

# Green infrastructure for better living

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## LOS\_DAMA! Local Pilots Updates

The City of **Munich** and Regional Management Munich Southwest (RMMSW) started their pilot activity with an informal stroll along the river Würm in the company of local key interest groups from nature conservation and recreation. All the participants met up again for a workshop in March 2018 to define basic components for a 'landscape treasure map'. This map aims to point out highlights of our scenery and invite locals to explore them. The Technical University of Munich and its students supported the workshop with creative input. The 'landscape treasure hunt' took place from April to June 2018 using an online survey tool. The team from LOS\_DAMA! and RMMSW promoted the online survey at two public markets in the communities of Gauting and Krailling as well as at the Neighborhood Culture Week in Munich-Aubing. More than 200 locals participated, proving the usefulness of combined online and face-to-face approaches! The final 'treasure map' will be published by the end of 2018.



The local pilot project in the **Salzburg** urban region is developing a cooperative approach to develop areas for regional compensation measures, with coordination between the local authorities. In the medium and long term, a so-called Ökopool is to be set up to simplify management. This approach will help to develop compensation measures before the planning of construction areas. These measures can be refinanced later on. As part of the local steering group, the Salzburg Institute for Regional Planning and Housing is working on establishing pilot areas for a future Ökopool. A method for this has been developed that identifies search ranges on the basis of a GIS analysis. Areas within these ranges can be taken into consideration. Additional experts will be hired for questions of

spatial connectivity, clarification of legal availability and setting up pilot sites on a technical level. At the same time, preparatory work is underway to establish a suitable support structure to ensure the continuation of the Ökopool after the end of LOS\_DAMA! [www.oekopool-sbg.at](http://www.oekopool-sbg.at)



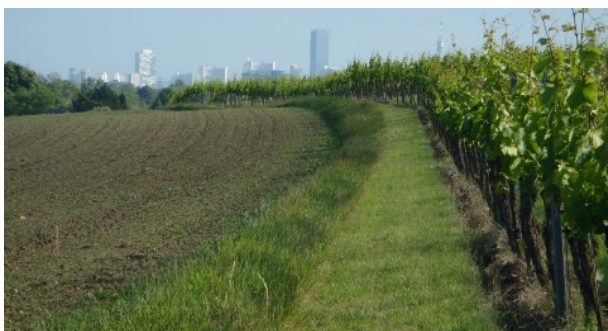
The city of **Trento** has focused its pilot activities on two distinct, yet related, activities. For the first activity, the municipality issued a comprehensive map and database of agricultural activities in peri-urban areas, including not only professional farmers, but also public, private and community orchards. In collaboration with an external expert, this mapping has then been extended by including all abandoned or uncultivated plots of land. The map will be shared among different administrative bodies and stakeholders to raise awareness of the agricultural potential of peri-urban areas, to stimulate thoughts on the multifunctionality of such landscapes, and involve local associations and citizens in sustainable development initiatives. A second activity by the municipality concerns the co-design of specific peri-urban areas and paths connecting the urban core with the periphery. To this end, the city is working with students from a local high school, who are rethinking an urban footpath on the eastern part of the city.



The City of **Vienna** and the neighbouring municipality of Gerasdorf are continuing activities to develop the landscape plan 'Green Space Connection Bisamberg – Gerasdorf – Norbert-Scheed-Wald'. The landscape plan (technical

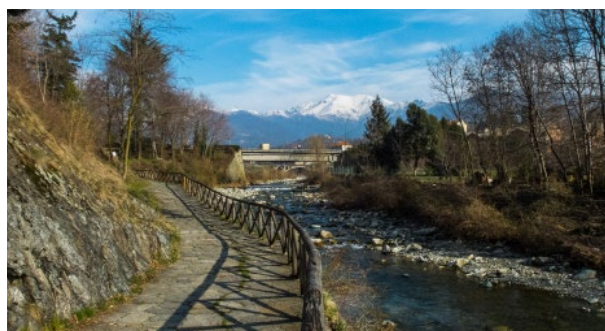


review) was the first significant step for the subsequent action plan including implementation actions and measures. The planning process (duration: 8 months) was characterised by active participation and communication. This already intense collaboration was complemented with on-site actions, such as joint neighbourhood walks and site visits. Another activity that took place on site was the discussion of the draft landscape plan with a variety of experts from local development planning, nature protection, agriculture, mobility, water conservation and environmental/contamination remediation. Citizens made important contributions and offered ideas for the landscape and action plan, taking on the role of “everyday experts”. During a 2-day long ideas workshop they came up with ideas, desires and visions for the green space, such as the “Path of Generations”, “Birth-Forest” in which a tree is planted for every person born in the district, and an adventure playground.

