Value capture funding in the Netherlands

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A study into the application of value capture funding instruments in the Netherlands



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Alternative funding

London

- 'Economic propertybased levy'
- About 30% of funding derived from private parties

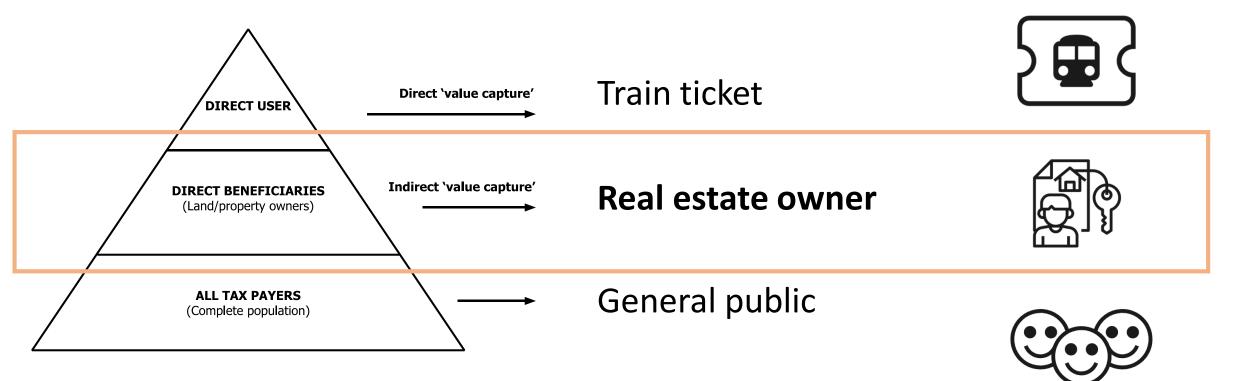


'Alternative funding'

Funding in addition to regular public funding

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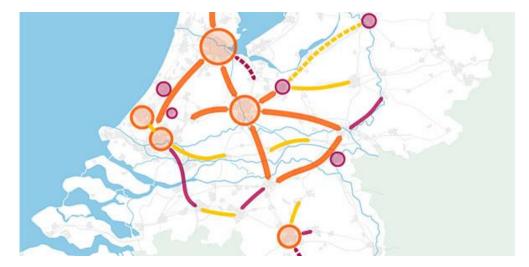
Value capturing Current Dutch infrastructure funding



Rising demand for mobility

Demand for mobility

- Faster than expected
- Mainly regional around cities



(NMCA, 2017)

Rising demand for housing

Demand for housing

- Need for 75.000 dwellings a year
- Desire to construct next to public transportation
- Accessibility is key



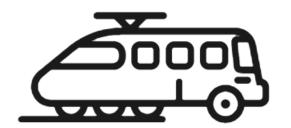
Decrease in funding

Decreasing funding

- Existing infrastructure needs maintenance
- More private involvement
- Subsidies



Funding problems



Demand for mobility





Housing in accessible locations

Decreasing public infrastructure funds

Research proposal

Goal and question

Goal

The identification of **to what extent value capture instruments can be applied** to fund public transportation infrastructure in the Dutch context

Question

How can the emerging public transportation infrastructure funding gap be filled by **capturing value accrued by private parties benefiting from public investments** in public transportation infrastructure in the Netherlands?

The research

Approach Presentation setup

- Step 1: Understanding
- Step 2: Studying
- Step 3: Applying
- Step 4: Concluding

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Step 1: Research background

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Distance to station=

3 kilometers

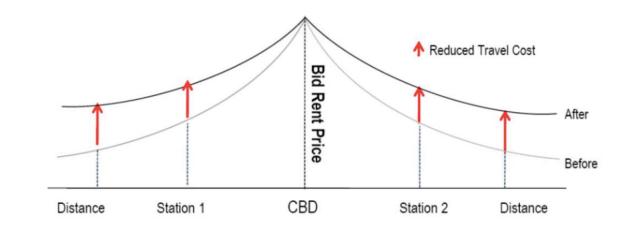
Distance to station=

500 meters

Understanding Step 1: Accessibility and land values

Classical theory on land value

- Cost of transportation decides land prices
- Near center of town (CBD) higher value



More factors to land value

- Amenities
- Parks

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(Kim & Lahr, 2013)

