

Emscher Landscape Park

**Reshaping an urban
Landscape creates
regional identity**

Regionalverband Ruhr

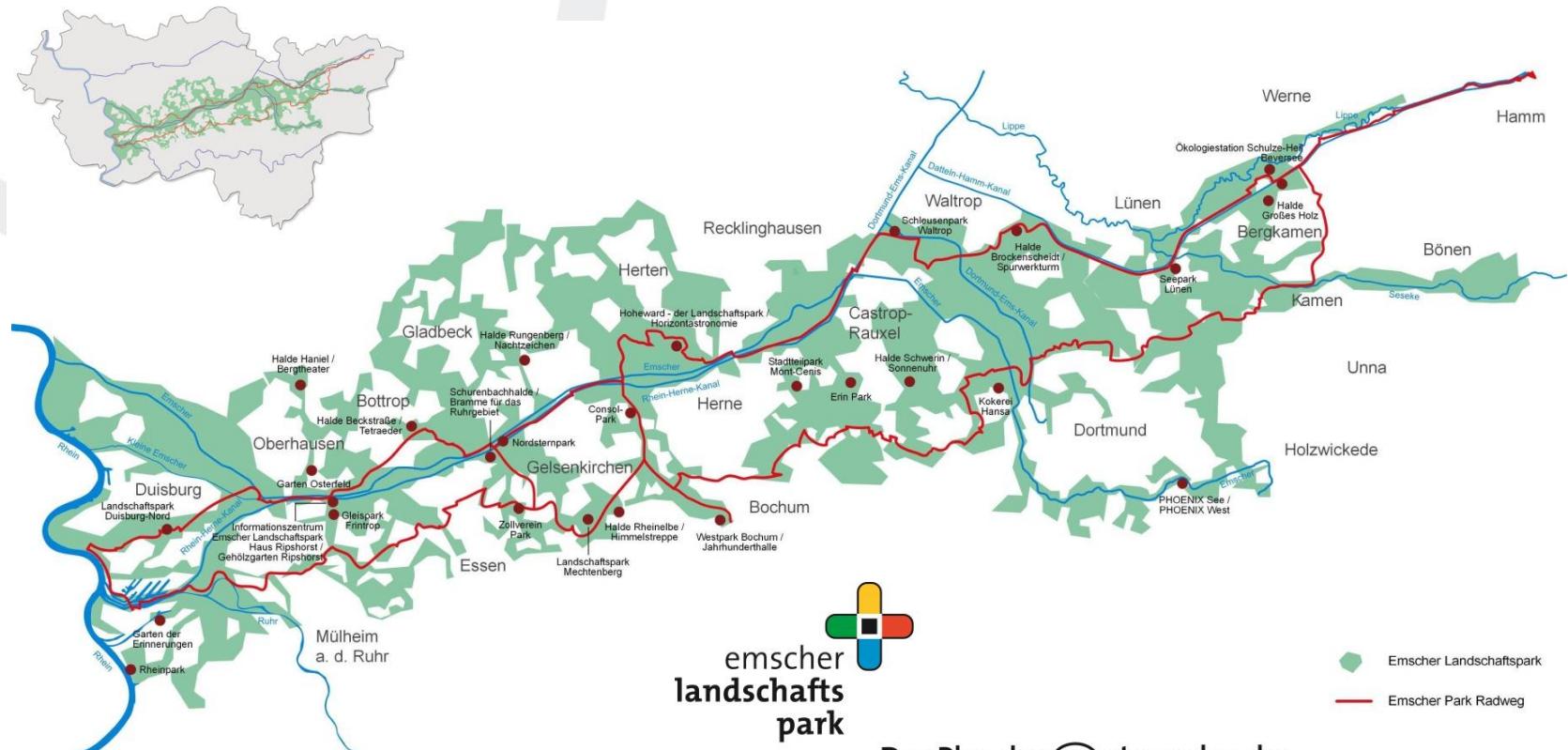
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What is Emscher Landscape Park?



**Welcome
in the Central Park of Metropolis Ruhr!**

**emscher
landschafts
park**

Das Plus der **metropoleruhr**.

What is Emscher Landscape Park? The central Park of Metropolis Ruhr!

