it also includes a certified, critical audit of the practice by Alicja Melzacka. The project was undertaken in collaboration with and was designed by Zero-Desk (Carl Haase), Antwerp, and published by Fantome Verlag in Berlin and was generously funded by the Arts Council of Ireland. It is available at Rile Books, Brussels, Motto, Berlin, and Lismore Castle Arts in Ireland. Also launched in 2021 was our second vinyl LP "Sonic Expeditions in the European Rustbelt", a collaboration with Tim Loehde. Noteworthy third party publications featuring O.J.A.I. throughout the year included the centrefold in Texte Zur Kunst and Draff Magazine's collection of conversations between artists exploring the place of live performance in a digital world.





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Due to the evolving labour and manpower situation within 0.J.A.I. the following Reallocation of Lagour Agreement comes into effect at 09:00hrs on Thursday November 11th. This document redefines the job descriptions and special competences of the 0.J.A.I. directors. The treaty also makes changes to the competences of the order directorial titles which are used for the purposes of all internal and external communications. The changes will be reflected in the Organisational Chart updated version which also goes into circulation at 09;00hrs on Thursday November 11th (2021). The circular APPROVED DOCUMENT stamp affixed to this document acts as the signature of the Posthumous Board and confers their full and unanimous support for the reform.

At the above defined date and time, the job description and title Chris Dreier O.J.A.I. Nord- Director for Financial Research, Systemic Risk and Sonic Development will be replaced by Chris Dreier O.J.A.I. Nord- Director for Financial Research, Emergency Management and Sonic Development.