Step 1: Transportation upgrade value change characteristics

Contextual characteristics

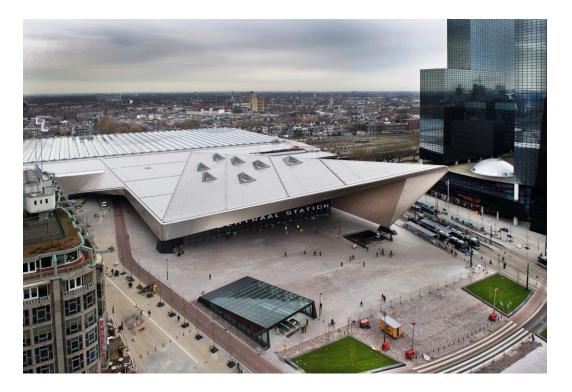
Public transport infrastructure characteristics

Development area characteristics

- Healthy real estate market
- Traffic congestion
- Travel time to center of town
- Link to center of town
- Regional catchment area
- Frequency of service
- Image of transportation
- Possibility for densification
- Real estate function
- Nuisance
- Alternative transport forms
- Supportive public policy

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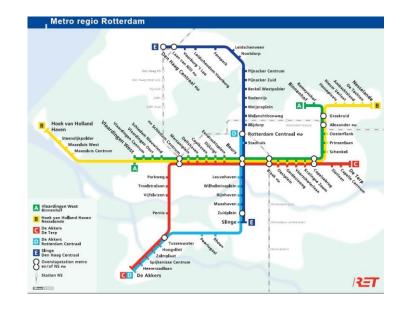


Step 1: Transportation upgrade value change

What if a new station opens or transportation is upgraded?:

- Light rail or regional connections
- 3% 5% rise in value
- Within the first 1 km
- Depending on local characteristics





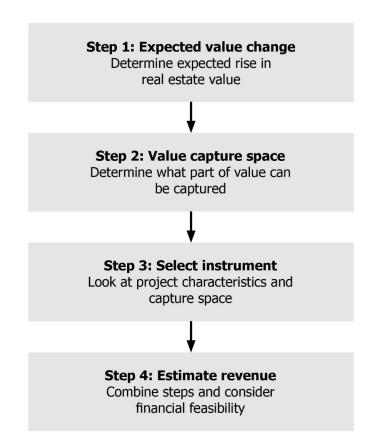
Step 1: Value capture process

What is the change in value?

How much can we capture?

How do we capture it?

What is the return?



Understanding Step 1: What is the change in value?

Case characteristics

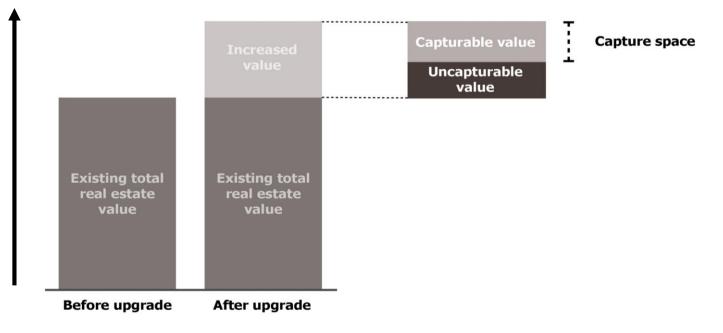
- Contextual characteristics
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- Development area characteristics



Step 1: How much can we capture?

Capture space:

- Development level
- Type of landownership
- Land ownership dispersion
- Timing of contract
- Degree of capitalization



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Step 1: How much can we capture?





Land ownership

Timing

Understanding Step 1: How do we capture it?

Local Dutch instruments

Foreign instruments cannot be copied

Promising instruments

- Levies on properties (OZB)
- Access charges (Heffing)





Understanding Step 1: How do we capture it?

Promising instruments

- Area property tax
- Redirection of property tax
- Betterment levy
- Additional transfer tax
- Access charges



Understanding Step 1: What is the return?

