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Urban farming in Scandinavia: insights from environmental justice & urban political ecology

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A vertical garden with various green plants growing in wooden planters. The plants include leafy greens, herbs, and small flowers. The wooden planters are arranged in a grid pattern, and the plants are densely packed. The background is a plain white wall.

Environmental Justice
&
Urban Political Ecology

The nature
of
justice...



A 'parable of a flute' ...
learning from Amartya Sen



From social to
environmental
justice...









EJ: a rallying cry around the world



Climate justice (a subset of EJ)



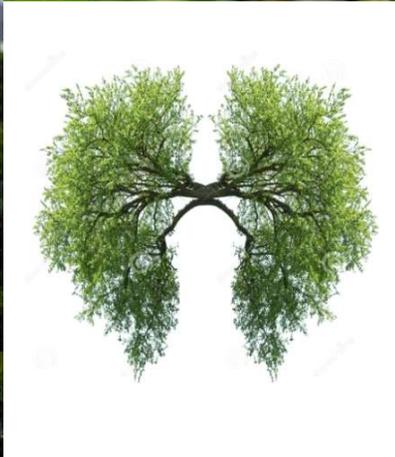
Urban Political Ecology?



A vertical garden system consisting of several horizontal wooden planters stacked vertically. Each planter is filled with a variety of green plants, including leafy greens like lettuce and herbs like mint. The plants are growing densely, creating a lush green wall. The wooden planters are made of light-colored wood, possibly pine or cedar, and are arranged in a staggered fashion to allow for multiple layers of vegetation.

Environmental Justice
& Urban Political Ecology:
Questions for urban farming...

Urban farming is a **good** thing.

