Selected Papers from the Research Symposium on Urban Greening and Landscape Architecture Copenhagen, Denmark June 1999

The Journal of Arboriculture publishes special issues from time to time as deemed appropriate by the Editorial Board and the Editor. This issue contains a series of papers from the first symposium on urban greening and urban forestry conducted in Europe. Because the Journal is a refereed publication, all papers accepted for publication in this issue have gone through our standard review process.

---Robert W. Miller Editor

Research and development are important tools for the improvement of planning, design, establishment, and management of urban trees, parks, and forests. This special issue of the *Journal of Arboriculture* contains papers presented at the research symposium, Urban Greening and Landscape Architecture, held in Copenhagen, Denmark, June 1999. The objective of the symposium was to provide a scientifically and intellectually stimulating environment for the discussion of present and future research in the field of urban greening and urban forestry. The symposium had three subthemes: 1) objectives, form, and functions; 2) plant establishment and plant selection; and 3) planning and management.

Researchers in the field of urban forestry have their roots in many different disciplines, including forestry, geography, sociology, urban planning, genetics, soil sciences, horticulture, and landscape architecture. With the research symposium, it was hoped to contribute to a better exchange of knowledge across national and disciplinary boundaries.

In all, researchers representing 34 different countries presented 68 papers. The papers in this special issue illustrate the wide variety of topics covered in the symposium.

The symposium was arranged within the framework of COST Action E12—Urban Forests and Trees, and was organized by COST (European Cooperation in the Field of Scientific and Technical Research), the Danish Forest and Landscape Research Institute, the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, and the Royal Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, in cooperation with International Union of Forestry Research Organisations (IUFRO), the International Society of Arboriculture Denmark Chapter, and Aarhus School of Architecture.

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