

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE HANDBOOK

Conceptual & Theoretical Background, Terms and Definitions

This Green Infrastructure Handbook was developed within the framework of the Interreg Central Europe Project MaGICLandscapes - Managing Green Infrastructure in Central European Landscapes. It reflects the basics of green and blue infrastructure (GI): the definition of GI and related terms, GI and its relationship to European, national and regional policies of the project partner countries Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy and Poland. Furthermore, it covers the territorial needs for a green infrastructure approach and its contribution to sustainable development in Europe and beyond. It shows how a green infrastructure approach can address specific territorial and common challenges. The book also introduces the project's nine case study areas which provided the base on which to identify and feedback needs for GI and best practice for assessment.

The Handbook provides practice-oriented information based on a review of literature and legislation as well as experiences of people from the regions involved. Additionally, five national versions of the Green Infrastructure Handbook will be available on the project website in the respective partner languages.



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