



Urban Green Days 2005 in full swing – Join your peers now!

Through Urban Green Days, the European Commission invites every European city and town to link its local events for a better environment with the Europe-level Brussels Green Week (31 May – 3 June) and World Environment Day (5 June). Numerous local governments have already joined this year's UGD to promote their own work and contribute to a higher impact at the European level. Activities include both traditional World Environment Day events and newly initiated actions that happen during May and June 2005. Join your peers now and participate in the celebration!

Participating local governments have begun to enter their events on the online database: Fleetwood, UK, for example, has reported that it will open eighteen hectares of reclamation land which has transformed the site of the former power station into an attractive wildlife, leisure, and recreational facility for the public. Initiatives being celebrated across Romania by as many as six local governments include educational sessions open to all citizens on renewable sources of energy, urban green areas and the promotion of the Universal Declaration Of Tree Rights. In Preston, U.K., citizens welcome the opening of a recycling plant. The vertical composting pilot plant is designed to process kitchen waste into usable organic compost that will bring benefits to the local population.

It is fast and easy to participate. To register as a participant, just provide information on your environmental event by completing the entry form located on www.urbangreendays.org in any language. Forms are also available in a range of languages for your convenience. Then, if you wish, use several other opportunities for you to showcase your activities further: For example, local governments may submit educational and promotional documents that could be shared with others, send in photos and video footage of their UGD events to be viewed online or apply to have their awareness-raising work featured in a good practice publication.

The UGD initiative supports participating local governments. Besides the inspiring database of several hundred events, the online Resource Centre contains logos, media advice and other ready- to-print materials, free of charge that may be used to promote your event. Materials from 2004 and 2005 activities are also available online to help stimulate ideas. In addition, every participant receives the “ABC’s of Urban Green Days” brochure and posters. For in-country support, see a listing of National Partners and Promoters on the UGD website. And the UGD hotline is always available for you.

Urban Green Days is a European Commission, Directorate General Environment initiative. ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability coordinates UGD and supports interested local governments. For more information:

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