

## BACK TO NATURE

Natural areas in urban environment

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## CIRCUMSTANCES

### BUDAPEST



### POTENTIAL

Fantastic location: Danube, hills, 7 creeks, Buda side forests, rich wildlife

Great GI development management in some districts

Growing Buildings' vegetation technologies market (green roofs, green walls)

Active local associations





Green is marginal, "under the radar"

Decreasing green mass and biological activity

Continental, semi-arid climate

Climate change/Climate anomalies

Weeds and invasives

Communication: expectations vs. reality



### WHY BRINGING NATURE IN THE CITY?



Green corridors

Biodiversity

Ecosystem services

Pollinators

Extensive

Sustainable

etc.

### RAISING AWARENESS



### **BIOPHOBIA AND IGNORANCE**

### **BIOPHILIA AND AWARENESS**

VS.

# SMALL STEPS: PROJECTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

### FŐKERT - PROJECTS AND DEVELOPMENTS

Főkert is the public green management company of Budapest's largest parks

Green City member

Projects with ZHAW:

2013-2014: Budapest Biodiversity Project

2015: Exchange Program for the Adaptation of Sustainable, Ecological Urban Green Areas



















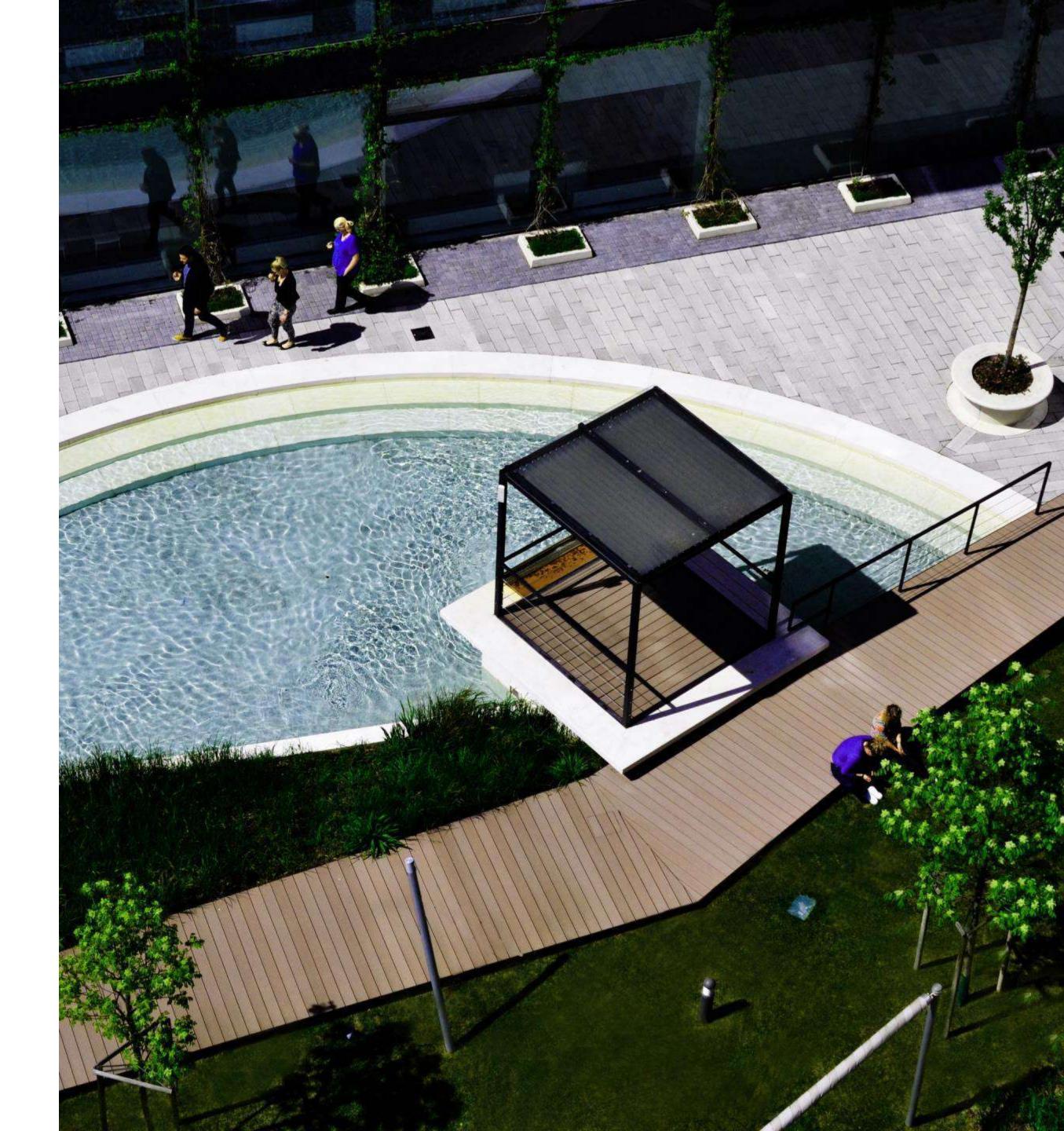
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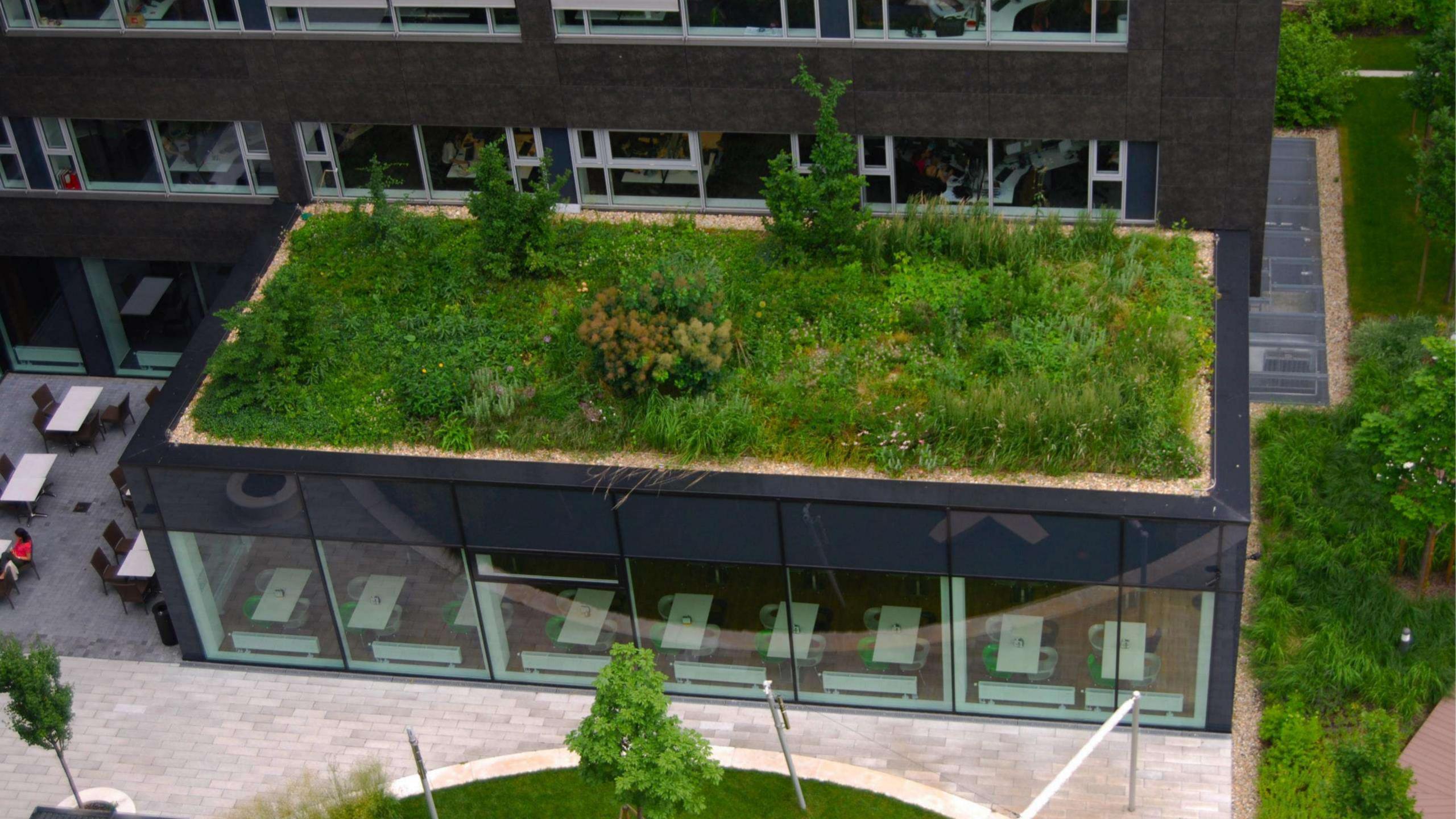
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Leed Platinum qualified building

