
METROPOLITAN CITY OF MILAN

STRATEGY OF ADAPTATION THROUGH THE USE OF NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS



TERRITORIAL POLICY - FUNCTIONS AND STRATEGIES OF THE AUTHORITY

THE METROPOLITAN CITY OF MILAN IS A SECOND-LEVEL INSTITUTION THAT WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2015, REPLACING THE PROVINCE OF MILAN, TO BETTER MANAGE THE COMMON INTERESTS OF THE AREA AND ALLOCATE RESOURCES MORE QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY

MAIN TASKS

- SPATIAL AND STRATEGIC PLANNING
- MOBILITY AND ROADS
- LAND AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
- ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Potentially

On which goals and targets can CMM act on?

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- TARGETS OF THE 2030 AGENDA
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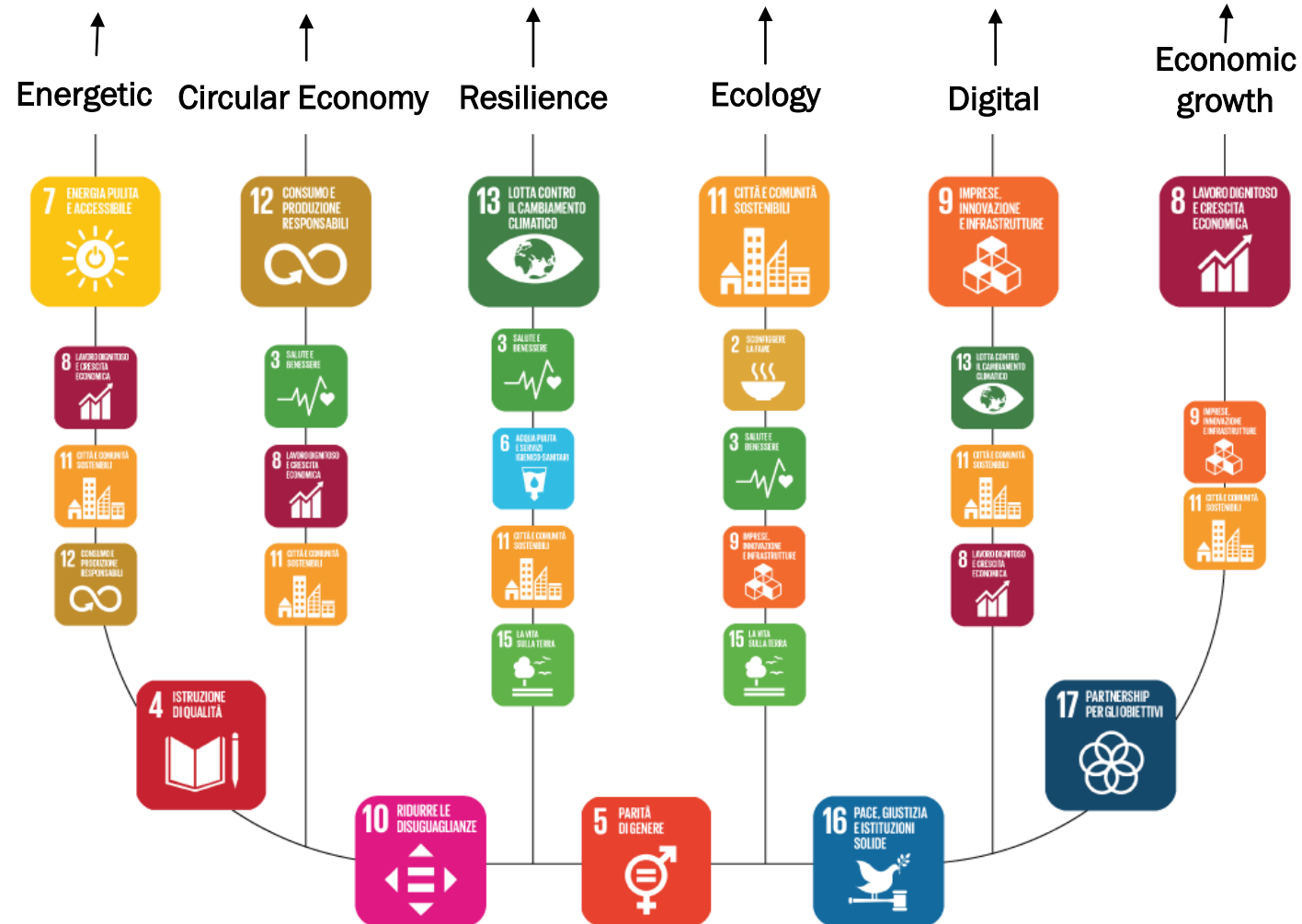
- RELEVANT
- FOR CMM
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AGENDA METROPOLITANA URBANA PER LO SVILUPPO SOSTENIBILE

