



CLEARINGHOUSE
中欧城市森林应对方案

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Both in Europe and China we have entered the New Year: **welcome to 2022, welcome to the Year of the Tiger.**

In this newsletter you can get a grasp of the good work the CLEARING HOUSE has been doing in the last 12 months, and there is much more to come in 2022 and 2023.

We have entered the second phase of the project, and hope that we can leave COVID restrictions behind to work together in person and in the field and forest. Our Chinese colleagues have recently received funding for their part of CLEARING HOUSE, and - as the Tiger sign - we are confident that this additional funding will strengthen our impact and outreach for the years to come.

Please keep an eye on our social media - and particularly in the running up to the International Day of the Forest on the 21st of March. Something special is coming up!

Dr. Rik De Vreese, Coordinator

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Upcoming Webinar

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Sustainable Cities of the Future: Implementing Edible Urban Forest Solution

This webinar, organised by EU-funded projects EdiCitNet and CLEARING HOUSE, aims to share how they methodically used trees and plants across European, Latin American, Asian and Caribbean cities to show how cities of the future can be more sustainable.

[Register here](#)

The project so far

Project highlights, updates and latest news

WEDNESDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2021

URBAN FORESTS AS NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS STATE OF THE ART

09:00 – 10:30 CET // 16:00 – 17:30 CHINA

Join CLEARING HOUSE first webinar for professionals and practitioners!
Interpretation available in English and Mandarin.

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This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation programme under the Grant Agreement n° 802342. Several Chinese CLEARING HOUSE partners have also contributed to the funding.
该项目获得欧盟2020年研究与创新计划(Horizon 2020)资助。部分中国合作伙伴也提供了资金。

URBAN FORESTS AS NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS, STATE OF THE ART - 17th November 2021

On November 17th, we organised the first webinar of a series of six CLEARING HOUSE webinars, aimed at providing knowledge insights showcasing results from the project. The main aim of this first webinar event was to promote research findings on Urban Forest Nature-Based Solutions (UF-NBS) that had been undertaken during the first stage of CLEARING HOUSE.

[Learn more on CLEARING HOUSE outcomes.](#)



Uforest to integrate CLEARING HOUSE results in training and practice

The new Uforest ERASMUS+ project will develop, promote, and deliver inclusive and participatory training to implement innovative urban forestry projects. CLEARING HOUSE partners CREAM and EFI will integrate CLEARING HOUSE outcomes in the training material in an e-learning course (Autumn 2022) and a specialisation school (2023). Completing the Uforest training will make you into a better informed, proactive, and problem-solving urban forester.

Uforest is a project co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Commission.

www.uforest.eu



CO-DESIGN WORKSHOP IN KRAKÓW: DRWINKA RIVER PARK

On October 13-14, 2021, the workshop on the protection of River Parks took place in Krakow. It was a second co-design workshop (you may read also about the first one) organised by The Sendzimir Foundation in cooperation with the project partner, the Kraków Municipal Greenspace Authority.

The meeting focused on the Drwinka River Park, as an example of an area of special environmental and social value for Krakow. This area provides important ecosystem services to the city, but it is under threat from potential investment and requires active protection.

[Read the full article](#)

The poster features a background of green ferns. At the top center is the CLEARINGHOUSE logo, which consists of a blue circle with a white building icon and a red circle with a white tree icon. Below the logo, the text 'CLEARINGHOUSE' and '中欧城市森林应对方案' is displayed. The main title 'A NOVEL TYPOLOGY FOR URBAN FORESTS AS NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS' is centered in bold black letters. Below the title, 'Online Workshop' is written in a smaller font. The date and time 'Join us on October 7th 8:15 - 11:15 CEST' are prominently displayed. At the bottom left, there are logos for the European Forest Institute (EFI) and the Sendzimir Foundation. At the bottom right, there are social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and YouTube.

