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"BEŁCHATÓW IN GREEN" FROM THE TOWN'S WASTELANDS TO A NEW SPACE FOR BIODIVERSITY AND RECREATION



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Bełchatów - a town located in the central Poland - is "famous for" the Europe's largest lignite-fired power plant, which is also one of the biggest CO2 and pollution emitter. "The Belchatów in green - creation and revalorization of the green areas of the city" was a concept to minimize the negative impact of the mine on the town and its inhabitants. The idea behind it was to revitalize the wastelands which could become potentially new green areas, were kay for environmental protection, and important for the local communities. These were to lead, on the one hand, to reinforce the natural system of the city, and on the other hand, to expand the recreation and leisure system in the town. A priority for the reinforcement of the town's main ecological corridor was to include parcels located in the valley of the local river as well as spatially connected with it. Also some specially selected plant species were chosen in accordance with their environmental requirements (including biocenotic plants favourable to pollinators and avifauna), ability to adopt to the conditions of the habitat. This had to ensure the proper implementation of the project and minimizing energy expenditure for it maintenance. Additional aim was to improve the aesthetics of the town's landscape. As a result 10 different parcel complexes were selected, however each complex required induvial approach. The project has been implemented within the 2 years and its total area covered 30 ha.