6 TRAJECTORIES



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DEVELOPING SOLUTIONS TO COMPENSATE FOR THE DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY CLIMATE CHANGE:

THE RESILIENT TRAJECTORY

- Promote and implement climate change adaptation measures and concurrently develop mitigation policies in order to have a more resilient territory where there is a high quality of working and living.
- Making the metropolitan area capable of absorbing extreme weather events through the implementation of widespread and technologically advanced interventions, having attention to the impact not only of the environment but also of social vulnerability.

Objective:
**limiting the
impact of climatic
events extremes**



Pivotal actions

■ **Sponge City (In partnership with CAP Group)**

To rehabilitate the ecosystem of urbanized land through soil permeabilization and stormwater management. This is through a series of Nature Based and sustainable urban drainage interventions.

■ **Research and development activities**

Pursue research and innovation in the area of nature-based solutions. On the ground aim to create collaboration among those involved in water resource management both in terms of administrative efficiency and in terms of new design to address issues arising from climate change.

■ **Nature based solutions**

Establish operational lines and incentivize the use of integrated nature-based solutions in urbanized contexts, bringing together multiple techniques such as green infrastructure, green-blue networks, ecosystem services, natural capital, and ecological engineering. These are characterized by the ability to adapt to external conditions, without wasting resources or energy, and will enable the restoration of natural hydrological cycle balances, as well as ecological balances.

■ **Industrial symbiosis and redevelopment of industrial areas**

To promote the urban and territorial regeneration of brownfield, industrial or underutilized areas and to encourage new projects in the field of industrial symbiosis, according to the APEA (environmentally equipped productive areas) approach. The objective is to develop a model of industrial ecology oriented to the reuse of production waste in the output of one company and its reinsertion as an input in the production mechanism of another company, thus creating real "circular" production micro-districts that integrate different production chains and synergistically adopt innovative solutions for water and energy supply. This development will have to assume energy efficiency objectives and may consider establishing Renewable Energy Communities in order to distribute any production of energy from RES over several users.

