



REBUS®: a method for designing resilient cities by implementing Nature-based-Solutions

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OVERVIEW

- 1. REBUS training program and Lab / main goals and focus**
- 2. key actors**
- 3. description of the method and activities**
- 4. REBUS simulation game tools**
- 5. main outcomes**



1 / WHAT IS REBUS* ABOUT?

REBUS® is a training programme on urban regeneration design for climate mitigation and adaptation with a final intensive workshop.

It is conducted with the gaming simulation method and it involves decision makers, public officials and professionals from different disciplines

* (latin noun) Definitions of rebus: a puzzle in which words are represented by combinations of pictures and individual letters; for instance, apex might be represented by a picture of an ape followed by a letter X. In other terms, something to be solved, a question to answered.



1 / MAIN FOCUS

- > address climate change adverse effects in urban areas
- > deepen the role of cities and public spaces for climate mitigation and adaptation
- > focusing attention on Nature based Solutions [NbS]



1 / MAIN GOALS

- > change the way of thinking of different actors
- > generate awareness about climate change consequences on urban environment and the potential role of public spaces
- > make different disciplines work together from the very beginning of the decision making and design processes



2 / KEY ACTORS to be involved and trained:

- > **decision makers** [concilors for urban planning and design, public works, green public spaces,...],
- > **professionals** [professional associations of architects, engineers, agronomists]
- > and **public officials** [departments: housing, urban planning and design, public works, green maintenance, public participation, ...]



3 / METHOD ?

- > How to do it?**

- > How to be effective?**



3 / METHOD

- > definition of a training and learning method based on game-simulation and co-planning approach and we called it REBUS® [Renovation of public buildings and Urban Spaces]**

- > involvement of many different professional profiles [urban planners, bio-climatologists, architects, agronomists, forestry experts, landscape architects, engineers, social innovators, and others]**



3 / METHOD

- > **seminars organization and booklets publications** on relevant issues: climate, urban greening and forestry, urban planning, urban regeneration, social innovation, simulation and evaluation tools and others]
- > **co-planning workshop**: competition (between teams) and collaboration (inside teams)
- > **Evaluation of results**: software models and Jury [reflecting the interdisciplinary composition of teams]

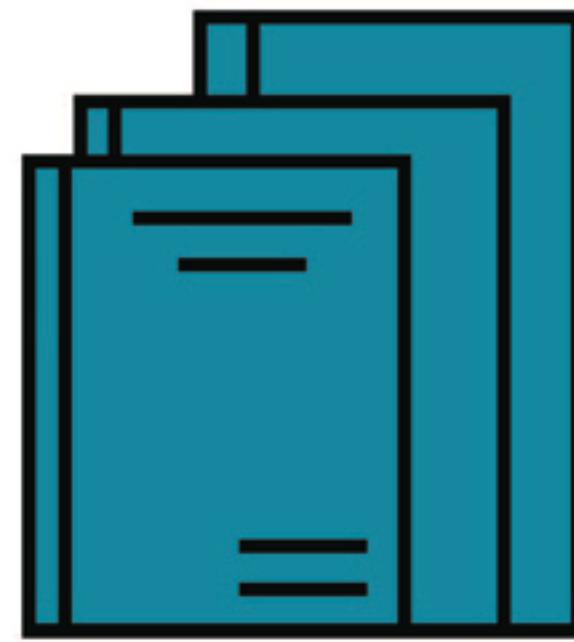


4 / REBUS® simulation game

- > A competition between cities/districts to gain funds for urban regeneration in a changing climate
- > on the basis of a (fake) law and a (fake) call for tender
- > for designing eco-friendly neighborhoods and climate-proof public spaces /
- > implementing Green and Blue infrastructures as a main option for climate proof [comfortable, healthy, safe, livable, beautiful] cities