- No traditional park
- A regional network of parks, open space and paths
- An unconventional, polycentric park for 5,2 Mio inhabitants
- The green heart of Metropolis Ruhr
- Open space for leisure and experience



Steelworks meets nightingale – Life in Emscher Landscape Park

USP of Emscher Landscape Park:

- Industrial heritage + nature
- Art + culture in public open space
- striking landscape change

Comprehensive claim of ELP:

- Work and live in the park
- Quality of life
- Contribute to economic potential



Landschaftspark Duisburg-Nord, Welterbe Zollverein

Where is the Emscher Landscape Park?



Parkelements

Parks

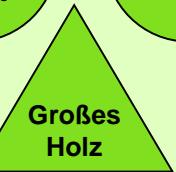
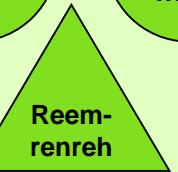
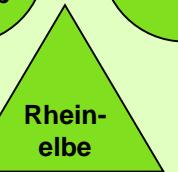
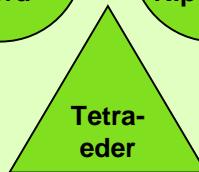
Landmarks

Industry nature

Water

Trails

Emscher Landschaftspark + Neues Emschertal



Emscher Park Radweg / Emscher Park Wanderweg / Insel Tour

The scheme shows only selected elements of the park!

Where is the Emscher Landscape Park? – Parkelements

Parks



Nordsternpark Gelsenkirchen, Landscape Park Duisburg-Nord

Where is the Emscher Landscape Park? – Location and Parkelements

Landmarks/ Dumps



Schurenbachdump Essen, Dump Rheinelbe Gelsenkirchen, Tetraeder Bottrop

Where is the Emscher Landscape Park? – Location and Parkelements

Industry Nature



Landschaftspark Duisburg-Nord, Zollverein-Park mit Rückriem-Skulptur und Gleispark Frintrop

Where is the Emscher Landscape Park? – Location and Parkelements

Water



Emscher, Rhein-Herne-Kanal, Beversee, Deininghauser Bach vor und nach dem Umbau

Where is the Emscher Landscapepark? – Park elements: Leisure trails

Route Industriekultur per Rad



www.radrevier.ruhr

Where is the Emscher Landscapepark? – Park elements:

Leisure trails



Emscher Park bike path and bridge Ripshorst, Erzbahntrasse, Emscher Park hiking trail

Where is the Emscher Landscapepark: Facts and Figures

- Largest regional park in Europe with 85 km linear expansion ca. 450 km² total area
- more than 200 realised and ca. 250 planned project
- Parks, landscape parks, district parks
- 14 Landmarks/ slag heaps/ Panoramas of Industrial heritage
- 19 sites of Industrial Nature
- ca. 600 km leisure trails thereof 230 km Emscherpark Bike Trail



Nordsternpark Gelsenkirchen, Industrial countryside

Experience and Strategy – the twofold Park, part 1

Experience = built environment

- Leisure time and recreation
- built and tangible landscapes
- Parks, landmarks, leisure trails
- Industrial heritage + nature
- Art, culture, architecture, land art,
- Presentations/ events
(TraumNordstern-Konzerte etc.)zeit-
Festival, Extraschicht,

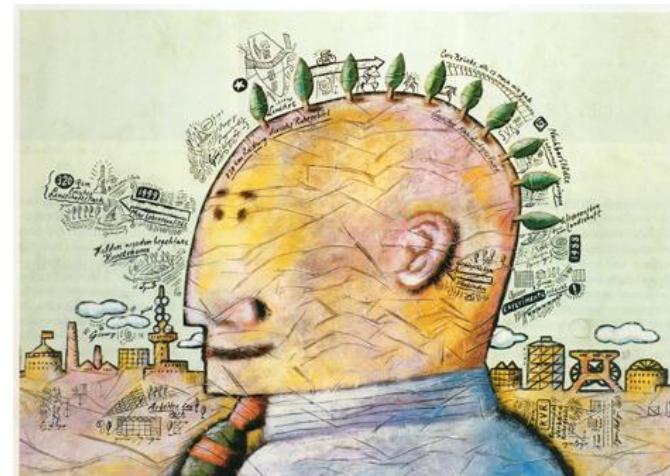
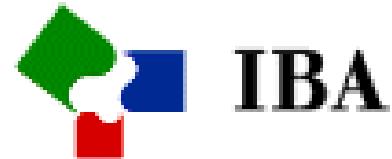


