

TECHNICAL DOSSIER

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Hydropuncture is a context - based system of flash-flood resilient solutions implemented in a dense city fabric (Kielce/ Poland).

Recently, the city has been experiencing flooding which generates great economic costs. Another problem related to more extreme precipitation is dynamic changes in the water level off the Silnica river. The river floods the street and squares and fills the city with water like a bathtub with a clogged drain.

As a response to climate change and heavy rainfalls, the new design covers a net of rain gardens, green roofs and green walls sponge pocket parks, gutters, new plantings, in particular, trees and shurbs. By removing impermeable asphalt surfaces or conrete pavements the rainwater capacity is increased. Enabling water infiltration the urban vegetation receives better habitat conditions.

Hydropuncture is a combination of green and blue infrastructure that acts as a sponge, absorbing, and puryfying rainwater.

This combination of softscape and hardscape water retention solutions reduces the risk of flooding, improves water circulation, and has a positive impact on the microclimate, mitigating urban heat island, improving air quality, minimizing noise, and creting new rectreation spaces for Kielce residents.

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