

# Landscape Management in a Changing Environment

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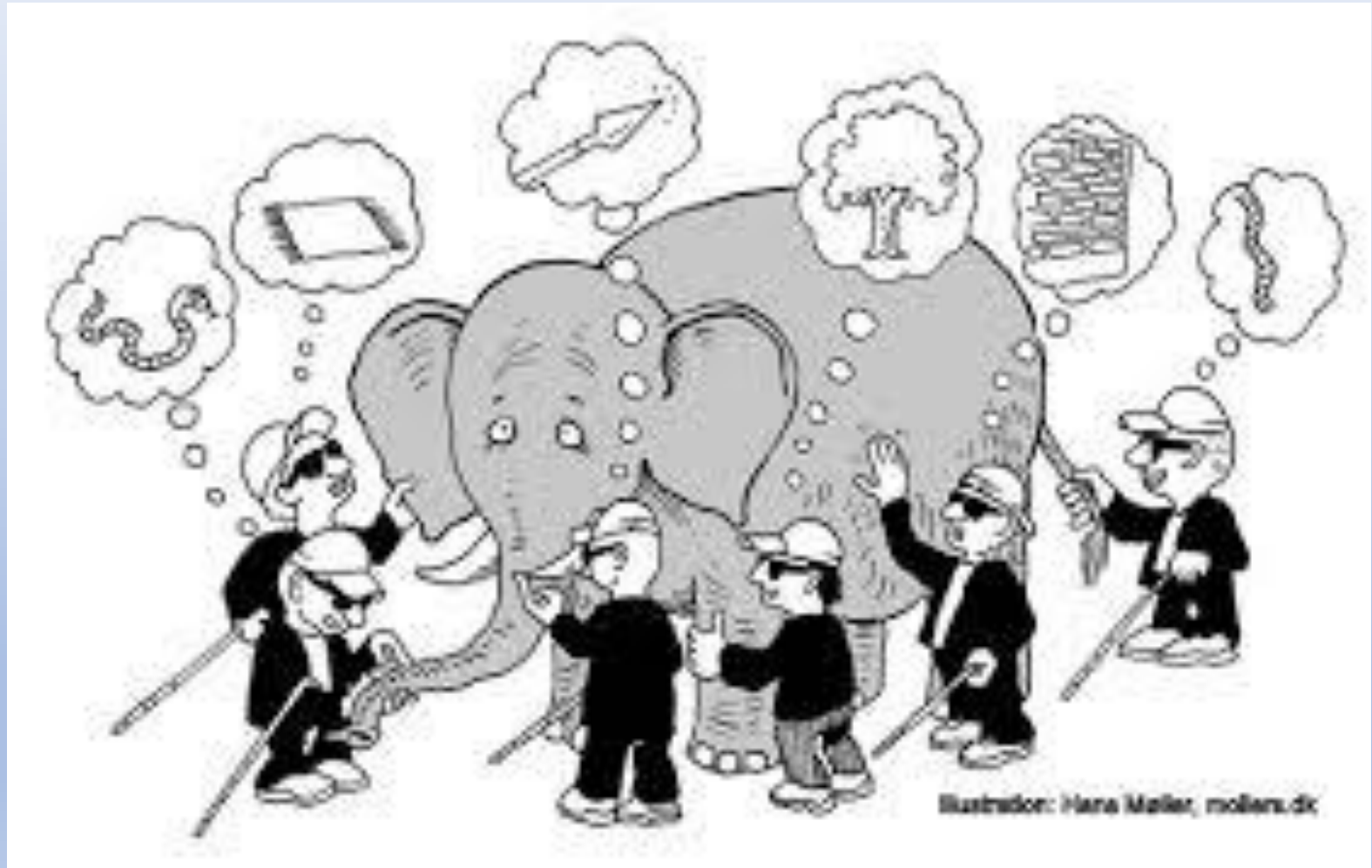
- Why landscape management?
- The changing environmental context
- Some examples from my work
- How can we find solutions?

**Landscape ecology** is the study of the interactions between the temporal and spatial aspects of a landscape and the organisms within it.

**Landscape management** means action, from a perspective of sustainable development, to ensure the regular upkeep of a **landscape**, so as to guide and harmonise changes which are brought about by social, economic and environmental processes.

(European Landscape Convention, 2011)

# Different perspectives



# So I'm interested in what the **economy can do for wildlife and people**

- So what are the interactions between the economy and wildlife?
- The first step in conservation is to UNDERSTAND what is affecting populations



**H**abitat  
**I**nvasive species  
**P**opulation (human)  
**P**ollution  
**O**ver harvesting

# Aichi Biodiversity Targets

*Strategic Goal C: To improve the status of biodiversity by safeguarding ecosystems, species and genetic diversity*

## Target 11

By 2020, at least 17 % of terrestrial and inland water, and 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas, especially areas of particular importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services, are conserved through effectively and equitably managed, ecologically representative and well connected systems of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, and integrated into the wider landscapes and seascapes.

Is designating > 20% of a country practical?

# How effective are protected areas?

- It depends .....
- Wildlife has this awkward tendency to move around!
- Environmental change means habitats may no longer suitable for specific species
- More, bigger, better, joined up areas of habitat are needed
- How can this be achieved with population increase and development pressure?

# Views on Protected Areas

Crofts R (2004) Linking Protected Areas to the Wider World: A Review of Approaches.  
Journal of Environmental Policy and Planning 6 (2) pages 143 - 156

