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Partner organisations

No.	Name	Short name	Country
1	RHEINISCH-WESTFAELISCHE TECHNISCHE HOCHSCHULE AACHEN	RWTH	Germany
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Abbreviations

proGlreg:productive Green Infrastructure for post-industrial urban regenerationNBS:nature-based solutions



Executive Summary

This report provides an overview of the programme and contents of the proGlreg kick-off conference which took place in Dortmund from September 25 to 26, 2018 and was attended by 110 participants from within the proGlreg project consortium and external participants.



1. Kicking off proGlreg

To kick-off the innovative green regeneration project proGlreg, a conference took place in Dortmund on September 25 and 26, 2018. The conference venue "Alte Schmiede" is the former forge of coal mine Hansa which has been transformed into a cultural centre used and managed by the local citizen's associations. It is located within the Dortmund proGlreg Living Lab area in the borough of Huckarde. The conference aimed to introduce the topic of nature-based solutions for urban regeneration to the wider public and also was an important event for the consortium. Hence it was connected to project-internal meetings such as the General Assembly, work package and Board meetings for getting updated, project planning and discussions, taking place on the 24 and 26 of September.

The conference was structured by plenary presentations and panel discussions on nature-based solutions, their replication, upscaling and business models (see programme in the next chapter). Speakers included the Lord Mayor of Dortmund Ullrich Sierau, the EASME project officer Ugo Guarnacci, proGlreg Ethics Board member Stefan Böschen (RWTH Aachen), work package leaders from proGlreg and stakeholders from the Dortmund Living Lab.

The proGIreg front runner cities of Dortmund (Germany), Turin (Italy), Zagreb (Croatia) and the follower cities Zenica (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Cascais (Portugal), Piraeus (Greece) and Cluj-Napoca (Romania) presented the post-industrial areas of their cities and related challenges in a dynamic market place format. The front runner cities presented plans for their Living Labs, which are being regenerated through nature-based solutions (NBS).

The programme included a field visit to the local industrial heritage site within the Living Lab, the Hansa coking plant on the 25th. On the 26th an extended field visit was organised to the urban renewal area in the district Dortmund-Hörde. It included the PHOENIX See project, which was awarded with the German national Prize for Urbanism 2018 ("Deutscher Städtebaupreis", granted by the Deutsche Akademie für Städtebau und Landesplanung). The site of a former steel factory has been transformed into an area for housing and economic activities around a new lake as its central public space. The tour presented the lake and its water management as a NBS as well as smaller projects of co-creation with local citizens and the PHOENIX West business park which is under development on another former steelworks site. Guided by local experts, these visits gave participants inspiration for their own upcoming urban regeneration plans and NBS implementation.

110 participants attended the conference, 75 of them representing the 32 consortium partners and the future Chinese partner organisation IUE-CAS. The other participants included representatives from other Horizon 2020 NBS-projects, local stakeholders from the Ruhr region as well as persons from other European countries interested in topics discussed during the conference.



2. Public programme

	Tuesday 25/09/2018: Conference on Nature-Based Solutions
9:00	Venue: Alte Schmiede, Hülshof 32, 44369 Dortmund-Huckarde Registration and coffee
	Welcome and Introduction
9:30	Urban green infrastructure: success stories and future ambitions Ullrich Sierau, Lord Mayor of the City of Dortmund
10:00	Nature-based solutions in the EU strategies for inclusive urban regeneration Ugo Guarnacci, European Commission, Executive Agency for Small and Medium sized Enterprises (EASME)
10:20	Making nature-based solutions work: Horizon 2020 innovation action proGIreg Axel Timpe, RWTH Aachen University, proGIreg coordination
	Living Labs: Cities in Research and Innovation
10:45	Living Labs: Cities in Research and Innovation Living Labs: promises and challenges of a new research infrastructure Stefan Böschen, proGIreg Ethics Board / RWTH Aachen University HumTec
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13:00	After-lunch Walk in the Dortmund Living Lab / Visit of Hansa Coking Plant Visiting the former coking plant conserved and reused as an industrial heritage site, explanation of the implemented nature-based solution for stormwater management
	Living Lab Dortmund-Huckarde
14:45	From old industries to new gardens: Emscher Green Corridor and International Garder Exhibition Metropole Ruhr Stefan Thabe, City of Dortmund – Urban Planning
15:10	Productive city: ideas for community-based aquaponics and urban gardening Jan Bunse, die Urbanisten e.V.
	Challenges and Solutions: proGlreg Cities' Market Place
15:30	Front runner and follower cities present their challenges, Living Labs and planned na- ture-based solutions at market stands with posters, models and information material
16:40	Coffee break
	Nature-Based Solutions Reference Base and Replication
17:00	Making performance measurable: nature-based solutions benefit assessment Carlo Calfapietra, Consiglio Nazionale Delle Ricerche Italy
17:20	Making nature-based solutions a business: replication strategies through business models Bernd Pölling, South Westphalia University of Applied Sciences
17:40	Concluding Remarks and Prospects for the proGlreg Project
	Frank Lohrberg, RWTH Aachen University
18:00	End of conference

Wednesday 26/09/2018: Public Field Trip

Venue: Hermannstraße at subway station Dortmund-Hörde Bahnhof (Line U41) at old clock 'Schlanke Mathilde'

13:00 Field Trip: Urban Regeneration and Green Infrastructure in Dortmund

- Blue-green infrastructure PHOENIX See: new lake on a former steelworks site
- Renaturing the Emscher River as part of the Emscher Landschaftspark

- PHOENIX-West: combining industrial heritage and new economic activities

- Urban gardening Dortmund Hörde

Presented by City of Dortmund and die Urbanisten e.V.

17:00 Back at Dortmund Central Station



3. Photo documentation

An extended photo documentation of the conference can be found here: https://www.flickr.com/photos/iclei_europe/sets/72157674046073918/

Figure 1 The venue "Alte Schmiede" offered an inviting setting for the conference



Lucy Russell

Figure 2 Participants listening to the presentations



Teresa Kops

Figure 3 Discussion with the CLEVER cities project leader



Teresa Kops



Figure 4 Discussions during the cities' market place



Teresa Kops

Figure 5 Discussions during the cities' market place

Lucy Russell



Teresa Kops



Figure 7 Field visit Hansa coking plant



Teresa Kops Figure 10 Field visit Hansa coking plant

Figure 8 Field visit Hansa coking plant



Rieke Hansen Figure 9 Field visit Hansa coking plant



Teresa Kops



Rieke Hansen



Figure 11 Field visit Dortmund Hörde: the newly developed PHOENIX See



Teresa Kops

Figure 12 Field visit Dortmund Hörde



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Figure 13 Field visit Dortmund Hörde



Teresa Kops



Rieke Hansen

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Annexes

Annex A: Registered participants

No.	Organisation (for reasons of data protection names of participants have been removed; bold letters represent persons that are part of the proGIreg consortium)
1	Amt für Wohnen und Stadterneuerung
2	Aquaponik Manufaktur GmbH
3	aquaponik manufatur GmbH
4	Bezirksamt Harburg / Dezernat Wirtschaft, Bauen und Umwelt
5	Cascais
6	Cascais
7	Cascais Ambiente
8	CIBIO / FCUP
9	City of Dortmund
10	City of Dortmund
11	City of Dortmund
12	City of Hamburg, Senate Chancellery
13	City of Piraeus
14	City of torino
15	City of Torino



16	City of Torino
17	City of Zagreb Bureau for Physical Planning (ZZPUGZ)
18	City of Zagreb, Bureau for physical planning, ZZPUGZ
19	CITY OF ZAGREB, Office of Strategic Planning and Development of the City
20	City of Zenica
21	City of Zenica
22	Cluj Metropolitan Association
23	Cluj Metropolitan Association
24	Cluj Municipality, chief architect
25	CNR
26	CNR
27	CNR
28	Comune di Torino
29	Consultancy Research & Innovation/ Architecture / Planning _ Mari Carmen Garcia Mateo
30	сото
31	DGGL LV Ruhrgebiet
32	die Urbanisten
33	die Urbanisten e.V.
34	Die Urbanisten e.V.