REBUS® TOOLS

COLLECTION OF
BOOKLETS AND GUIDES
FOR THE WORKSHOP



LECTURES
SEMINARS
LECTIO MAGISTRALIS



LAW (fake) FOR
ECO-DISTRICTS
AND PUBLIC SPACES



CALL (fake)
to access
financing



SITES VISITS
AND SIMULATION-GAME
WORKSHOP



INTERDISCIPLINARY
JURY



SIMULATION
AND EVALUATION
MODELS



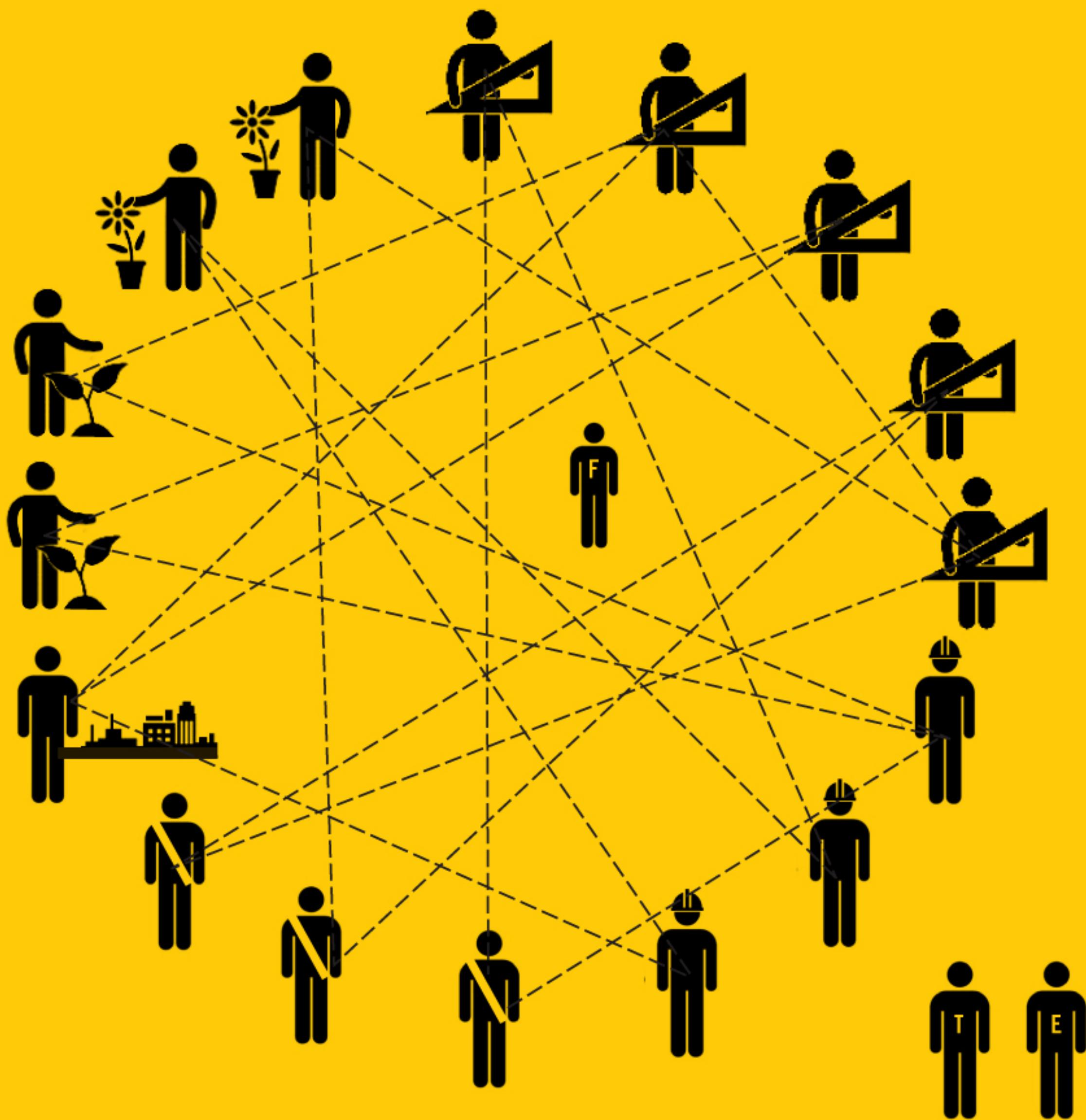




REBUS
Reusing Urban Buildings
and Urban Spaces



REBUS® INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAMS



INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAMS

ARCHITECT LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT AGRONOMIST



ENGINEER PLANNER PUBLIC SERVANT



+

FACILITATOR



CONSULTANTS

EXPERT



CLIMATOLOGIST

AGRONOMIST
EXPERT
OF BIOREMEDIALION

SOCIAL INNOVATOR

URBAN PLAN
EVALUATOR

COMMUNICATION
EXPERT

TUTOR



ENVI-MET
SIMULATION
MODEL

BENEFITS
SPREADSHEET
ON ECOSYSTEM
SERVICES

REBUS® JURY

ARCHITECT



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AGRONOMIST
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT



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PLANNER



