

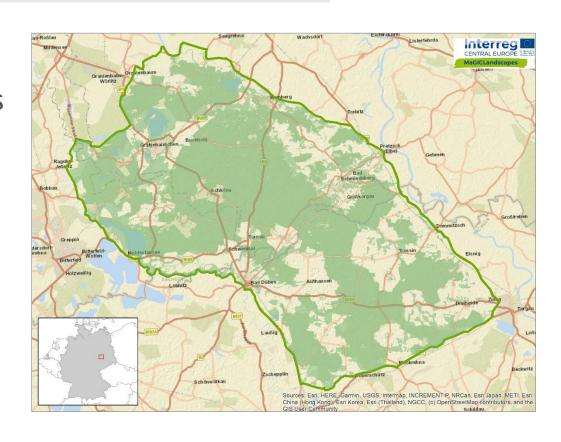
- Where and how best invest into Green Infrastructure?

 Presentation of Regional Green Infrastructure Strategy & Action Plans
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DESCRIPTION OF THE AREA



- On southern edge of the North German lowlands between the river valleys of Elbe and Mulde
- Major GI elements are large continuous forest areas, post-mining landscapes, marshlands
- One key need is connecting the GI in the settlements with the core areas of GI



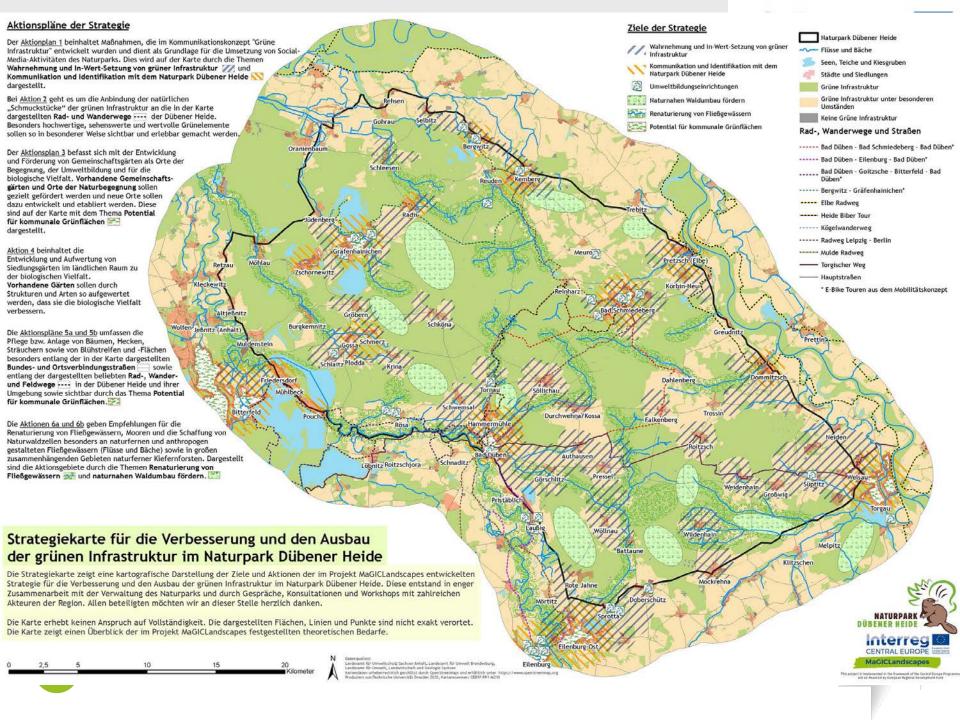


GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY



- Key issues
 - Improving the perception and value creation for GI
 - Improving the communication and identification with GI in the region
 - Improving the access to and the connection with the existing GI resource
 - expanding and improving elements of GI
- Aims of the strategy are
 - Involving and informing residents about the benefits of GI and connecting people with nature in terms of health and well-being and tourism and recreation → make benefits effective
 - Adaptation and reacting to climate change





ACTIONS TO MEET THE STRATEGIC AIMS



- Communication concept "Green Infrastructure"
- Connection the natural "jewels" of GI to the existing cycling and hiking trails
- Development of community gardens as places of encounter and environmental education
- Promotion of a garden culture close to nature
- Creation and maintenance of tree, shrub and hedge structures
- Renaturalisation of running and still waters, creation of natural forest blocks and support for management methods that protect bogs



BENEFITS & ACTORS



- Main GI benefits addressed by the strategy and actions
 - Health and recreation
 - Climate change mitigation and adaptation
 - Conservation Benefits
 - Tourism and recreation
- The main actor for the implementation
 - Nature park administration
 - Inhabitants of the region
 - Nature conservation and tourism associations
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