35	DOGEWO21
36	Dortmunder Bio-Hof Schulte-Uebbing
37	DUAL SRL
38	Environment Park Spa
39	EU
40	European Federation of Green Roof and Living Wall Associations - EFB
41	Fachhochschule Südwestfalen
42	Faculty of Architecture University of Zagreb
43	Faculty of architecture University of Zagreb
44	Fh Soest
45	FH Südwestfalen
46	FH Südwestfalen
47	FH-Südwestfalen (SWUAS)
48	Fondazione della Comunità di Mirafiori ONLUS
49	GrüneG eG
50	Hamburgisches WeltWirtschaftsInstitut
51	Häme University of Applied Sciences, HAMK
52	heitro gmbh
53	IBAF-CNR



54	ICLEI
55	ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability
56	ICLEI European Secretariat
57	ICLEI European Secretariat
58	ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability
59	Institute of Urban Environment, Chinese Academy of Sciences
60	Institute of Urban Environment, Chinese Academy of Sciences
61	ISGlobal
62	ISGlobal
63	ITEMS International
64	James Hutton Institute
65	KEAN
66	KEAN Kyttaro Enallaktikon Anazitiseon Neon
67	KEAN-Cell of Alternative Youth Activities
68	Landwirtschaftskammer NRW
69	Lehrstuhl für Landschaftsarchitektur, RWTH Aachen University
70	LGV
71	lohrberg stadtlandschaftsarchitektur
72	lohrberg stadtlandschaftsarchitektur



73	Lohrberg stadtlandschaftsarchitektur
74	N.N.
75	N.N.
76	ORTIALTI
77	OrtiAlti
78	Planergruppe Oberhausen
79	Politecnico di Torino
80	Politecnico di Torino
81	Project Managment Jülich
82	Projektträger Jülich
83	Rat der Stadt Dortmund
84	Regionalverband Ruhr
85	Regionalverband Ruhr
86	Regionalverband Ruhr (RVR)
87	REICHER HAASE ASSOZIIERTE GmbH
88	RWTH Aachen
89	RWTH Aachen University
90	RWTH Aachen University
91	RWTH Aachen University



92	RWTH Aachen University, Institute of Landscape Architecture
93	RWTH Aachen University, Institute of Landscape Architecture
94	Soziales Zentrum Dortmund e.V.
95	Stadt Dortmund
96	Stadtplanungs- und Bauordnungsamt
97	Starlab Barcelona SL
98	SWUAS
99	TRANSMITTER Potenzialentwicklung
100	Uni Duisburg
101	UNIBA
102	University of Bari
103	University of Turin
104	UNIVERSITY OF TURIN
105	URBASOFIA
106	Werkhof Projekt Die Gärtnerei
107	Westfälisch-Lippischer Landwirtschaftsverband
108	Wirtschaftsförderung Dortmund
109	Zenica Development Agency ZEDA
110	ZIPS



Annex B: Social Media Coverage of the conference



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12 years ago, this space was completely built up with no water to be seen: by 2011, the Phoenix Lake was opened and is one of the best-known recent redevelopment projects in Germany. The **#proGIreg** team visits the site in #Dortmund!

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Field visit to the Hansa coking plant in **#Dortmund.** Over the next 5 years, the city will implement new nature-based solutions with and for citizens in post-industrial areas of the city through the #H2020 #proGIreg project!



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emphasises the importance and potential of adaptive reuse of areas of industrial heritage for inclusive regeneration - where better to do this than in *#Dortmund*, *#Zagreb* and #Turin as part of #H2020 #proGIreg?



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Annex C: Posters City Market Place and public presentations

All proGlreg front-runner and follower cities presented their urban regeneration challenges, their existing green infrastructure and their plans on NBS in the cities market place. The posters used for this are displayed in this annex.

All proGIreg Work Package leads, the head of the External Ethics Board and the local stakeholders from the Living Lab in Dortmund presented their plans for the project in public presentations. The presentation slides are presented in this annex, but are incomplete without the oral presentation held at the conference.

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Dortmund and its Green Infrastructure

Industrial Heritage

In the 19th century Dortmund as part of the Ruhr region became a strong economic centre for coal, steel, and beer production and a melting pot for immigrants. During World War II the city centre and the coal and steel industry areas were almost completely destroyed. In the 1950's the traditional industry regained strength, but declined from the 1960's. In 1987 Dortmund's last coal mine closed, in 2001 the last steel mill. Within two decades more than 80 000 people lost their jobs.

Early on, Dortmund started to create a new economic base and to diversify its industrial infrastructure. In 1968 Dortmund opened its university. Today, together with other public and private universities Dortmund offers a wide educational spectrum thus generating a highly educated workforce which is an important base to manage structural change. Within few decades Dortmund has changed from a traditional coal and steel town into a modern tertiary centre with a diversified industrial structure, strong in logistics, informatics, biomedicine and microsystems technology. With its economic and structural change, Dortmund as well has changed its visual appearance from an industry city to a modern centre with a high quality of living. Former industrial sites have been reused for industry, living, and green infrastructure. This process is still ongoing, causing decline and chances for urban development at the same time. Over the past decades the city has managed to connect green spaces thus creating a green, attractive recreational network. It combines large parks with green areas along rivers, on former industrial sites or railway lines thus giving the opportunity to walk to bike over longer distances within green corridors. Today, Dortmund is Germany's 8th largest city with more than 600.000 inhabitants, moderately growing and attracting again young families to move in.

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Regeneration Challenges



Green Infrastructure

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PHOENIX Lake with its adjacent park and housing areas has become one of Dortmund's favorite leisure areas on a former steel works site. The lake also serves as a retention pond.



Railway tracks, formerly connecting montane areas, nowadays serve as a network of green corridors, attractive for hiking and biking.



tadt Dortmund, Dagmar Knappe

The 400 ha area of Westfalenhülte, a former coking plant and steel works, is currently under a step-by-step reconstruction. Next to already visiting steel manufacturing industries and research institu tes it will be a place to settle further logistics companies in the near future. 10 km © urban atlas, edited



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Dortmund has numerous residential areas built around 1900 for former workers of the coal and sole industry which novadays need renorvation. As its residents are socially underprivileged public money is needed to renovate these areas. Currently, Dortmund has 11 urban reneval areas.



Westfalenpark with its landmark TV tower 'Florian' is located 2 km south of the city center. It has been the location of two former national garden exhibitions, is a popular park and a well-known place for concerts and exhibitions.



The 45 hectares large area of Hoesch Spundwand, a former steel works, is abandoned since 2015. Numerous challenges like contaminated soils or financing models need to be solved, but give chance to upgrade a devastated urban area into an attractive place for living, working and recreation.



Thanks for contribution to: Dagmar Knappe





Dortmund

as a Living Lab

Living Lab area

Dortmund's Living Lab extends along the Emscher river for about 5 km mostly as a narrow belt. Here, the river is flowing about 2 km west of Dortmund city center in south-north direction between Dortmund-Dorstfeld and Kokerei Hansa.

The Living Lab encompasses about 215 ha and embraces mostly urban green spaces, except the 10 ha area of Kokerei Hansa in the north and the abandoned steel factory HSP in the southeast (45 ha).

