A CORUÑA
Urban Gardens Network

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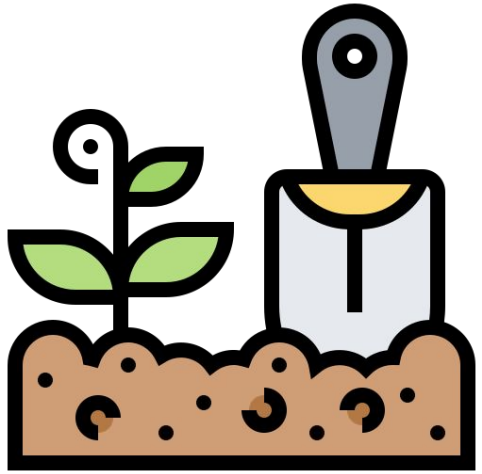
NBS exemplar: Urban Gardens

Why Urban Gardens?

- **Small-scale projects** that can be then **up-scaled** to a city-wide level
- **Cost-efficient way** to address many of the city's strategic goals
- **Alignment** with UN Sustainable Development Goals, EU Urban agenda, Spanish Urban Agenda



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BENEFITS (multifunctional approach)

Increase **biodiversity** and boost ecology

Improve **resilience** against climate change challenges

Provide a sustainable public space offering **healthy recreational opportunities**

Protect and reinforce **ethnographic and cultural values** of environment

Increase **social cohesion** and **community engagement**

Provide a space for **environmental education**

Promote **new sustainable economic activities / entrepreneurship opportunities**

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Agra

Novo Mesoiro

Eirís

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3 Urban Gardens for citizens

3 Community Gardens for NGOs and associations

5 School Gardens in Primary Schools

218 families in Municipal Gardens

2 NGOs / Associations

2,500 children

4 Urban Gardens for citizens

4 Community Gardens for NGOs and associations

11 School Gardens in Primary Schools

331 families in Municipal Gardens

4 NGOs / Associations

4,400 children

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Community gardens with NGOs

School Gardens

Municipal Urban Gardens

Project for a new Urban Garden

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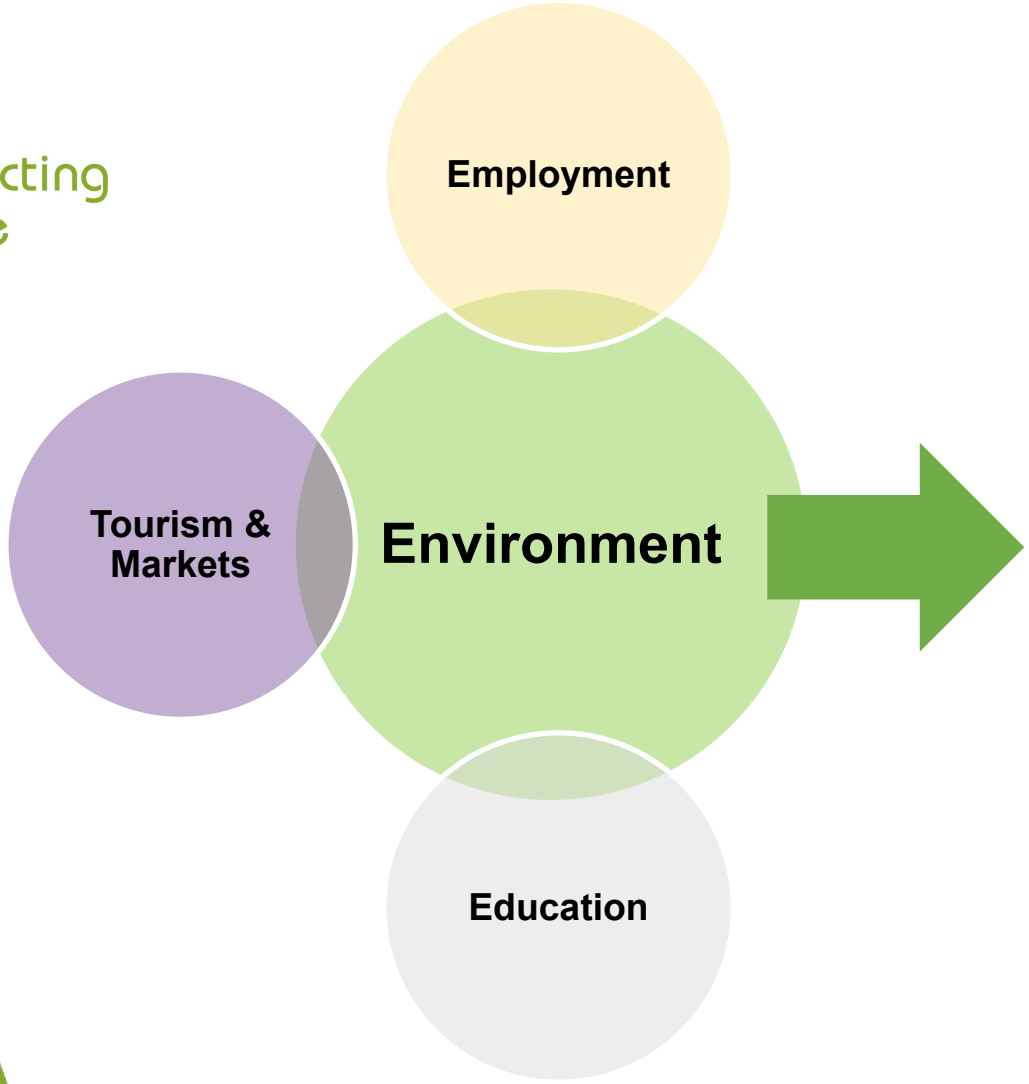
Breaking the silos



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Engaging stakeholders

LOCAL GROUP ON URBAN AGRICULTURE

Presence of relevant groups:
NGOs, urban gardeners associations, neighbourhood associations, teachers and school community, professional gardeners and SMEs, university…

Regular meetings:
Co-designing the urban gardens network and designing the next steps to take

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SARAJEVO PROCESS

Coproduction tool:

Reflecting about nature and contact with nature trough arts

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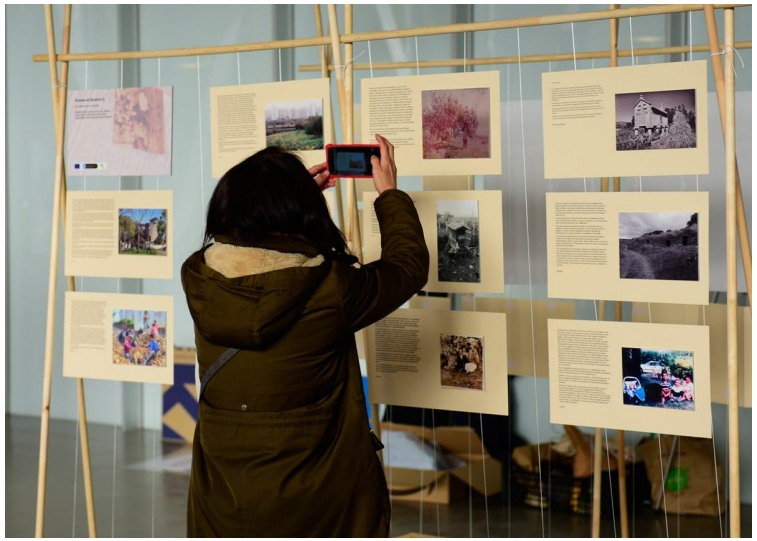

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Engaging stakeholders

School gardens: workshops with children

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THANK YOU!

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