



# GREENKEYS

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The project 'GreenKeys – Urban Green as a Key for Sustainable Cities' focused on the improvement of urban green space systems as a step towards more sustainable cities by developing a 'Pool for Green Space Strategies'. The aim was to create and implement strategies for sustainable urban development based on urban green spaces adequate from social, ecological and economic perspectives.

Within three years (May 2005 to April 2008) 20 project partners (12 cities and 8 supporting institutions) from Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Poland and Slovenia had closely worked together.

All partner cities implemented pilot projects. Green spaces had been developed or enhanced with special attention to social, ecological and economical requirements. Additionally the cities started a process of formulating their own 'Urban Green Spaces Strategy' as a collective vision for the development of green spaces meeting community needs.

	Green Space Strategies	Pilot Projects	Pool for Green Space Strategies	Policy Papers	Network
Results					
Addresses	City offices	Inhabitants	Planners	Decision makers	All interested
Benefits	Integration of green quailities	Increased quality of residential areas	Support for taking decisions	Arguments for political taking decisions	Information and discussion forum

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For further information about GreenKeys please contact the co-ordination team at the IOER or any other project partner. All contact addresses are listed on the GreenKeys website [www.greenkeys-project.net](http://www.greenkeys-project.net).

## GreenKeys @ Your City

### A Guide for Urban Green Quality

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- The manual 'GreenKeys @ Your City – A Guide for Urban Green Quality' is one of the major outcomes of the GreenKeys Project. It contains suggestions for green spaces development in European cities and provides guidance on the preparation and implementation of an urban green space strategy.
- The manual is a synthesis of the expertise and experiences gained by the GreenKeys partners during the course of the project.
- It is orientated towards problem solving and contains tools, methodology, a catalogue of case studies and good practice examples. A 'Pool for Green Space Strategies' had been established, which is now available.
- The manual seeks to raise awareness about the specific problems of urban green development and the kinds of solutions which might be applied. Many of the problems are commonplace across the European Union and beyond. In light of this the solutions have a transnational application.
- Recommendations have been included for a European green policy in order to develop community strategies, instruments and standards and to provide adequate funding for more liveable urban development.

### Structure and Content of the Manual



'GreenKeys @ Your City' will support you in implementing an urban green space strategy and in improving the green spaces system as a step towards greater sustainability in your city.

The manual and the tools will be available in May 2008 on our GreenKeys web site [www.greenkeys-project.net](http://www.greenkeys-project.net). For further information you can be contacted the GreenKeys co-ordination team under [greenkeys@ioer.de](mailto:greenkeys@ioer.de).

The Manual  
'GreenKeys @ Your City'  
includes the Booklet  
and a CD-ROM

The **Booklet** describes the approach for formulating Urban Green Space Strategies, explains the Tools developed in GreenKeys, and gives general hints for the management of urban green spaces.



The **CD-ROM** stores the GreenKeys Tools including the files and templates that facilitate their practical application, all of which can be downloaded. Additionally it provides the 'Case Reports', which present the experiences of the GreenKeys City Partners in a problem orientated way. Available are all relevant contact data of the GreenKeys Partners.



### Chapters of the Booklet

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Urban Green Space Strategies
- 3 Implementation of Urban Green Spaces
- 4 The GreenKeys Toolbox
- 5 Recommendations and Outlook