For almost 100 years the canalized 83 km long Emscher has been the Ruhr area's wastewater sewage. Due to land subsidence caused by coal mining it was not possible for long to build an underground canal system. East of the Emscher a 45 ha large area had been filled with waste. In 1926/1927 east of Dortmund-Huckarde Kokerei Hansa had been constructed.

Today, Kokerei Hansa is one of Dortmund's most important indus-trial historic relicts and a famous museum for industrial heritage within the Ruhr region. The former waste dump Deusenberg has piled up to a 50m elevation and since 2004, it is a leisure place for mountain bikers and a popular destination for promenades. In 2016, a 3,5 megawatt solar plant has been installed on top of the mountain

The Living Lab is close to two populated Dortmund districts: Dorstfeld in the south and Huckarde in the north. Due to the Emscher river, adjacent large streets, artificial dams and noise protection walls it is isolated and hardly integrated into urban structures or pathway systems. Both neighbouring urban quarters are socially underprivileged and therefore have gained special attention regarding urban development in past years. For Dort-mund-Huckarde an urban development plan is currently at work. Most brownfield sites have been cleaned, nevertheless, the area is more or less completely anthropogenically influenced.

Living Lab Plans

Dortmund will concentrate on the following nature-based solutions. situated mainly in the northern part of its Living Lab:

NBS 1+6:

Integrating solar energy production and sport activities on Deusenberg to strengthen its attractivity as well as connecting Huckarde with renatured Emscher and Deusenberg to improve accessibility of different points of interest.

NBS 3+8:

Creating 1 ha food forest and permaculture orchard in combina-tion with pollinator biodiversity together with Huckarde residents to establish productive green infrastructure close to residential housing and to increase native plant variety.

NBS 4

Establishing a community managed 200 m² aquaponics system to figure out technical ways to run these systems economically and involving Huckarde citizens.

Intention is to improve social, economic, and environmental qualities simultaneously via these measures. In order to establish sustainable effects, the involvement of the adjacent population and strategic stakeholders is important.

Dortmund Living Lab overlaps with other ambitious community based development plans:

- International Garden Exhibition (IGA) 2027: The Living Lab will be part of Dortmund's "future gardens" focusing on the question "How do we want to live tomorrow?" and attracting considerable amounts of money for further infrastructure investments supporting to attract the green corridor
- Urban development plan "Dortmund-Huckarde" to improve living conditions (housing and green infrastructure) within the urban district west of the Living Lab

nordwärts ('going north'): urban development decade project to improve social, economic, and environmental conditions in Dortmund's seven northern districts; the Living Lab is part of this project area

All community plans complement each other's objectives in the Living Lab as part of a long-term urban renewal strategy.

Current Situation

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Dortmund Living Lab extends as a narrow belt adjacent to noise protection walls, streets, and anthropogenic dams.





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Emscher river, renatured



NBS Focus Area Urban Regeneration Areas

Water surfaces

Existing greenspaces

inks for contribution to: Dagmar Knapp

- (4) Aquaponics as soil-less agriculture for polluted sites 6 Making brownfields and renatured river corridors accessible
- ← proGlreg funding ← Other funding
- (8) Pollinator biodiversity improvement activities and citizen science project 0 100 200m







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Dortmund

and its Focus NBS

NBS no.4 aquaponics as soil-less agriculture for polluted sites

Installation of a community managed 200 m² aquaponics system

The plan is to design, build and run a 200 m² lower tech, low cost aquaponics greenhouse. Aquaponics combines water-based aquaculture and hydroculture into a resource-friendly circulating system. The soilless cultivation system allows usage of areas with poor soil condition or even with contaminated soil, which makes it suitable for food production on post-industrial sites

The inclusion of local citizens into the aquaponics project is intended. Therefore, the system should be suitable for community investment, community building and community operation.

expected benefits:

Vegetables and fish, locally produced in urban regeneration areas in community aquaponics systems can lead to healthier diets, and to community-pride on self-produced nutrition. If scaled to business level, they might also help to create new green jobs and lower dependence on transfer-income

NBS no.3 & 8

community-based urban gardening and farming & pollinator biodiversity improvement activities

Creation of a 1 ha food forest and permaculture orchard and supporting pollinators with local residents

The plan is to design, plant and run a 10 000 m² community based food forest and permaculture orchard within the Living Lab Dortmund. A food forest is a self-sustaining living woodland ecosystem designed for food production. The plants of the food forest grow in a succession of seven layers, making use of companion planting.

expected benefits:

Food forests and permaculture can increase availability of pollinator flora and biodiversity of flora in urban areas. The forest can help to enable education and to raise awareness regarding the topic of pollination and beekeeping.

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NBS no.1 & 6

renaturing landfill sites for leisure use & energy production & improve accessability for local residents

Connecting Huckarde with energy and leisure hill Deusenberg

The former landfill Deusenberg is already accessible, but only from its eastern side. Photovoltaic energy production started in 2017. To provide easy access to the popular mountain bike arena and leisure point on top of the hill, new path connections are intended from urban quarter Huckarde west of Deusenberg.

expected benefits:

Integration of a so far isolated recreation point into the local path network as well as bringing alternative energy production stronger into mind of the local population.







Core Stakeholders







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new approaches regarding

participation of residents in neighborhood development.

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In proGlreg die Urbanisten will

act as a link between science, civil society and administrati-

have been combining profes-sional planning strategies with



hei-tro develops and builds small to middle scale aquapo-nic-systems for home and commercial use. At present the company is one of a few ones in Europe offering a complete package of fully equipped small-scale aquaponic-systems labelled CITY-BOTANICALS. The company offers consulting services for self-sufficiency concepts and is involved in construction management of commercial urban agriculture projects.



The Department of Agriculture of the University of Applied Sciences Fachhochschu-le Südwestfalen is active in teaching as well as national and international research in the field of urban agriculture. Within proGIreg FH Südwest-falen is leading WP 5 "Market readiness, barriers and upscaling" and contributing to planning, implementation, and assessment of NBS in the FRC Dortmund.



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Turin and its Green Infrastructure

a Smart City of Innovation and Culture

The Municipality of Turin is the capital of the Piedmont region (North-West Italy). With 908.000 inhabitants, 130 km² territorial extension and a GDP of 55.000 million euro (which is 4.5 of the national GDP) it is one of the most important cities in Italy. The administration, with about 9.000 civil servants, deals with the overall management of municipal assets and public services. Since the 1990 s, Torino has been transformed from an industrial capital (predominantly in the automotive sector) into a centre of innovation and culture.

In 2009, Turin officially kick-started its path to become a "Smart In 2009, Turin oricially kick-started its pain to become a "Smart City", when the City Council decided to take part in the "Covenant of Mayors" initiative of the European Commission. As one of the first Italian cities, it developed an Action Plan for Energy in order to reduce Its CO₂ emissions more than 20 by 2020. In 2016, the City won the second prize as "European Capital of Innovation" for open innovati-on models supporting social innovation start-ups and creating new market opportunities for urban innovations.