## **Nature Conservation view:**

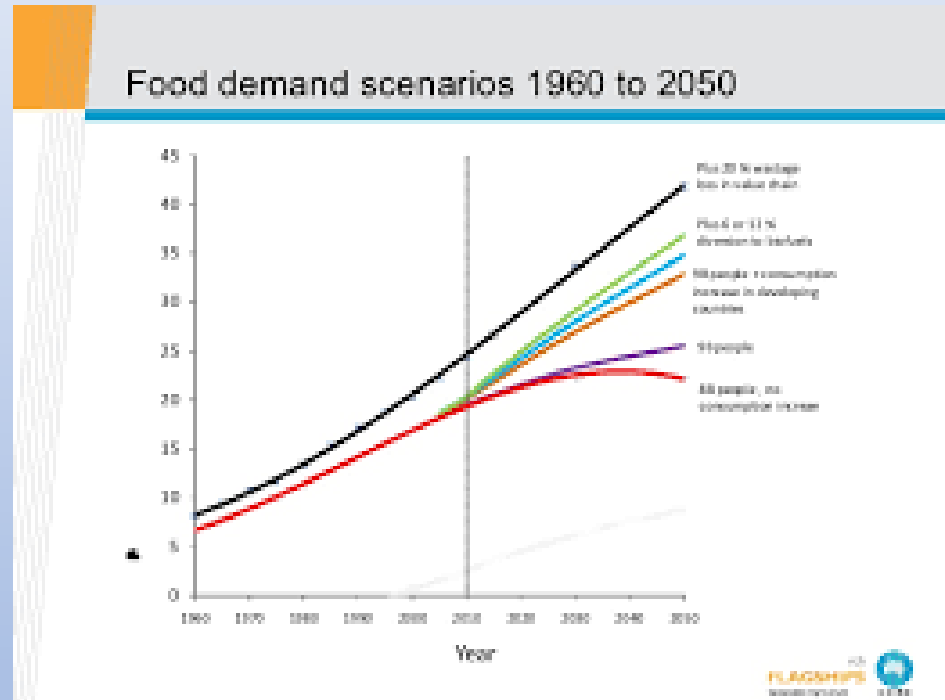
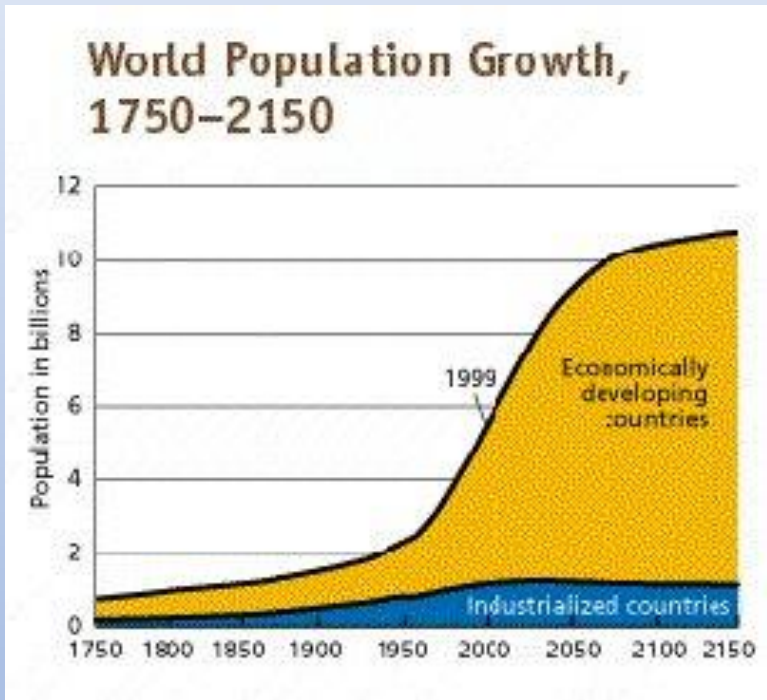
- Too few
- Too small
- No more tourist facilities
- Better protection
- More involvement
- Too much damage
- Too few controls
- Locals negative
- More conservationists

## **Community View:**

- Too many
- Too large
- More visitor facilities
- Less protection
- Less involvement
- They stop development
- Too many rules
- Locals ignored
- Should be run by locals



# Conflicting demands .....



# The 'LS' debate

## Land Sparing

- Increasingly intensive high-yielding agriculture
- uses less land
- meets demand for food
- leaving greater areas of natural habitat untouched
- more efficient (more profit fewer jobs)

## Land Sharing

- low-yield farming
- Widely spread across the landscape
- enables biodiversity to be maintained
- less efficient
- maintains livelihoods
- but at low wages

The Environment is Changing

**THE BIG  
ISSUE**

# National Happiness (Economic Well-Being)

The measure of a nation's well-being goes beyond the level or and rate of growth of GDP. Economic well-being is a **multi-dimensional concept**.

