



RU:RBAN Second Wave #5th Quarterly Network Report

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THE TRANSFER JOURNEY IS ABOUT TO BE FINISHED

RU:RBAN SECOND WAVE ...

The management model of Roman Urban Gardens travelled through Split, Croatia and ...

RU:RBAN is entering the Finale Phase ...

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This 5th Quarterly Report is to briefly present some highlights from the last exchange of experiences between the LP, the experts and the newcomer cities, to capture moments of the projects' last policy topic exchanges, as to UNDERSTAND the Rome's urban gardens management model, that was to be transferred during the projects' journey.

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Introduction

The 5th Quarterly Report aim is to **capture** and **connect** the final learning exchanges for the network and share it with wider audience.

For this purpose, It is uploaded in the networks' webpage.

RU:RBAN Second Wave continued its journey by the end of September 2022, scheduled to visit the **newcomer** cities around Europe, as also **3 lighthouse cities** showcasing their urban gardens' management good practises.

These 3 months activities were the last part of the Adapt/Re-Use Phase, while the last TNM took place with a big number of partners and ULG members (being in person in Split, Croatia) ...



Chapter 1 – Last Transnational Exchanges and Learning activities

It was a fruitful trimester for RU:RBAN 2nd Wave (July to September 2022), even the summer break was included, since all partners worked very effectively on their last transfer tasks, prepared and participated in the last Transfer Network Meeting and worked in between in local level, mostly to finalise the local urban gardens regulations!

RU:RBANeers were fully dedicated in local and project level obligations, having almost all of their meetings and transfer exchanges in person than online ...

Visiting Split, Croatia partners had a great support from the city officers and the ULG coordinator ...



**During the 3rd trimester of 2022 in
RU:RBAN 2nd Wave, the Lead Expert
organised the exchange of experience
between the partners, according the
projects' transfer methodology and the
partners tailored needs and requests ...**

**After the summer break and before the 5th
TNM in Split, Croatia, all partners worked
in local level to capitalize all last transfer
inputs in capacity building and to
elaborate their urban gardens regulation
following the directions of the experts ...**

The last TNM took place in Split, Croatia (September 2022) ...



Chapter 2 – The Croatian TNM Highlights in all RU:RBAN Elements

The Lead Expert has worked in cooperation with the LP and the 4 partner cities to prepare the 5th Transfer Network Meeting in Split, Croatia. Split is working very hard to improve the urban & community gardens ecosystem and RU:RBAN 2nd Wave was a real good starting point to motivate citizens, officers and local politicians, like the recently elected mayor of the city!



The TNM took place onsite, with more than 40 participants.

while almost 2/3 of them were members of the ULG stakeholders!

The LE at the end of August and during September 2022 met online the LP representatives & the rest partnership to prepare in advance and in details all project working documents, templates etc., that were presented, discussed and debated during the different TNM sessions, from 28th to 29th of September 2022 in Split.



The LE also prepared pro and post documents for the TNM and transfer needs, since this was the last meeting of the 12 months transfer exchanges period.

5th TN MEETING RATIONALE AND FOCUS

The Lead Expert formulated the final Split agenda of the 5th TN project meeting to dedicate half of the time to the 2 main project elements (E1 and E3) and half of the time in E2.

Most of the experts' efforts were dedicated to support the Split ULG members with ideas, suggestions and proposals on their **first big community garden** that is in progress by the Split municipality. The discussion of the most possible location for the new garden establishment included (beside the management model advises) additional suggestions regarding infrastructure aspects.



All 5th TNM sessions are considered as very successful, since they attracted all present ULG members and especially gardeners & students of the city's' operating gardens. Fruitful bilateral and trilateral exchanges took place, adding value to all partners' capacity building and urban gardens management skills.

The onsite support of the experts to the hosting city ULG members and partners is also a highlight of the 5th TNM results ...



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Split Case Study even if it is considered as week, since it was about a school garden involving only students and their teachers and not a wider part of the citizens, it is considered as a successful model so far for the city's community gardens ecosystem.

The municipality's staff in related the topic directorates took part in all sessions, improving their capacity building on the policy topic.

A **REALLY** big number of local stakeholders were also present in all sessions!



RU:RBAN experts used different team-work tools in Split TNM trying to raise all ULG members interest and as a result, to improve their capacity building in Urban Gardens Management ...



The extended capacity building session by Silvia Cioli inspired all participants to work on management issues of their community gardens.

It is considered as another successful tool of exchanging experiences between all ULG members, as also of raising their capacity building in terms of their knowledge of other management models of urban gardens ...

The LE presented in details the framework of the last phase of the project (FINALE), introduced all available tools and templates and suggested the partners to take advantage of the transfer results, both in city level, as also disseminating them to extended regional and national level audience ...



Chapter 3 – Reykjavik Lighthouse City Highlights! ...

Last Lighthouse city Case studies presentations by the Lead Expert ...

The LE, Kostas Karamarkos presented the most interesting aspects of the last Lighthouse City Urban Gardens Management Models study visits!

The partners were introduced in those different approaches of Reykjavik and its surrounding areas ...





Reykjavik's metropolitan area urban gardens management model.

The Kópavogur community garden management system is considered as **the most well organised one in all lighthouse cities case studies of the 2nd Wave RU:RBAN study visits ...**



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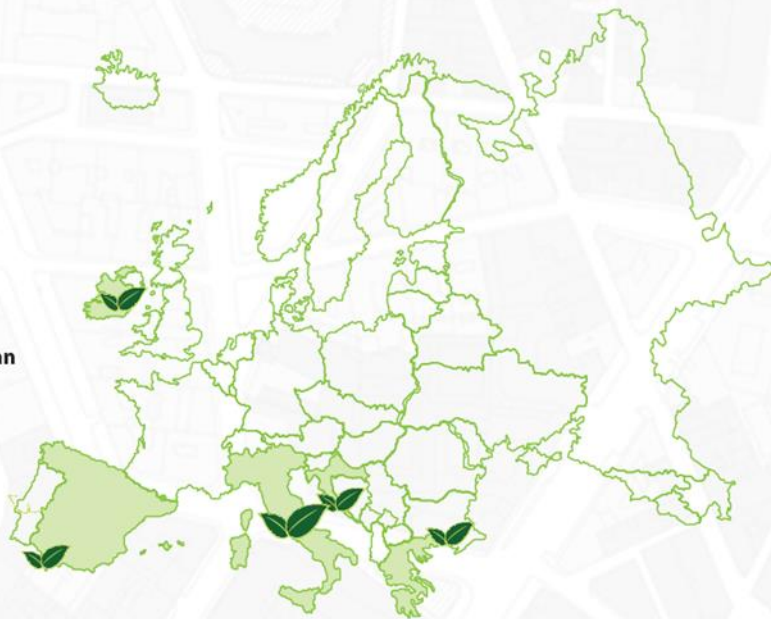
explore how the knowledge and experience of identified Good Practice Cities
can be shared with and implemented by other cities
across the European Union
to encourage a more integrated and sustainable urban development

The transfer components (TC) of the Good Practice are
the **Capacity building** in organizing urban gardens
the **Training** of people in managing urban gardens
the **Governance** of urban gardens

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is led by Rome,
Good Practice City
for the Network

The Good Practice is
**the management model of urban
gardens in Rome**
to be transferred to
Alexandroupolis, Algeciras,
Carlow and Split
to ensure sharing
of experience
and to enhance
the capacities
of local governance



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To be continued!

