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Marijke recently rejoined MKThink, a San Francisco-based think-tank for the built environment, as Principal and Partner. Prior to MKThink, Marijke led market growth for MKThink's successful spin-off, Project Frog, a pre-fab sustainable building company. At Frog, Marijke was responsible for defining, expanding, and shepherding its component building solutions nationally in the education, civic and retail sectors. She has focused her career around optimizing the nexus between people and place, working with leading PK-14, university, and civic organizations to help optimize the economic and human potential of their built environments. Trained in history and urban planning at Columbia University and then Columbia's Graduate School of Architecture in New York City, Marijke's career has been influenced by a complex array of assignments, large and small. Her work is framed by a deep commitment to creating healthy, vibrant, and sustainable places -- a commitment that landed her on Building Design + Construction's 2008 "40 Under 40" list. Prior to MKThink and Frog, Marijke directed the Strategies Group at Perkins Eastman Architects in NYC and led Community Affairs for the Moynihan Station Redevelopment Corporation. Her work has been featured in Wired Magazine, Preservation Magazine, and the New York Times, among other publications. She serves on the Board of the Willow Creek Academy, a public charter school in Sausalito California.