Torino's Green Infrastructure Network

In parallel, the City developed its green vocation trough integrated a standard per inhabitant of 19.05 m² that puts Turin in first place in Italy. This remarkable increase, a result of a far-sighted and ecologi-cally sound strategy, was guided by a series of urban studies elabora-ted since the late 1970s which informed the General Regulatory Plan approved in 1994. Now, the city s urban green network includes:

the "Green-Blue System" connecting four river corridors and the Green Circular, a 45km path system connecting hills and river banks
 the "System of the Cyclopists" along transport corridors and within the system of urban and peri-urban parks
 the "Spine System", green areas created following former railway lines and industrial areas of the semicentral urban area
 the "Urban Park Network", parks and gardens of the core urban area
 the "Urban Tree Network", the city's woodland heritage network distributed across the city

distributed across the city the "Network of small green neighbourhood areas" for which the city administration is seeking direct involvement of citizens groups



Regeneration Challenges



Green Infrastructure





An urban renewal programme, launched in 1998, gave de An urban renewal programme, launched in 1998, gave derelict posi-industrial reases a new use. Reminiscent of a necklace, the interventions line up along a development axis called the "spina" (backbone). With 45 hectares "Spina" 3 is the largest project within the comprehensive structural redevelopment. Due to the positive industrial mislanging in neural understanding of inner urban landscapes that reflects the transition of society.



an agriculture: For years Turin has been using sheep and o Urban agriculture: For years Turin has been using sheep and cows for moving large areas. This mode gives a valid support for moving the grass and for fertilizing the soil, as well as allows savings both in terms of economy and in terms of CO₂ reductions. The 'targe pilot of vineyard populated by fruiting plants', which extends on the hill north of usens villa, was created as asynclutural part of the Vineyard and designed in the early 17^a century. In 2009, the first official usens vineyard harvest took place: 40 tons of ripe and healthy grapes gave birth to the first bottles of 'Vigna della Regina'.



Torino Citt d'Acque (Turin water city), officially approved in 1993, provides for the recovery of banks of rivers into a single river park of 70 km, with an area of 17 million m². The project links the four rivers of Turin (Po, Dora Riparia, Stura, Sangone) into a continuous system of river parks connected by networks of pedestrian, cycling, naturalistic and educational routes, including protection and enhancement of the environmental and architectural peculiarities for each watercourse.

Thanks for contribution to: Laura Ribotta, Riccardo Saraco, Elena Deambr



emonte is an old farmhouse in the Sangone Park, owned Cascina Pie Cascing reinforced by the city, historically used for agricultural purposes but now abandoned. It will be used by "Associazione Coefficiente Clorofilla" for social farming activities (teaching, training and job placement).

Abandoned and vandalized building in the former industrial areas



Former Flat (FCA) plant today used for events. Temporary use for proGlreg: events and Living Lab for testing hydroponic solutions in former industri-al silos





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Turin as a Living Lab

Living Lab area

The Turin Living Lab (LL) will test and develop models for participatory urban regeneration whilst implementing the new municipal regulation on common goods. The LL area is the post-industrial "Mirrafiori Sud" district (40 000 inhabitants on 12 km²) which is located along the river Sangone.

The former working class district is characterised by poor quality of the urban environment (green and grey infrastructure) accompanied by social segregation, poverty and security problems. It hosts different social groups (Roma, Sinti, Camminanti siciliani).

The area, however, offers several key opportunities which can be further developed: active local associations, recent green infrastructure operations, industrial and pre-industrial cultural heritage, abandoned or underused private or public buildings available for new community vocations. The main goal in Turin is to implement an urban regeneration plan with measures, activities and tools that will

 regenerate, valorise and make accessible abandoned or underused areas: Sangone river, parks, and the remains of the historic Mirafiori Castle

improve the security of these places: involve citizens in the management and maintenance of common goods (public green spaces, cycle paths, etc.)

foster and support urban greening activities, especially urban agriculture, as social and inclusive actions which will enrich the skills of inhabitants and create new social entrepreneurship and economic opportunities.

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Living Lab Plans

oroGireg Living Lab Turin



a 2 000 m² test area "New soil and plant species for urban forestry" in Parco Sangone

NBS 3: a 8 ha development area for urban farming and gardening

NBS 2:

involving disadvantaged groups

NBS 4:

a small aquaponics testing installation, implemented in cooperation with experts from Dortmund LL involving local communities for future replication

As part of the larger urban regeneration programme within the

Turin LL the following nature-based solutions will be implemented

NBS 5:

small scale green infrastructure interventions (green walls, green roots, urban gardens) in deprived neighbourhoods, with active inclusion of specific target groups (including education in schools and collective gardening projects involving refugees)

NBS 6:

a new greenway and cycling corridor along Sangone river which is connected to the overall Turin metropolitan cycling network and links ex-industrial private areas with public ones

NBS 7:

New environmental compensation instruments, connected with the environmental assessment and compensation of big events and the realization of a "green business network"

NBS 8:

Pollinator friendly green spaces, to encourage bee-keeping and honey production as well as bee monitoring, involving local communities in citizen science project.

Current Situation

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After the Second World War this area was dedicated to the National Agricultural Mechanic Centre. Later the buildings were used for social housing and today they are abandoned. With the co-design process, citizens will decide which NBS can be implemented here.



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The green roof of the "casa del Parco" (civic centre), which has undergone vandalism over the years, will be restored and returned to public use.



The new soil test area



Thanks for contribution to: Laura Ribotta, Riccardo Saraco, Elena Deambrogio



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Turin and its Focus NBS

NBS no.5 capillary Green Infrastructure on walls and roofs

Small Scale GI Interventions

Green walls and roofs for productive use will be created in the Turin LL area. Initial implementation will be located on public and social housing buildings, schools and the Casa nel Parco and then additional locations will be identified with the help of citizens.

expected benefits:

The "Castello di Mirafiori" school, a mixed school/ association building, will be used as the LL information centre, hosting the testing of innovative solutions. This will allow the development of a new model of a school-civic centre on a site which is scarcely used and has low student uptake problems presently.

Torino's Support for NBS in general

In 2016 the City Council has approved a master plan amendment to support the development of farms geared towards multi-function nality (farming, eco-tourism, agriculture, education and horticulture). Another useful action for the development of Nature Based Solutions was an amendment to the municipal building regulations, promoting the creation of garden and allotments on flat roofs. Finally, the new "Urban Common Regulations" allow citizens to establish collaborati-on agreements with the administration for the care of urban assets,





NBS no.2 new regenerated soil thanks to biotic compounds for urban forestry and urban farming

New Soil

For the construction of new green areas soil of good agronomical and environmental quality is necessary. However, the muni-cipalities in the Torino urban area report that available arable soil is almost used up. Innovative solutions, which aim at the preser-vation of natural soil and comply with the principles of circular economy, are needed. NBS 2 will be applied for the afforestation of Sangone Park through the experimental use of new soil*

Excavated soil substrates, compost from municipal solid waste and specific microbial consortia are components of a soil substitute to he developed

expected benefits:

Instead of producing waste, this NBS uses a circular stream of resources. The soil substitute developed will be an eco-product to be included in the list of materials for public green procurement. The NBS implementation will be accompanied by activities which reinforce the link between citizens and public green spaces, e.g. the creation of educational nature trails supported by volunteer guides

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NBS no.8

pollinator biodiversity improvement activities and citizen science project

Pollinator Friendly Green Spaces

This NBS creates a systemic link between several other NBS to be implemented in the Turin LL. It complements all greening actions with the aim of promoting pollinator-friendly spaces and in assessing its efficiency in improving the environmental quality, eco-logical connections and aesthetical values. The NBS will include active citizens participation in the realisation, management and monitoring for social inclusion of mental disorders

expected benefits:

NBS success will be evaluated through monitoring pollinators that visit the new green areas through a citizen-science approach. Nature-based impact evaluation through biodiversity and environ-mental quality monitoring (pesticides, honey bees, butterflies), visual analysis on nectar butterflies (plant source of nectar and/or breeding sites). Turin proposes a completely new citizen science project which does not start from scientists but from citizens and focuses on particular group of citizens: doctors and users of mental health centres of Turin.