A NOVEL TYPOLOGY FOR URBAN FORESTS AS NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS - WORKSHOP

The typology on urban forests as nature-based solutions (UF-NBS) is intended to provide grounding knowledge on UF-NBS for within the CLEARING HOUSE project, and beyond the project's scope. This knowledge—i.e., the elements to be described in the project's typology—is diverse, as CLEARING HOUSE focuses on Europe as well as China, and thus wants to assume a broad perspective on UF-NBS.

To capture broad knowledge, and to facilitate the typology's envisioned role as a nexus between different knowledge as well as functioning as a gateway for the integration of models and data on UF-NBS, the typology proposed by the CLEARING HOUSE knowledge follows a trait- and semantics-based approach for its conceptualization and implementation. In so doing, it expands on more traditional, textual definitions.

[Watch the recording to discover our typology](#)

Say Hello to City of Trees



CITY OF TREES - GET INSPIRED TO LEARN MORE ABOUT TREES IN THE CITY

We invite you to teach your students about urban trees and forests in a manner that allows them the easy integration and application of the learnt material, and finally, inspires your students to notice, value and protect the urban trees and forests now and in the future for the health of our planet.

We have several translation available: Chinese, Italian and Catalan. And more to come!

[Discover the Inspirational Package](#)



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Do you want to teach children and young people to become little nature conservationists?

During this webinars, three leading environmental institutions talked about how to reconnect boys and girls with nature from school... and without leaving the city! The Barcelona City Council also presented the initiative to green their school playgrounds.

[Watch the full webinar](#)



EVALUATING THE IMPACT OF NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS: A HANDBOOK FOR PRACTITIONERS

A new handbook that aims to provide practitioners with a comprehensive Nature-based Solutions (NBS) impact assessment framework, and a robust set of indicators and methodologies to assess impacts of NBS across 12 societal challenges.

[Access the handbook](#)



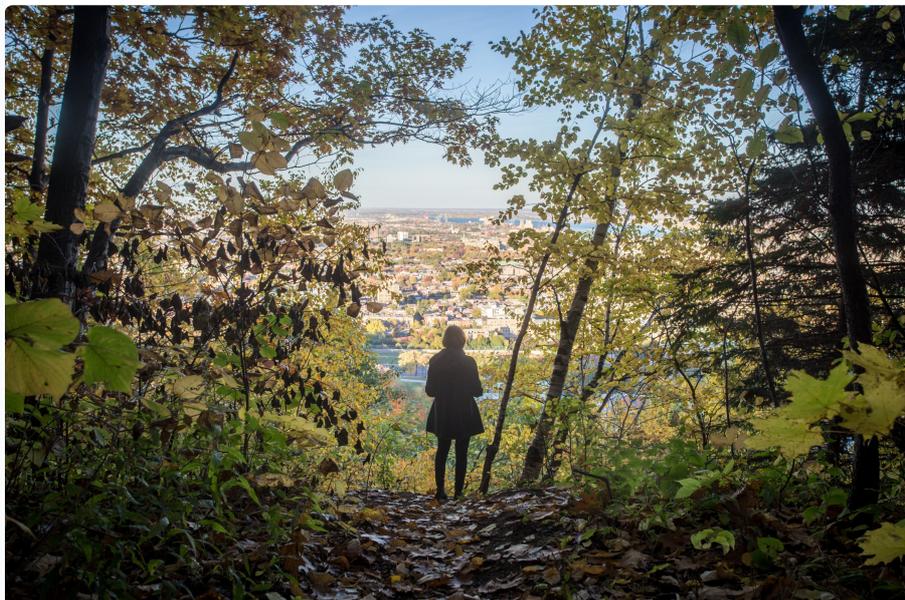
THE MEANING OF CLEARING HOUSE

In a world with an increasing population and urbanisation, forests and urban green spaces are critical elements for making cities more sustainable, greener and healthier places to live.

During this interview you will learn about citizens perceptions and usage patterns of forests and urban green spaces through different geographical contexts.

[Read the interview](#)

The blog



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Related NBS events

- [MAKING CITIES EDIBLE - Feb 16 & 17, 2022](#)
- [Connecting Nature Roadshow 2022, April 2022](#)
- [The European Forum on Urban Forestry \(EFUF\) - 17 to 21 May, 2022](#)



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