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A green urban network accessible to all is significant in order for people to socialize and create permeable and rigid environments that promote health and wellbeing. Green spaces in cities can also provide cooling through shading and enhanced evapotranspiration, thus reducing the heat island effect that occurs in many cities. This approach includes the connection between different types of open spaces as squares, parks of all sizes and green corridors, but especially of small and very small urban green spaces that can create a substantial green repository for high density cities.

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