Dump Hoheward mit Observatorium Herten/ Recklinghausen, Gleispark Frintrop Essen

Experience and Strategy – the twofold Park, part 1

Strategy = Emscher Landschaftspark

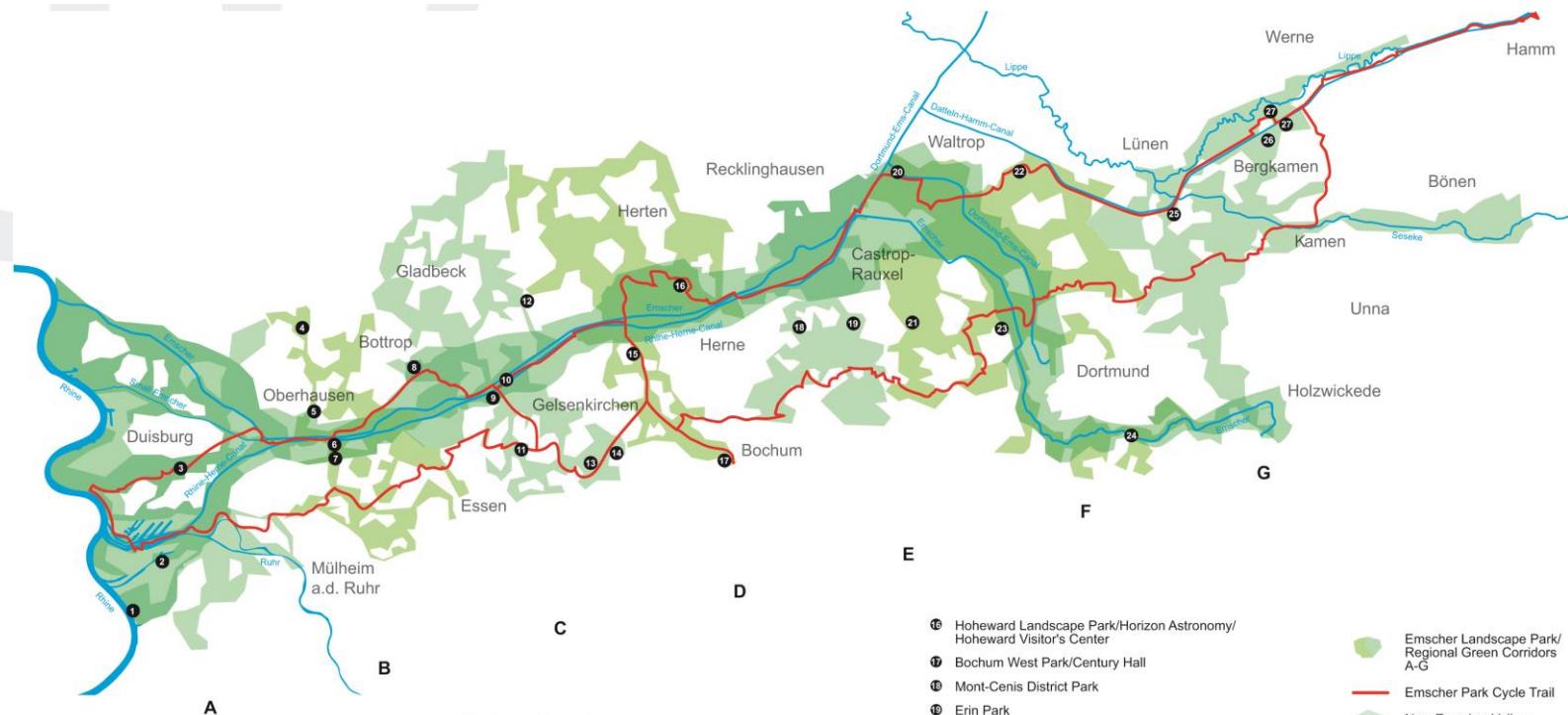
- main project of IBA Emscher-Park 1989-1999
- Open space protection and development, qualifying the Regional Greenbelts
- Investment programme to support the structural change; multiple 100 Mio. Euro for project implementation in ELP(1989 – 2014) incl. EU-Funds
- Developing the Metropolis: considering the open space as central axis, unique in Europe



Das Ruhrgebiet hat sich etwas in den Kopf gesetzt. Und eine industriegeprägte Landschaft erhält neue Züge: Grünzüge. Was vor 70 Jahren mit regionaler Freiraumsicherung begann, entwickelt sich zu einem Park von 320 Quadratkilometern Größe: Dem Emscher Landschaftspark.