Core Stakeholders





Environment Park SpA (ENVIPARK) is a Scientific and Technological Park located in Turin (Italy), founded in 1996. ENVIPARK plays a key role in the implementation of the LL in Turin, will assess technical barriers to upscaling of NBS and will help to develop a NBS business model catalogue.



Mirafiori Community Founda-tion (MIRAFIORI) carries out activities for social cohesion and public benefit promoting the development and impro-vement of quality of life in the Mirafiori South neighbourhood

MIRAFIORI plays a key role in implementing the NBS in the Living Lab.



Dual s.r.l. (DUAL) transformed from a small family business to an important company in the building infrastructure and the quarry sector. DUAL will play a key role in implementation of the Living Lab, in particular in the reuse of soil. It will undertake the testing, classification and splitting of excavated soil and stones



OrtiAlti (ORTIALTI), established in 2015, is a non-profit or ganisation working in the field of social innovation, cultural promotion, dissemination, research and experimentation of urban farming practices and reuse of unused urban areas, through the involvement of citizens ORTIALTI will be an operative partner for "NBS Pilot implementation"



The University of Torino (UNITO) is one of the largest Italian Universities and ranked as a top national university. In proGIreg, the following will be involved: IcxT - ICT and Inno-vation for the Society and the Territory; the Department of Chemistry; the Department of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences (DISAFA); the Department of Life Sciences and Systems Biology (DBIOS) and Urban and Event Studies (OMERO)



The Politecnico di Torino (POLITO) has a long-standing tradition of leadership of po-lytechnic culture. It is one of the most important universi-ties in Europe for engineering and architecture studies and is strongly committed to collabo-ration with industry. POLITO will contribute to the spatial analysis of Turin and the co-design processes in the Living Lab. Furthermore, POLITO will help to implement the NBS and the flourishing of the Living Lab.



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agreb and its Green Infrastructure

Zagreb and its metropolitan region

agreb is the capital of Croatia, covering an area of 641 km². It has 17 districts and 790 017 inhabitants.

agreb plays a very important role in the wider metropolitan region. agree plays a very important ore in the wide metropolitant region. Its two neighbouring counties provide a portion of its natural resources and food, as well as residential space for commuters. The surrounding area fulfils agreb citizens' needs for recreation, nature and housing, thus creating further demand for commuting, suburbani-sation and the growth of towns in the area.

The population of agreb together with the agreb metropolitan region, consisting of the larger area of 690 municipalities, includes a total of around 1.1m inhabitants. In recent years the suburban population has grown, whilst in contrast, the City of agreb, especially its historical centre, has witnessed a decline in population. agreb continues to integrate and incorporate former suburbs within its urban fabric.

Green Infrastructure

Positioned between the historical centre and the newly planned New Positioned between the historical centre and the newly planned New agreb, the Sava River and its surrounding area form the geographi-cal axis of the city, as one of its main elements of green infrastruc-ture, the other being the Medvednica mountain, hovering above the city and providing fresh air and ample space for the citizens. Another important element of green infrastructure are urban forests and parks, patches of natural land throughout the town. One of the most important element is presenting the zero and in clace capital with the important parks, incorporating the zoo and in close contact with the soccer stadium is the Maksimir park .

Regeneration Challenges



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Green infrastructure - the slopes of Medvednica mountain north of agreb



Green Infrastructure - Maksimir park, northeastern part of agreb



Urban regeneration - "Janko Gredelj" rolling stock producing factory



Urban regeneration - "Zagrepčanka", former slaughterhouse



Sava River and the Jarun lake







Podsused, former cement factory





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agreb as a Living Lab

Living Lab area

Sesvete is a district of the City of agreb and a part of the agreb urban agglomeration. It is the easternmost neighbourhood of the agreb administrative area, covering 20 of the overall surface area of agreb.

According to the 2011 census, Sesvete has 70 009 inhabitants; the number of households is 22 512 and the number of dwellings 30 256. The population has grown by 10 000 people since 2001 whilst the number of households has grown by 5 000 and the number of dwellings by 10 000. Sesvete has the youngest population in Croatia, with an average age of 38.

The district is connected to the city centre by railway and several important city roads (Zagrebačka, Branimirova, Slavonska and Vukovarska in the future). The nearby tram station of Dubec may be extended to provide access to the centre of Sesvete. The Sesvete District is also located on important European traffic corridors leading to Budapest, Riga, Germany, Austria, Belgrade, Sofia, Athens and Istanbul. It has an industrial tradition which has today been replaced with other economic activities including transport, automobile and the construction industry.

Intense growth of Sesvete has resulted in a neighbourhood which lacks key amenities such as a human-scale centre, a central urban park, suburban landscaped parks, cycle tracks, sports fields and many other facilities. One of the key problems is traffic: Sesvete lacks good North-South connections and is cut off by the railway and major roads oriented in an east-west direction. It also lacks public facilities such as a music school, a municipal court, police and fire service buildings and other cultural assets. Although it is presently an incomplete municipality, it has the full potential to become a true neighbourhood.

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Living Lab Plans

The core of the LL will be the 128 000 m² brownfield site of the former meat processing factory Sijeme which is now owned by the City of agreb. It is located south of the railway line and is part of the economic zone that now lies between the older centre of Sesvete and the new neighbourhood development to the south in Novi Jelkovec with 11 000 inhabitants. Its location is adjacent to the present centre of Sesvete. It is connected to the railway and will be well served by the future road network.

Distinctive, tall silo buildings form a unique industrial heritage which is characteristic of the local identity of Sesvete. Several existing buildings will be reused to accommodate the public facilities which will be created for the local community.

In addition to the architecturally attractive heritage, the new part of the city will be green, sustainable and smart and will promote healthy and sustainable lifestyles, entrepreneurial opportunities and a "culture of sharing".

As a start of the LL, the City of agreb is going to start a process of co-design with the local population to establishe criteria for

 a sustainable urban development,
 an urban environment supporting health and wellbeing,
 social networks that will enable innovation and exchange between citizens.

The criteria are going to be translated into a list of actions which will be implemented in the LL.

The NBS in the LL will include the creation of green spaces for inter-generational interaction.

The GI elements to be implemented will be co-designed with the local community to create enhanced social cohesion, reduced crime rates and to enable new entrepreneurial activities.

The former meat factory buildings will be transformed into a business hub and musical high school.

Current Situation

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© City of agreb Bureau for Physical Planning northwestern part of the Living Lab: main buildings



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southeastern part of the Living Lab: silo buildings



already existing gardens in the LL



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agreb and its Focus NBS

NBS no.5 capillary Green Infrastructure on walls and roofs

Reusing the former Sljeme meat processing factory for public facilities

Green walls and roofs are planned on the existing historic building in the Sljeme brownfield which served as the head office and restaurant. After refurbishment it will serve as a business innovation centre (HUB S).

For the NBS implementation 700 m² of the HUB s roof and 300 m² of the facade will be used. The rest of the roof area (500m²) will be covered with photovoltaic and thermo-solar panels to complement the planned geothermal energy source.

The results of this NBS implementation can be scaled up and used on the refurbishment of other historic buildings on the site, especially the silo.



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NBS no.3

community-based urban gardening and farming on post-industrial sites

Developing urban gardens, additional green areas and an educational area for growing plants used as biomass

The project "City Gardens" is an example of sustainable land use in agreb, improving the quality of life of citizens and the spatial quality and functions of the urban environment. The aim of the project is to enable citizens to produce food (vegetables and strawberries), herbs and flowers for their own needs. City gardens, besides providing space for healthy food and improving the home budget of citizens, also offer the possibility of traditional food production and coexistence with nature. They enable quality use of lesure time and augment the quality of life of citizens in a social, economic and healthy way. The "City Gardens" project started in September 2013.

