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Guest Talk: Urban Forests for Urban Futures – the contributions of trees to place, space, resilience and governance.

Presented by: Professor Cecil Konijnendijk

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This presentation takes a critical look at the role of woods and trees in urban societies around the world. Based on current research, policy and practice, it discusses the role of trees in place making and place keeping, as well as in maintaining (or developing) a 'wild side of town'. From a resilience perspective, approaches related to tree and biocultural diversity are particularly promising. Finally, it is argued that comprehensive governance frameworks for urban forestry will have to be set up, in order to coordinate urban forest management and ensure the involvement of communities, businesses and other actors.

About Professor Cecil Konijnendijk:

Professor Konijnendijk is a Dutch national based in Sweden and is an internationally recognised leader in urban forestry research. His educational background is in forest policy, but has specialised in urban forestry ever since his undergraduate studies in the Netherlands. He is currently head of the Department of Landscape Architecture, Planning and Management at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, as well as part-time professor of green space management at the University of Copenhagen.

Cecil has been involved in urban forestry and green space management research, development and education across the globe. His primary research interests relate to urban forest / green infrastructure governance and policy, people-nature interactions in an urban context, and urban ecosystem services.

Cecil is editor-in-chief (and co-founder) of the journal *Urban Forestry & Urban Greening*. In summer 2016 he will start as professor in urban forestry at UBC in Vancouver.

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