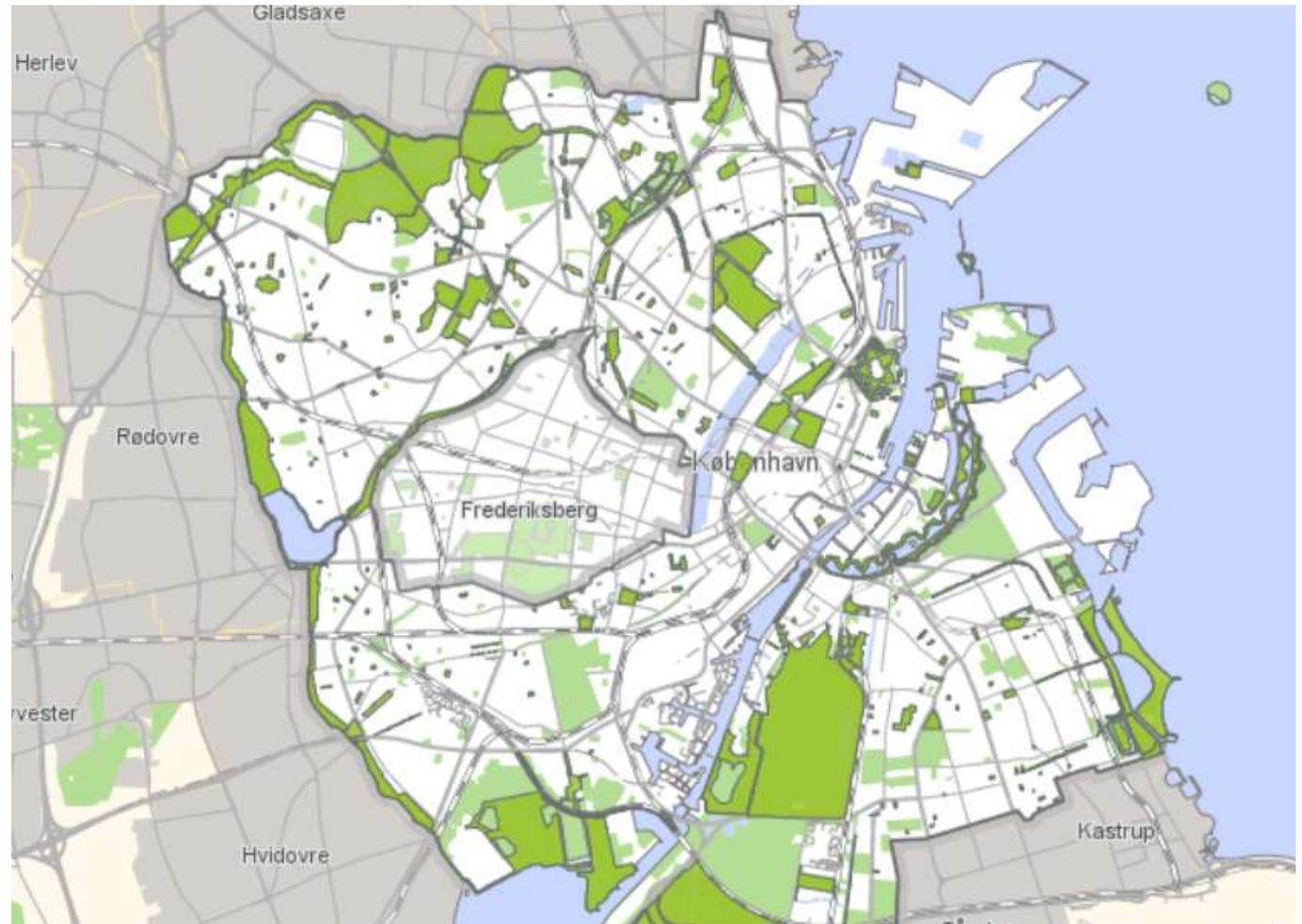


But.

From a *justice /political ecology* perspective
nothing – *not even urban farming!* –
is always **all good**.

Instead, there are **winners and losers** to every
process. This raises a number of questions...

The
distribution
& access
questions.



The
distribution
& access
questions.



The
procedural
questions.



The
procedural
questions.



The food
justice
questions.



The procedural questions.



The
discursive
(in)justice
questions.

Urbant landbruk kan...
“bidra til bærekraftig byutvikling,
**integrering, utdanning og
opplæring, arbeidstrening,
kunnskapsutvikling, innovasjon og
klimatilpasning**”...



Urbant landbruk

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Regjeringen har besluttet at det skal utarbeides en strategi for urbant landbruk. Strategien skal bidra til bærekraftig

byutvikling, integrering, utdanning og arbeidstrening, kunnskapsutvikling, innovasjon og klimatilpasning.

- Det pågår en oppblomstring av urbant landbruk i byer over hele verden, og i Norge har Oslo, Trondheim og Lillestrøm. - Stadig flere ønsker å dyrke jorda og høste sin egen mat. Når flere får kunnskap om matproduksjon, og jordteiger holdes i hand styrer samtidig beredne

Forstør bildet

The
ecology
& health
questions.



Questioning
'sustainability'
and
'innovation'
claims.