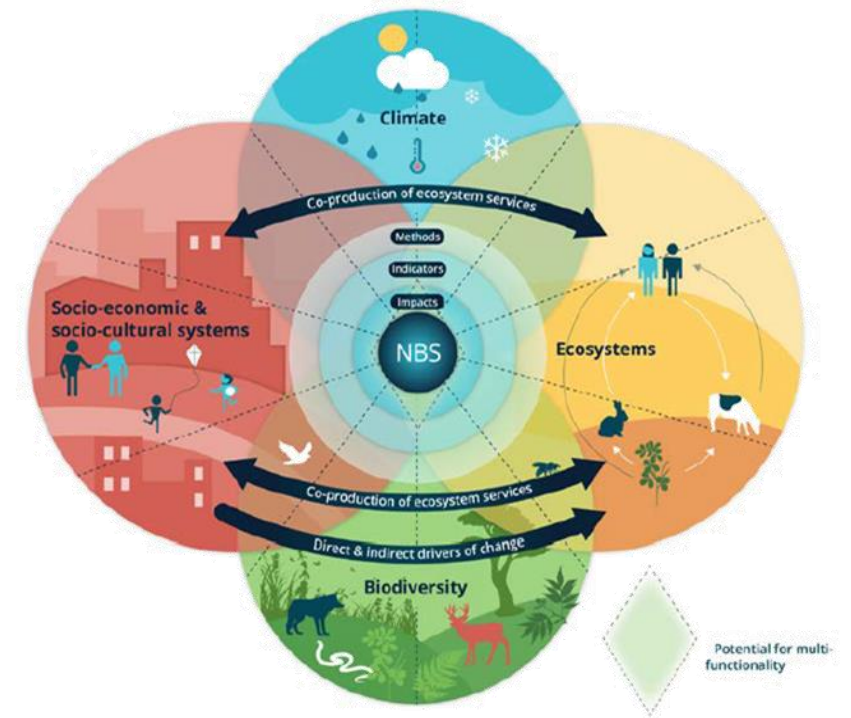
CLIMATE ADAPTATION ACTIONS - NBS

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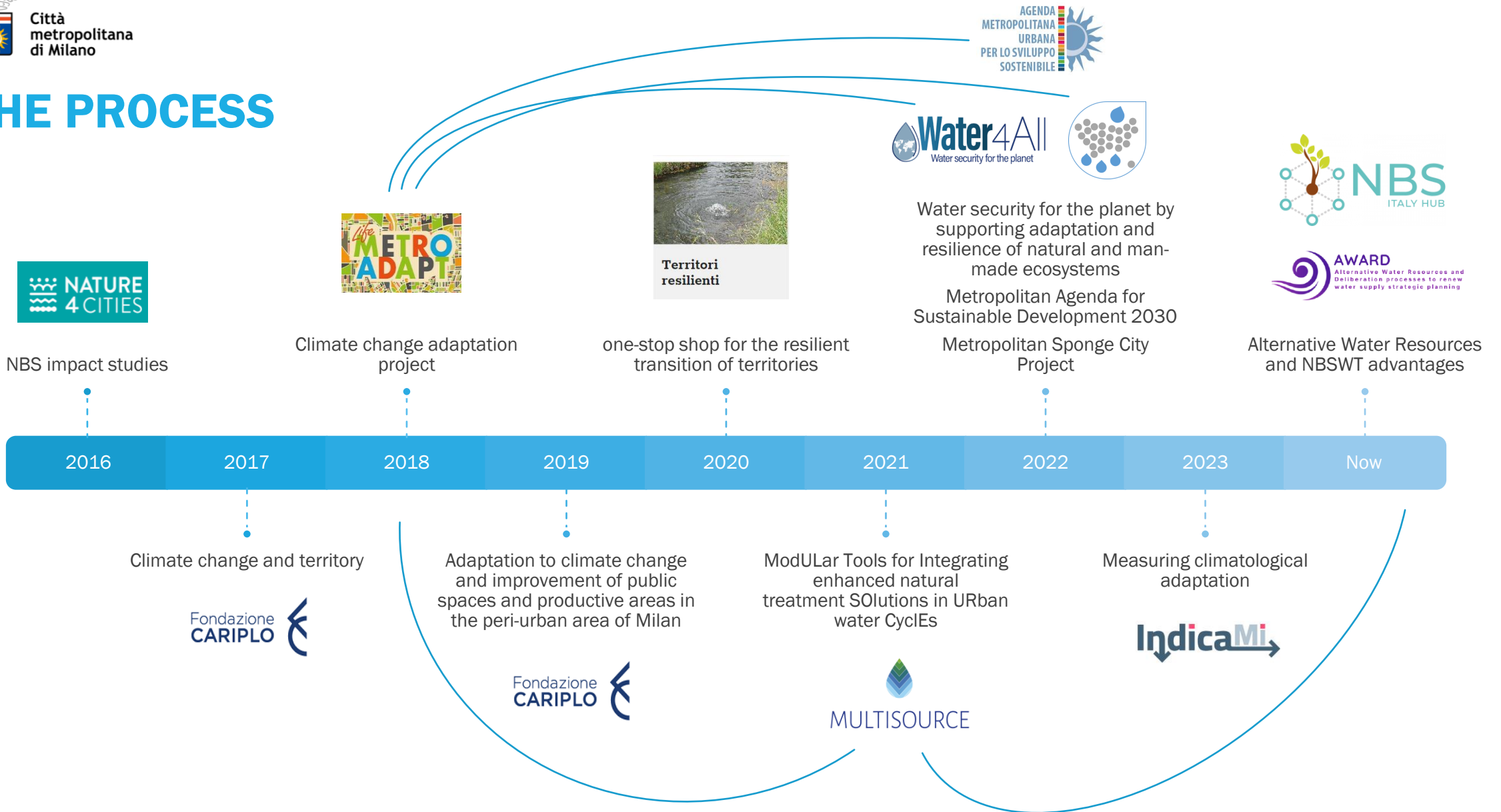
THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO BRING THE CHARACTERISTICS AND PROCESSES OF NATURE INTO URBANISED ENVIRONMENTS.

