

MAKE THINGS HAPPEN - GREENER

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GREENER

361 measurable benefits

Multiple and cumulative effects and benefits

Potential Functions and Benefits of Urban Green Spaces

Urban green spaces ...

- ... play a key role for recreation, enhance the quality of life for people living and working in an urban area and provide locations for different leisure, sport and play activities.
- ... help promote healthy lifestyles.
- ... contribute to social inclusion, to community development and citizenship and provide venues for cultural and social events.

Social

Functions

Economic

Benefits

... support environmental education and lifelong learning as an educational resource and help develop better understanding concerning ecological and environmental processes.

Urban green spaces ...

- .. serve as a factor in the location of new businesses.
- ... invigorate local businesses and neighbourhood economies by attracting tourists and investment.
- ... offer direct employment opportunities for those people who develop, manage and maintain the sites.

Design and Planning

Ecological

Functions

and

Environmental

Benefits

Urban green spaces ...

- ... support the protection of natural resources.
- ... provide wild life habitat and positively affect species diversity.
- ... mitigate environmental stress associated with the urban climate, by their ecological regulatory

effects, absorption of emissions, the reduction of noise, reducing air pollution, controlling water run-off and form important elements for storm water management and sustainable urban drainage systems.

Urban green spaces ...

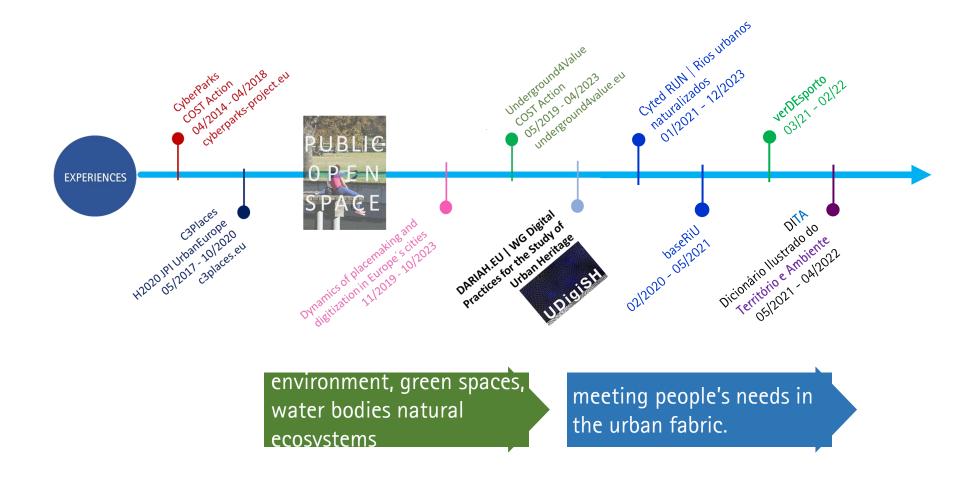
- ... define the urban structure.
- ... give local character and identity, provide distinctive landscape and give legibility and structure to the urban
- ... contribute to the aesthetic, historical and cultural identity of a city, provide a natural balance to built form and can be developed as a green network to ensure contact with the natural world.

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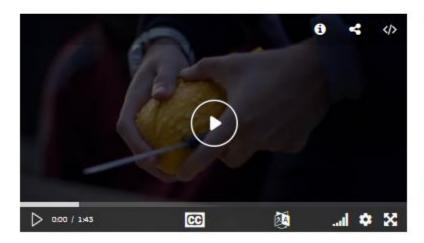






https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/european-green-deal





Climate change and environmental degradation are an existential threat to Europe and the world. To overcome these challenges, the European Green Deal will transform the EU into a modern, resource-efficient and competitive economy, ensuring:

- · no net emissions of greenhouse gases by 2050
- economic growth decoupled from resource use
- · no person and no place left behind

The European Green Deal is also our lifeline out of the COVID-19 pandemic. One third of the 1.8 trillion euro investments from the NextGenerationEU Recovery Plan, and the EU's seven-year budget will finance the European Green Deal.

