

During 6-9 July 2017 the Centre for Environmental Research and Impact Studies organized in collaboration with the Society for Urban Ecology – South East Europe chapter the international workshop Green Infrastructure for Sustainable Urban Planning. The workshop included result of the research project *Developing a model for evaluating the potential of urban green infrastructures for sustainable planning - PlanGreen*, coordinated by associate professor Dr. Mihai Niță and financed by the Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI).

The workshop was opened by the welcoming speeches of Vice Dean Dr. Cristian Tălângă from the Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest, professor Dr. Cristian Iojă on behalf of the Society for Urban Ecology and associate professor Dr. Mihai Niță as coordinator of the event.

This was followed by presentations of the projects' results as well as 3 plenary sessions concluded with a round table on the ecosystem services provided by urban green infrastructure, moderated by Dr. Athanasios Gavrilidis. The second day of the workshop ended with a gala dinner that has facilitated interesting discussions between participants.

The third day of the workshop continued also with presentation of the PlanGreen projects' results, with presentations from invited researchers and also with a round table moderated by Dr. Denisa Badiu, on different aspects of green urban infrastructures in national and European context and how can urban ecology can contribute to achieving sustainability goals..

The second part of the day was reserved for a field trip within the city of Bucharest, where the participants visited both cultural sights (Village Museum) and especially aspects of urban ecology in an interest fabric of the city. (Cișmigiu Garden, Kiseleff Park, Herăstrău Park).

On the last day of the international workshop the participants attended a field trip organized by members of the research project Dr. Diana Onose and Dr. Athanasios Gavrilidis, in order to evaluate metropolitan urban green infrastructures: Văcărești Natural Urban Park and Comana Natural Park.

The workshop received 50 researchers and doctoral students from Romania, Slovenia, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Algeria, Singapore and United Kingdom.

A photo album from the international workshop *Green Infrastructure for Sustainable Urban Planning* can be found [here](#).