THEY ARE POTENTIALLY MULTI-OBJECTIVE SOLUTIONS: ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC.

USING NATURAL FLOWS OF MATTER AND ENERGY, THEY TEND TO BE LOW-RESOURCE SOLUTIONS THAT, IF DEVELOPED CORRECTLY, CAN BE MORE EFFICIENT THAN OTHERS.



THE PROCESS

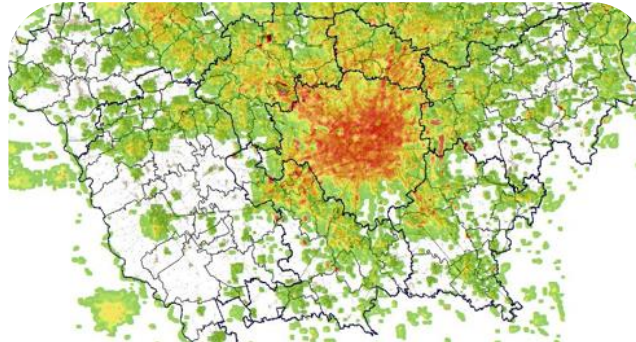


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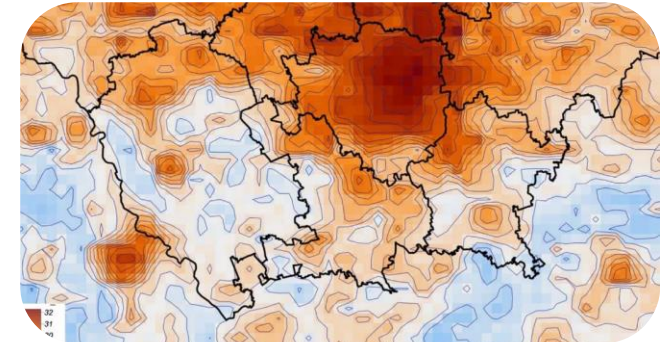
Territory

Basic cartographies
Satellite and aerophotogrammetric imagery
Land use maps
Environmental and socioeconomic information
Development over the years frequent and coordinated



Fenomena

Maps and meteorological and climatological information (heat, precipitation, wind, air quality etc.)



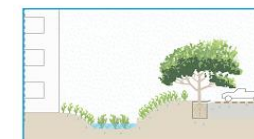
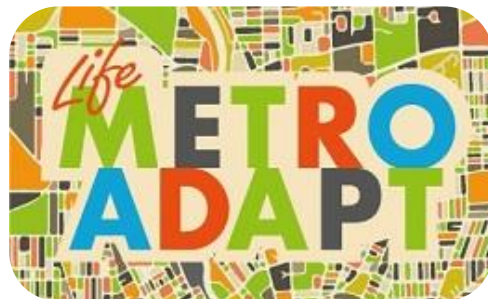
Effects

Thermal anomalies/ Urban heat islands
Weather event mapping
Population Risk Mapping
Hydraulic Hazard Mapping

UPSCALING THE POLICY - TOOLS FOR THE MUNICIPALITIES

THE METROPOLITAN CITY WEBSITE PROVIDES ACCESS TO A RANGE OF DIGITAL CONTENT AT THE SERVICE OF MUNICIPALITIES AND CITIZENS:

