



Roadmap to Stavanger 2050: Urban resilience through nature and knowledge

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Our Vision: Stavanger 2050 – Urban resilience through nature and knowledge



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ROADMAP — NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS FOR CLIMATE & WATER RESILIENCE

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- Increased awareness of NBS
- Increased urban green
- Reduced storm water problems
- NBS integrated in master plan
- Build green factor 'roofed' and more targeted to NBS
- NBS implementation projects & governance interventions grow together

- NBS is standard in all new buildings
- 50% industrial flood damage
- 50% industrial biodiversity
- Construction is standard in all NBS work
- NBS in a business
- Happiest city



Desired future scenario

In 2050 Stavanger is resilient to flooding from the rising sea level and storm water. Nature is integrated in the city and water is valued as a positive element. In the vision this is visualised by water and green as the veins of Stavanger.

The "green and blue" structures are connected and function well to deliver a wide range of benefits for citizens, such as healthy living, well being and biodiversity.

In 2050 the social fabric of Stavanger enables a holistic approach to climate resilience, with the inclusion of all the knowledge in the region used for the same purpose: creating a resilient and livable city through nature-based solutions. Knowledge flows freely through the veins of the city, and is shared and further developed through citizen involvement and co-creation. This allows for new solutions to the future challenges of Stavanger.

Key elements in the desired future scenario:

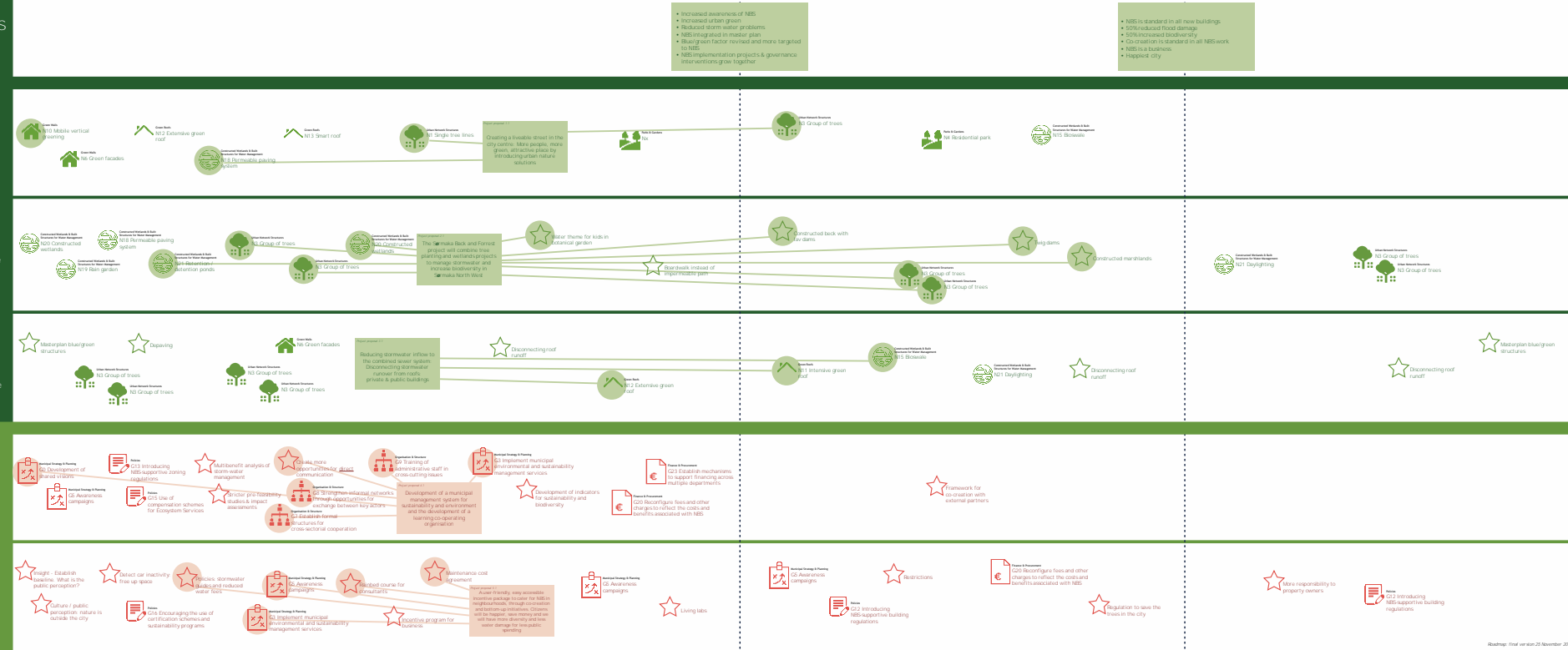
Storm water and nature as a resource
The veins in the city are connected through a green and blue infrastructure. This ensures resilience to flooding and at the same time creates all sorts of co-benefits for citizens. Nature is a key element in the city, and this nature is highly valued.

