EUROPEAN GREEN CAPITAL – Essen 2017
2010 Stockholm
2011 Hamburg
2012 Vitoria-Gasteiz
2013 Nantes
2014 Copenhagen
2015 Bristol
2016 Ljubljana
2017 Essen
The 12 Topics of the EGC-Award

1. Climate Change
2. Local Traffic
3. Urban Green Space
4. Biodiversity
5. Air Quality
6. Acoustic ambience
7. Waste Management
8. Water Management
9. Sewage Management
10. Eco-Innovation
11. Energy Efficiency
12. Environmental Management
Targets of the City of Essen

- Modal Split: 25% by 2035
- PM10/WHO: < 20 µg/m³ by 2035
- NO₂/WHO: < 40 µg/m³ by 2035
- CO₂: 20% reduction by 2020, 95% by 2050
- Drinking Water Quality: above EU-Guideline
- Rainwater Decoupling: 15% by 2020
- Technical Strategies of Essen: 2030
- Green Jobs: 20,000 by 2025
- Refurbishment Rate: > 3% p.a.

Supporting the EU-Biodiversity Strategy
Leading Projects
Reconstruction of the River Emscher
A project of the century
The Reconstruction of the Emscher River

- completed sections
- sections under construction
Program “Essen.New Ways to Water“

Urban open space areas improve the quality of life
Krupp-Park

Urban open space areas improve the resilience
University Quarter

Urban open space areas mobilise investments
Niederfeldsee
Urban open space areas improve the quality of healthy life
Renovating of Neighbourhoods
Integrated solutions for the last 20 decades
Long-distance Heating ‘Rhine-Ruhr’
Rhein Ruhr Express - RRX

The course for the mobility of the future is determined
Radschnellweg Ruhr
a highway for bikes will interlink a region
Bathing in the Ruhr River
Citizen communication and engagement

Our Demand

We offer a city that is oriented towards sustainability. We gather people to share knowledge and to learn from each other. We offer events, possibilities to participate and activities and create recurring events all year long.

We create identification.
Nature School
Urban Gardening
Haumanngarten
My Tree For Essen.
Citizen‘s Initiative 'Essen tackles it'
greenApes  www.greenapes.com
The social network for sustainability
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- Preserves and increases the quality of life in the city.
- Addresses climate change and its consequences.
- Promotes people’s identification with their city and region.
- Preserves and improves the quality of environmental management.
- Is a long-term process.
See you soon in Essen!

Thank you!