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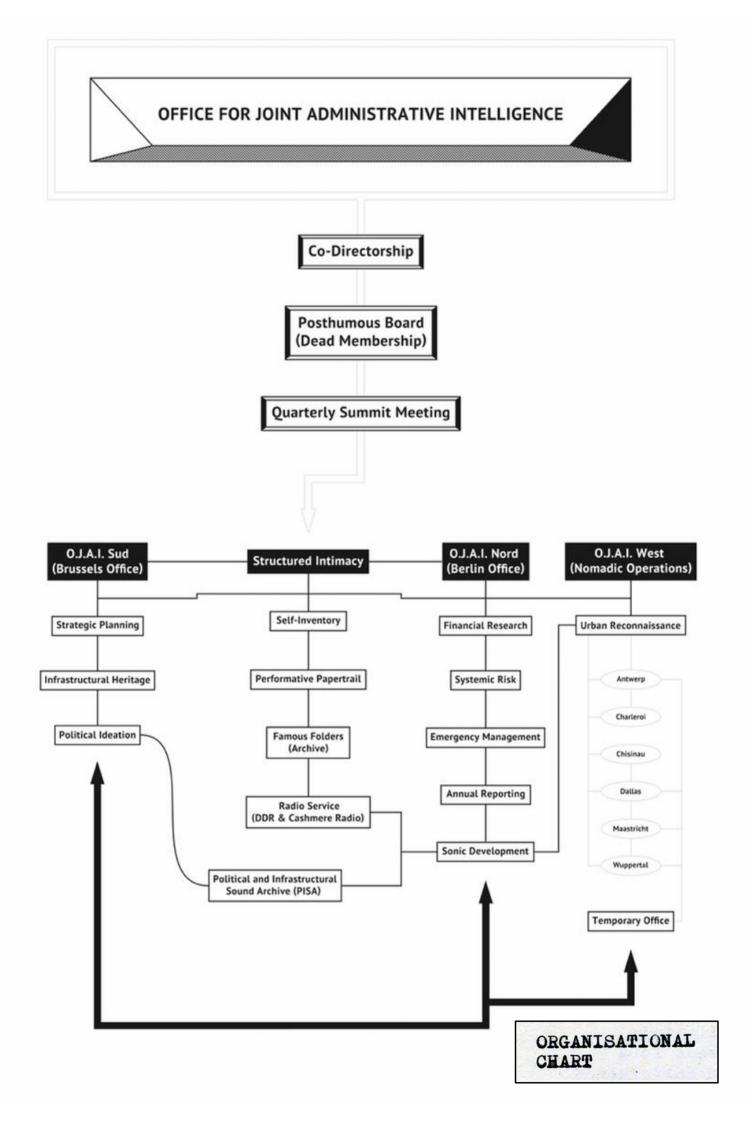
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