

GreeninCities meets Venice in the Biennale Sessions

THE URBINAT INCLUSIVE URBAN REGENERATION THROUGH HEALTHY CORRIDORS - FROM CO-DIAGNOSTIC TO CO-DESIGN OUR CO-EXISTENCE

The URBiNAT HORIZON2020 Funded project through the UNiversity of Nova Gorica as full partner organises a meeting aiming at communicating its innovative approach in urban regeneration, with a focus on social housing neighbourhoods and taking the examples of its cities. The Project focuses on public spaces and the co-creation, with citizens, of new social and nature-based relations within and between different neighbourhoods. Using a holistic approach, taking into account the full physical, mental and social well-being of citizens, URBiNAT aims to co-design and co-implement Healthy Corridors as an innovative and flexible nature-based solution (NBS), integrating different NBS emerging from community-driven design processes.

The **Healthy Corridor** concept and strategy is based on the clustering of nature-based solutions that are selected in a process of co-design and co-creation with local residents. A Healthy Corridor is more than a piece of urban green infrastructure intended to improve the quality of the urban environment and mitigate climate risks. It is also a social and cultural infrastructure that has been co-created by citizens and stakeholders for the purpose of promoting the well-being of the community having a positive impact on health. In this sense, URBiNAT is working to extend the concept of nature-based solutions to integrate participatory solutions as well as solutions that relate to the social and solidarity economy.

Within the framework of Biennale Sessions, special project for Universities, Academies and Higher Education Institutes at the 17th International Architecture Exhibition, the project will highlight its deep socio-economic approach in urban regreening, hopefully contributing to the overall debate of future coexistence in urban areas.

The meeting will also be the occasion to introduce to the audience the candidature of Nova Gorica, URBiNAT partner with the City of Nova Gorica and the University of Nova Gorica, to Culture Capital 2025, successfully achieved in December 2020 jointly with Gorizia under the name of European capital of culture GO! 2025