- TERRITORI RESILIENTI [HTTPS://WWW.CITTAMETROPOLITANA.MI.IT/TERRITORI_RESILIENTI/INDEX.HTML](https://www.cittametropolitana.mi.it/territori_resilienti/index.html)
- METRO ADAPT PLATFORM [HTTPS://WWW.CITTAMETROPOLITANA.MI.IT/LIFE_METRO_ADAPT/](https://www.cittametropolitana.mi.it/life_metro_adapt/)
- LIFE METRO ADAPT NBS HANDBOOK [LIFEMETROADAPT.EU/PUBLIC/HANDBOOK-2PRINT.PDF](https://lifemetroadapt.eu/public/handbook-2print.pdf)



**GESTIONE
ACQUE**

MISURE DI ADATTAMENTO



**VERDE
TECNICO IN
AMBIENTE
COSTRUITO**

MISURE DI ADATTAMENTO



**VERDE
URBANO A
SUOLO**

MISURE DI ADATTAMENTO

UPSCALING THE POLICY - TOOL FOR THE TERRITORIAL ARMONY

STABLE TERRITORIAL COMPARISON - NBSWT METROPOLITAN BOARD

ESTABLISH A STABLE DISCUSSION THAT GOES BEYOND THE PROJECT TIMEFRAME TO ADDRESS ISSUES RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NBSWT IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA.

IN ORDER TO DO THIS, RECONNAISSANCE TABLES HAVE BEEN IMAGINED TO BE DEVELOPED AROUND THE FOLLOWING THEMES

TECHNOLOGIES
GOVERNANCE
BUSINESS

Stakeholders
(as now)

ATO; CMM; CAP; MM; REGIONE LOMBARDIA; ERSAF

6 CLEAN WATER
AND SANITATION



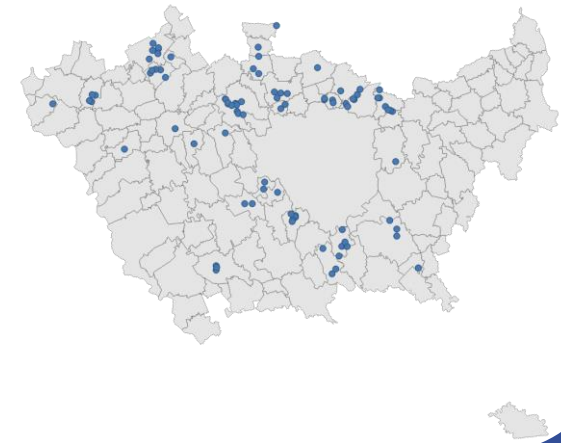
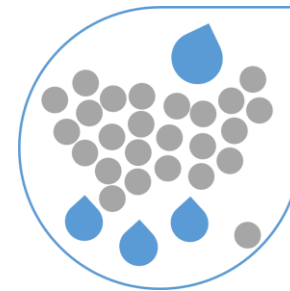
UPSCALING NBS – DIFFUSION AND TECHNOLOGY



Enhancing the systems with treatment quality, reuse and social complexity
HORIZON EUROPE



Implementation of the same type of NBS
but in 32 Municipalities with 90
interventions
METROPOLITAN SPONGE CITY



EU
funds



UPSCALING NBS – METROPOLIAN SPONGE CITY

THE METROPOLITAN SPONGE CITY IS A SPECIAL TYPE OF URBAN PLANNING THAT ENVISAGES THE REALISATION OF WIDESPREAD NBS INTERVENTIONS ON THE TERRITORY

IT AIMS TO REDEVELOP THE ECOSYSTEM OF THE URBANISED TERRITORY BY PERMEABILISING AND GREENING THE SOIL, THUS MANAGING STORMWATER BUT ALSO REDUCING HEAT ISLANDS AND INCREASING BIODIVERSITY.