Experience and Strategy – the twofold Park, part 1

Strategy – Open space protection and development of Regional Greenbelts



- ① Rhine Park
- ② Garden of Memories
- ③ Duisburg-Nord Landscape Park
- ④ Haniel Tip/Mountain Theater
- ⑤ Osterfeld Garden
- ⑥ Haus Ripshorst Information center for the Emscher Landscape Park/Ripshorst Tree and Shrub Garden

- ⑦ Frintrop Railpark
- ⑧ Beckstraße Tip/Tetrahedron
- ⑨ Schurenbach Tip/Slab for the Ruhr
- ⑩ Nordstern Park
- ⑪ Zollverein Park
- ⑫ Rungenberg Tip/Night Signal
- ⑬ Mechtenberg Landscape Park
- ⑭ Rheinelbe Tip/Stairway to Heaven
- ⑮ Consol Park

- ⑯ Hoheward Landscape Park/Horizon Astronomy/ Hoheward Visitor's Center
- ⑰ Bochum West Park/Century Hall
- ⑱ Mont-Cenis District Park
- ⑲ Erin Park
- ⑳ Waltrop Lock Park
- ㉑ Schwerin Tip/Sundial
- ㉒ Brockenscheidt Tip/Guide Rail Tower
- ㉓ Hansa Coking Plant
- ㉔ PHOENIX See/PHOENIX West
- ㉕ Lünen Lakeside Park
- ㉖ Großes Holz Tip
- ㉗ Schulze-Heil Ecological Center Bever Lake Nature Reserve

Experience and Strategy – the twofold Park, part 1

Strategy – Open space protection and development of Regional Greenbelts



Tourism and local green – the twofold Park, part 2

Leisure + Tourism

- Emscher Landscapepark is mainly a park for the region itself – for leisure, recreation, to raise Quality of Life
- Highlight projects are attractions beyond the region and serve in combination as touristic USP with European significance
- Examples: Landschaftspark Duisburg-Nord, Landmarks: Tetraeder Bottrop and Halde Hoheward



Halde Hoheward Herten/ Recklinghausen, Halde Rheinelbe Gelsenkirchen

Tourism and local green – the twofold Park, part 2

Local greens

- local district parks form part of the ELP strategy in combination with urban development i. e. Gartenband RE-Hochlarmark
- path and trail networks supporting every day recreation in parks and greenbelts
- Open space protection which positively affects the urban climate in big conurbations



Sommerfrische am Datteln-Hamm-Kanal, Seepark Lünen

Structural change and Identity – the ELP grows and prospers

The Emscher Landscape Park contributes to a new image of the metropolitan region .

The projects are at the same time symbols for real and tangible examples of the structural change of the metropolitan region.



Structural change and Identity – the ELP grows and prospers

Means are:

- new interpretation of ordinary places and inaccessible places of former industries to landmark and public art-places
- new perception of post-industrial landscape
- perceive urban landscape as landscape
- new and unique aesthetics
- combination of art with industry-culture and industry-nature