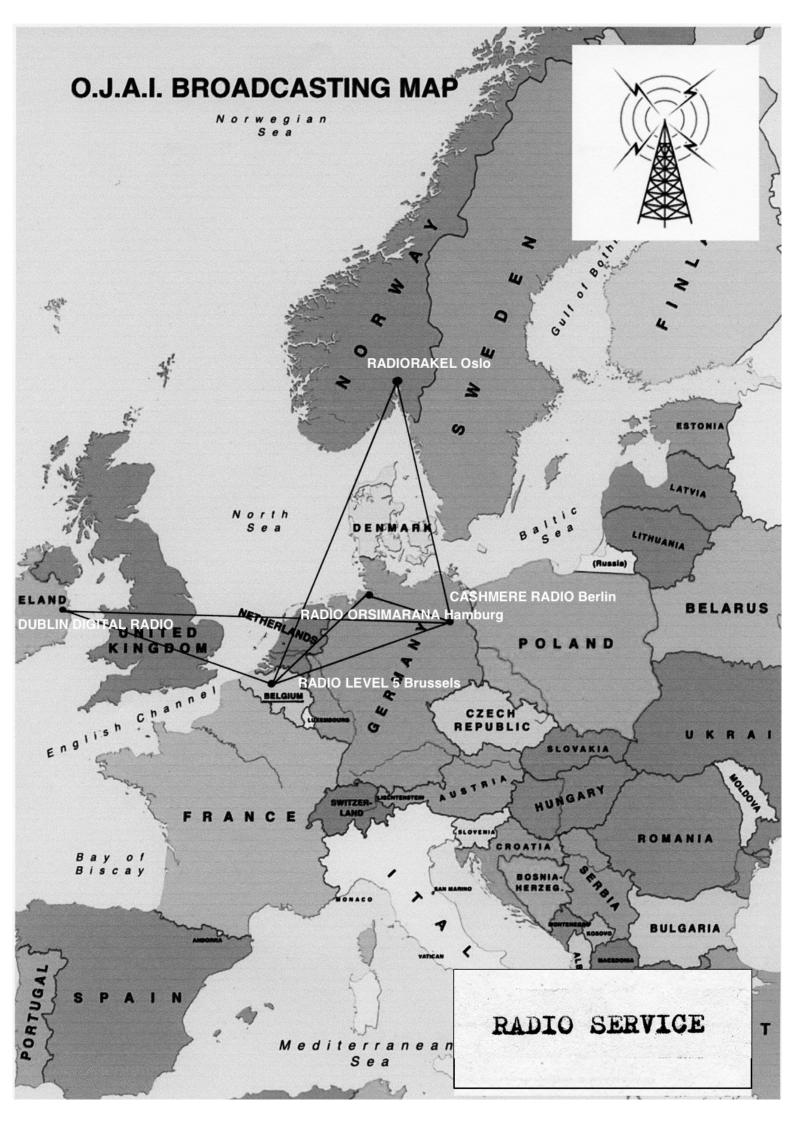
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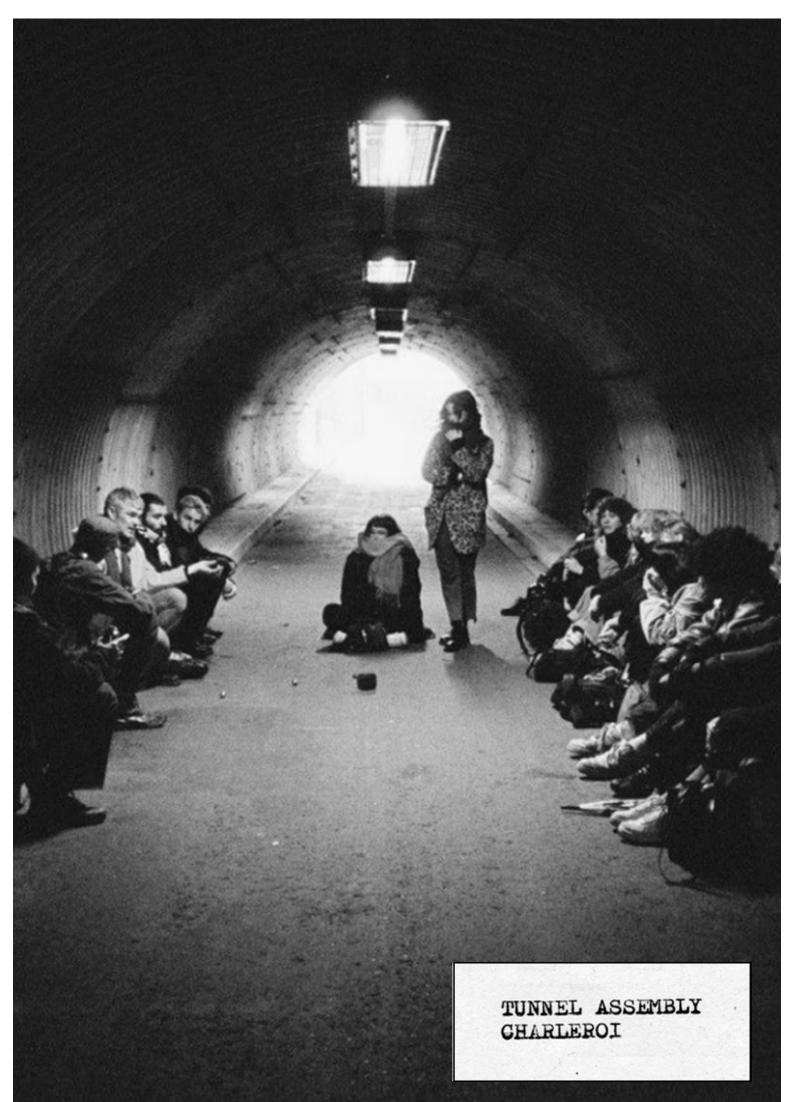


