

# A GREENER ENVIRONMENT WITH ELCA

THE GREEN SECTOR IS WORKING ON A GREEN AND LIVEABLE EUROPE

ELCA – The European Landscape Contractors Association, is a European platform for landscape professionals. We work on the design, construction and maintenance of gardens, public green spaces and building-related green spaces. Our society is facing the green issues as the climate change, health care and circular economy. Landscape professionals are the executors of the professional deployment of nature-based solutions.

With the ELCA stand of green infrastructure we propose a series of green solutions: buildings with green roofs and green walls - infrastructures of sustainability in construction and maintenance - liveable gardens and parks with beautiful and edible greenery - implementation of biodiversity and waste management.

Green structures to improve our quality of life with good physical and mental health, pure air and clear water in harmony with the environment of all animals and natural elements.





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# What issues facing society are we addressing?

- Climate change: flood damage heat/drought and air quality
- Biodiversity: a measure of the quality of our living environment and the effect on our food chain
- Health: a healthy life in relation to social cohesion, getting older and increasing healthcare costs
- Circular economy: using natural waste flows in new chains and products

#### Who are we?

ELCA is the European association of the landscape professionals; 24 countries are affiliated together representing 13.000 companies and 125.000 employees. ELCA calls on the importance of greenery with societal benefits in Europe and is the voice of the green professionals who take care for this important work. We are eager to work together in facing societal challenges in which greenery can be a solution

## What do we have to offer?

The professional deployment of nature-based solutions.

## What do we stand for?

Promoting Green Infrastructure all over the European Union.

- Health benefits of green
- Biodegradable waste
- From a local policy to shared policy
- · Green research and pioneering
- Developing human resources
- Green innovations and green knowledge
- Build with green
- Sustainability and maintenance
- Improve awareness
- Think small first companies in the green sector are small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).