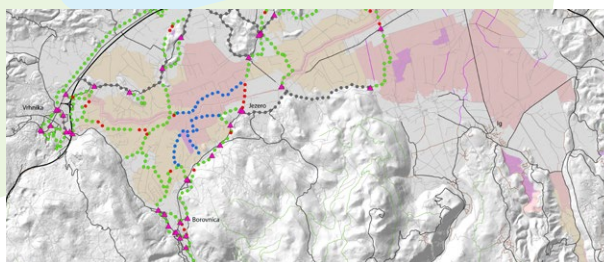


In **Piedmont Region**, the local activities started on the 19th of March with a public event at the Castle of La Mandria, bringing together local administrators, the Metropolitan City of Turin, the Piedmont Region, stakeholders, professionals and members of the local community. During the workshop, the planned pilot project activities were introduced, including a presentation of the proposed methodology for sustainable planning of green infrastructures. This methodology is characterised by an innovative multi-scale approach, in which a vulnerability and resilience analysis of landscape-environmental systems forms a basis for green infrastructure planning. Included in the activities is a participatory assessment of the ecological, environmental, social and economic benefits of green infrastructure. In addition, a system for implementing green infrastructure, integrating the assessment, planning and sustainable management of metropolitan green infrastructure, will be developed. Finally, we will seek to have this management system certified according to EMAS standards

[http://ec.europa.eu/environment/emas/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/emas/index_en.htm)



The first steps in pilot activities implemented in the **Ljubljana Marsh Nature Park** were focused on getting to know the territory and stakeholders. Given the topics – designated area, nature protection, green infrastructure strategy, and tourism and recreation – and the participatory approach – stakeholders come from various levels and sectors: Nature Park residents, farmers, visitors, public institutions at the local, regional and national level, regional development agencies and local action groups, NGOs. In order to frame the issues, spatial and local programme characteristics and their potentials for green infrastructure development at sub-regional level were analysed. Different maps of the wider pilot area were prepared presenting e.g. habitat types and actual land use, land ownership, areas of natural and cultural heritage protection, accessibility by public transport. To present the programme potentials of the area for recreation and tourism, existing attractive areas for leisure and recreation were mapped. Participatory activities were started by holding interviews with key stakeholders.



**Grenoble-Alpes Métropole** and the local partnership are on their way to starting the first local activities:

- A first master- class is planned for the 5th of October on the topic “The urban project: from nature in the city to the city within nature”. It will be a half-day meeting with local decision-makers (politicians, head of municipal administrations) and a nationally renowned expert. They will discuss ways to design an urban project taking into account biodiversity and landscape as core issues. Three other master classes will follow from November 2018 to June 2019.



- The design of the LOS\_DAMA! exhibition starts with the aim of showing it in spring 2019. The LOS\_DAMA! exhibition will focus on the transformation of the metropolitan landscape: what are the changes which have taken place years in the past, and why? And what kind of landscape do we want in 20 years?
- A “treasure hunt” will be organised in October in Les Vouillants Natural Park. The scenario is being created through a participative approach involving stakeholders with the support of an immersive games expert. The aim is to motivate people to discover this natural area in a sociable way.



## The LOS\_DAMA! Autumn School: Enhance the “Ordinary”

The LOS\_DAMA! knowledge partners Technical University of Munich, University of Tübingen and University Grenoble Alpes will facilitate the autumn school entitled “Enhance the ‘Ordinary’ – How to strengthen everyday landscapes in Alpine city regions”. Between the 22nd and 29th of September 2018 graduate students, young researchers and other young professionals will spark their ideas for the enhancement of “everyday landscapes” on the doorstep of our