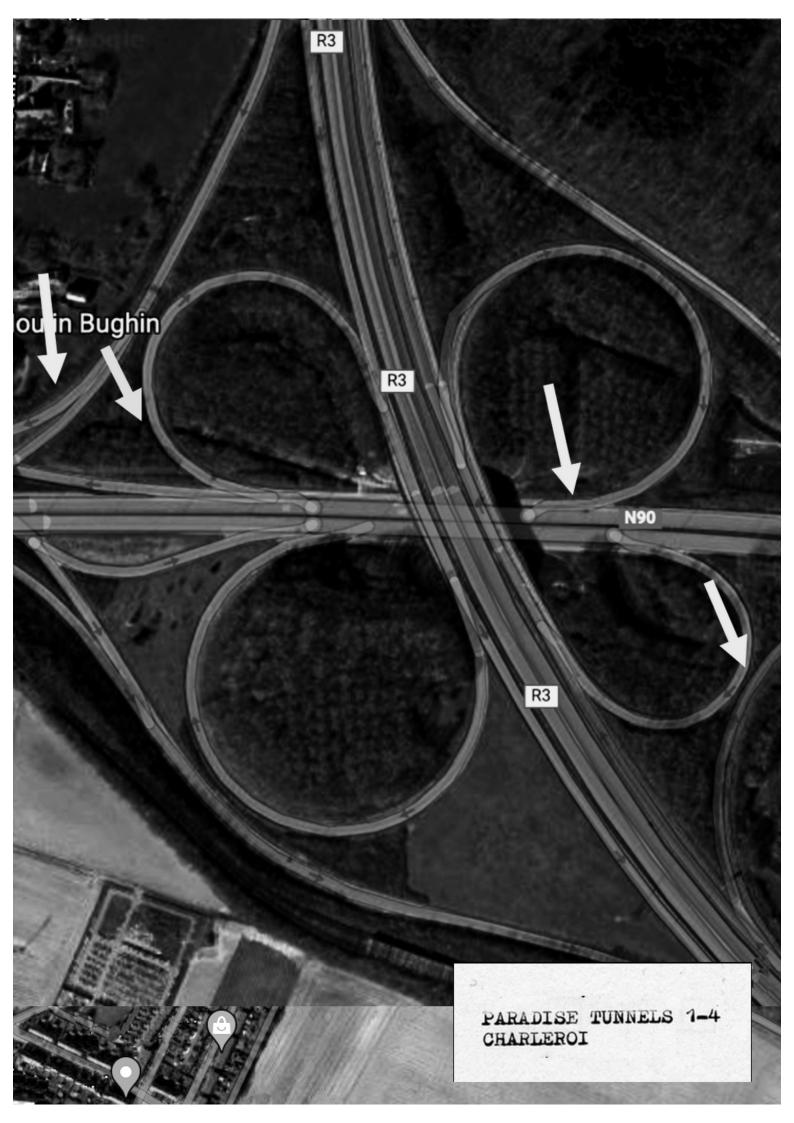








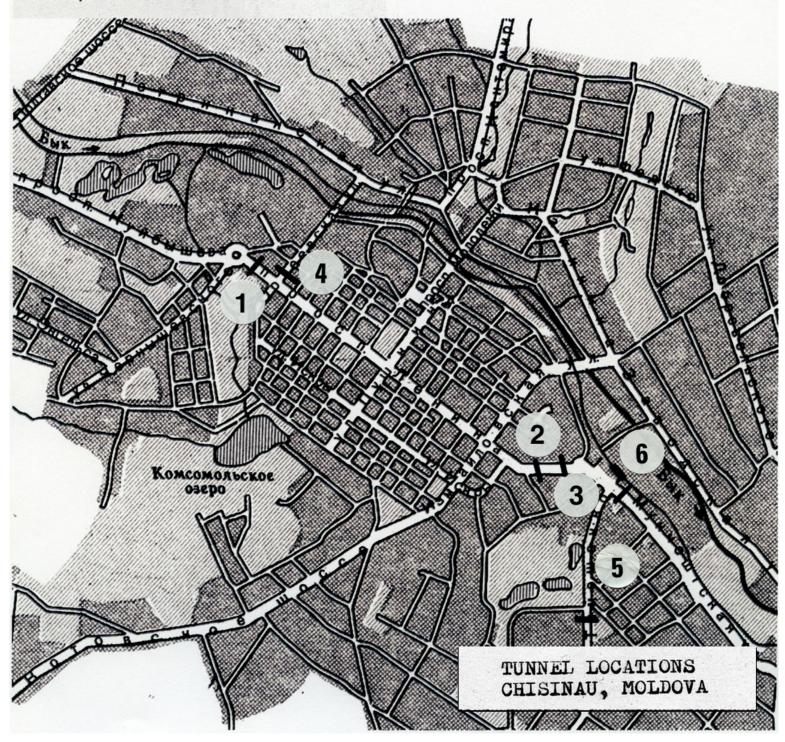




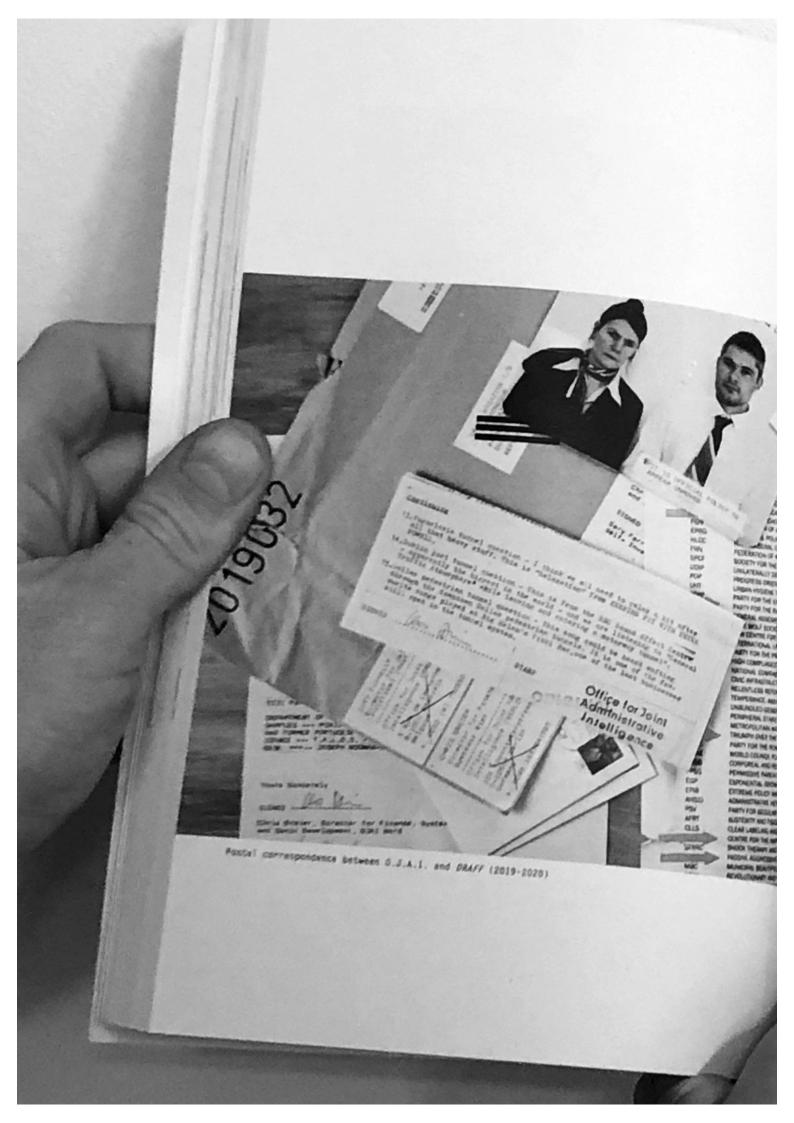
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GARY FARRELLY IS AN IRISH ARTIST BASED IN BRUSSELS WHO ENACTS HIS OWN VERSION OF BUREAUCRACY AS THE CORE OF HIS PRACTICE. CHRIS DREIER IS A GERMAN MUSICIAN AND ARTIST BASED IN BERLIN WHO SHARES GARY'S OBESSION WITH SYSTEMIC OVERLOAD.