Real Gross Domestic Product per capita

Real Household Spending per head

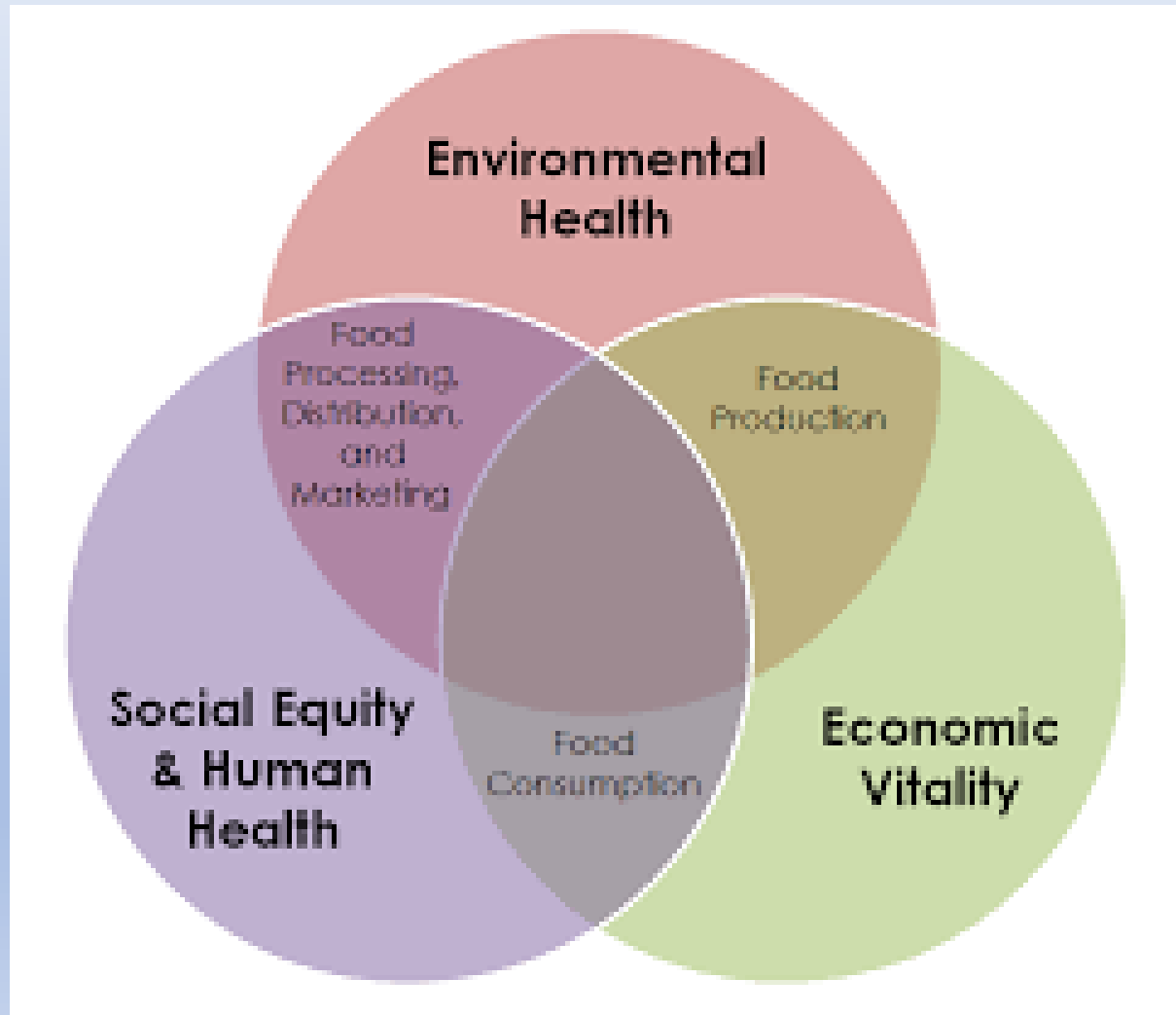
Median Household Income

Household Net Wealth (i.e. value of assets – liabilities)

Unemployment rate (household income and net wealth).

