The role of youth in driving sustainable management of urban trees and forest

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**IFSA: The Important 1990s...**

- Reinvigoration and internationalisation – e.g., of the IFSS
- A new logo!
- Official registration as an association under German law (1994)
- Secretariat moved from Lisbon to Goettingen
- Engagement with international organisations such as IUFRO, Union of European Foresters, other student associations
- Engaging in discussions on forest education... and urban forestry
IFSA: The Important 1990s... also for me!

- IFSS 1992: Padua, Italy
- IFSS 1993: Serdang, Malaysia
- IFSS 1994: Zurich, Switzerland
- IFSS 1995: Helsinki, Finland
- IFSS 1996: Melbourne & Canberra, Australia
- IFSS 1997: Stellenbosch, South Africa
IFSA: What it has meant to me

• First contact with ‘urban forestry’ and the start of an international career
• Becoming international – and working with an international mindset
• Network and contact with e.g., international organisations
• Building my resumé – and landing my first real job
• Getting some mentors
• Some friends for life
• Taking the opportunities offered!
Urban Forestry

The art, science, and technology of managing trees and forest resources in and around urban community ecosystems for the physiological, sociological, economic, and aesthetic benefits trees provide society

(Helms 1998, based on Miller 1997)
Over 4% of summer mortality in European cities is attributable to urban heat islands.

- **30%**: Increasing tree cover in cities can reduce the temperature of urban environments by up to 1.3°C and prevent 1/3 of premature deaths attributable to urban heat islands in summer.


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**The Nature Fix**
Why Nature Makes Us Happier, Healthier, and More Creative

Florence Williams

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**Biophilic Cities**
Connecting Cities And Nature

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**The UN Forest Podcast**

**URBAN FORESTS**
by Stefano Boeri
Sustainable Urban and Peri-urban Forestry
An Integrative and Inclusive Nature-Based Solution for Green Recovery and Sustainable, Healthy and Resilient Cities
Policy Brief
Une étude explique la règle impérable des 3-30-300 pour avoir plus de chances d'être heureux 24 heures sur 24

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Forestry expert Cecil Konijnendijk recommended the 3-30-300 rule for urban planners...

Source: WWF
What you can do

• Choose a career path, specialise – urban forestry, nature-based solutions are hot!
• Get active in your own community – there are many opportunities
• Promote the benefits of trees and forests – and of good practices. Planting trees is good, letting them grow old is better
• Use IFSA as a platform for urban forests
• Let’s create better, greener, healthier cities together!
Schütze unsere Tierarten, bevor es zu spät ist.