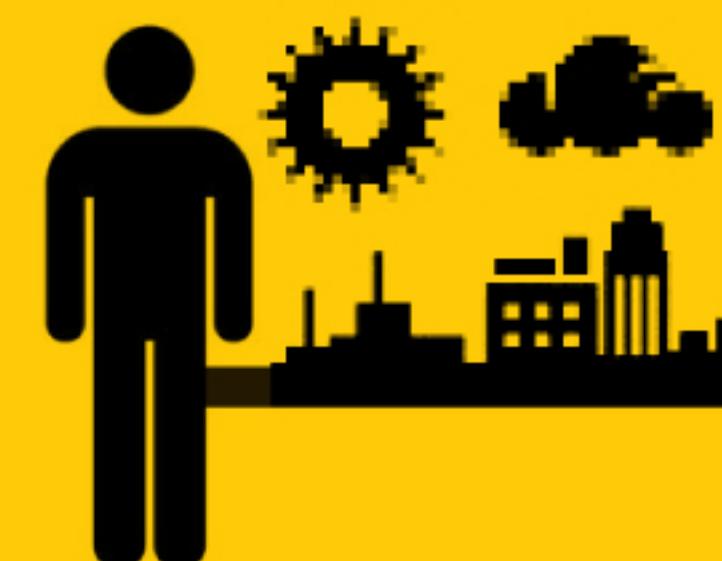
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EXPERT
NbS e SUDS



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BIOCLIMATOLOGIST



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EXPERT FACILITATOR
AND SOCIAL INNOVATOR



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SECRETARY



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4 / REBUS TOOLS



4 / REBUS TOOLS

RIGENERARE LA CITTÀ CON LA NATURA

Strumenti per la progettazione degli spazi pubblici
tra mitigazione e adattamento ai cambiamenti climatici

2° edizione

Valentina Dessì, Elena Farnè, Luisa Ravanello, Maria Teresa Salomoni

GUIDE INTERDISCIPLINARI
REBUS® RENOVATION OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS
AND URBAN SPACES


MAGGIOLI
EDITORE



4 / REBUS TOOLS

MINERAL AND VEGETAL MATERIALS

for most common used surfaces/pavements in urban areas with the indication of the properties (optical, thermal, physical and of permeability) that mainly influence urban microclimate