The Sesvete City Garden to be implemented within the LL area is one of twelve gardens in the City of agreb. It will cover an area of 10 300 m² and will have around 100 garden units. In a second phase it can be extended to a new area within the abandoned industrial site as well as by a nursery that is located in the north part of Sesvete which will become the main entrance to the future forest park area. At the nursery the neighbouring schools will have an educational school garden.

Four employees of the City Office for Agriculture and Forestry are in charge of the administrative tasks related to the implementation of the project (public tenders, keeping user lists, making contracts and liaising with garden site users).

The City Garden will be equipped with the necessary amenities such as storage crates, composters, water tanks and water pumps. In addition to individual units, there will be a common area for the meeting of the users which will be equipped with benches and tables, garden stools, cycle racks, grills and sports areas.

Food production will be strictly organic without the use of any chemical plant protection and fertiliser. Water supply for irrigation will be provided by solar pumps. Access routes and ramps will be useable for people with disabilities. A new communication point will be established within the HUB building in Sesvete, in order to facilitate the exchange between the planners, experts and community garden users (people of Sesvete).

Core Stakeholders

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Green and the Blue Sesvete

support to the Green and Blue Sesvete Project, which insists

on environmentally friendly sustainable and organised

growth. It works exclusively on volunteer work and contribution of its members.

They support the spatial analysis and co-design

processes, and are involved in implementing the pilot LL.

Furthermore, they contribu-

te to the training events and MOOCs training modules.

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City of agreb Bureau for Physical Planning is an independent legal entity, not linked to the administration, but working closely with the offices for Strategic Planning and City Development. It is responsible for making urban planning documents, preparing competitions, collecting spatial data, etc. The Bureau develops two main urban planning documents: A Master Plan for the City of agreb and a Master Plan for Sesvete.



The University of agreb -Faculty of Architecture plays a key role in planning, design and participation processes for NBS, in particular spatial analysis and co-design processes, preparing the implementation of the pilot LL. In addition, they contribute to the training events and MOOCS training modules, as well as organize needed workshops, international meetings and the final conference.



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NBS no.6

making post-industrial sites and renatured river corridors accessible for local residents

New cycle path as a connection of the Sljeme brownfield urban gardens with the neighbourhood of Novi Jelkovec

Within the agreb LL two green corridors will be developed to connect it with the Save river. The first includes a stream that leads from the nearby hill and runs through the LL area. It is also a fresh air corridor which enables fresh air to flow down from the surrounding hills.

Planned interventions include the construction of a cycle path that will connect the hills to the main cycling route that is to be built on the banks of the Sava River. Different ecosystems will be connected, including the forest in the North with the river ecosystem in the South. The riverbanks will be re-vegetated through livestock exclusion and assisted regeneration. The corridor will provide additional recreation zones for citizens and will be the backbone of the LL area connecting different NBS test sites.

The second corridor will be implemented on a local scale of intervention in the Sljeme focus area of the LL. Starting from the historic silo building, the key local landmark, it will establish a future broad green corridor/neighbourhood park that will connect the two main development areas of Sesvete. The new natural green corridor will, in the future, be extended South of the river Save. The pilot implementation will be a model for the character of the larger future corridor which will start from



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uad helix model: local/city government, NGO green and blue Sesvete, a consortium of SMEs and experts from the University of agreb. Their role in the project is to propose an urban regeneration approach, GI design standards (university), create local interest, acceptance and involvement (NGO), enable the planning framework for the transformation of the brownfield site and beyond (city and local gov) and explore business models for promoting and upscaling the Green tech and GI solutions (SME).



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The City Office for Strategic planning and Development of the City, is responsible for coordination and encouragement, strategic projects and programmes, spatial data and plan development, urban statistics, etc.

It leads the implementation of the LL and organises the proGIreg final conference. It is involved in several work packages (WP2, WP4, WP5) and the promotion of results by training events and training modules with global outreach.

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Cascais and its Green Infrastructure

Hidden Potential

Cascais is a coastal municipality in the Lisbon Metropolitan Area. With an area of 97 km² and over 30km of coastline, its landscape is protected by the UNESCO.

Over the last 40 years, Cascais has experienced high demogra-Over the last 40 years, clascals has experienced high demogra-phic and urban growth. As the increase in construction occurred in an uncoordinated way the result was a fragmentation of urban centers as well as an excessive and inappropriate use of key eco-logical areas. Therefore, Cascais might not face post-industrial challenges, but instead rather chances to upgrade GI areas of potential by means of Nature-Based Solutions. Cascais' Ecological Structure integrates the following Municipal Master Plan qualification categories:

- on or ranscape value); b) Rural Agglomerates (Limited Intervention areas of the Sintra-Cascais' Park Land Use Plan) 3. Urban Ecological Structure (urban soil), which includes: a) Level 3 Natural area (National Agricultural Reserve areas in urban context);
- b) Production and playground green spaces;c) Protection and conservation green spaces;
- d) Infrastructure protection green spaces.





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Quinta do Pisão in Sintra-Cascais Natural Park, with woodlands and meadows, a part of an Agri-park



Community garden, surrounded by green areas and residential buildings



Old Vineyard, in one of the historical farms of the Carcavelos Wine.

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Cascais and its Potential NBS

Regeneration Challenges



Agricultural fields, part of the national agricultural reserve unused and looking forward to urban



Abandoned fields near a social neighbourhood available for a community garden.



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Stream after a fire needing intervention.

NBS no.3 community-based urban gardening and farming on post-industrial sites

 Attracting private owners to become our partners and share land with the project will be crucial. (The local Land bank will enhance sharing and renting available land)

- Upscaling of urban agriculture, with leisure purposes and just for the families own consumption, to local bussinesses.
- Create a local brand "Lands of Cascais local product ", and promote production from proGIreg vegetable garden, as well as Carcavelos Wine, Tires prision Vegetable Garden and Quinta do Pisão.

expected benefits:

- Learn new protocols for NBS, considering the productivity of the GI and creating green jobs
- Learn about Business models for Green Infrastructure, in a circular economy way
- Tackling administrative and legal barriers to develop private/ public partnership
- Learn how to attract private landowners, social-entrepreneurs and stakeholders and how to establish protocols with them

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Thanks for contribution to: Teresa Ribeiro, Helga Gonçalves

NBS no.6 making post-industrial sites and renatured river corridors accessible for local residents

Potential NBS

Renature river corridors creating recreational areas, with natural engineering.

NBS no.8 pollinator biodiversity improvement activities and citizen science project

- Make our community gardens and green corridors more pollina tor friendly to attract local pollinator species.

We aim to benefit from local biodiversity to help food production. The awareness of the population is crucial for this purpose. Engaging schools, and other communities in workshops will provide a new understanding for pollinators role in the ecosystem.

expected benefits:

- Improve accessibility to river corridors creating multifunctional areas ecologically sustainable.
- Promote biodiversity and wildlife.

expected benefits:

- Reduce the use of domestic pesticides;
- Promote local biodiversity;
- Engage the community and schools in a new awareness approach for pollinators protection;
- Increase beekeeping.



© Cascais Ambiente image Passion fruit flower on our community gardens





Marianas riversides





Cluj-Napoca and its Green Infrastructure

The Challenge to Connect

Cluj-Napoca (322 572 inhabitants) is the second largest city in Romania. Built upon the success of its university tradition and its strong urban development ambitions, the city has seen a continuous transformation process towards development of a new urban identity in the past decade, at the regional and national level, as a city of innovation, business development, youth and culture.