All actors accept the natural water pathway. Streams are opened where it is natural and valuable to do so. New developments, roads and installations can deal with extreme rainfall. Diversified areas are carefully positioned and feature buildings with green structures. Different shapes of roads (v-shaped) or swales and lawns create invisible water pathways. Nature is used – directly where it fits – for different purposes, e.g. recreation in buffer zones (small lakes and occasionally canoeing), generating electricity in water dynamics, use for agriculture or watering plants, or for aesthetic purposes such as fountains.

Resilience to flooding
The city is resilient to sea level rise through nature based solutions. Different areas have different solutions. The people of Stavanger have learnt to live with water and not to fight it. Waterproof buildings are "happy with wet feet" and smartly designed, e.g. with electrical systems positioned above the rising sea level and using sustainable materials. Floating houses or houses built on stilts can resist temporary flooding. In this way the water surface is used and green areas are protected.

Knowledge and living
The general mindset is flexible and people are able to live with change and make sustainable decisions for the future and for society at large. People have knowledge of the actual value of natural elements and value nature. The knowledge from the cultural heritage of farming and fisheries is captured. Facts and data to support that knowledge stem from living labs, in which we have experimented and learnt the surpluses effects, benefits and impact of nature-based solutions. This has eventually led to knowledge of the monetary and economic value of green and water.