Green roofs on 3 levels

1200 m2 biodiverse green roofs

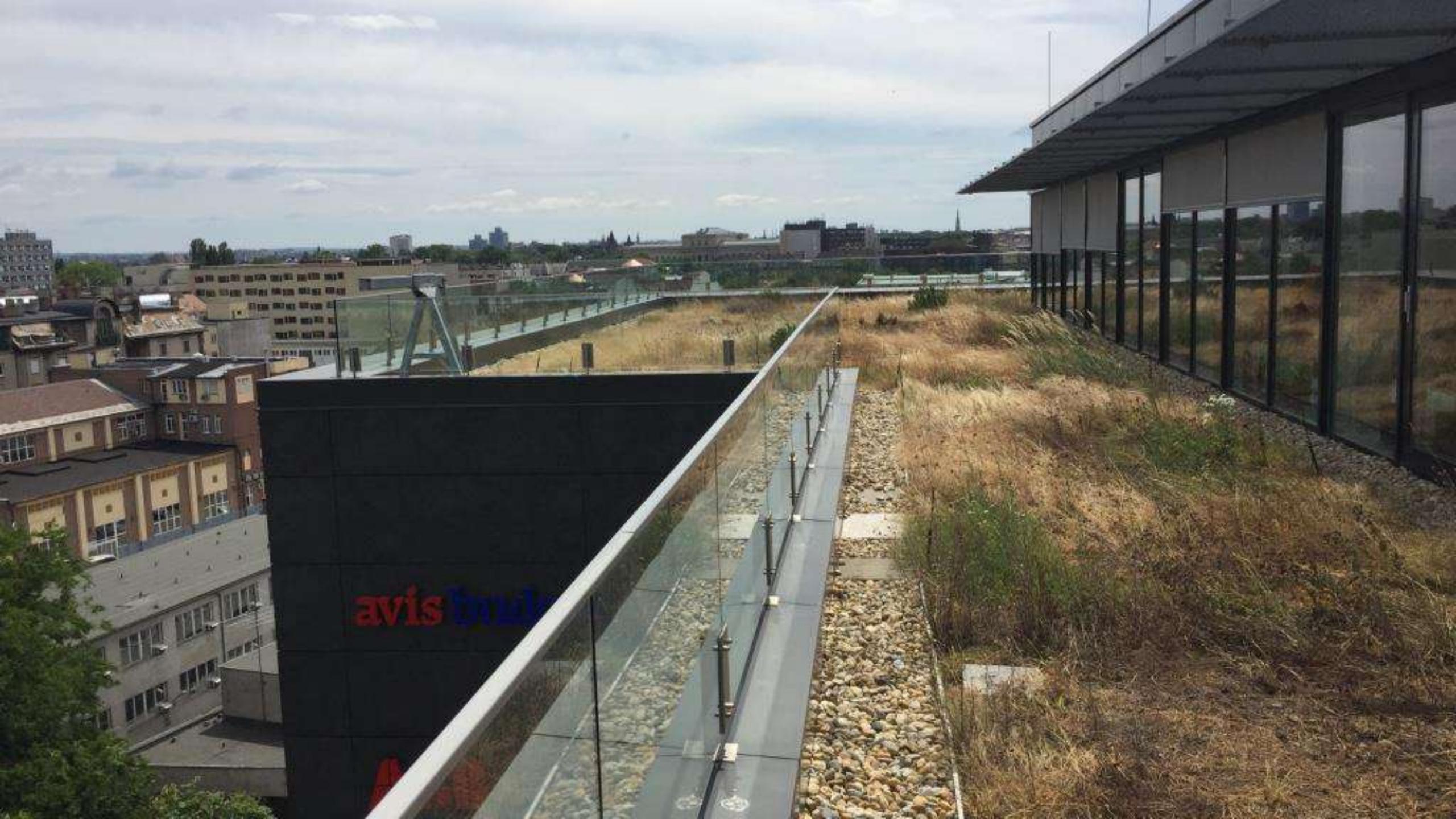














### FURNITURE STORE'S BIODIVERSE GREEN ROOF, BUDAPEST 2014

Original extensive green roof was built in 2002

Water proofing needed to be fixed: complete restoration in 2014

6500 m2

Number of species identified this year: 120+















### SEMINATURAL GREEN WALLS, WIEN 2010, BUDAPEST 2016

MA 48 Headquarters of the Public Waste Management Company

System development and plant design: BOKU (University of Life Sciences, Wien)













### HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECT, TOY FACTORY, NYÍREGYHÁZA, 2014

World's largest toy factory

Original plans: 26 ha extensive lawn

Instead: mosaic steppe oak wood habitat

In cooperation with the Ecological Institute of the Scientific Academy of Hungary