IN 2015, THEY FOUNDED THE OFFICE FOR JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE INTELLIGENCE (O.J.A.I.). THROUGH POSTAL CORRESPONDENCE, PERFORMANCES, ANNUAL REPORTS, AUDITS, SUMMIT MEETINGS AND A RADIO SHOW, CHRIS AND GARY PRACTICE SELF-INSTITUTIONALISATION, BUILDING AGENCY BY COPYING THE MECHANICS OF OFFICIAL INSTITUTIONS. IN 2019, THEY HOSTED THE FIRST EVER EUROPEAN CONFERENCE OF INSTITUTIONAL IDEATORS (ECII). THEY ENJOY ACRONYMS, LISTS, FILLING IN FORMS, URBAN PEDESTRIAN TUNNELS AND THE LANGUAGE OF OFFICIALDOM.

THE FOLLOWING CONVERSATION BETWEEN O.J.A.I. AND DRAFF EDITOR RACHEL TOOK PLACE IN THE WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL BUILDINGS IN IRELAND IN JUNE 2019, AHEAD OF O.J.A.I.'S PERFORMANCE PLENARY SESSION 1.

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Auditing Intimacy

OFFICE FOR JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE INTELLIGENCE

EDITED BY GARY FARRELLY & CHRIS DREIER ZERO-DESK EDITIONS

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Self-Institutionalisation

The appropriation of bureaucratic aesthetics and procedures as an artistic strategy has a long history. Even though such practices predate the era of conceptual art, it was during the 1960's 'managerial revolution' in art¹ that self-institutionalisation became programmatic. Taking up the roles of 'managers' and 'clerks', conceptual artists were the first ones to outsource the production of their works (and not, as often assumed, to remove or 'dematerialise' the art object altogether), focusing instead on "registering, documenting, filing, listing, archiving and indexing of information". Many critics and art historians have interpreted those strategies as an attempt at revolutionising production, distribution and reception of art and a point of departure for the institutional critique. Such anti-institutional reading of conceptualism, however, seems to clash with the "quasi-conformist or mimetic side" of certain types of conceptual practices. This apparent contradiction, noticed already by Benjamin Buchloh and elaborated on by Camiel van Winkel, only seems problematic if we consider the two sides, critical and mimetic, as mutually exclusive.

In his essay on self-institutionalisation, commissioned by O.J.A.I. for the first European Conference of Institutional Ideators, Pádraic Moore complicates this dichotomy. He proposes a nuanced reading of administrative and bureaucratic procedures in the arts, drawing attention to their "more absurd, poetic, psychological and indeed pleasurable aspects", mostly unaccounted for by the popular reception of conceptualism. Those procedures, argues Moore, can be interpreted through the prism of Lacan's 'over-identification' — a particular coping/defense mechanism, where the oppressed adopts and internalises selected characteristics of the oppressor. By the same token, such over-identification may also have critical undertones, as when the oppressed transforms into an almost absurd, hyperbolised image of their oppressor, holding up a distorted mirror to reality. With this prospect in mind, Buchloh's suspicion that conceptual art might have "merely inscribed itself into the inescapable of a totally administered world" suddenly doesn't seem so categorically negative. This seemingly contradictory nature of self-institutionalisation — torn between activism and cynicism, critique and emulation of the system — is perhaps the very reason for its lasting attraction.