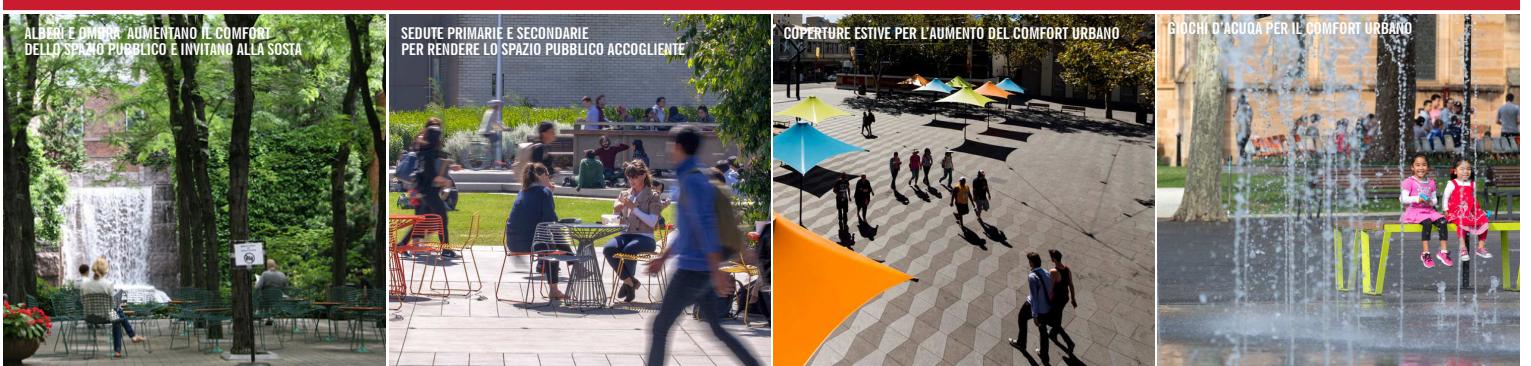
TREES AND URBAN GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

to provide for shades, to improve people thermal comfort in urban areas, to mitigate pollution and to improve the livability of spaces



ATTRACTIVENESS OF PUBLIC SPACES

multifunctional and equipped areas, with shade and urban furniture to create pleasant and comfortable spaces