**BENEFITS**:

Supporting an endangered habitat

Cost effective solution on a long term: ROI expected in 7-8 years

Marketing



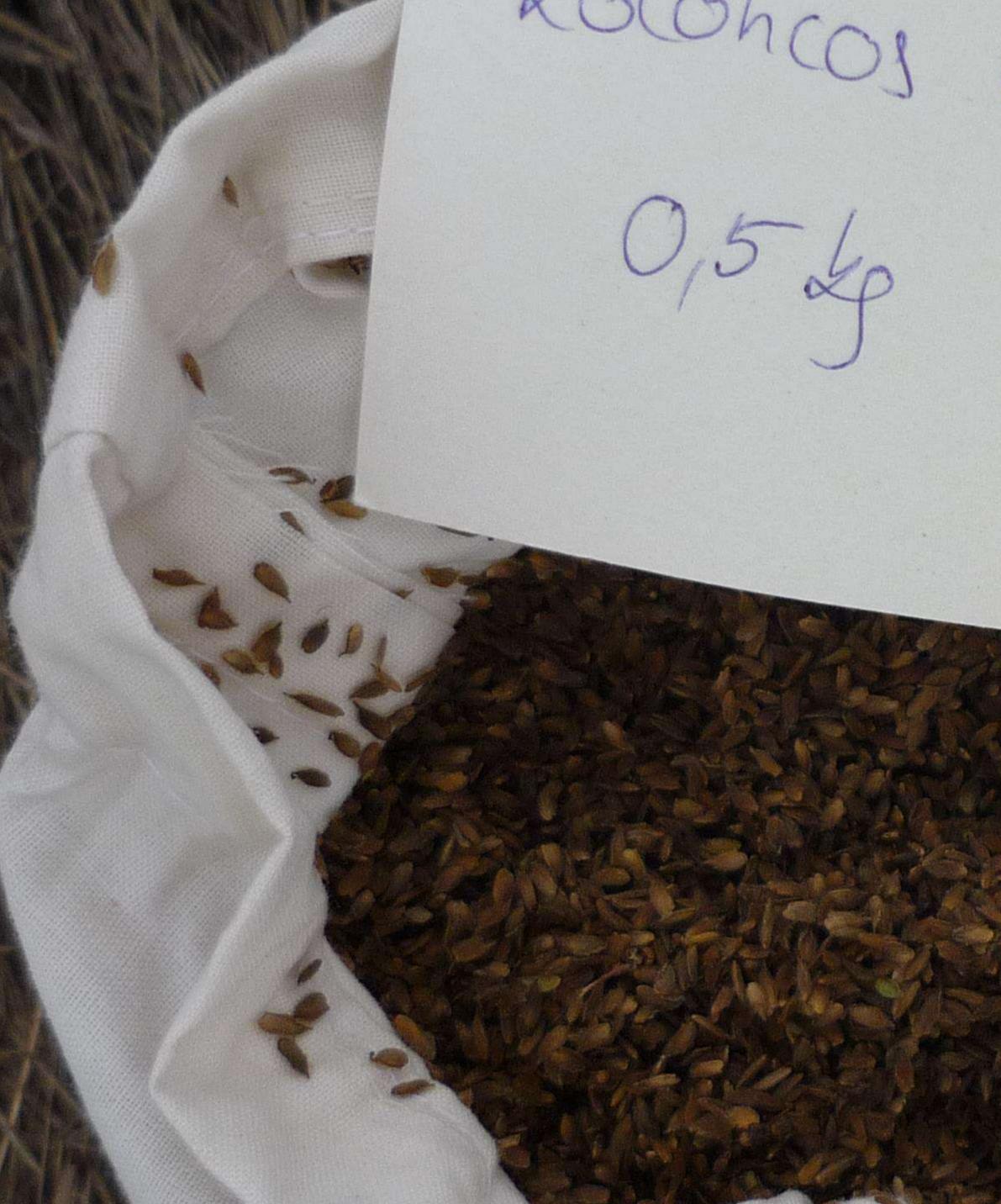












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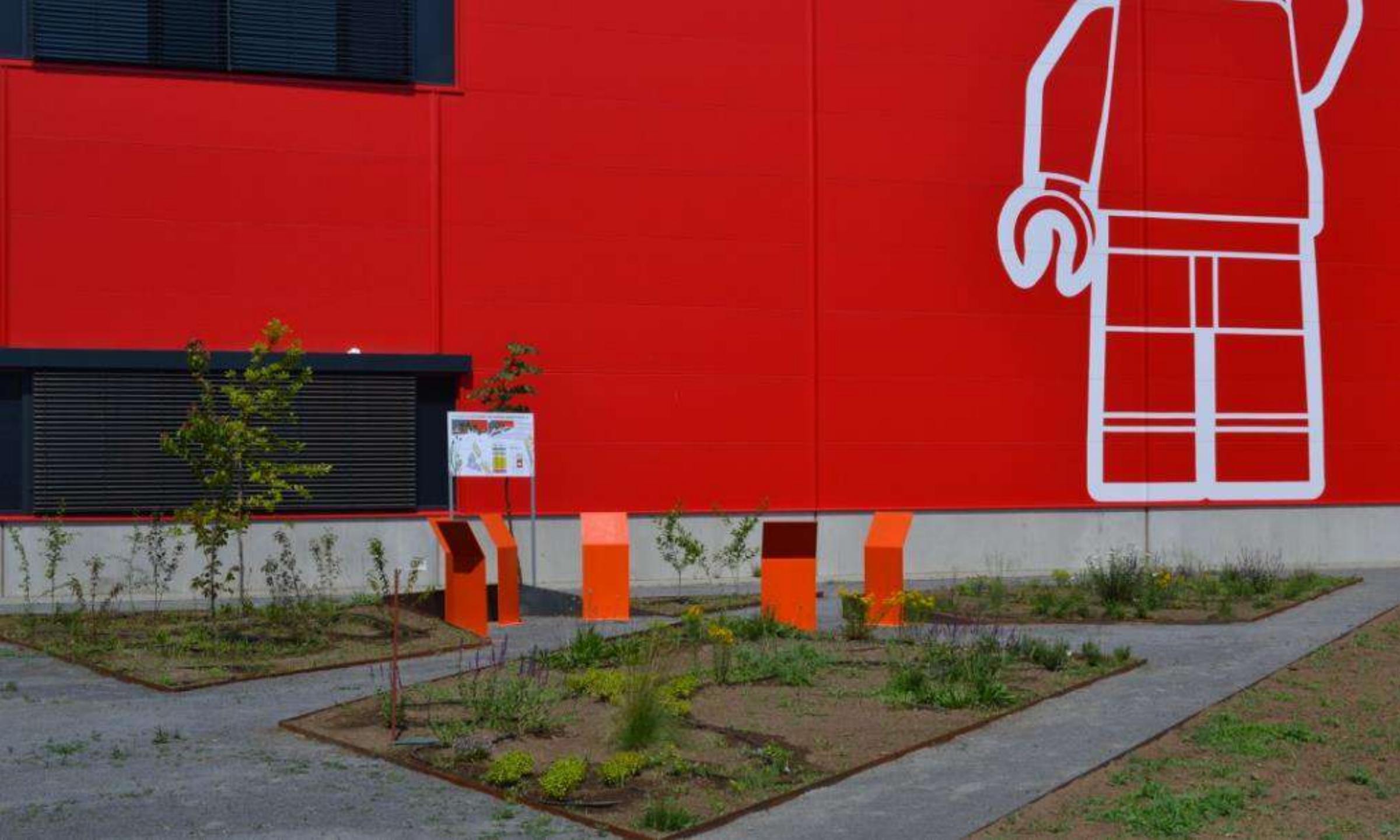