Financial situation of households + feeling of security

# Complex of inter-related issues

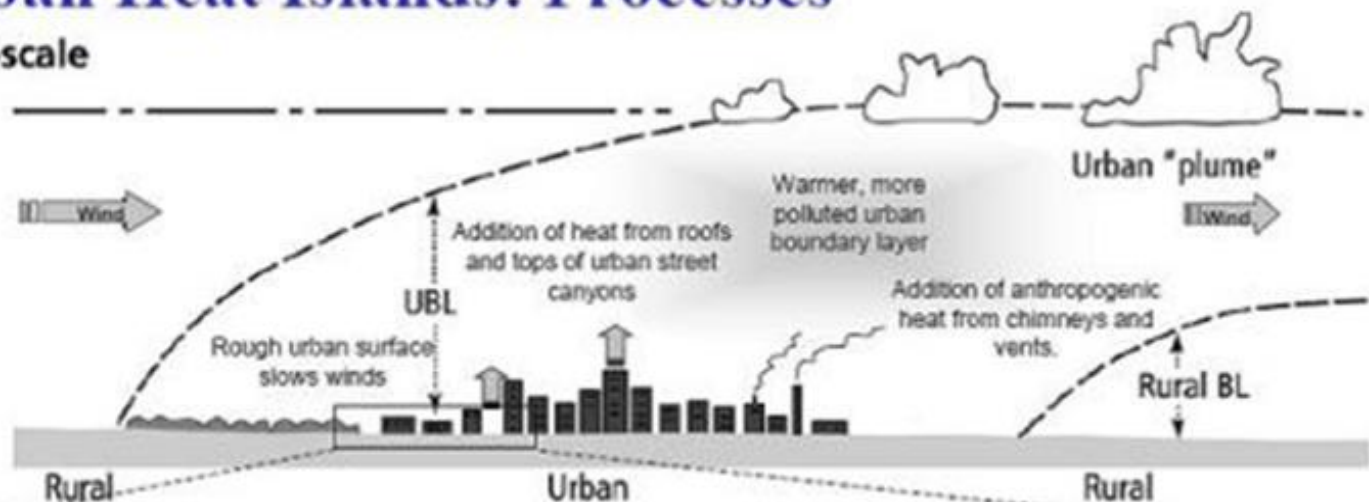


# 1. Heat stress effect on people (+) Northern Europe

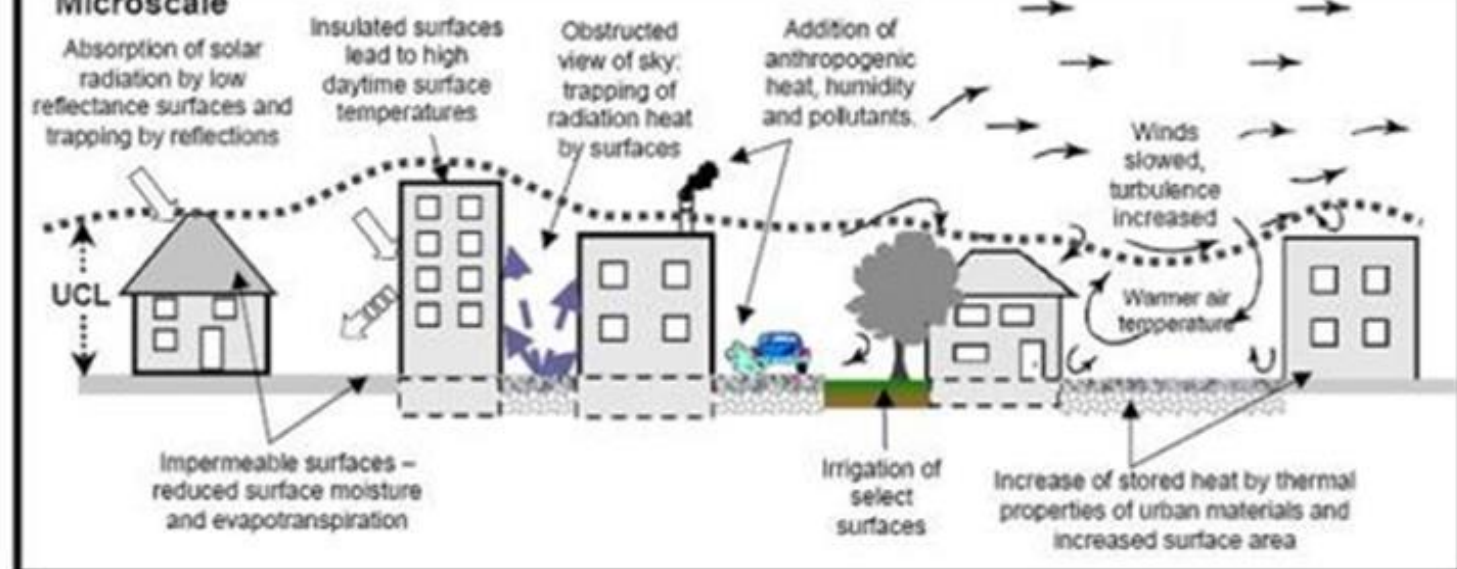


# Urban Heat Islands: Processes

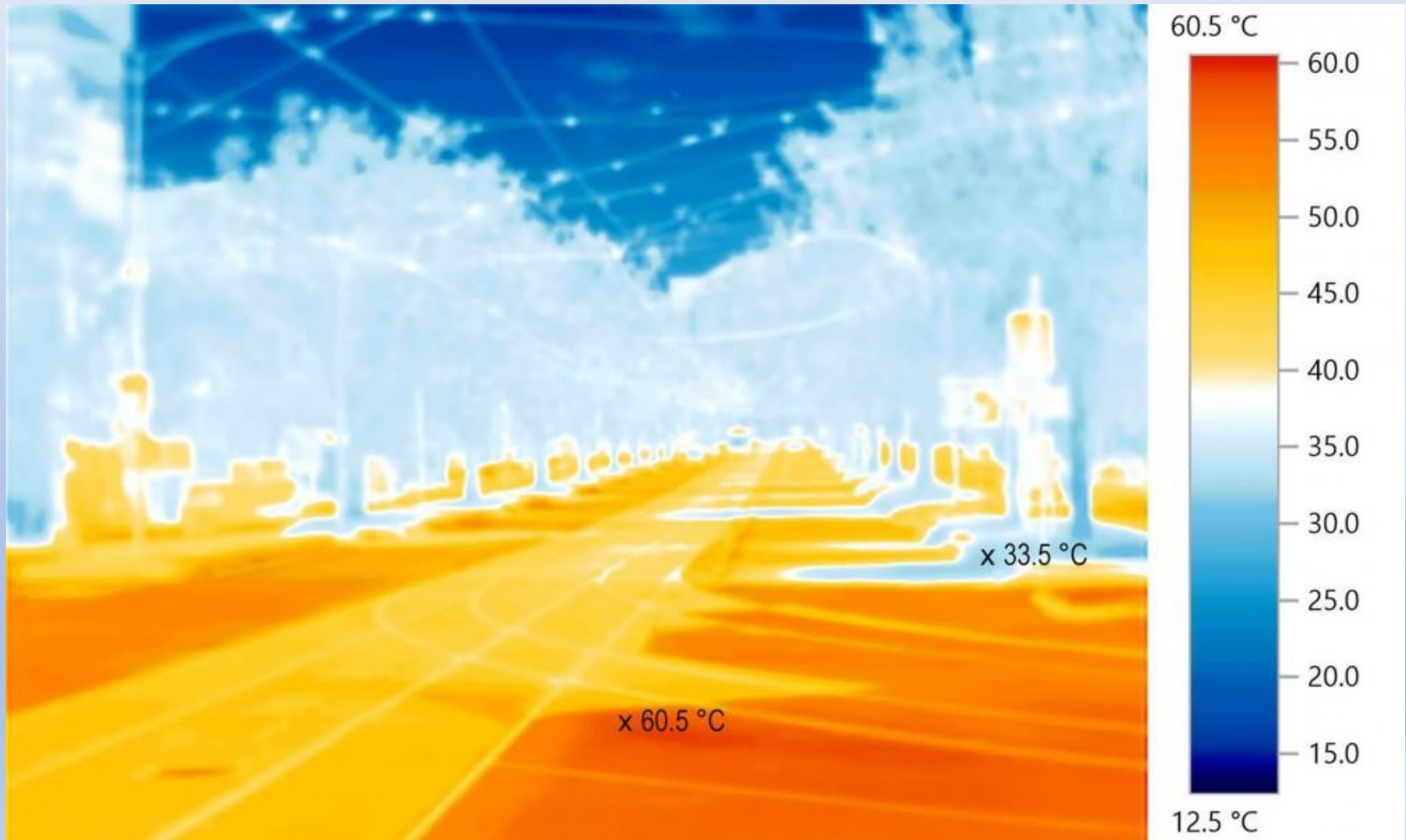
## Mesoscale



## Microscale



# Blue & Green Infrastructure: Spatial Adaptation for Heat Resilience in Cities





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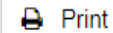
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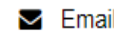


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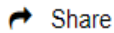
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## Heat-related deaths likely to increase significantly as global temperatures rise, warn researchers

Models show that the implementation of the Paris Agreement is critical to avoid a large increase in temperature-related deaths

*Date:* September 13, 2018

*Source:* Springer

*Summary:* In a new article, experts argue that the world needs to keep global temperatures in check by meeting the goals set out in the Paris Agreement, or more people could die because of extreme temperatures.



**Built environment**

**Lack of air movement**

**people experiencing discomfort  
In  
public open space**

○ fans or temporary air conditioning units for known vulnerable residents



▲ consider heat reflective exterior to reduce solar gain in buildings

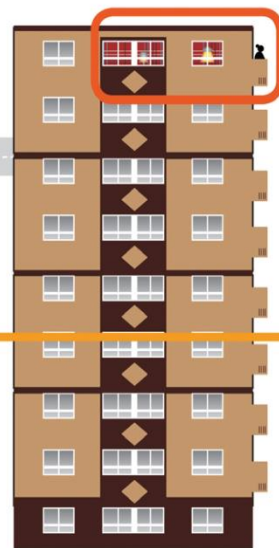
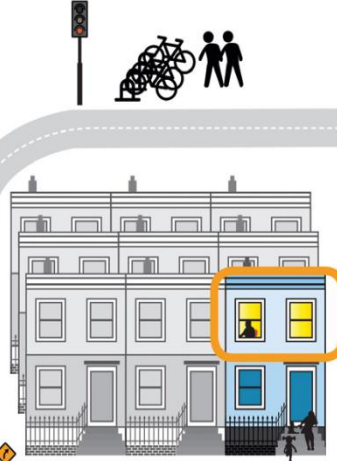
▲ green roofs / walls, climbing plants