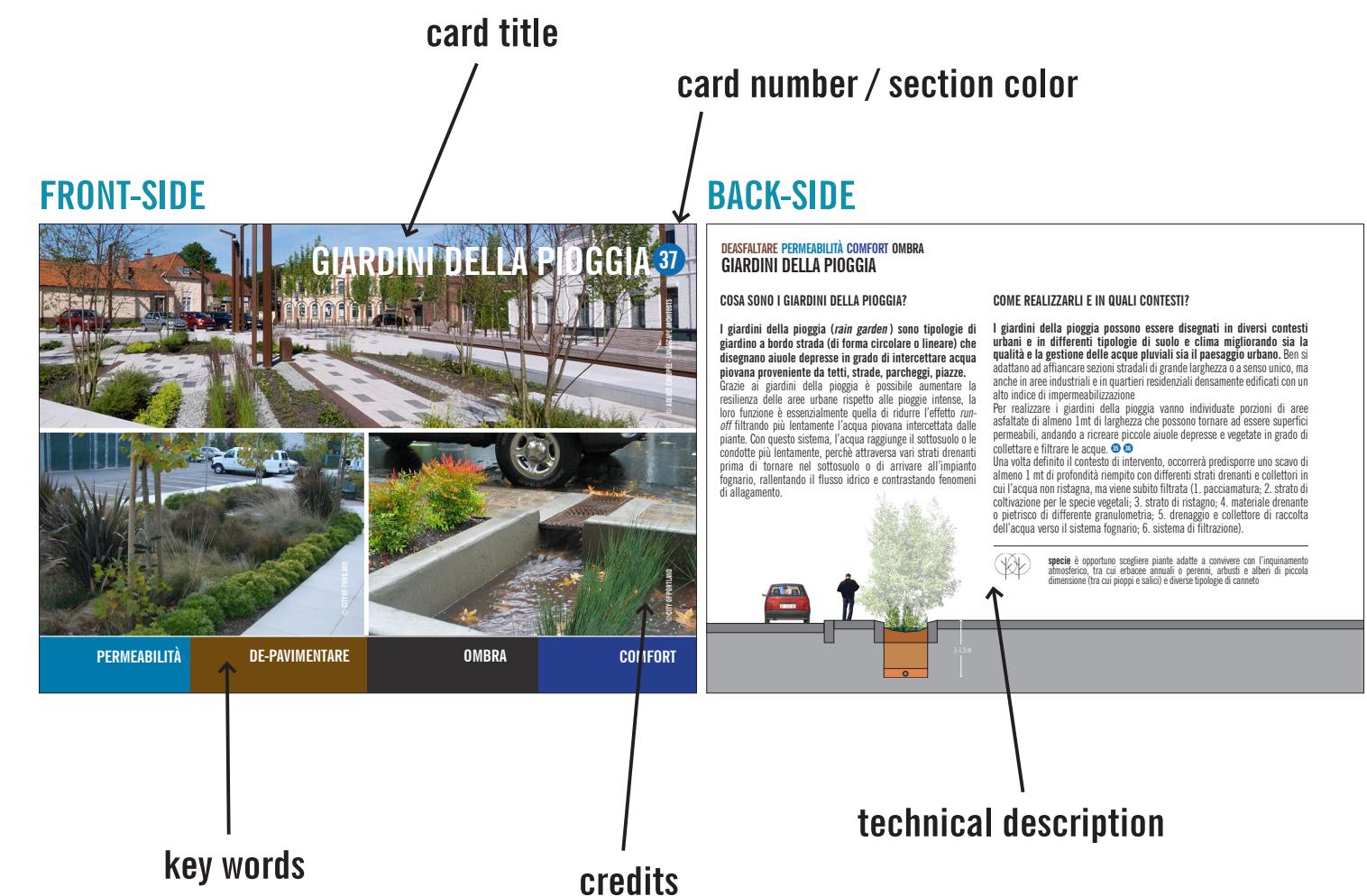
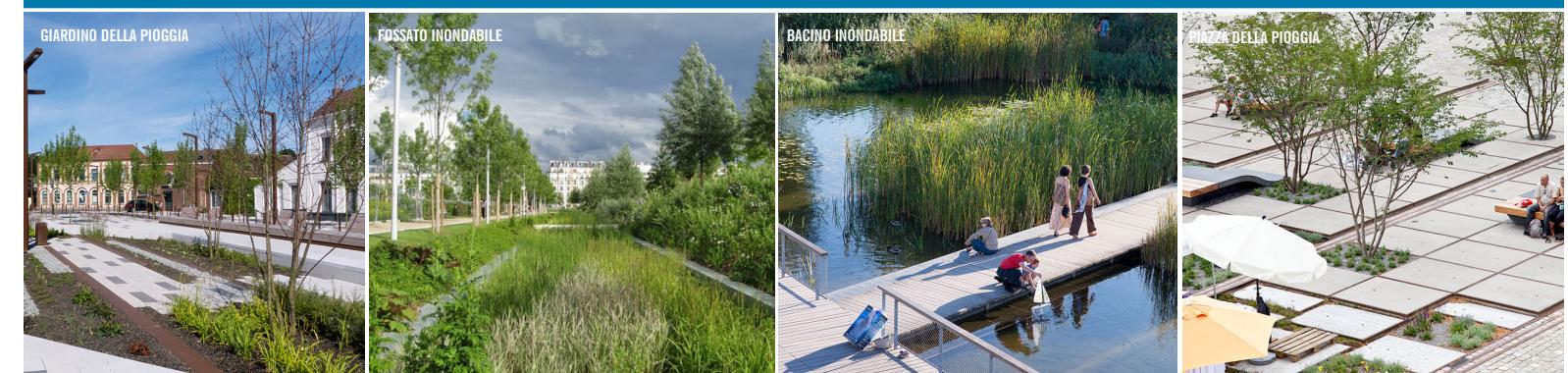


WATER
as a temperature mitigation element to improve thermal comfort of urban public spaces



SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF URBAN RAINWATERS

with solution which could integrate the *run-off* reduction with the creation of green multifunctional spaces, the soil permeability, the microclimate improvement and the pollutants reduction





5 / REBUS OUTCOMES / CHANCING PEOPLE FOR CHANGING CITIES!