- 90 SUSTAINABLE URBAN DRAINAGE INTERVENTIONS
- 32 MUNICIPALITIES IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA
- 529,248 M2 REGENERATED AREA
- 125,775 KW/H SAVED ANNUALLY (11 TOE)
- € 50,194,049.66 FINANCING

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

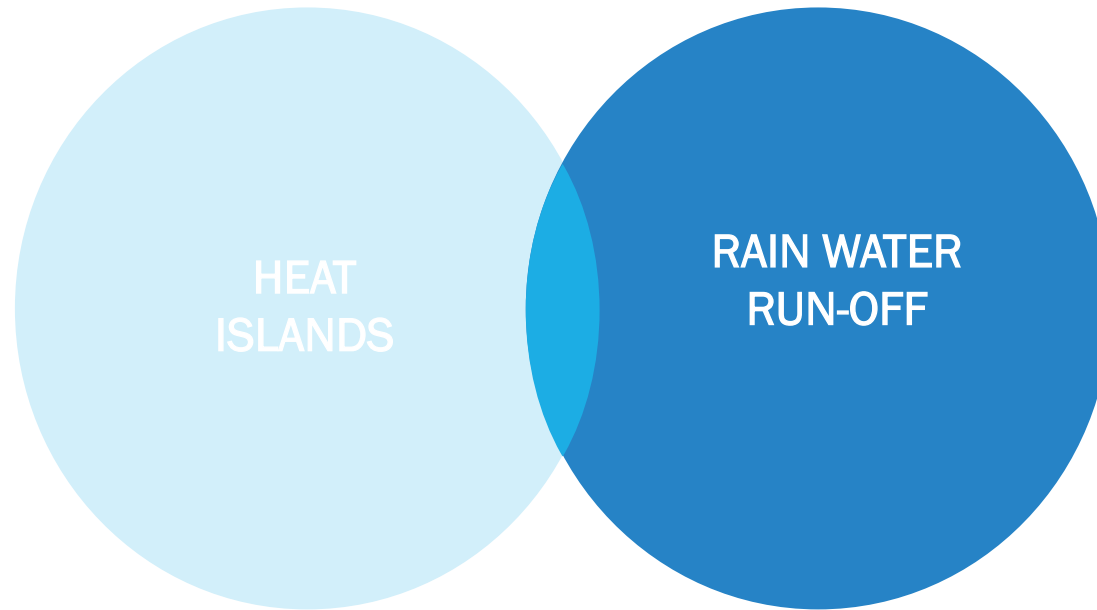
FLOODING
HEAT ISLANDS
DROUGHTS



COLLATERAL OBJECTIVES

TERRITORIAL EDUCATION





CHOOSING WHERE AND
HOW TO INTERVENE



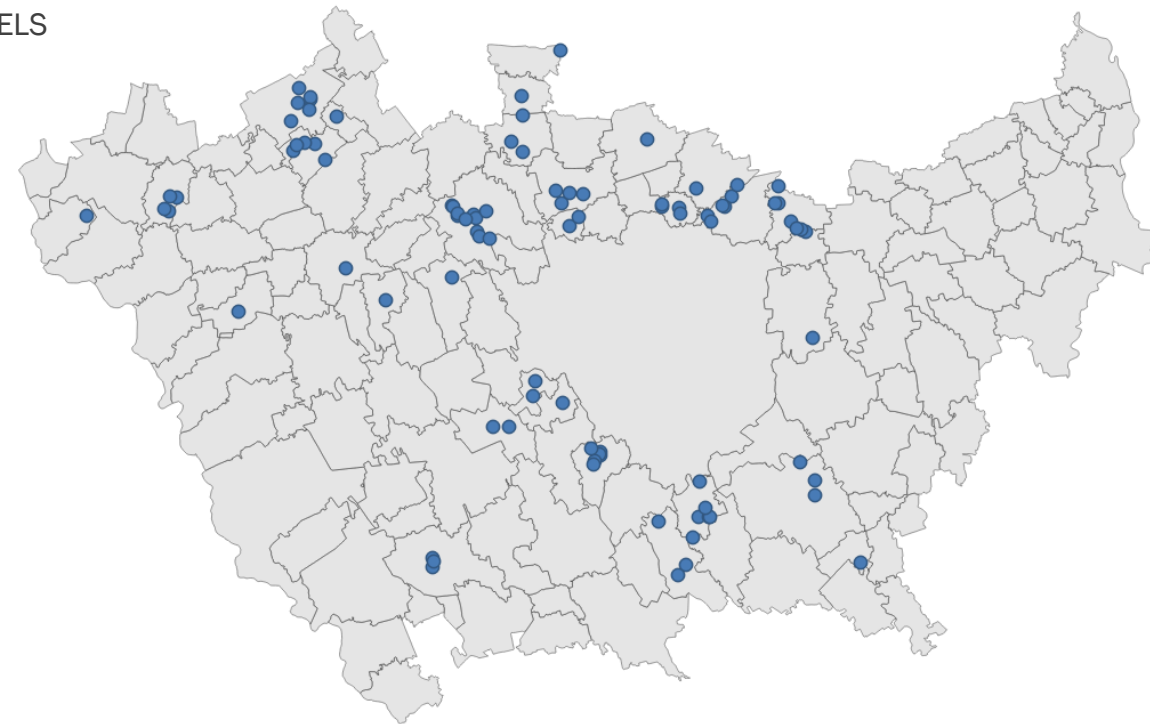


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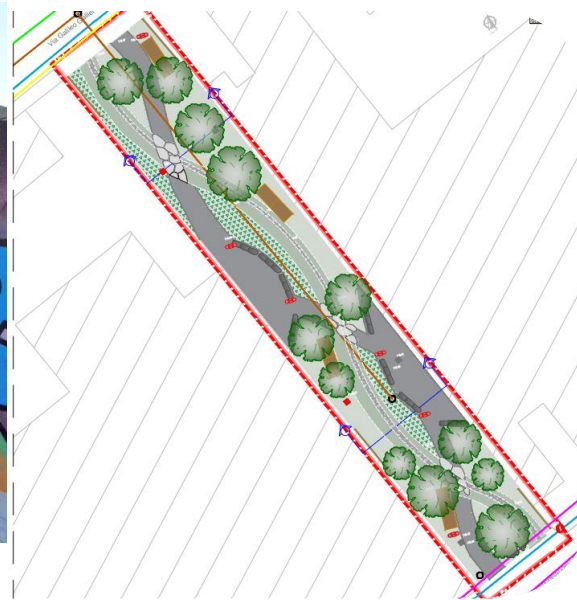
TECHNOLOGIES USED:

- DEEP INFILTRATION SYSTEMS
- SUBSURFACE ROAD RETENTION
- DRAINAGE PAVEMENTS
- STORAGE TANKS OR CISTERNS DEWATERING SURFACES
- BIO-RETENTION AREAS
- INFILTRATION TRENCHES
- TREE BOXES
- WETLANDS
- VEGETATED DRAINAGE CHANNELS

Tipologia intervento	Interventi	Importi QE
Impianto sportivo	2	1.919.944,76
Nuova area verde	5	2.327.214,85
Piazza	14	11.431.458,65
Parcheggio	34	17.663.494,10
Strada	32	12.775.463,63
Intervento polifunzionale	3	4.076.473,67
Totale	90	50194049,66

