

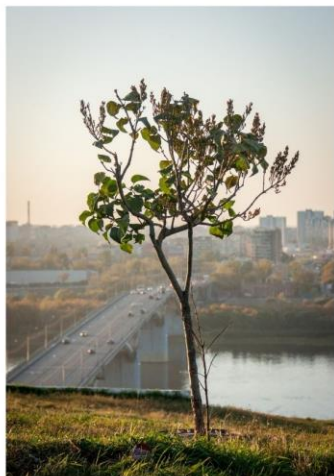
Urban Forests, Global Benefits

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- TREES IN CITIES CHALLENGE -

19 MILLION TREES PLANTED

A MILESTONE.
NOT THE FINISH LINE.



**UNECE Trees in Cities
Challenge**

WILL YOUR CITY BE NEXT?

- LET'S GROW WHAT WORKS -



Trees in Cities Challenge

TREES IN CITIES CHALLENGE: A GLOBAL NETWORK FOR GREENER CITIES

Launched in 2019, the Trees in Cities Challenge fosters a global network of cities committed to expanding their urban tree canopy.

To date, over 87 cities from 33 countries have taken part, collectively planting **18.5 MILLION TREES**, more than double the initial target.

This program offers several benefits for participating cities:

PUBLIC COMMITMENT

Cities can publicly showcase their



TREES IN DRY CITIES COALITION: TAILORED SOLUTIONS FOR ARID CLIMATES

Recognizing the unique challenges faced by cities in dry climates, the Trees in Dry Cities Coalition brings together a diverse group of stakeholders, including national and local level representatives, development banks, international organizations, research institutions, etc.



Our Flagship Impact Initiatives

The UN Petite Forests Network invites you to

YOUR PETITE FOREST JOURNEY STARTS HERE

What to expect:

- Inspiring stories from experienced experts
- Small group discussions to guide your first steps
- Tips on creating and managing your petite forest

If you're passionate about greener, healthier communities, this is your chance to network with like-minded enthusiasts and start making an impact.



Why urban trees matter

When planned, funded and managed for the long-term investment in Urban trees and forests is a cost-effective, nature-based solution to localize the SDGs and action for climate, biodiversity and other global and national goals.

REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Up to 25% in shaded buildings

COOL CITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS

Reduce ambient temperatures 8+ degrees Celsius

REDUCE EXPOSURE TO POLLUTION

Tree-lined streets reduce exposure to traffic pollution up to 50%

FACILITATE WALKING, BIKING

Along green corridors, complementing public transit networks

IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH

Proven to improve physical and mental health

ATTRACT SHOPPERS, DINERS, TOURISTS

Deliver vibrant streets and communities

BUILD INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES

Provide places for community gathering and recreation

REDUCE DISASTER RISK

Stabilize soil and intercept water, reducing flood & landslide risk

PROTECT BIODIVERSITY

Form critical habitats and corridors for diverse species, pollinators

INCREASE PROPERTY VALUES

Greener cities/neighborhoods may attract businesses to (re)locate

GROW FOOD IN CITIES

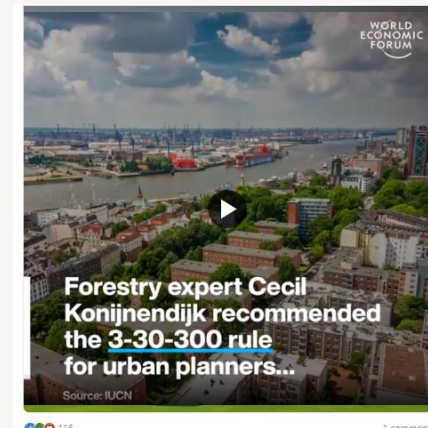
Urban food forests can address food deserts and enhance nutrition

Urban Balancing Act: Ensuring Space for Sufficient Tree and Green Cover



The 3-30-300 rule for greener, healthier, and more resilient cities

- 3 Everyone should be able to see at least 3 mature trees from their home and place of work or study;
- 30 There should be a 30% tree canopy cover in each neighbourhood;
- 300 The maximum distance to the nearest high-quality public green space should be 300 metres.



Join Us to Protect, Grow and Expand Urban Tree and Nature Cover

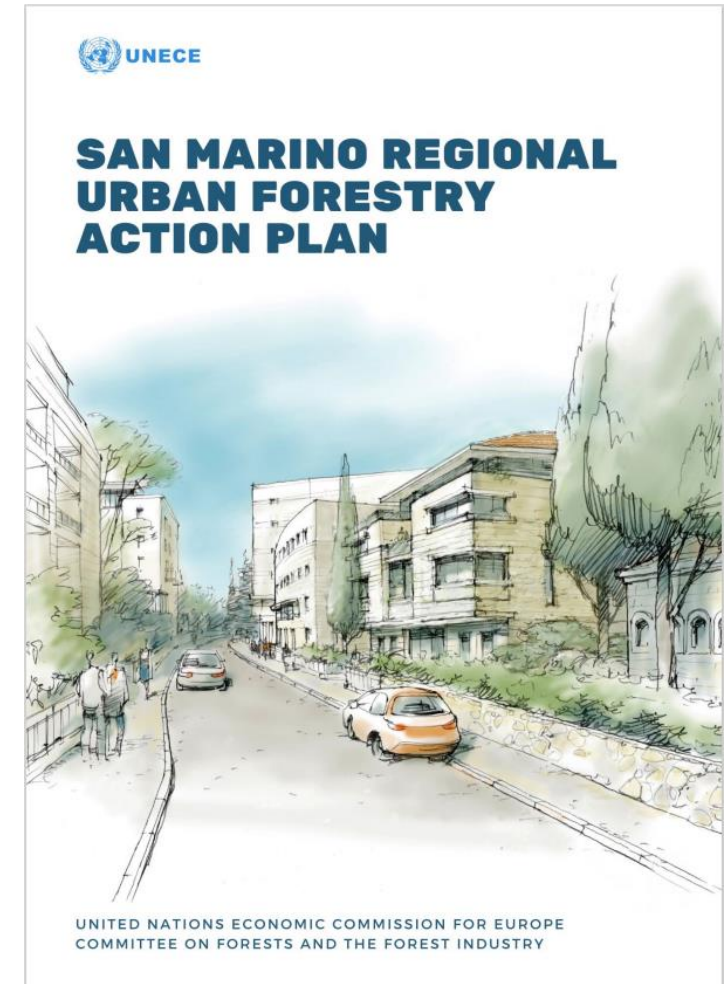


The [San Marino Regional Urban Forestry Action Plan](#) was adopted at the UNECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry (COFFI) 81st Session (Nov 2023)

The 82nd session of COFFI (Nov 2024) invites delegations to nominate national focal points to contribute to an **Informal Task Force** on the Implementation of the San Marino Regional Urban Forestry Action Plan

Interested to contribute to the Task Force?

Members of the UNECE Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management are invited to contact the UNECE Forestry and Timber Section: Ms. Liliana Annovazzi-Jakab, liliana.annovazzi-jakab@un.org



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and we are just getting started



WILL YOUR CITY JOIN US NEXT?

SHAPE A GREENER
TOMORROW



PLANT TREES IN
YOUR CITY TODAY



Thank you

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