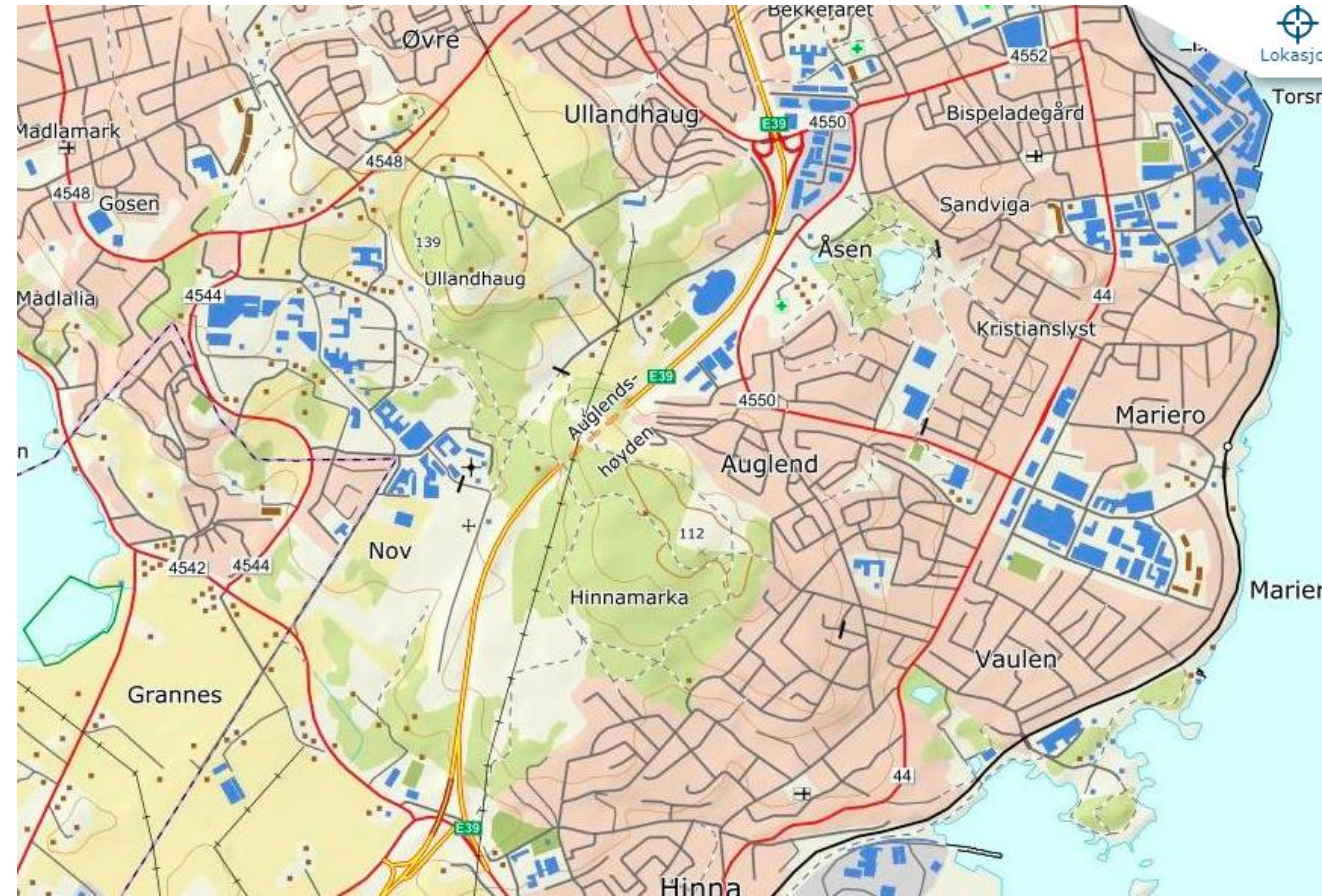
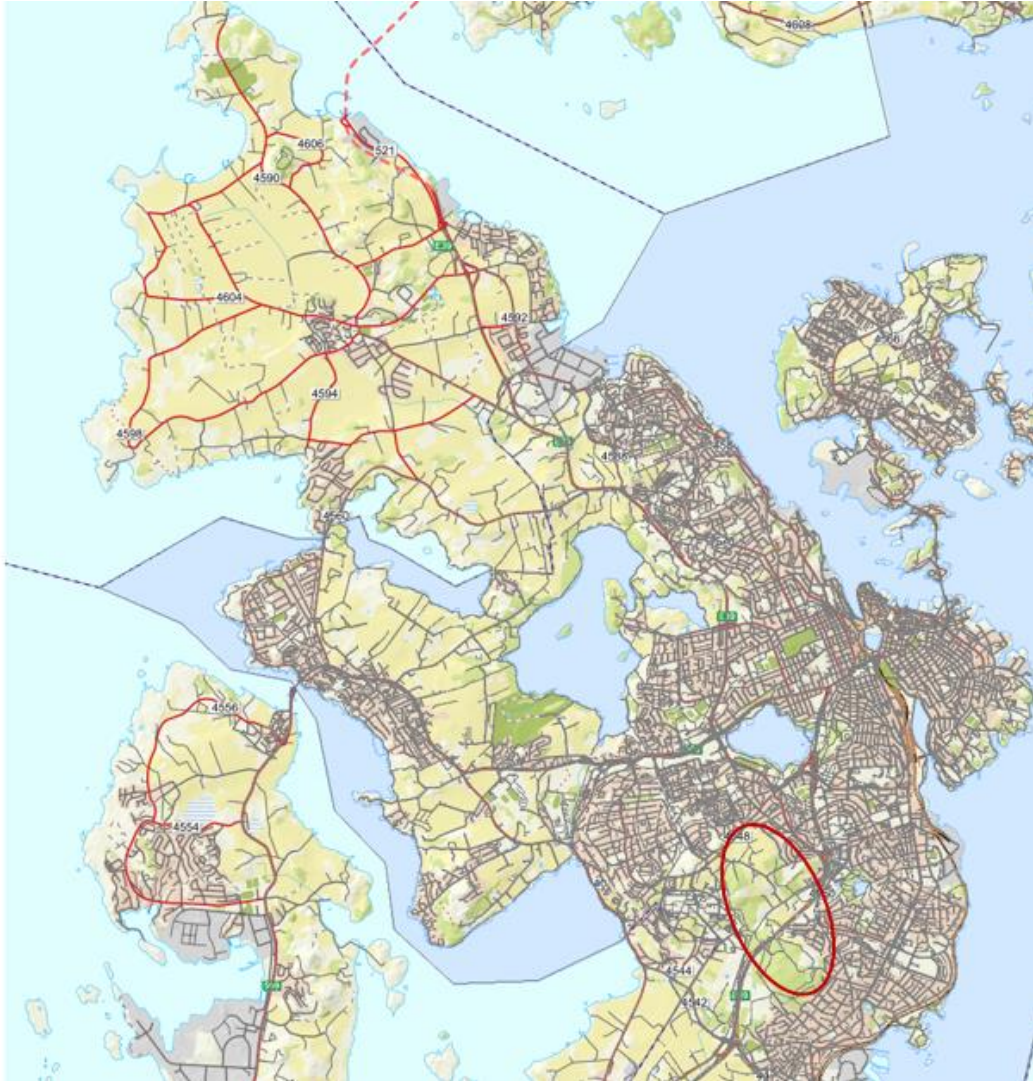
Co-creation
Society has found new ways of organizing itself, nurturing co-creation, involvement of all citizens and bottom up initiatives. The general mindset is: "What can we do?" Climate resilience is a joint effort, shared by companies, NGOs, start-ups and citizens. Awareness and knowledge are gained by using everybody's expertise and experience. People are actively participating in mapping the potential, e.g. engaged citizens map their living environment and the potential for green facades and roofs in their neighborhood. Small "pocket parks" are created as a string of pleasant places for all kinds of groups. Insights into biodiversity are gathered through collective actions such as counting bees, butterflies and birds. Schools and children contribute as part of their educational programme.