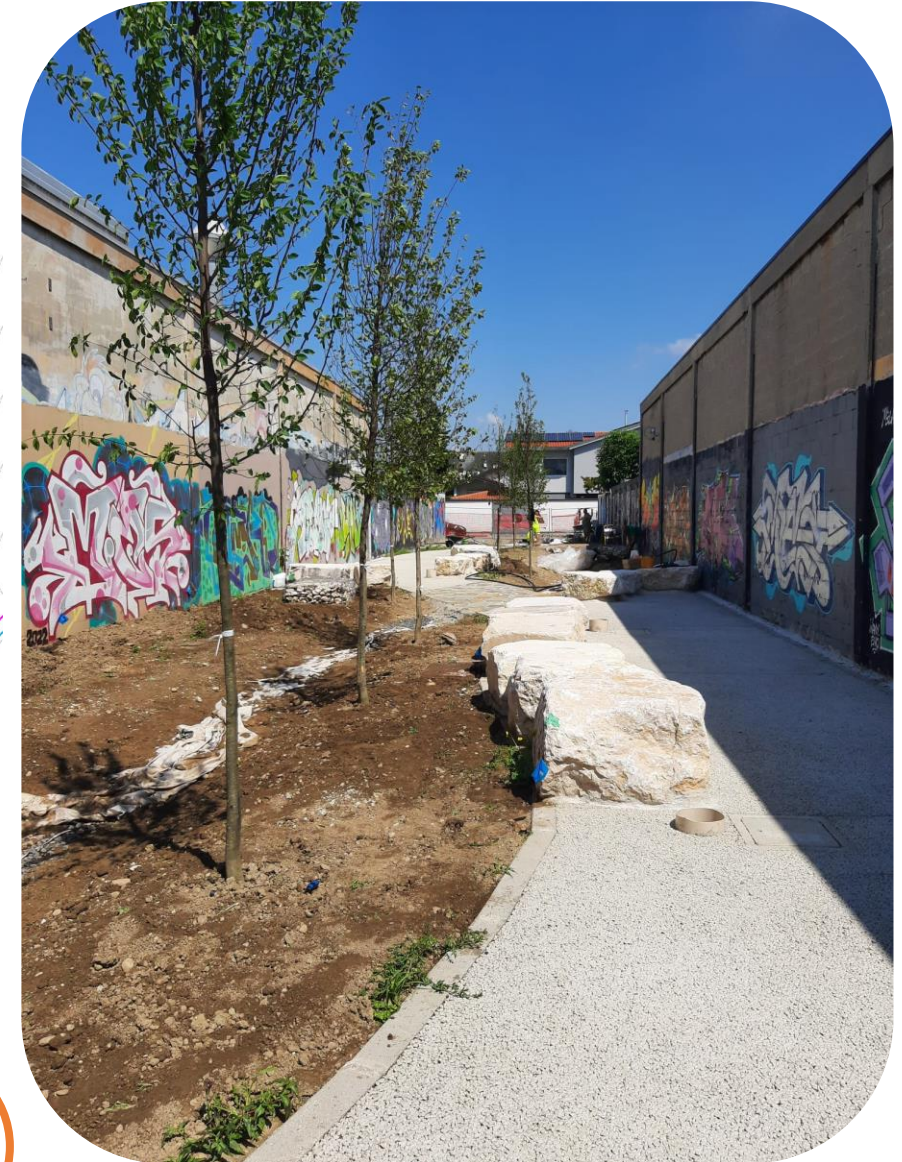
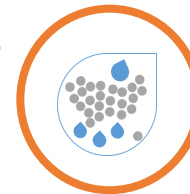


EXAMPLE



Trezzano sul Naviglio (MI) - via Prati

- **Adaptation to climate change through the vegetated trench in an industrial street**
- **Environmental benefits: trees and green, Landscape improvement**
- **Social Benefits: Health and well-being**



WHERE WE WANT TO GO

- ENHANCED
ADAPTATION



- MITIGATION
EFFECTS

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS



- **European Commission** has promoted the formation of **national Hubs** dedicated to Nature-based Solutions (NbS)
- **CMM** is part of the **governing board**
- the **mission** is to promote the conservation of natural areas and the restoration of degraded ecosystems through NbS capable of transforming Italian cities into urban environments integrated with nature and biodiversity, with the goal of promoting the well-being of humanity and the planet
- **How:** Implement nature-based solutions (NbS) in civic and administrative practices, permeating local and national legislation and identifying them as necessary to achieve a just and sustainable transformation of society, which can no longer be postponed under current climate scenarios

IMPLEMENTATION MODEL



The NbS Italy Hub envisions a future in which nature-based solutions (NbS) will not only be implemented, but seamlessly integrated into the fabric of Italian society through a collaborative, multifaceted approach that brings together the expertise and resources of the research community, private sector, local government, and the public, promoting a quadruple helix model of innovation and implementation.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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