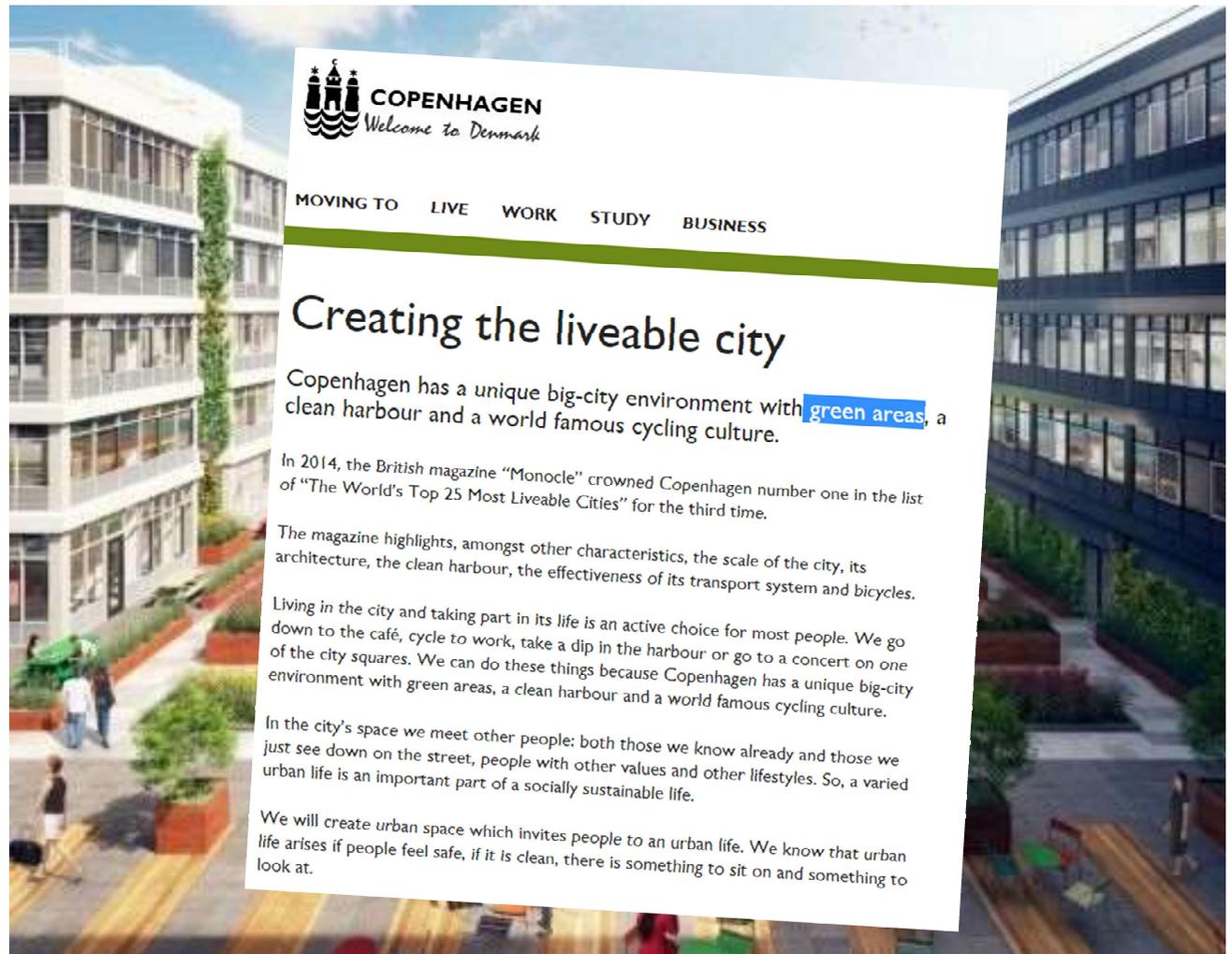
The
critique of
capitalism
questions.



The critique
of
neoliberalism
questions.



The gentri- fication questions.



A satellite night view of Scandinavia, showing the illuminated landmasses of Norway, Sweden, and Finland against the dark blue of the surrounding oceans. The lights from cities and towns are visible as bright yellow and orange spots and lines.

Sustained urban farming
in Scandinavia.
What will it take?
Some lessons from my
own research...

(Flexible)
regulation
and
oversight



(Stable)
resources,
political
will

LÆSETID: 3 MIN.

Københavns Kommune nedlægger én stilling og må derfor lukke 39 grønne frivilligprojekter

På trods af Københavns Kommunes mål om at inddrage frivillige i naturplejen lukker den nu 39 grønne projekter skabt af frivillige. Årsagen er, at én stilling nedlægges på rådhuset som konsekvens af besparelser

Prags Byhaver er en af de 39 grønne frivilligprojekter, der skal lukkes efter fyringen af frivilligkoordinatoren i Københavns Kommune.

Tine Sletting



Indland

22. december 2018

Kommentarer (27)



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Få Laura Friis Wangs artikler på mail

Fra næste år er det slut med, at frivillige i Københavns Kommune hjælper med at passe



(Real)
motivation
and
capacity



*'BandAid on a
bullet wound: the
limits to urban
farming in
Copenhagen'*

- Rutt, R. 2020... (forthcoming)



Thank you!