nature-based solutions



Nature in cities ...



public spaces green spaces | green infrastructure

ONLY OPPORTUNITY TO MEET NATURE IN CITIES

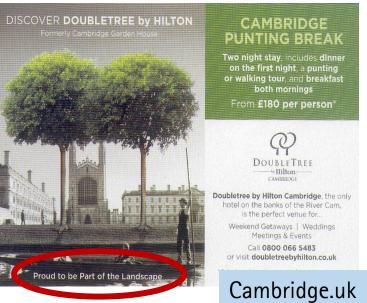
private spaces ...

















USA



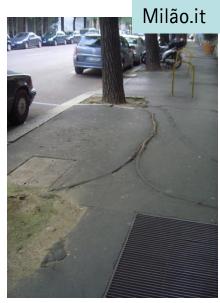


Maybe one day all cities will be gardens









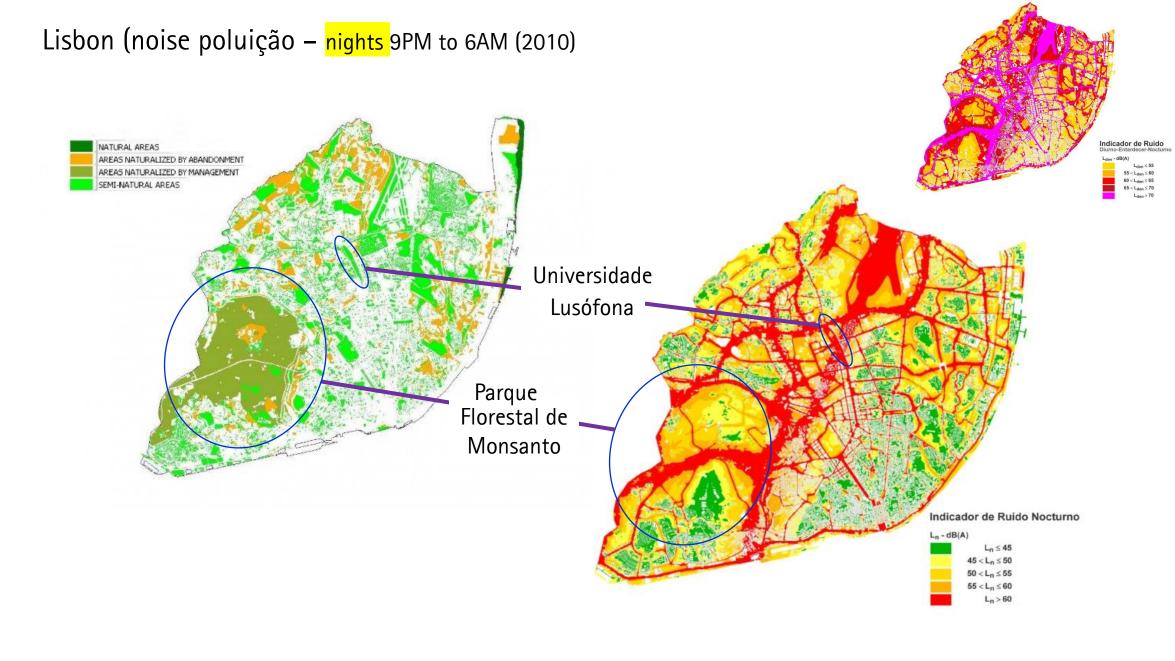
... biophobic cities?

