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The City of Sofia and the GreenKeys Project Partners invite you to the

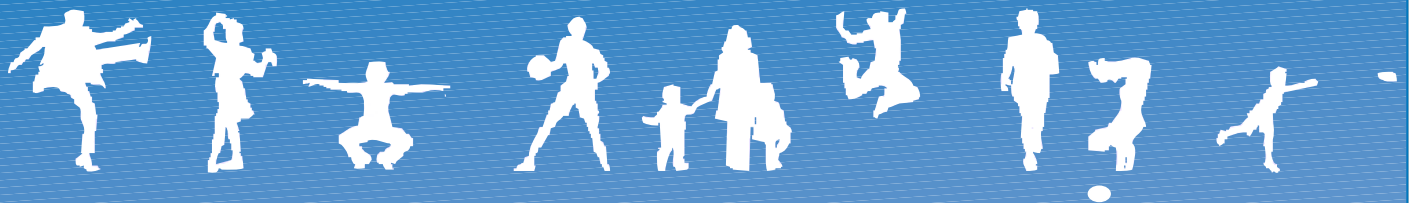


International Conference **URBAN GREEN SPACES - A KEY FOR SUSTAINABLE CITIES**

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The conference aims to provide the opportunity for researchers, practitioners, policymakers, developers and young professionals to critically assess and reflect on aspects relevant to the sustainable future of cities and urban green spaces.

Throughout the world cities are experiencing rapid change and in most countries this is combined with a strong process of urbanisation. In Europe the process is accompanied by economic and demographic changes which have significant implications for the natural and urban environment, infrastructure requirements and the social composition of society. Current and future challenges for the planning and management of urban green spaces need to be visualised, in order to figure out how best to prepare cities for success in the 21st Century. The development of urban green spaces must be recognised and promoted as an important pillar of sustainable development. This in turn should be reflected in an appropriate and robust legal and political framework.

The GreenKeys Project brings together 20 project partners from Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Poland and Slovenia in a common cause to raise awareness for better quality in urban green spaces.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Conference in Sofia.

Best regards,
The GreenKeys Team

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