Ranging from playful mockery to perfect mimicry of 'occupational realism',6 contemporary para-institutional artistic practices are incredibly difficult to summarise. "The nature of this new mock-institutionalism is quite unlike the 'alternative art movements' of the 1960s and 1970s", Gregory Sholette posits in Dark Matter. "Though it borrows from these past tendencies... the new social architecture is discontinuous and contradictory, sometimes borrowing aspects of traditional not-for-profit organisations, at other times looking more like temporary commercial structures and still other times appearing as a semi-nomadic band or tribe stumbling across a battered social landscape made all the more dire by the economic collapse of 2007-8".7 Sholette claims that all those practices are means to the same end; "as if superimposing two different states of being in the world—one deeply suspicious of institutional authority of any sort and therefore informally organised, and one mimicking, sometimes with impressive precision, the actual function of institutions, these mock-institutions appear to be filling a gap left by a missing social reality".8 The pitfalls of such gap-filling applications of art were widely discussed, most notoriously by Claire Bishop in Artificial Hells (2012). Self-institutionalised groups are in a constant danger of being instrumentalised as "helpers of the state" executing a kind of work that de facto "affirms the existing social order without questioning it"9 and as safety valves, boxes to be ticked.

^{1, 2, 3.} Camiel Van Winkel, During the Exhibition *The Gallery Will Be Closed: Contemporary Art and the Paradoxes of Conceptualism* (Amsterdam: Valiz, 2012).
4. Pádraic E. Moore, "Institutional Ideators" in European Conference of Institutional Ideators, ed. Gary Farrelly & Chris Dreier (Berlin: Fantôme Verlag, 2019).
5. Benjamin Buchloch, "Conceptual Art 1962-1969: From the Aesthetic of Administration to the Critique of Institutions", October, no. 55 (1990); emphasis added.
6. Łukasz Białkowski, "From Artists Gone Underground to Occupational Realism. Remarks on Artistic Strategies based on Invisibility", Art Inquiry. Recherches sur les arts XX (2018). 7-8. Gregory Sholette, Dark Matter: Art and Politics in the Age of Enterprise Culture, (London: Pluto, 2010).



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Dear Christophe

Enclosed with this letter you'll find an invitation card to the inauguration of FRUIT ANXIETY, DESIRE AND METHOD an O.J.A.I. exhibition and performance program at SB34 Clovis. The project is curated by Pauline Hatzigeorgiou with scenography by Steven Jouwersma and performances by Marjolein Guldentops, Robin Faymonville and Julia Zinnbauer. FRUIT ANXIETY is the launch event for the new SB34 Clovis exhibition space and it is also the first time O.J.A.I. install their temperary headquarters in Brussels (previousiterations in Berlin, Wuppertal, Dallas and Maastricht).

The reason for this supplimentary correspondence is to invite you persenally to a performative lecture by Julia Zinnbauer about the history of The Headquarters, as an architectural, pelitical and economic concept. This event will start at 5pm sharp and we would really like you to be there After the lecture, O.J.A.I. will officially dedicate the space, followed by a performance by Marjolein, drinks and Scrutiny Of Goods On Display (SOGOD Performances by O.J.A.I. and Marjolein will be supplimented by a new performat ive work by Robin Faymonville at the finissage (13/1/22). Mere details about that will be released closer to the date.

Warmest regards and Administrative Embrace

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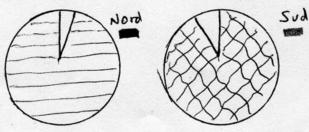
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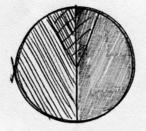
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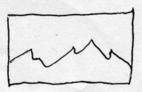


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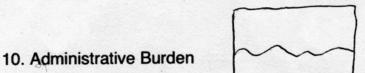
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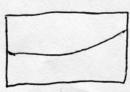
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