... biophilic

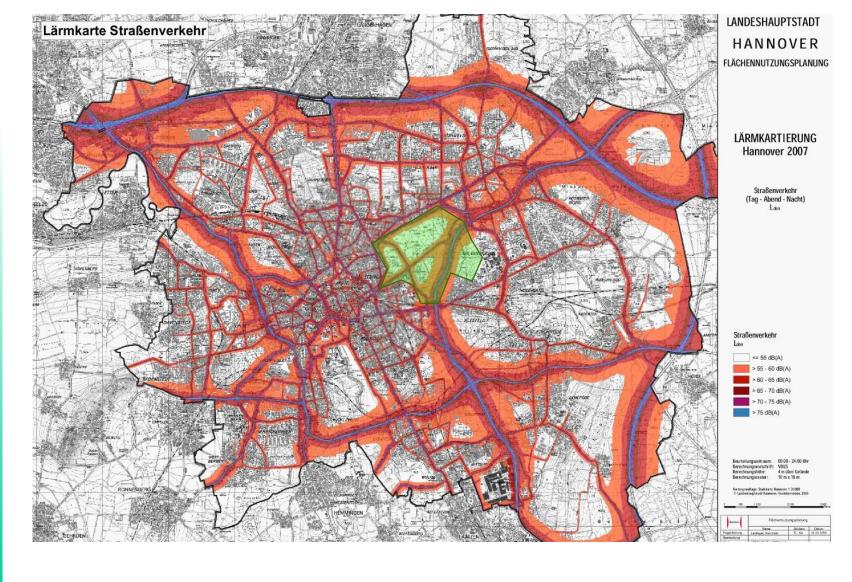


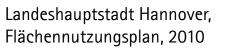














640 ha
Centro de Educação Ambiental
2 trilhas de exercícios
8 clareiras/gramados para banhos de sol
9 playgrounds
80 km de trilhas para caminhadas
38 km de ciclovias
11 km percurso equestre

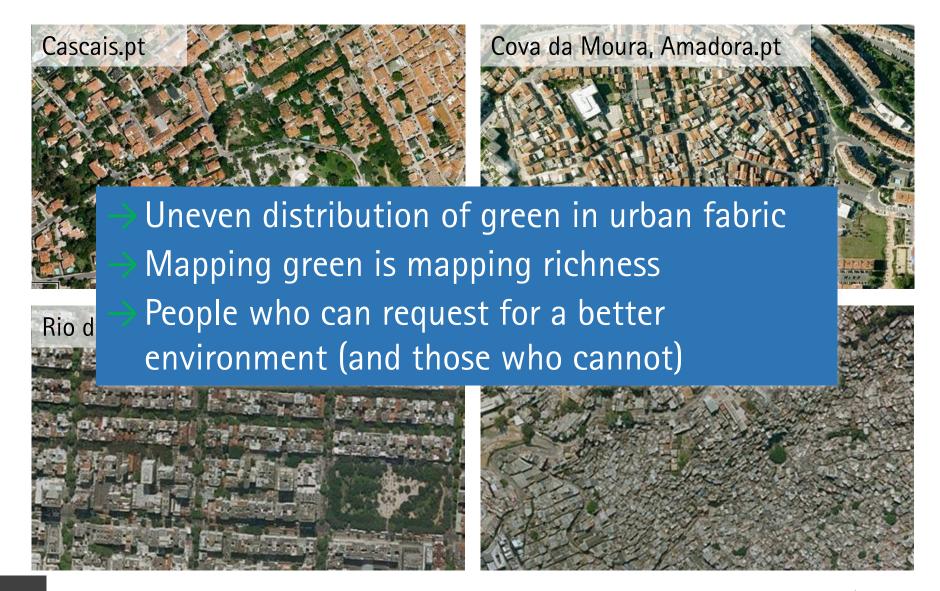


social inequities & green infrastructure





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IS THIS A GOOD SIGN?

a green park instead a parking slot



"Agora o Câmara de Lisboa vai ter conversar e trabalhar connosco ... "

Now the Lisbon Council will have to talk to us and work with us ...





