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The evolving role of green and blue infrastructure as refuges during a pandemic

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The COVID 19 pandemic has illustrated the importance of urban blue and green infrastructure, serving as a place for local residents to exercise, meet and relax. The pandemic has also inspired many rapid and creative policy responses so that people can use public open spaces safely.

Over the last four years, the ENABLE project has researched how the benefits of green and blue spaces are enabled by social, ecological and institutional factors, an issue that will be of even greater importance as we emerge from the current crisis.

This dynamic session brings together researchers and city practitioners to discuss what we can learn from ENABLE research and from experiences during lockdowns in different cities participating in ENABLE. It explores how we can make better use of green and blue spaces in an equitable way to manage and prepare for pandemics and other disasters.

Provisional agenda

Welcome and introductions

Keynote: Reflections on the challenges and opportunities for making better use of green and blue infrastructure as part of disaster preparedness planning in cities

Roundtable with ENABLE researchers: Evolving uses of green refuges in ENABLE cities

Panel discussion with ENABLE researchers and cities: How can city administrations, NGOs, urban civil society and researchers collaborate to equitably develop the role of green and blue infrastructure as part of a strategy of disaster preparedness, in light of the combined risks of climate change and future pandemics?

Questions from the audience

Conclusions and outlook



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