Legal feasibility

Public party has to prove who benefits and how much

Governance feasibility

Is the public party capable of efficiently capturing value



Financial feasibility

Can the party be sure of the funding through value capturing

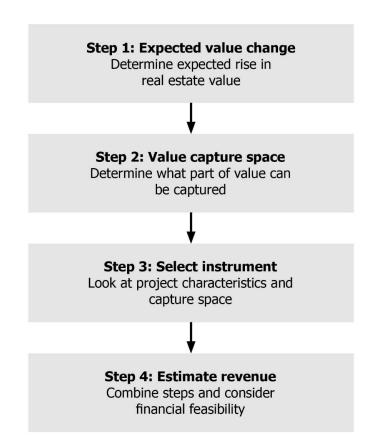
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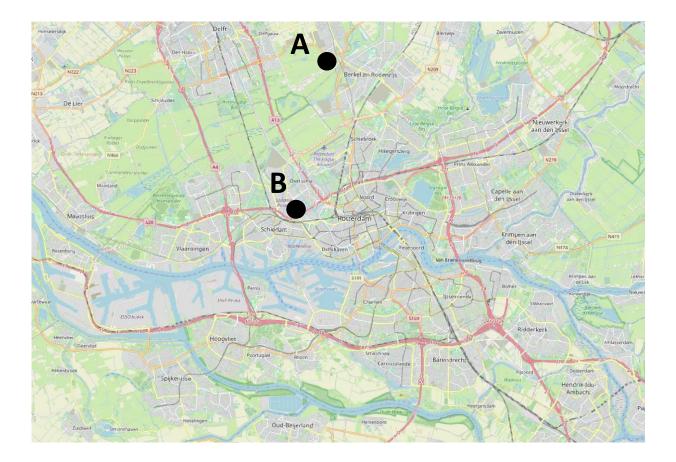
Studying Step 2: Case study

A. Retrospective case

- Randstadrail, Berkel Westpolder
- VINEX greenfield location
- Transformation of Hofpleinlijn 2005-2010

B. Prospective case

- Oude Lijn, Van Nelle location
- Inner-city brownfield
- Future NS line transfomation



Studying Step 2: Retrospective case, Berkel Westpolder

The case:

- Transformation of existing rail line + VINEX locations
- National top down approach to funding and development planning
- Mobility project success; high ridership
- Urban area development problematic for municipality

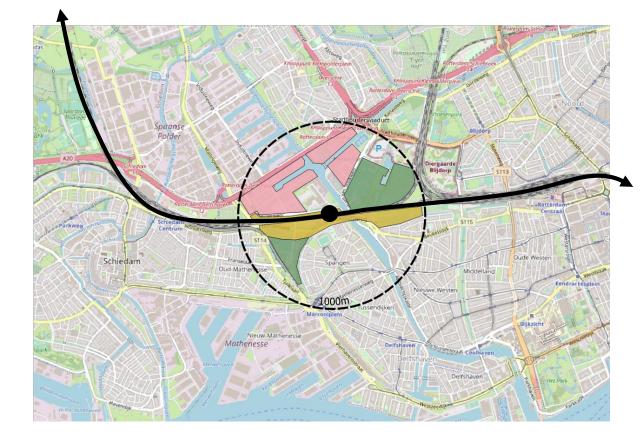




Studying Step 2: Retrospective case, Van Nelle

The case:

- New station location and transformation of the area
- Inner-city location
- Municipality and region responsible for development



Studying Step 2: Retrospective case findings, Van Nelle

Findings:

- Rotterdam takes leading role in development
- Space for thousands of homes
- Already near the city center
- Area south of the line already accessible



Applying Step 3: Expected value change

Berkel Westpolder

- Berkel Westpolder location has high expected rise in value
- 5% increase
- € 100 million value rise in real estate

- Van Nelle location has medium potential for a value increase
- 4% increase
- € 140 million value rise in real estate

Determinant	Berkel Westpolder	Van Nelle Fabriek
Contextual characteristics		
Healthy real estate market	+	++
Traffic congestion	++	+
Public transport infrastructure characteristics		
Travel time to CBD	++	+
Link to CBD	+	++
Regional catchment area	++	0
Frequency of service	++	+
Image of transportation	++	+
Development area characteristics		
Possibility for densification	+	++
Real estate function	0	+
Nuisance	+	-
Public transport alternatives	+	-
Alternative transport	-	
forms/infrastructure		
Supportive public policy	-	++

Applying Step 3: Value capture space

Berkel Westpolder

- Capture space fully depleted for the Berkel Westpolder case
- When project commenced capture space was already small
- Lack of professional development and planning

- Captures space is large is planning is in early phase
- Land ownership mainly at municipality
- Timing and professional organization are now important

Applying Step 3: Instrument selection

Berkel Westpolder

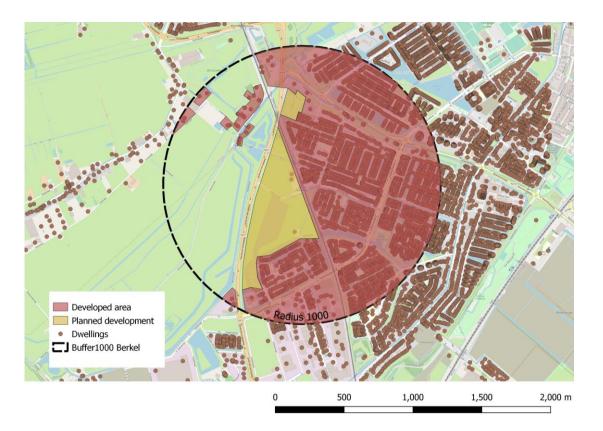
- Today the access charge is the best choice
- At time of development, value capturing through redirection of property tax

- All instruments can still be used as plan making is in early phase
- Land is all owned by municipality and will development and accessibility be integrated?