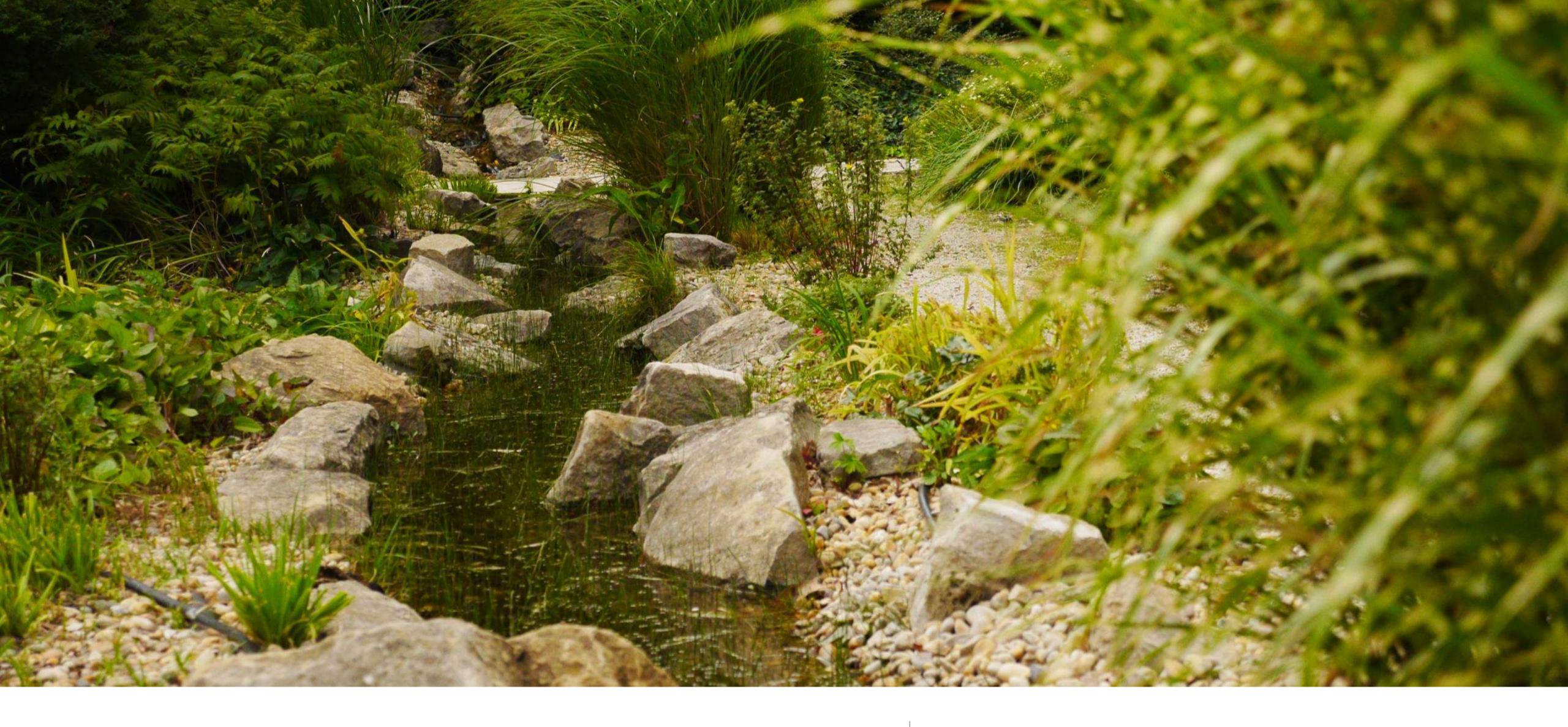












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