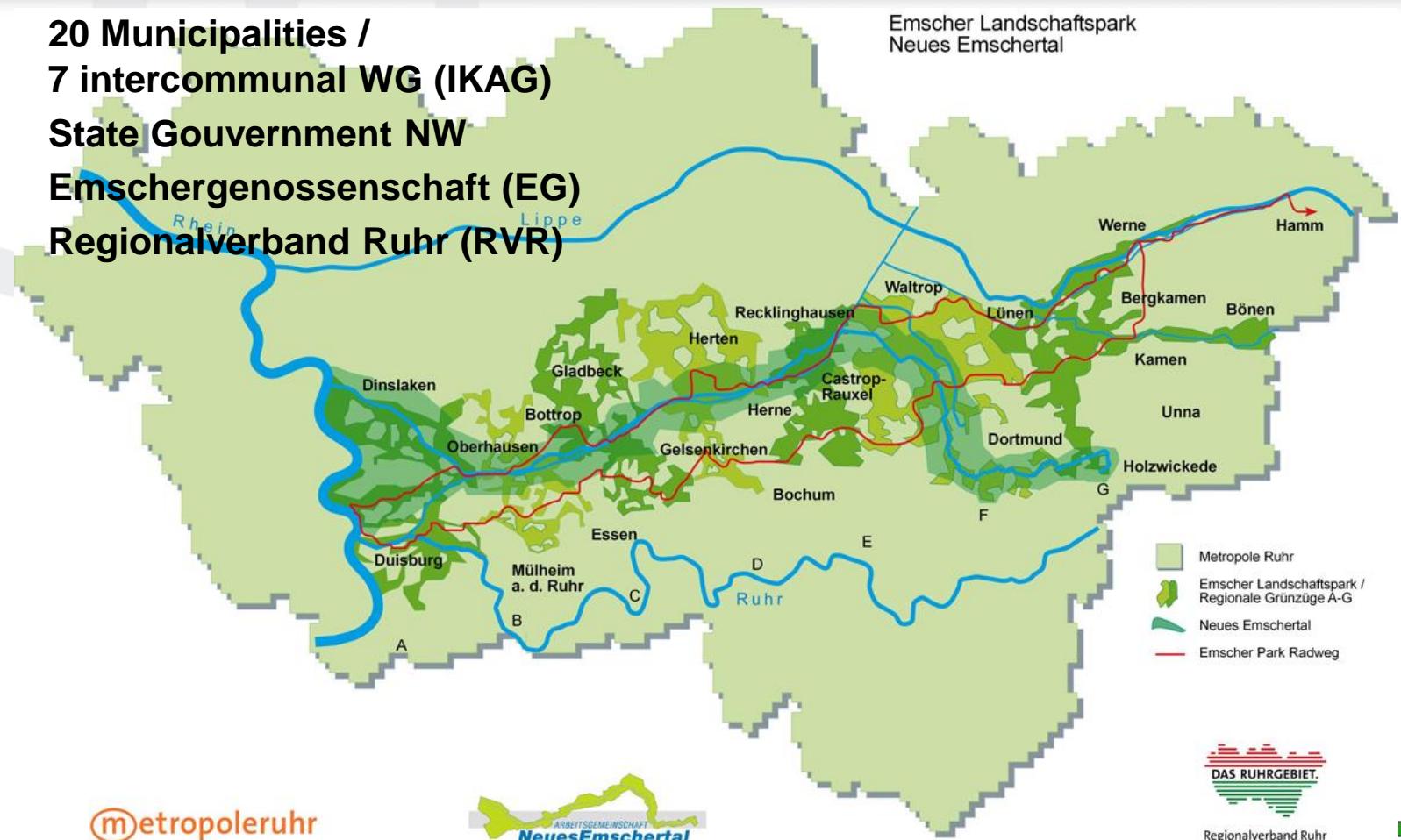
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Who plays the Park? – Stakeholders and actors

- **20 Municipalities /**
- **7 intercommunal WG (IKAG)**
- **State Gouvernement NW**
- **Emschergenossenschaft (EG)**
- **Regionalverband Ruhr (RVR)**

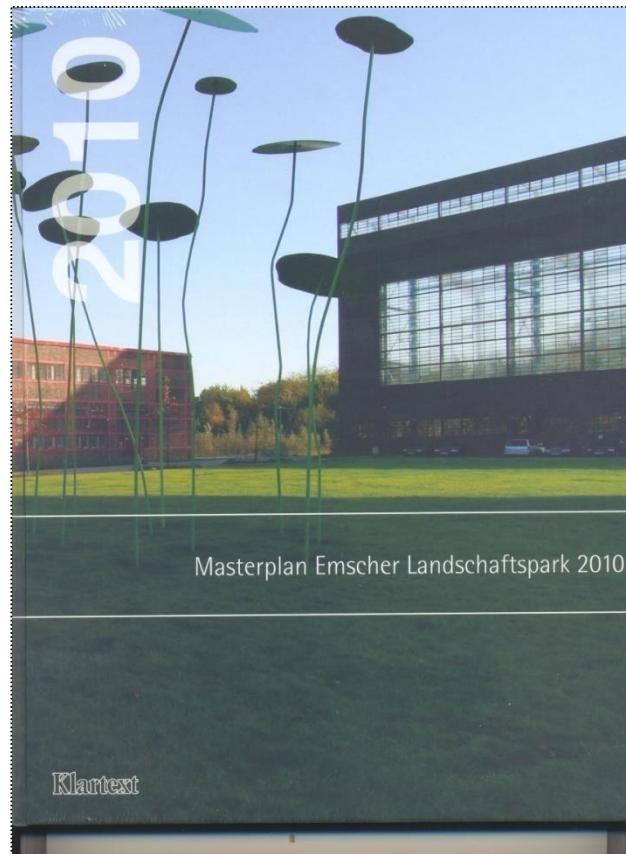


Who plays the Park? – Masterplan ELP 2010

Masterplan ELP 2010: Content and aims of the park development are defined, regional coordinated, political consensus