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NBS Project: The Sørmarka Beck and Forrest project

The Sørmarka Beck and Forrest project will combine tree planting and wetlands projects to manage stormwater and increase biodiversity in Sørmarka North West



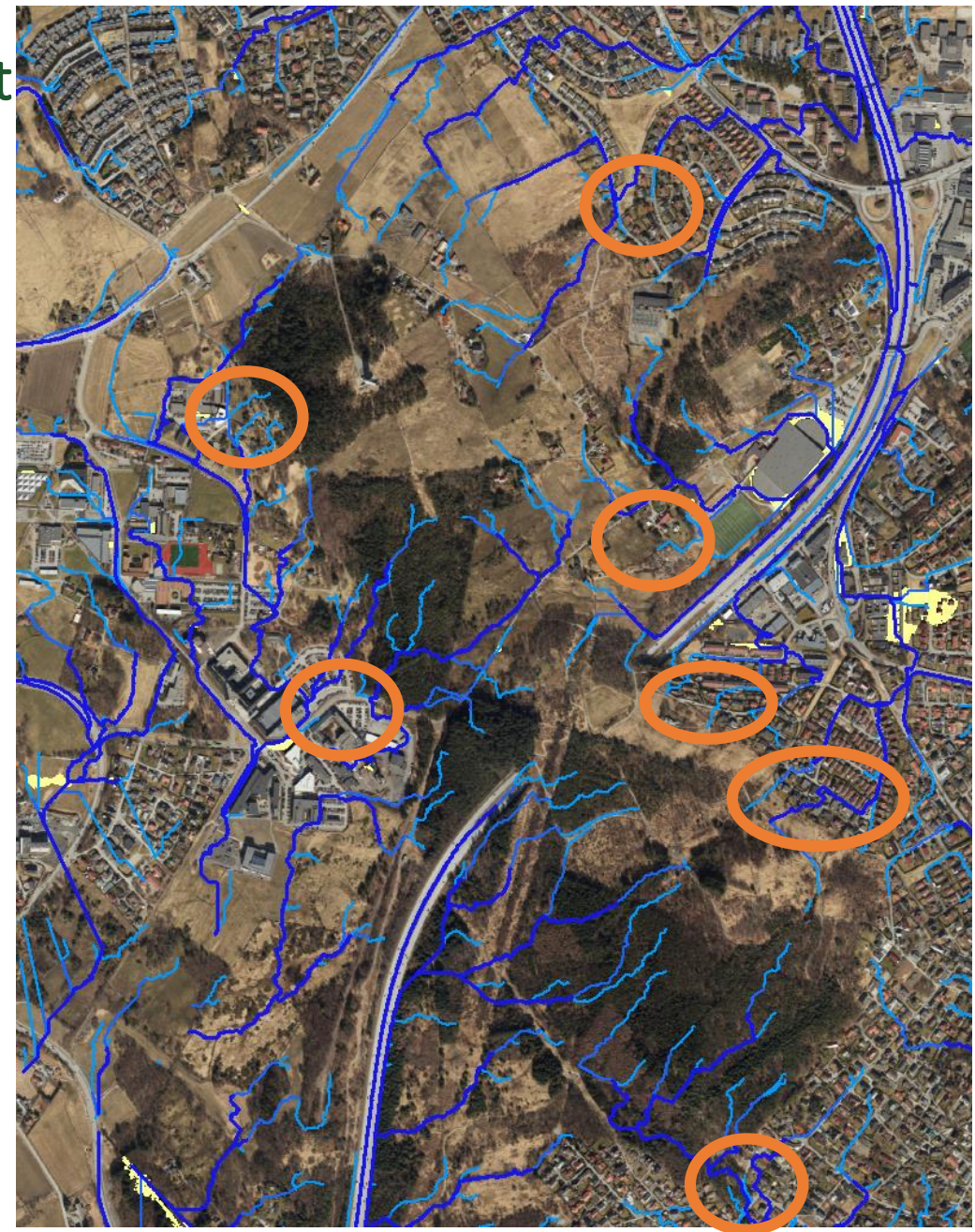
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The challenge: Prevent storm water flooding from recreational areas and farmland upstream of residential areas, such as Sørmarka, while at the same time increasing nature and biodiversity as a cobenefit

The aim of the project sketch:

- Reduction in reported water damages
- Constructed lakes and wetlands as basis for increased biodiversity
- Improved recreational value
- Increase the foilage/forrest area and move to more suitable species that contribute to biodiversity

