

## Milan, Italy



## **GREEN SPACES FOR BETTER PUBLIC HEALTH AND CLIMATE MITIGATION**

ISSUE



of Europe's urban population has insufficient access to green space



The health burden is estimated at

43,000 preventable deaths annually



SOLUTION

## MILAN'S BOSCO VERTICALE

are 2 towers covered in over 900 trees, 5,000 shrubs and 11,000 plants, which:



Creates a microclimate that reduces heat by 2 °C approximately



**OVER 900 TREES** 



Reduces air pollution

with plants converting up to 20,000 kg of carbon dioxide into oxygen per year



OUTCOME



lower premature mortality longer life expectancy



fewer mental health disorders



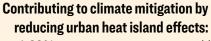
less cardiovascular disease



better cognitive functioning

Evidence shows that green spaces are essential for better public health, including:

functioning
in children and
the elderly



A 20% increase in green space could



save approximately

933

heat-related deaths per year

better social relationships