▲ secure, triple glazed and pest proof, openable windows

▲ internal / external wall insulation

○ implement window, curtain and blinds management measures

▲ ventilation and cooling measures in buildings

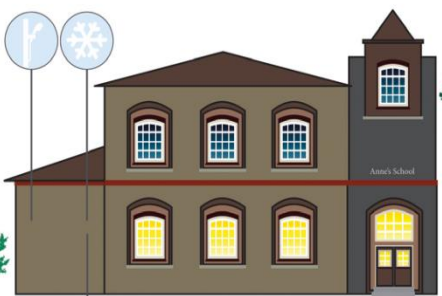


**High risk example**  
Ms X is 68 years old with limited mobility and a respiratory condition. Her days are spent mostly at home with occasional visitors. Her top floor flat is in a tower block with poorly insulated walls, south facing windows and balcony and no external shading. She lives within a UHI, close to a main road with no green or blue space in the area.

**Medium risk example**  
Mr and Mrs Y are both 36 with two children, both under five years old. Mr Y works from home in the evenings and during the day, looks after the children, one of which suffers from asthma. They live in a top floor flat of a converted terraced house which has poorly insulated walls and roof. It is dual aspect but with no garden, no external shading and west facing windows. Situated within a UHI, there is no green or blue space or mature trees in the local area.

▲ water efficient taps and showers – internal and external

▲ shading pergolas, retractable canopies and fixed shading devices



**Low risk example**  
Mr and Mrs Z are a young couple with no children who spend most of the day away from home. They live in a mid-level floor flat with well insulated walls and roof on a quiet residential estate. The flat is outside the UHI, has west facing windows with a balcony and external shading, and is located close to blue space and mature trees.

▲ identify or create local 'cooling' centres such as leisure / community centres or even shops known to be cool or which have additional cooling provision

○ shading devices, structures and materials such as retractable canopies

▲ water bodies and water features

▲ more trees and well irrigated green space

STRATEGICAL		OPERATIONAL	
▲ physical	● physical	○ physical	○ social
△ social	○ social		
Approaches and responses implemented:		Approaches and responses implemented:	
<b>BEFORE</b> hot weather		<b>DURING</b> hot weather	

## Cooling the microclimate

### Reducing incident radiation

- Shade
- Reflecting radiation

### Reducing conductivity

- Light colour
- Texture

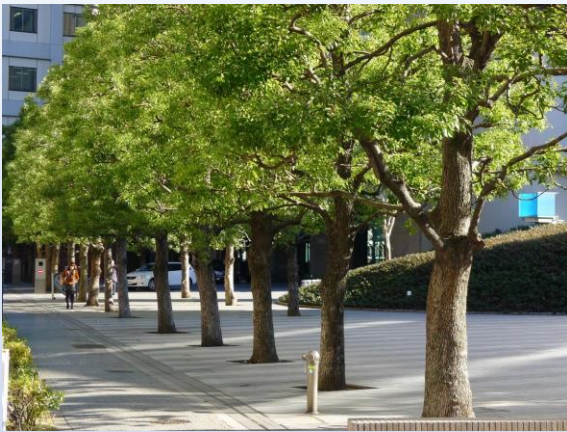
### Perception of coolness

- Fluttering material
- Movement of water
- Rustling of leaves

### Evaporation

- Water feature
- Misting/spraying on surfaces
- Vegetation

### Air movement



Shade: trees and plants  
textile sails  
Insulation: green walls  
green roofs  
Water: aesthetics  
flood management  
SuDs

**Each situation is different**



□ What are the implications of climate change? Join the Institution of Civil Engineers's talk on the 8th of April and find out. This talk looks at the key climate change issues affecting bridges. Book now for FREE ☎ <https://gre.ac/1g>



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## Bridges and Climate Change: Carbon Footprint and Resilience

Monday 08 April 2019 at 18.00 (refreshments) for 18.30

University of Greenwich, Pembroke Building, Room 130, Chatham Maritime ME4 4TB

The earth's climate is changing, partly from a continued natural warming since the last ice age and partly man made. The talk looks at the key climate change issues affecting bridges. Our response to tackling climate change is on two fronts:

- Reducing carbon dioxide emissions to limit temperature rise
- Ensuring structures can withstand changes –providing resilience

The talk uses recent bridge projects, large and small, to illustrate the issues of carbon reduction and the need for resilience to changing environmental loads.

Our speaker is David Collings BSc CEng FICE. David is a Technical Director at ARCADIS, with a wide-ranging experience of major highway and railway infrastructure projects in the UK and overseas, from feasibility through to construction completion. His work has included projects like the award-winning UK-Bangladesh Friendship Bridge and the 17km long Second Penang Crossing. He has worked on many projects where environmental issues are an important consideration and is an expert on the environmental aspects of bridges, with published papers and research on this subject.

