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### Explanatory notes for the assessment:

Section		For example
<b>Ad 1</b>	<b>Planned / development approach (4 pts)</b>	Green dimensions of development plans and spatial plans by statutory authorities Action plans by voluntary bodies
<b>Ad 2</b>	<b>Environment (tot. 15 pts)</b> ⇒ <b>Natural environment (5 pts)</b>  ⇒ <b>Built environment (5 pts)</b>  ⇒ <b>Cleanliness and tidiness (5 pts)</b>	<p>Actions taken locally for better water quality in rivers, streams, lakes, ground water. Private/public composting, green waste recovery, selective waste collection and recycling. Thermal insulation, solar plants, biogas plants, heat pumps, use of alternative energy and renewable resources, Reductions of fresh water usage (in respect of climate conditions) Responsible use of chemical products, like fertilizers, insecticides and herbicides Actions taken locally for improvement of natural habitats for flora and fauna. Prevention of invasive plant weeds.</p> <p>Respect for local and traditional elements, like regional architecture, built heritage and monuments, streetscape and street furniture. Policy of recent development, including rehabilitation of brownfield areas</p> <p>Prevention of graffiti, litter, billposting. Promotion and action to develop "Pride of Place."</p>
<b>Ad 3</b>	<b>Landscape (10 pts)</b>	Integration into the landscape, green corridors, long term objectives, programs, plans/strategies, quality and maintenance of village or town natural and protected areas, and of rivers, streams, ponds, lakes and their banks (not including regional and national protected areas with the regional and national maintenance)
<b>Ad 4</b>	<b>Open green spaces (15 pts)</b>	Quality and maintenance of green spaces, parks, public/botanic gardens, private front gardens, playing grounds and sport pitches, cemeteries, rivers, streams, ponds, lakes and their banks, plans and programmes/strategies, special projects. Policy is a statement of decisions taken in order to implement aims and objectives; most critical will be evidence of implementation. Design – traditional and modern
<b>Ad 5</b>	<b>Permanent planting (15 pts)</b>	Perennials, shrubs, trees, tree policy – tree protection, register and suitable position - right plant in the right place. Maintenance and replacement programmes
<b>Ad 6</b>	<b>Seasonal planting (10 pts)</b> ⇒ <b>In containers</b> ⇒ <b>In flower beds</b>	In window boxes, hanging baskets, concrete, terracotta even plastic containers, quality of those containers and suitable position - right plant in the right place
<b>Ad 7</b>	<b>Environmental education (8 pts)</b>	Network of voluntary groups, events aiming at transmitting knowledge, account taken at school curricula (or youth groups/clubs) of the green or environmental dimension, initiation into gardening, visits, etc, education to respect landscape, fauna and flora etc
<b>Ad 8</b>	<b>Effort and involvement (12 pts)</b>	Effort by local and/or municipal authority, by local business such as hotels, restaurants, shops, factories Opening to the public of private heritage gardens, botanic gardens etc. Flower, balcony, garden competitions
<b>Ad 9</b>	<b>Tourism and leisure (7 pts)</b>	Tourism information, touristic facilities., marketing, promotion and sustainability of tourism product.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>⇒ <b>Tourism</b></li><li>⇒ <b>Leisure</b></li></ul>	<p>holiday programs for guests/tourists, value as an excursion destination.</p> <p>Playing grounds, sport facilities, hiking and biking trails, local community centers, cultural facilities and events, long term objectives, programs and strategies.</p>
<b>Ad 10</b>	<b>Presentation (4 pts)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>⇒ <b>Information to the public</b></li><li>⇒ <b>Communication to the press</b></li><li>⇒ <b>Explanation to the jury</b></li></ul>	<p>Policy and actions taken by the municipality/community to directly inform the public/inhabitants</p> <p>Arrangements taken to inform the press, radio, TV by press conferences, press releases etc</p> <p>Arrangements for the jury visit to present the entire town/city and urban life by brochures, pp-presentation, explanations and on-site guidance</p>