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## Why did we conduct this research:

Governing the sharing economy is one of the most complicated issues around this new approach to traditional economics. Also, data is a key feature of the sharing economy. Hence, is it possible to link both? Can data collection improve the decisions citizens take when it comes to policy-related decisions and city services? Policymaking from now on will have to re-think its approach and take into further consideration all the potential information enclosed in citizen's data.

## Key findings:

- The Barcelona case. Creation of a framework with various criteria to help them distinguish among initiatives that have a positive impact from those that are considered to be business as usual, or even have a negative effect on the city. In this approach, cooperatives and neighborhood projects, are privileged.
- Insights from the Rathenau Instituut regarding data collection and its capacity to protect the public interest.
- Sharing platform data helping to improve city services, the cases of New Orleans and Airbnb; New York City and Uber/Lyft; and Toronto and Alphabet.

*What type of policy approaches are appropriate to govern the complexities of the sharing economy? How can the use of sharing platform data improve policy decisions & city services? Which pioneering (city) governments encourage (sharing) platforms to share their data and how? In this magazine we will touch upon these questions to create a better understanding of what the sharing & platform economy means on a local level and how to respond appropriately.*



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