The regeneration needs of the city face three significant challenges, created by the three structural development zones which bisect the city in the East-West direction. Firstly, the city is crossed by the industrial and rail axis with large brownfield sites, comprising highly degraded areas, abandoned railway structures and derelict industrial land. These now create a strong division within the urban fabric and form a barrier towards the North, creating housing enclaves which need improvement. Secondly, the bluegreen axis of the Someş River intersects the industrial and rail axis, creating challenges in terms of pollution hazards, low quality waterfront areas and difficulties for creating new public green areas towards the North of the city. Thirdly, strong opportunities are provided by the wooded area of the Fäget Forest located in the South Western part of the city, with large green areas extending to the South. Strategic interventions are planned for these areas, through an

Strategic interventions are planned for these areas, through an integrated approach in which the municipality's GI provides the backbone for testing new models of urban regeneration using NBS. Firstly, developing an integrated municipal system of GI represents an important planning task for the Cluj-Napoca which aims at working towards the conservation, development and connection of existing and planned GI i.e. a green ecological corridor in the Southern part of the city, integrating the large forests and green spaces and the development of bike routes which interconnect major green areas. Secondly, the vacant and derelict industrial areas are now the subject of future regeneration schemes, aimed towards their redevelopment with the help of new forms of economic activity along the waterfront of Somes River; thus consolidating it and allowing the.

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The old Casino building positioned in the middle of the Central Park. Now serves as an Urban Cultural Centre.

Thanks for contribution to: Adrian Răulea





A sea of hammocks in the Central Park, during the Hungarian Cultural Days

Grigorescu beach on the Somes river banks, during "Vamos a la Playa" event





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Cluj-Napoca and its Potential NBS



The former Heavy Machinery site, now derelict

Regeneration Challenges



Former railworkers park, now brought back to the Municipality will be rehabilitated



The park sits at the confluence of the Somes river with the Nadas and is now in decay

NBS no.5 capillary GI on walls and roofs

In the participatory budgeting process organized by the municipality of Cluj-Napoca in 2017, one project consisting in capillary GI on walls and roofs was among of the winners, considering the votes received. The city has allocated the necessary money for the implementation, now the project is in tendering phase and will be implemented in the beginning of next year.

NBS no.6 making post-industrial sites and renatured river corridors accessible for local residents

Potential NBS

The blue-green axis of the Someş River runs through the Metropolitan Area from East to West, and has the highest potential for GI-led improvement of quality of life for the citizens in Cluj-Napoca and the metropolitan area. Its regeneration, within the city, has made the object of a recent international contest ("Rethinking Someş"), and in the medium to long-term, the priority represents reconnecting the river with the territory, and valorizing its ecological value for the benefit of the local communities.

Regenerating the river corridor as a structuring blue-green axis for the entire Metropolitan area will offer the possibility of providing neighbourhoods, especially in the dense areas (Floreşti, Cluj, Apahida), with improved GI accessibility and new leisure opportunities.

expected benefits:

Making the river banks accessible and inter-connecting the neighbourhoods in proximity of the Someş river will contribute not only to increased mobility, activity rate and overall better health of the citizens, but it will also provide a pleasurable soft mobility alternative to the east-west main transport corridor, thus reducing environmental impacts of mobility in the area.

NBS no.3 community-based urban gardening and farming on post-industrial sites

There is a high environmental and socio-economic potential for community-based productive valorisation of land in Cluj-Napoca. Recent experiences such as the "La Terenuri" Common Space in Mänäştur demonstrated both the demand as well as the capacity for involvement, co-design and co-implementation of urban gardens as productive public spaces.

The city of Cluj-Napoca is crossed by a rail axis, flanked by industrial areas, some of them regenerated/ reused, and others which fell in disuse and represent an important priority for urban regeneration. Through an integrated approach to sustainable redevelopment of polluted/ brownfield areas, the Cluj partner will aim at creating a long-term vision for re-valorizing its very central land assets through both productive and leisure functionalities.

expected benefits:

Co-production of greening post-industrial sites represents a local process which will create positive results from many perspectives – on the environmental level, it will regenerate the soit through safe agricultural techniques and provide new ecological value to the city; on the social level, it will represent an opportunity for community-development, strengthening social bonds, providing spaces for leisure and common activities and thus improving health and wellbeing (including mental) as well; lastly, on the economic side, local adaptation and testing of this NBS will open up new job opportunities, especially for disadvantaged groups and local communities.

expected benefits:

Green walls and roofs installed on the public buildings available, will greatly contribute to the regeneration of the surrounding areas. The neighbourhoods will be more pleasant, the energy efficiency of the buildings will greatly improve and the citizens will benefit of the new green spaces.








Piraeus and its Green Infrastructure

A Dense City in Need for Intervention

Piraeus is situated in the Metropolitan Area of Attica where almost 45% of Greece's population is concentrated. It is the most important port of the region, Greece and the whole East Mediterranean coast. Piraeus is a densely populated city with high port related business

and tourist activity, the latter of which is expected to be further increased considering the interest of the port of Piraeus in investing on infrastructure developments that will facilitate the growth of the cruise market. Commercial units which are clustered in city centre faced an increased demand of being supplied with products efficiently, at a low cost and in a timely manner.

The Municipality of Piraeus constitutes the 3rd largest municipality in Greece with a population of around 180 000 inhabitants and it is home to Greece's main port, which is the 8th European container port handling 3.1 million TEUs in 2013, the 3rd cruise port in the Mediterranean with more than 2 million cruise visitors and the main Eastern European car port with around half a million cars handled in 2013. Piraeus is a significant industrial centre and the largest

commercial centre within the Greek Economy. The city is charac-terised by a diverse range of integrated activities which include administration, education, culture, business, manufacturing, trade and tourism (OECD - Regional Development Policy Division, "Urban Trends and Governance", 2014, Case Study of Athens – Attica, Greece).

However, the City suffers from the consequences of chronic urban problems including population shrinkage, though it remains one of Europe's most densely populated municipalities (15 000 inhabitants/km²). The main land use in Piraeus is urban built development. Road

neworks and industry occupy a large percentage of the total area whilst green areas, sports and recreation areas are very small (2.12% of the municipality). In addition, given the construction situation in Piraeus, green areas are scattered and inadequate and there are no plots available for the creation of new green spaces within the city. This intensifies the urban heat island phenomenon with negative consequences for public health and the environment.

Green Infrastructure





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The Master Plan of the municipality of Piraeus: one can see the several uses as well as the Urban and the Periurban Green Spaces



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Piraeus and its Potential NBS

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expected benefits:

improving microenvironment and wellbeing.

eus is a major industrial city. It was one of the main indust-development cites in the region, but during the last decades dustrial function has declined. The picture above is one mple of those post-industrial areas that should be regenera-

NBS no.3

community-based urban gardening

and farming on post-industrial sites

The plan is to re-integrate derelict pre-industrial land for urban re-

generation to degraded urban environments. These sites are signi-ficant opportunities to create new Green Infrastructures in the city

The new upgraded area can help reducing inequalities in environ-

mental justice and offers benefits for mental and physical health,



Regeneration Challenges

The city has grown considerably since World War II, with many new factories on its outskirts (mainly for engineering and chemical industries). The picture shows an abandoned building in one of those post-industrial areas.

Potential NBS

NBS no.5 capillary GI on walls and roofs

There are several old and modern buildings as well as 'blind' walls where green roofs and vertical gardens can be designed to support existing vegetation in order to improve a building's performance.

Additionally, green roofs can be particularly effective in the dense, urban areas of Piraeus, where they can compensate the loss of productive landscape at ground level.

expected benefits:

Through the implementation of green roofs and walls, Piraeus is expected (1) to attract new types of substrate, thus improving the local value chain in a circular economy, (2) to improve its green spaces in the city, strengthening biodiversity inside the city.



