



## SURE Chapter report 2017/2018 – Latin America

### 1) Workshops organized by the Brazil section

The Brazil section has organized two workshops on Green Infrastructure and Urban Ecology in Rio de Janeiro in August 2017 and March/April 2018. Besides, a first interdisciplinary Brazilian Workshop on Urban Ecology will take place at the Federal University of São Carlos, in the State of São Paulo to which 30 researchers, professors and practitioners have been invited. The agenda of this workshop is focused on three main themes:

1. Urban biodiversity (9 participants): a. Fauna; b. Flora ; c. Ecosystems
2. Socio-ecological systems (9 participants): a. Interrelations between urban biodiversity, people and human interventions; b. Ecosystem services; c. Urban Agriculture; d. Urban parks and squares
3. Green infrastructure (12 participants): a. Planning; b. Design; c. Management; d. Monitoring; e. Community participation – co-creation f. Policies

In the end of 2020, the 1st SURE Brazilian Congress on Urban Ecology is planned which shall be open for CELAC countries as well.

### **Brazil Workshop on Green Infrastructure and Urban Ecology in March 2018**

(picture provided by Cecilia Herzog)





## **2) SURE regional conference organized by the Colombian section**

The Colombian section is currently organizing the SURE REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2018: URBAN ECOLOGY IN FAST-GROWING CITIES.

The main achievements in this effort are:

1. Sign of a general agreement with the Regional Environmental Authority of Medellin and the municipalities of the Aburra Valley (Área Metropolitana del Valle de Aburrá), to undertake the Regional Conference, next October 8, 9 and 10<sup>th</sup>.
2. Compromise from the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of Colombia, to take part of the Regional Conference.
3. Compromise of the University Antonio Nariño, to take part of the Regional Conference.
4. Compromise of the Faculty of Environmental and Rural Studies of Javeriana University, to take part of the Regional Conference.