# Interreg EUROPEAN UNION

## 2 Seas Mers Zeeën Cool Towns

European Regional Development Fund



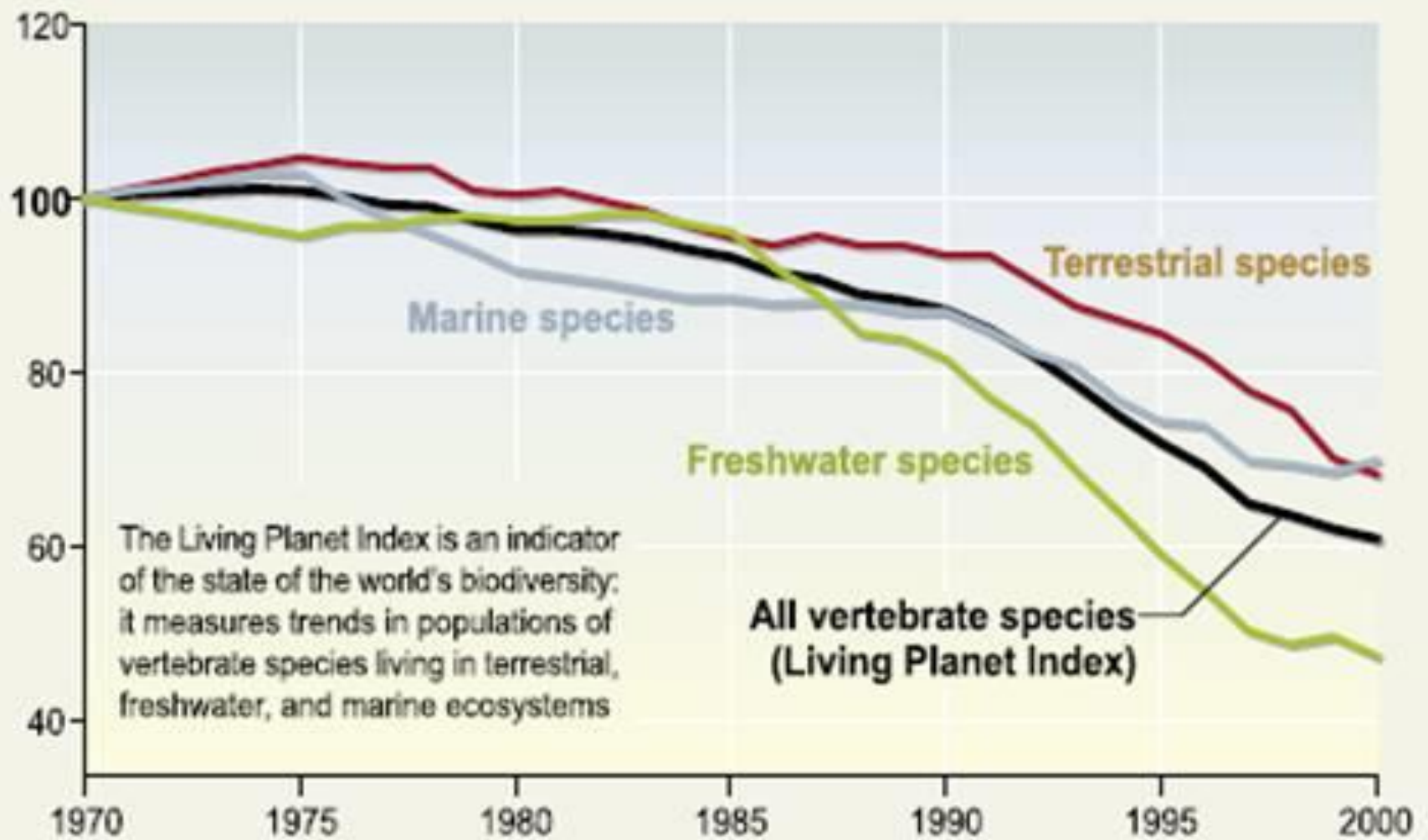
**Cool Towns: European cooperation to combat heat stress in cities**  
Cool Towns is a cooperation between 13 European partners aimed to counteract the negative effects of climate change and find attractive solutions that make cities climateproof and robust so that heat stress is prevented or limited as much as possible. The project brings together leading European research/academic institutions, governmental organisations and industries from the climatology and climate adaptation domains. The project has received funding from the Interreg 2 Seas Programme 2014 – 2020.

Project partners:



[www.cooltowns.eu](http://www.cooltowns.eu)

**Population Index = 100 in 1970**



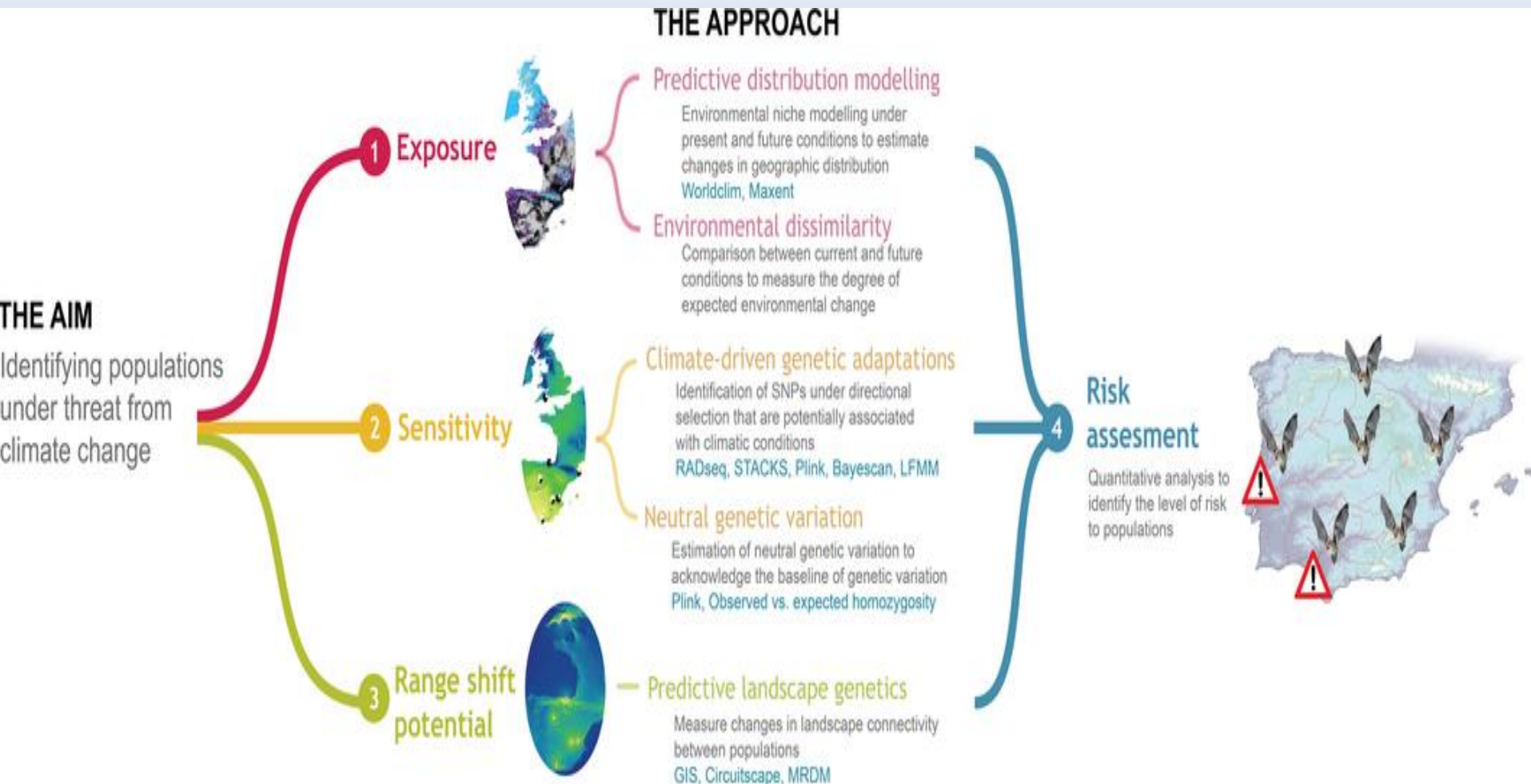
The Living Planet Index is an indicator of the state of the world's biodiversity; it measures trends in populations of vertebrate species living in terrestrial, freshwater, and marine ecosystems