Lisbon Participatory budgeting



wilderness



"Biodiversität im urbanen Raum – Wie?" Forstering biodiversity in densily built up areas

2016 - 2018 | 2019 - 2021 German Nature Foundation Leibniz University Hannover/ Hannover City Council

https://www.staedte-wagen-wildnis.de



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- High density built up neighbourhoods
- Uneven provision of neighbourhoods with green spaces



- Local opportunities and constraints
- Local micro-climate
- "natural areas" in urban settings



- Develop construction technology for "small" green
- demonstration through pilot project





salami tactic

Hannover.de



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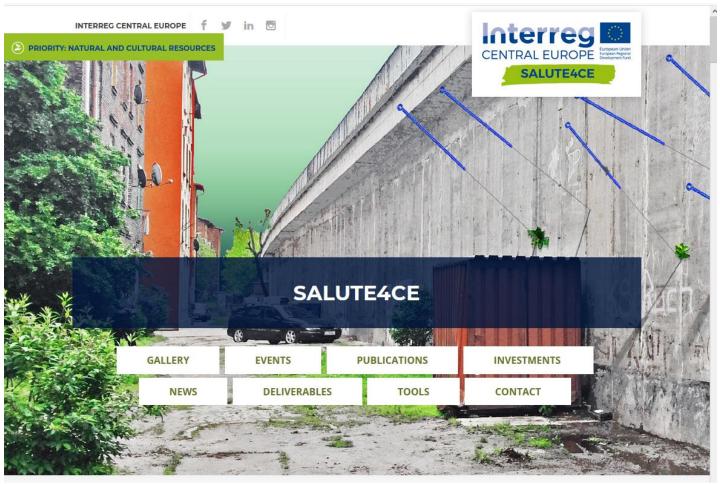
urban acupuncture



SALUTE4CE

INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT OF SMALL GREEN
SPOTS IN FUNCTIONAL URBAN AREAS
FOLLOWING THE IDEA OF ACUPUNCTURE





https://www.interreg-central.eu/Content.Node/SALUTE4CE.html

raise awareness, impart knowledge towards motivate behaviour change.

Jane Jacobs (1961) > spatial approach: Jacobs addressed the functions of **sidewalks** and gradually augmented her attention to public spaces, green spaces, and parks before she dealt with the built environment.











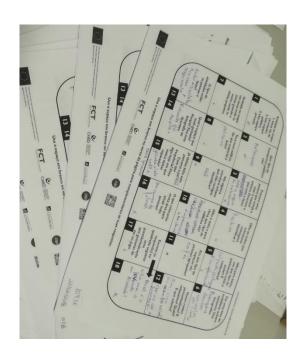






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Nature connotes many settings ...

- the word nature is intended to be broad and inclusive (although, for the most part, the discussion excludes fauna)
- → nature here is not limited to those <u>faraway</u>, <u>vast</u>, <u>and pristine places where there has been little human</u> <u>intervention</u>, <u>or to places designated as "natural areas"</u>
- → Nature in cities includes the often as "green" described areas: parks and open spaces, meadows and abandoned fields, street trees and backyard gardens ...
- → places near and far, common and unusual, managed and unkempt, small, big, and in-between > where plants grow by human design or even despite it.
- → nature includes plants and various forms of vegetation and their arrangement/coexistence/interaction in a space and to other elements in the environment





More than Weeds https://morethanweeds.co.uk



Road Map towards better green cities

- → Decrease (over-)exploitation of the natural resources
- → Invest in green infrastructure
- → Reduce car dependency
- → Inclusive cities

Greening is however a common good and more than just an addition, it's a pathway to healthy people, and liveable cities











MAKE CHANGES HAPPEN

- Societal Pressure >> to Change Policies and Politics
- Compliance with Development Instruments and setting new policies
- **Proactive Leadership** understanding when there is a need for change (and when it does not) and who can be the **drivers**
- Networking and Learning Process > multi-disciplinary approach, a comprehensive scope is a warrant in the delivery of cost-effective and long-term sustainable solutions and this throughout each phase of planning process
- *The Role of Design* > good design is fundamental to achieving high-quality, attractive spaces and places that are socially, economically and environmentally sustainable







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(urban) Planers & co.



innovative ideas



Decision taking



urban agenda







Tiergarten_Berlin_2012

Bansky_LA 2010

(Garden) Green can not make us good but they can make us better!

Damon Young

Choose more nature, not less technology Sue Thomas

thanks