Applying Step 3: Estimation of revenue and financial feasibility

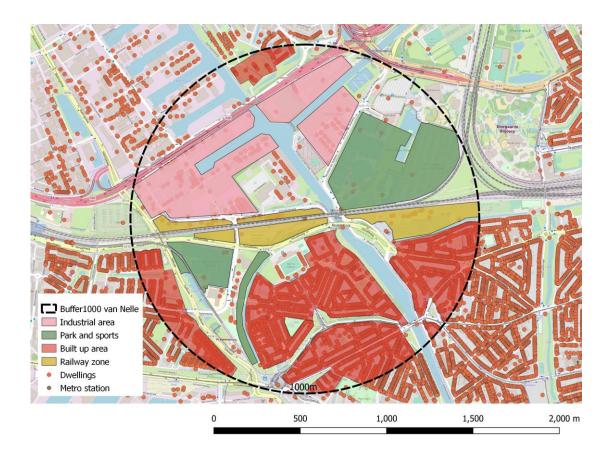
Berkel Westpolder

- Small municipality
- In the past municipality too small and unprofessional
- Value capturing not financially feasible



Applying Step 3: Estimation of revenue and financial feasibility

- New development
- Early in the process
- Large public organization
- Value capturing might be financially feasible



Conclusions

Research goal

Goal and question

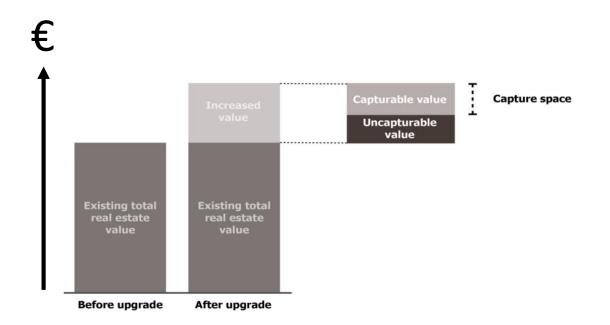
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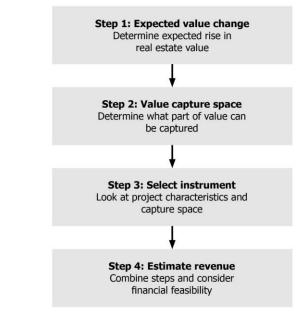
- Expected rise in value can be substantial
- The capture space is leading in choice for an instrument
- Dutch instruments are new and require professional organization and a regional approach



Conclusions Main conclusions

The capture process

- Find the expected rise in value
- Base instrument choice on capture space
- Create business case considering financial feasibility



Conclusions

Answering the main research question

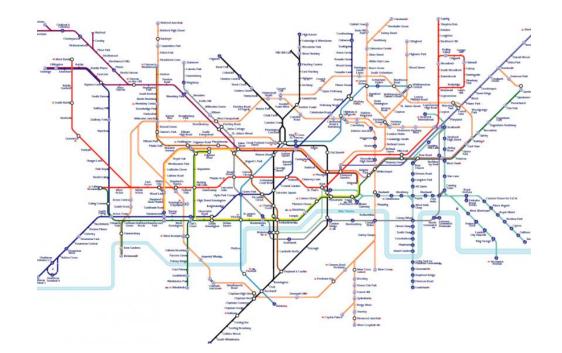
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How can the emerging public transportation infrastructure funding gap be filled by **capturing value accrued by private parties benefiting from public investments** in public transportation infrastructure in the Netherlands?

- Start early
- Create a professional and preferably regionally operating organization
- Combining infrastructure development with urban development is beneficial
- Take existing Dutch taxation instruments

Discussion Research limitations

- Limited transferability of foreign examples
- Lessons learned may not be applicable everywhere in the Netherlands
- Advanced statistical models may provide more accurate image of value change



Recommendations

For further research:

- Study more urban development and transit development cases
- Further research into the feasibility and legal risks of performing value capturing
- Research into what changes must be made to Dutch legislation to make the instruments applicable

In practice

- Find a way to standardize the valuation procedure
- Take away the large legal risks by formalizing instruments
- Policymakers should not only look at the increase in value

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