



## Greening Cities Shaping Cities: Pinpointing Nature-Based Solutions in Cities between Shared Governance and Citizen Participation

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The topic of pinpointing nature-based solutions (NBS) in the urban context has lately been attracting interest from different scholars, urban planning practitioners, and policymakers. This Special Issue originates from the Greening Cities Shaping Cities Symposium held at the Politecnico di Milano (12–13 October 2020), aiming at bridging the gap between science and practice of getting NBS implemented in the built environment. In particular, we invite scholars to investigate how NBS and urban greening strategies are re-shaping the built environment and the whole imagery of cities, both from a spatial and a governance perspective. This Special Issue welcomes scientific articles that cover novel insights into urban debates on design and planning theory, policy, and practice around NBS. Currently, cities are making use of nature as a solution to many challenges, without radically and critically addressing the full potential of interpreting green as a powerful urban design and governance feature.

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