



BIODIVERSITY IN CITIES

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AFD'S BIODIVERSITY COMMITMENTS

& FINANCIAL TOOLS

Targets for 2025

- **30% of AFD's climate financing dedicated to biodiversity**
- 1 Billion € for biodiversity conservation & strengthening and to mainstream Nature+

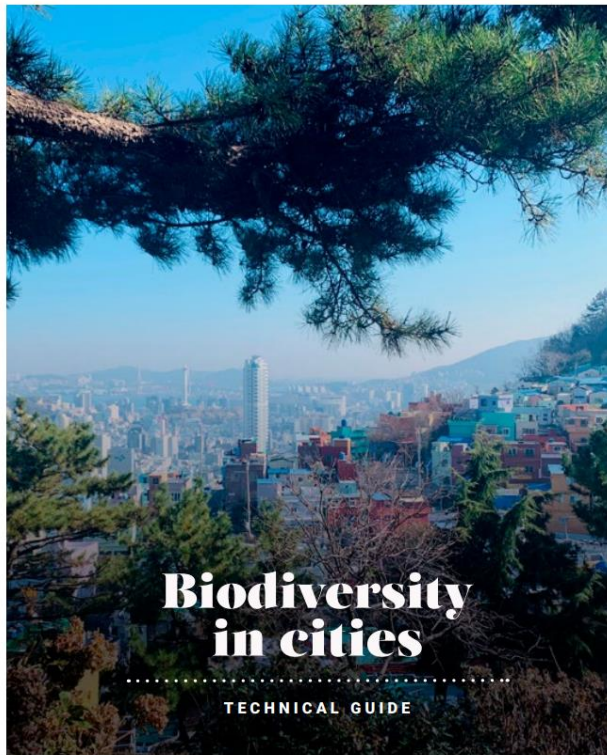
Issues

- Reconciliating financial tools and ecological issues,
- Bringing together the immediate needs of populations , and,
- Fundamental stakes of preserving the planet for next generations
- Rethink urban planning, reintroduce a better balance between the city and natural resources, between the inhabitants of the city and the nature that surrounds and nourishes it

1. Tailor-made support according to local ecosystems and needs
2. Long-term loans for long-term projects

TECHNICAL TOOLS

AFD's Technical Guide, online "Biodiversity in Cities"



The « RIDE » approach: For a Nature based design of Cities

- **REDUCE** pressures & **REDUCE** selling space
- **INTERCONNECT** using the « paths » of your territory
- **DIVERSIFY** the varieties of plants, trees (adapted to your climate), vegetation strate, types of « green spaces »
- **EXCHANGE**, (let it) **EXIST** & **MONITOR-EVALUATE**

AN EXAMPLE FROM TÜRKİYE

Reconciliation of grey-green infrastructure putting biodiversity in the center.

- Project at instruction phase, name of the city cannot be shared.
- **Phase 1-** Improvement of the marine environment and protection of wetland biodiversity by modernizing existing wastewater treatment facilities.
- **Phase 2 -** Urban and ecological regeneration of a historically polluted area. Improvement of the urban environment, by developing blue/green corridors and public spaces mobilizing NBS in the central districts (sponge city approach).

CLOSING REMARKS

- **Each territory is unique : define your own way**
- **Think Nature based Design : city as an ecosystem not a catalog of solutions**
- **Nature is the only investment (with education), that keeps growing, addresses several human needs and preserves future**

The background of the slide is a photograph of a park. In the foreground, a wooden bridge with a metal railing runs across the frame. Two people are on the bridge: one is standing and leaning against the railing, and the other is riding a bicycle. The bridge is set against a backdrop of dense, lush green trees and foliage. The lighting suggests it's a bright, sunny day.

Thank you for your attention

<https://www.afd.fr/en/ressources/biodiversity-cities-technical-guide>



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