Content:

- extended area of the park
- focal points of development
- projects (realised, planned)
- visions



Emscher Landscapepark – Park management by RVR



**Management of the Emscher Landschaftspark
In cooperation with the state of Northrhine-Westphalia and RVR duties of the management were defined:**

- Coordination / Planning
- Public Relation
- Project implementation
- Maintenance of park infrastructure
- Financial management

The future: new perspectives, new funding



**Wie wollen
wir morgen
LEBEN?**

IGA2027

**Internationale
GartenBau-Ausstellung
Metropole Ruhr**

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The future: new perspectives, new funding

Internationale Gartenbauausstellung IGA 2027

Concept 2012



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Strategic approach

- to continue the regional open space and landscape development
- new funding streams
- contribute to international marketing of the region
- Die Region zukunftsfähig gestalten
- cooperative Process
- political consensus

Application 2016



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METROPOLE RUHR 2027

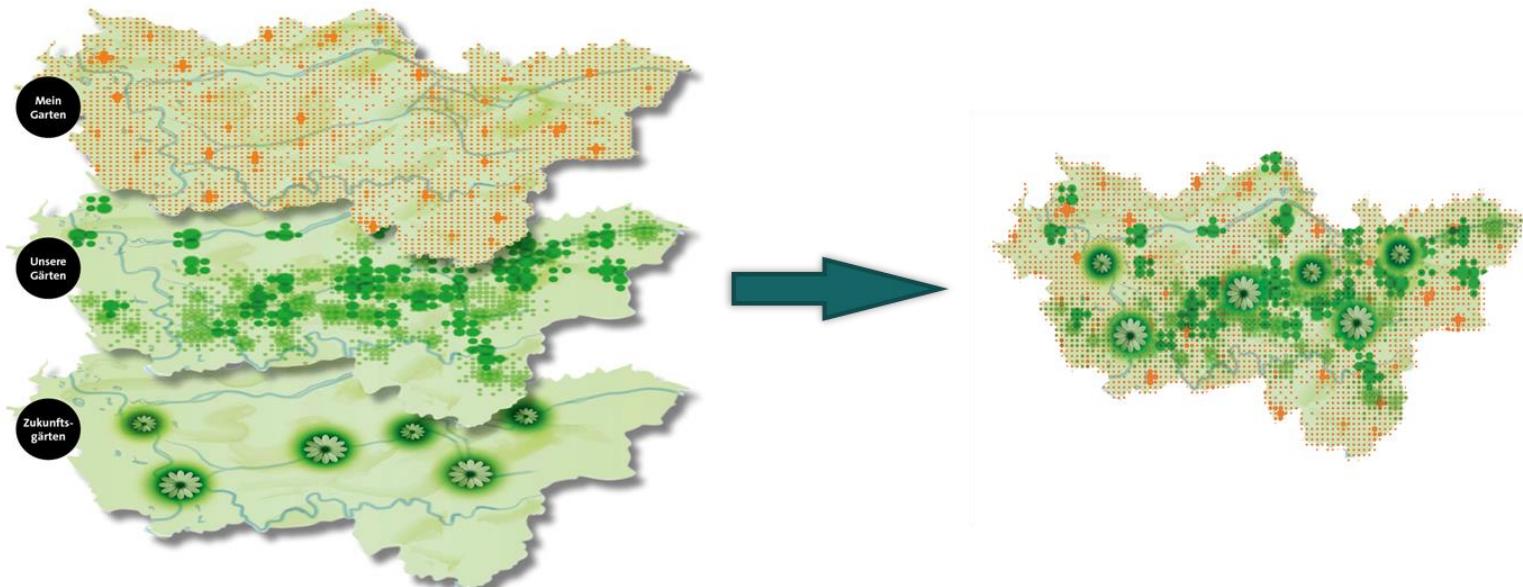
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3-Layer-Model

My Garden: citizen involvement on local level,

Our Gardens: (inter-)communal projects

Future Gardens: 3 exhibitions / garden shows ,



Thank you!

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