- > **REBUS ISSUES** [GBI for climate mitigation and adaptation] were implemented in the new **regional Town Planning Law** [approved in 2017]
- > **REGIONAL CALL FOR TENDER** for urban regeneration design proposal included, among its criteria, the REBUS ones [30 million € for public works throughout the region]
- > **MUNICIPALITIES** activated **CALLS FOR TENDER** including the **GBI as strategic measures**
- > Some **REGIONAL CENTERS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION** and **URBANCENTERs** are using REBUS® topics, achievements and publications to address public spaces retrofitting in connection to climate change goals and with citizens participation
- > **PROFESSIONALS** continue to request REBUS® training and make use of booklets and toolkit in their activity / > **REBUS NETWORK** [technicians from both public and private sectors]



5 / REBUS® IN FIGURES

- **500 applications** from all over Italy to participate in REBUS® training seminars and designlab in Emilia-Romagna Region
- **200 people** took part in REBUS® design-lab
- **500 people** took part in REBUS® training seminars
- **2,000 people attended** REBUS® conferences in Italy (Milan, Rome, Ascoli Piceno, Rimini, Modena, Calenzano (FI), Venice, Piacenza...)
- **over 5,000 accesses** to REBUS web page for publications download in 2 year time

REBUS® DISSEMINATION 2017



- 27 marzo 2017 CESENA – Rigenerare la città con la natura
5 aprile 2017 ORVIETO – Green Infrastructure: Nature based solutions for sustainable and resilient cities
21 aprile 2017 PIACENZA – Rigenerare la città con la natura. Strumenti per la progettazione degli spazi pubblici tra mitigazione e adattamento al clima
30 maggio 2017 MILANO – Imprese e Città. Progettare la sostenibilità
13 maggio 2017 SAN GIOVANNI VALDARNO – Coltivare lo spazio pubblico
23 maggio 2017 FERRARA – Rigenerare la città con la natura
26 maggio 2017 ROMA – Infrastrutture verdi e blu nella città contemporanea
30 maggio 2017 MILANO – Imprese e Città. Progettare la sostenibilità
9 giugno 2017 ASCOLI PICENO – Rigenerazione urbana e spazi pubblici
15 giugno 2017 FORLÌ – Rigenerare la città con la natura

dal 22 settembre al 5 dicembre 2017 REBUS® – 3° edizione
Laboratorio sulla rigenerazione urbana e lo spazio pubblico

REBUS® DISSEMINATION 2018



- 28 febbraio 2018 SESTO FIORENTINO E CALENZANO – Rigenerare la città con la natura – Seminario tematico del Piano urbanistico associato
- 23 marzo 2018 BOLOGNA – REBUS® – 4° edizione – Sessione di seminari frontali
- 18 aprile 2018 MILANO – Designing public spaces for climate adaptation and mitigation – POLIMI Master Plans Studio
- 6 giugno 2018 SAN LAZZARO DI SAVENA – Città per le persone / Mostra e conferenza
- 7 giugno 2018 FERRARA – Coltivare lo spazio pubblico
- 6-21 ottobre 2018 MODENA – Città per le persone / Mostra e conferenza
- 6-16 novembre 2018 FERRARA – Città per le persone / Mostra e conferenza
- 28 novembre-1 dicembre 2018 MANTOVA – Cities for People / World Forum on Urban Forests
- gennaio 2019 RAVENNA – Città per le persone / Mostra e conferenza

CITTÀ PER LE PERSONE CITIES FOR PEOPLE

REBUS® IN MOSTRA • VISITE GUIDATA
LABORATORIO SULLO SPAZIO PUBBLICO PER LA MITIGAZIONE
E L'ADATTAMENTO AI CAMBIAMENTI CLIMATICI

REBUS® EXIBITION • GUIDED TOURS
DESIGNLAB ON PUBLIC SPACES FOR CLIMATE MITIGATION
AND ADAPTATION

WORLD FORUM ON URBAN FORESTS
28.11 • 9.12.2018 MANTOVA
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