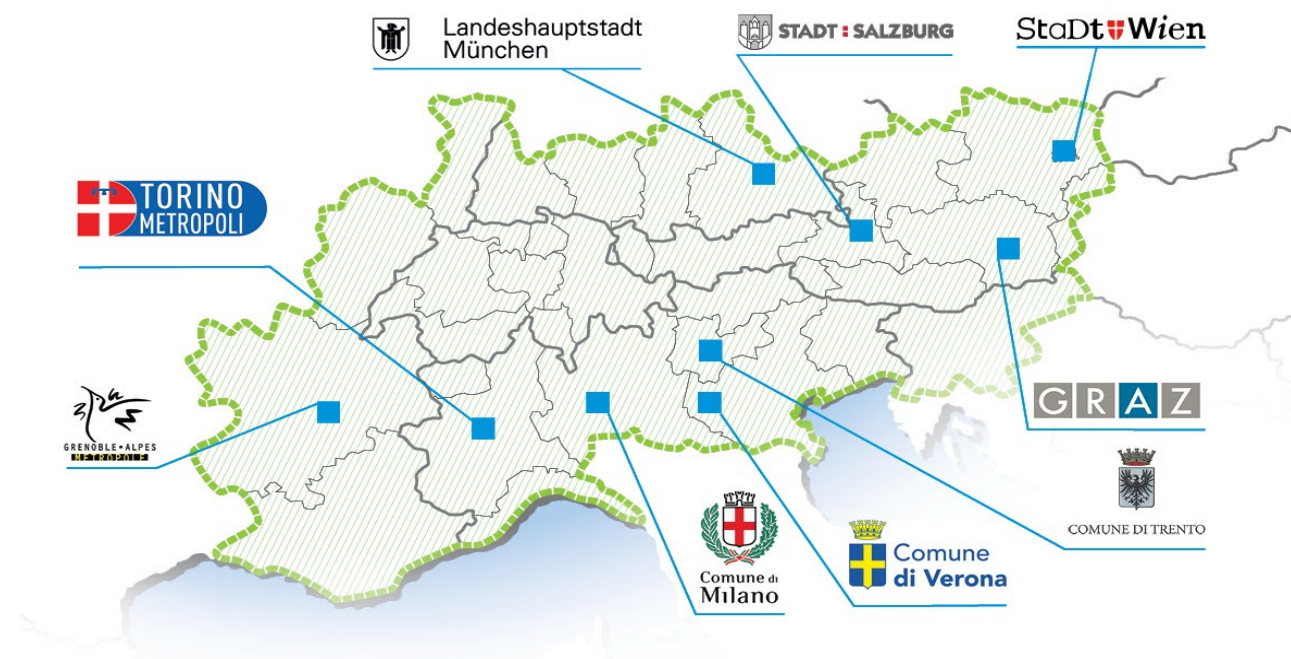
Alpine metropolises, working in a studio setting at the Technical University of Munich’s School of Life Sciences Weihenstephan in Freising. As well as delivering specific location-based ideas for the pilot areas in Salzburg and Munich, we will discuss the transferability of these suggestions to other areas in the Alpine region and beyond.

Please visit our website for more information on the autumn school:  
[http://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/los\\_dama/en/pilots-results/autumn-school/application](http://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/los_dama/en/pilots-results/autumn-school/application)





## Our Alpine City Network continues to grow...



As promised in October 2017, the cities of Graz, Salzburg and Milan joined the LOS\_DAMA! city network and signed the Memorandum of Understanding. After a meeting with officials, the City of Verona joined as the ninth partner. We are inviting further signatories and supporters – if you are interested please contact us:

[http://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/los\\_dama/en/pilots-results/results/mou](http://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/los_dama/en/pilots-results/results/mou)

## Greetings from Zurich

In April 2018, the City of Zurich, our observer, organized the 6th LOS\_DAMA! meeting. The impressive event offered the opportunity for site visits and workshops with more than ten regional experts. We learned about challenges facing Grünstadt Zurich and their strategic answers: the Nature Network Pfannenstiel; about Werdhölzli, a wooden walkway through a natural protection area; the agglomeration park Limmat valley; and about the Zurich Werدينsel participation process. We discussed issues of cross-community open space development and the role of the core cities. Thanks again to Jürgen Faiss and his colleagues!

[http://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/los\\_dama/en/projects---partners/meetings/zurich](http://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/los_dama/en/projects---partners/meetings/zurich)



## LOS\_DAMA! participation in EUSALP Action Group 7 activities

As a member of EUSALP AG 7 on ecological connectivity, LOS\_DAMA! attended the meetings in San Michele and Innsbruck. Together we aim to strengthen cooperation with the 2018 Tyrolean Presidency of the Alpine region strategy.

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