**All vertebrate species  
(Living Planet Index)**

Source: WWF, UNEP-WCMC



# An integrated framework to identify wildlife populations under threat from climate change



## 2. Invasive Species: India



Gujarat Institute  
Of Desert Ecology

**UKIERI**  
UK-India Education  
and Research Initiative



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***Prosopis juliflora***

# Where ?



# How ?

- Standard landscape character assessment
- Desk study followed by fieldwork
- Participatory ecosystem service assessment
- Focus groups in coastal villages



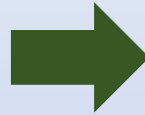
# Coastal plain

## Main habitats

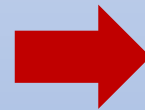
**Coral reefs**  
**Mangroves**  
**Mudflats**  
**Creeks**  
**Estuaries.**



**Rural livelihoods are dependent on these ecosystems.**



**Agriculture**  
**Horticulture**  
**Animal husbandry**  
**Salt making**  
**Fishing**



**Industrial developments**  
**Cement**  
**Chemicals**  
**Fertiliser**  
**Mining**



# Ecosystem Assessment of the Habitats in the Kachchh District

# Ecosystem Assessment of the Habitats in the Kachchh District: Ashira Vandh, Abdasa taluka

## Village profile

- Population: 1848
- Majority of the villagers are involved in agriculture
- 1000 acres of panchsard have been protected by the government



## Village profile

- Population: 180
- Majority
- Near mangrove forest
- Industry:
  - Canal
  - Salt pan
  - Wind turbines



## સામાજિક સ્થિતિ

- જનસંખ્યા: ૧૮૦
- મુખ્ય વ્યવસાય
- કાંચા પાણીની સગવડ
- શિક્ષણ
  - બેઝિક સ્કૂલ
  - વૈજ્ઞાનિક સ્કૂલ
  - સામાજિક કાર્યકર્તા

## Main livelihoods

- Agriculture
  - EF system, main crop
  - Depends on monsoon
  - Faster
- Livestock rearing
  - Buffalo
  - Cattle
  - Goats and sheep

## Threats

- Salinity
- Water scarcity
- Use of chemical fertilizers
- Number of people involved
- Drinking water
- Soil salinity
- People moving to the city



## Main livelihoods

- Livestock
  - Buffalo
  - Some people migrate for better grazing
  - Activity increasing
- Fishery
  - Don't dry fish
  - Activity decreasing

## Threats

- Drinking water
- Water salinity
- Degraded quality
- Population
- Mangroves
- Fish population



## મુખ્ય વ્યવસાય

- કૃષિ
  - બેઝિક
  - સરકારી અને ખાનગી સંસ્થાઓ દ્વારા મળતી સહાયતા
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## Sources of fuel

- Prosopis wood
- LPG gas
- People from outside hired by the government to produce charcoal



## Sources of fuel

- Prosopis and Mangrove wood
- Charcoal production

## Drinking water

- Main problem of the village
- increasing water salinity
- salt company provide 1 tanker of water/day



## પીણી પાણી

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## Challenges

- Create employment
- Improve water quality
- Balance agriculture with wildlife

## Opportunities

- Promote charcoal production
- Promote the use of organic fertilizers
- Ecotourism
- Promote the use of traditional crops



## Challenges

- Reduce water pollution
- Restore and enhance mangrove forest
- Increase fish population
- Improve drinking water quality
- Increase soil quality

## Opportunities

- Effective anti-pollution legislation
- Create a mangrove restoration program
- Employ women for seed collection in mangroves
- Promote charcoal production



## સામાજિક

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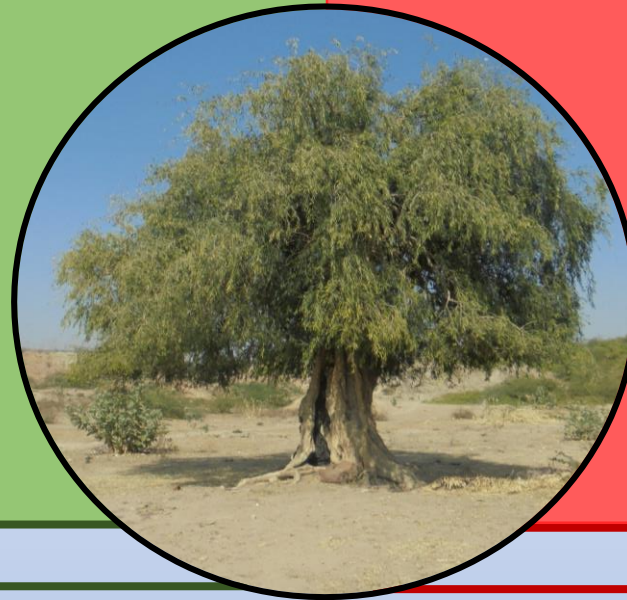
Verifying data

- Pods
- Gum
- Honey
- Cotton like substance
- Alcoholic drinks
- Wood
- Charcoal



calorific value (4800 k cal/kg)

### SERVICES



### Spread through:

- agricultural and grazing land
- protected areas

### Displace native species:

- *Prosopis cineraria*
- Gugal (*Commiphora wightii*)