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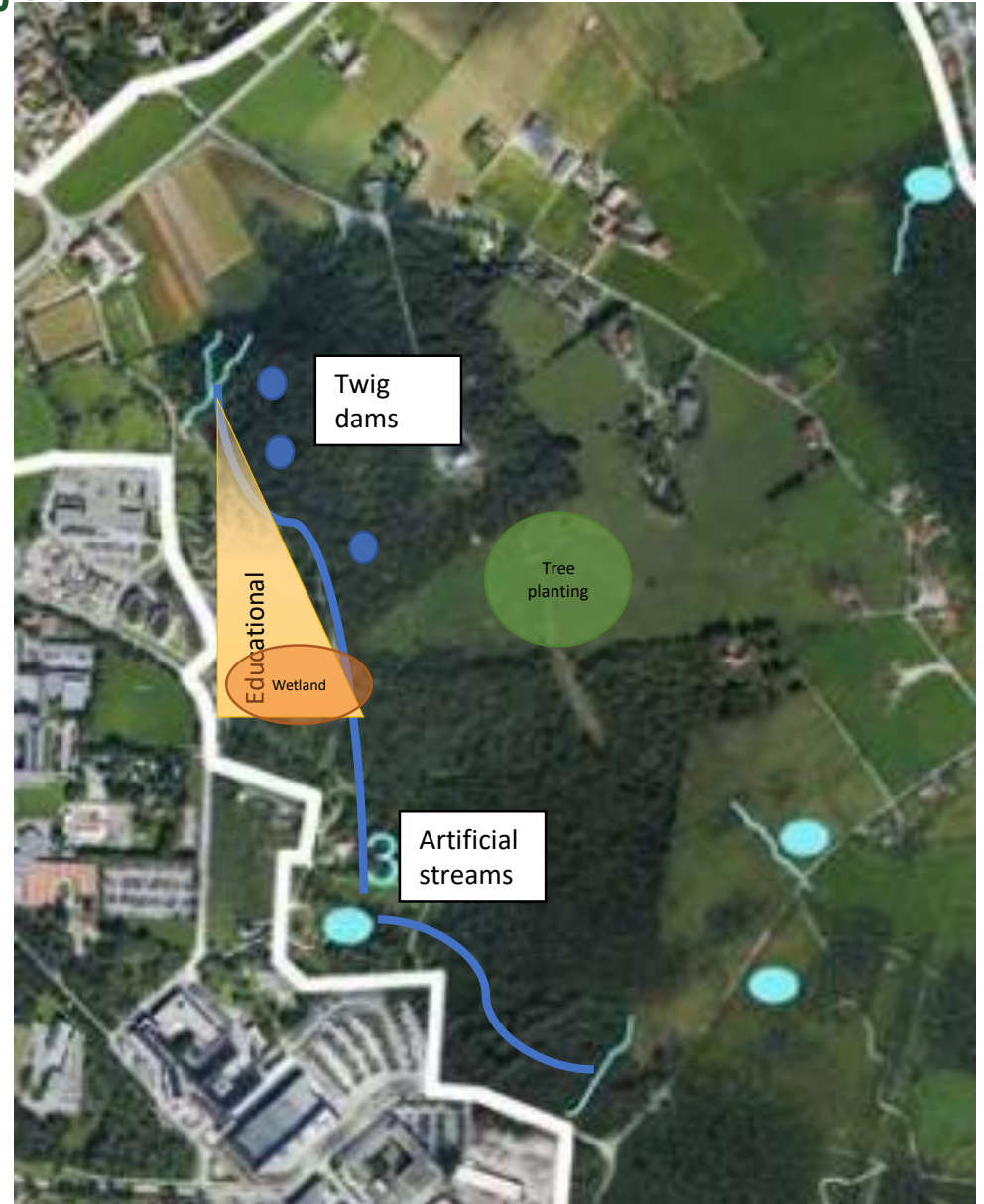
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We would need a string of connected NBS elements:

- Trees – change of species, larger areas
- Constructed wetlands – would contribute to biodiversity as well as water management
- Educational activities connected to the botanical garden
- Artificial streams
- Low twig dams



Governance project: Joint Forces for NBS

Development of a municipal management system for sustainability and environment
and the development of a learning co-operating organisation

Aim of the project:

- Lay the foundation for implementing NBS in Stavanger on a larger scale
- Fulfill the city master plan ambition of becoming a «spearhead» for NBS and climate adaptation
- Establish necessary structures for cross sectorial cooperation

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Stavangers Governance Project 1

Development of a municipal management system for sustainability and environment
and the development of a learning co-operating organisation

Key governance actions:

- Development of shared visions
- Awareness campaigns
- NBS-supportive zoning regulations
- Training of the administration (NBS topics, skills and methods, co-creation)
- Implement municipal environmental and sustainability management systems (with indicators)
- Develop indicators – resilience and biodiversity
- Strengthen informal networks
- Strengthen and support cross sectorial networks

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Questions for discussion

NBS project:

- How do you manage upstream/downstream issues with regards to stormwater?
- Do you have suggestions for NBS in steep slopes?
- How would you finance this kind of measure?

Governance project:

- How have you succeeded in mainstreaming NBS in your organisations?
- In what areas, other than water management, have you successfully used NBS?
- What do you see as the key measure to ensure cross sectional cooperation within climate change adaptation and NBS?