The Killsos river has been running along ancient sites since the 5th century BC, For instance, one can assume that Cimo (ancient statesman of Althers) dug channels for watering to Pitals Academy from the Kilsos fiver and thus "converted the Academy from a wateries and and spot into a well-wa-tered grove". Today, the Kilsos as well as the lissos Rivers have been transformed into avenues, and their tributaries into sewers of Althens.

NBS no.6 making post-industrial sites and renatured river corridors accessible for local residents

As rivers were an important locational factor for early industrialisation, old industrial areas are often part of river corridors, such as the Kifisos river. Nowadays, the river can be renatured to achieve a better water quality and to serve as a wildlife corridors full of biodiversity. There is also the possibility to upgrade the quality of life for urban residents. However, the question of how to connect these rivers and post-industrial sites, which have been in the backyard of cities for decades, has yet remained unresolved , which is why this can be a great challenge for the municipality of Piraeus.

expected benefits:

The new connections will help citizens to access greenspace and offer options for physical activities. Furthermore this NBS will interlink marginalised areas with other parts of the city to reduce isolation.



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Kifisos Rive



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the Impact of Industries on the City's GI

The city of Zenica takes up the area of 558,5km². It is located in the River Bosna valley at the altitude of 316 m. Its mountains reach the height of 1.304 m with Tvrtkovac as the highest mountain peak. Zenica is situated 70 km north from Sarajevo.

The city is an administrative, political, economic, cultural and sports seat of Zenica-Doboj Canton, composed of 12 municipalities. It is estimated that around 115 000 people live in the city at present. The population is composed of various ethnic groups, cultures, faiths and traditions interwoven with the long-standing tradition of a community spirit in former Yugoslavia.

Zenica was called a steel metropolis, the capital of mining and metal processing industry. Steel and coal, as well as metal processing still remain its main industries, though significantly accommodated to the present market conditions. The steel production is organized as a manufacturing unit of the world largest steel producer ArcelorNittal. Other industries are increasingly visible as a result of the process of setting up a number of small and medium-sized companies. Kamberovića field is the first circle of Zenica's green infrastructure. It is a skillfully designed oasis, decorated with extremely beautiful bushes and trees, divided by walking, jogging and cycling paths that follow the river line and offer the guests the best possible way to get a first impression of the town and its inhabitants. It is the epicenter of all recreational facilities in the town with the City Arena, a stadium, tennis courts and gyms. The traffic jams are not felt at this part of the town since the recreational routes stretch along the river and the bridges providing a good isolation from the urban area. The city is located in a basin of river Bosna and surrounded by hills and small mountains. Configuration of the land does not go into the favour of the city expansion. We have a very limited land for any major makeovers. On top of that, the city is a home to world's largest producer Arcelofvilltal which takes 184ha of the city's territory. Our business zone is located only a few kilometres from the center and takes up 33,64 ha of land. The garrison take us up 16,24ha of land and prison about 17ha of land respectively. Presence of heavy industry which continuously pollutes the city and limited availability of the land represent major urban regeneration challenges.

Green Infrastructure





Školska Street - Urban tree canopy in of the streets in the city.



City Boulevard - Bioswales on the city's Boulevar



Kamberovića field is protected green urban area within the city with playgrounds, sports fields, jogging, walking and cycling paths along river Bosna.













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Zenica and its Potential NBS

Regeneration Challenges



Kamberovića field Flooding in urban area due to heavy rains



Socially deprived settlements Area nearby ArcelorMittal comp



Business Zone Zenica 1 Need for more green infrastructure for the remaining free space in the business zone

NBS no.5

Unsanitary landfill of industrial waste which is still partly in use by

capillary GI on walls and roofs

ArcelorMittal. This area has a great potential for recultivation of the land, which is currently unuseful and dangerous. Current landfill site can be put in a use for local communites.

Potential NBS

NBS no.6 making post-industrial sites and renatured river corridors accessible for local residents

River banks need intervention

NBS no.4 aquaponics as soil-less agriculture for polluted sites

Several communities are under direct influence of ArcelorMittal and have contaminated soil.

expected benefits:

- Planting of trees for prevention of land sliding
- Space for leisure activities
- Improvement of quality of life for local community

expected benefits:

- New cycling and walking trails
- Upgrade of quality of life for residents
- Urban regeneration

expected benefits:

- New approach to food production
- Sustainability for households
- Healthier products



landfill Rači





Zenica Suburb



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Front Runner City

Dortmund

Productive Community Center - Masterthesis by Luisa Ropelato



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Alternative growing methods

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Map of neigbourly building materials (extract)













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Entrance section Scale 1:100



South view Scale 1:100

Longitudinal section Scale 1:100





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9:30	Urban green infrastructure: success stories and future ambitions Ullrich Sierau, Lord Mayor of the City of Dortmund
10:00	Nature-based solutions in the EU strategies for inclusive urban regeneration Ugo Guarnacci, European Commission, Executive Agency for Small and Medium sized Enterprises (EASME)
10:20	Making nature-based solutions work: Horizon 2020 innovation action proGlreg Axel Timpe, RWTH Aachen University, proGlreg coordination
	Living Labs: cities in research and innovation
10:45	Promises and challenges of a new research infrastructure Stefan Böschen, proGIreg Ethics Board / RWTH Aachen University HumTec
11:00	Sustainable innovations: the role of local governments Barbara Anton, ICLEI European Secretariat
11:15	Making our city a laboratory for innovation: Discussion panel of city representatives Alessandra Aires, City of Turin Andreea Muresan, City of Cluj-Napoca Thomas Jacob, City of Hamburg/CLEVER cities Barbara Anton, ICLEI European Secretariat/proGIreg
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EU Strategy on Adaptation to climate change (2013)	
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Action 1. Encourage MS to adopt Adaptation Strategies and action plans	
Action 2. LIFE funding, including adaptation priority areas	
Action 3. Promoting adaptation action by cities via the Covenant of Mayors initiative	
Priority 2: Better informed decision-making	
Action 4. Address knowledge gaps through research	
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Action 6. Climate proofing the Common Agricultural Policy, Cohesion Policy, and the Common Fisheries Policy	
Action 7. Making infrastructure more resilient	E
Action 8. Promote products & services by insurance and finance markets	



Horizon 2020: Creating a community of practice on NBS					
EKLIPSE NBS EWG	CSA	SC5-09-2014	European Knowledge and Learning Mechanism to Improve the Policy-Science-Society Interface on Biodiversity and ESS		
INSPIRATION	CSA	SC5-10b-2014	Towards a strategic research agenda on soil, land-use and land management in Europe		
ThinkNature	CSA	SC5-10-2015	Development of a multi-stakeholder dialogue platform and Think tank to promote innovation with Nature based solutions		
NAIAD	RIA	SC5-9-2015	Insurance Value of Nature		
Nature4Cities		SCC-03-2015			
Naturvation	RIA	SCC-03-2015	New governance, business, financing models and econo impact assessment tools for sustainable cities with NBS		
CONNECTING		SCC-02-2016			
GROW GREEN	1.0	SCC-02-2016	Demonstrating innovative NBS in cities/ water and climate		
UNALAB		SCC-02-2016	resilience		
Urban GreenUP		SCC-02-2016			
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Benefits * Pollutant Removal	Report Estimate Values per Area Unit Generate Report per
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- Production and harvesting
 - Processing
 - FIOCESSING
 - Marketing
 - Consumption
 - Waste management
 - Business management / decision-making / financing

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