### Thorns affecting cattle

Pods indigestible for buffaloes and cattle

### DIS-SERVICES



The perception of the people upon this species depends on their economic needs and the benefits they can obtain from it





**Lack of fences  
Soil infertility,  
Salinity, drought**



# Research into the potential for using *Prosopis juliflora* for hedge laying and retort charcoal production May 2016



*“In two years this living fence will definitely grow thick and keep out both wild boar and nilgai” (a farmer)*

*“I very much like this living fence as the current practice of dead hedging is not permanent. We will take and distribute the information sheet” (Conservator of Forests)*

*“People are admiring this living fence like anything and will definitely do themselves” (A farm manager)*

This led one person attending the demonstration to coin the phase

**“Prosopis for Prosperity”**

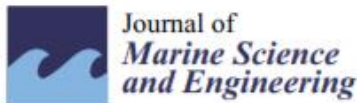


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### 3. Super Abundance: Caribbean



# Darwin Project: Sustainable solutions for Sargassum inundations in Turks & Caicos 2019-2021



*Review*

## **Golden Tides: Problem or Golden Opportunity? The Valorisation of *Sargassum* from Beach Inundations**

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**Abstract:** In recent years there have been massive inundations of pelagic *Sargassum*, known as golden tides, on the beaches of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and West Africa, causing considerable damage to the local economy and environment. Commercial exploration of this biomass for food, fuel, and pharmaceutical products could fund clean-up and offset the economic impact of these golden

# 4. Woodland Management









**Recreational  
value**

# Wildlife Value



# MANAGING WOODLAND AS COPPICE IS IMPORTANT FOR WILDLIFE

Coppicing may look drastic but is essential for much of our best-loved woodland wildlife which may be threatened with extinction if this is not continued.

In this traditional management system, trees are regularly cut to the ground and re-grow with several stems, providing the wood needed for a wide range of products.

Time between cuts varies depending on the intended use of the wood but needs to be regular so that there are always some open areas. Here warmth and light can reach the ground.

This encourages plant growth and insect activity - but this effect decreases yearly as trees re-grow until branches meet overhead, and light can no longer reach the woodland floor.

So coppice cycles, with some cut each year, must be maintained, to ensure continuity of open space.

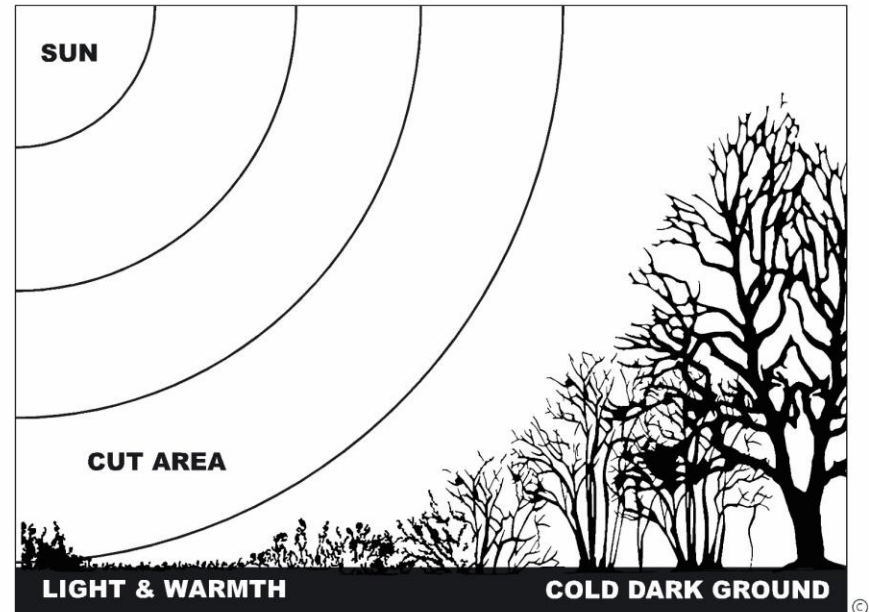


Diagram showing how coppicing affects ground temperature and light levels

**Help wildlife by supporting the coppice industry  
buy local logs, charcoal and other wood products.**

Local Stockist



Renewable energy

# EU must not burn the world's forests for 'renewable' energy

A flaw in Europe's clean energy plan allows fuel from felled trees to qualify as renewable energy when in fact this would accelerate climate change and devastate forests

Letters

Thursday 14 December 2017 12:01 GMT



2,138

John Collingridge

February 26 2017, 12:01am,  
The Sunday Times



 Cutting down trees for fuel releases carbon into the air that would otherwise remain locked up in the forest. Photograph: David Cheskin/PA

The European Union is moving to enact a directive to [double Europe's current renewable energy by 2030](#). This is admirable, but a critical flaw in the present version would accelerate climate change, allowing countries, power plants and factories to claim that cutting down trees and burning them for energy fully qualifies as renewable energy.

## CONSTRUCTION OF £160M BIOMASS PLANT PROGRESSING WELL AT DISCOVERY PARK

2 MARCH, 2017

**Six months on from the go-ahead by the Danish Pension Fund the vast metal skeleton of the buildings that will eventually provide all the power and energy needs of Discovery Park is fast taking shape.**

Progress has been swift since August 2016 when agreement was reached by investors on the £160m required to build the combined heat and powered (CHP) plant on land located on 10 acres of land off Ramsgate Road, Sandwich.

much of which will be sourced from the under managed broad leaved woodlands of Southern England. The plant is set to begin production in 2018 producing electricity for the equivalent of 50k homes and reducing carbon emissions by some 100k tonnes per annum.

Please see the official press release below for all the details.

David Symons  
Managing Director

Biomass is a globally traded commodity



What does this mean for the value added industry?  
What livelihoods can those working in the sector expect?

COST Action FP1301 EuroCoppice

Innovative management and multifunctional utilisation of traditional coppice forests –  
an answer to future ecological, economic and social challenges in the European forestry sector

## Coppice Forests in Europe

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## Socio-Economic Factors Influencing Coppice Management in Europe

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# 4. Teaching Activities

## Developing an Employer Led Assessment Strategy to Increase

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- Adaptation is needed for resilience in the face of environmental change
- But can we have everything?
- How can we achieve a balance between conflicting demands?

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