STANDARDS
FOR WORKING IN TREES AND THEIR SURROUNDINGS

WHAT THEY ARE AND HOW TO USE THEM
IMPLEMENTATION MANUAL

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TREE PRUNING AND CARE

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TREE INSPECTION AND DIAGNOSTICS

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PROTECTION OF TREES AND OTHER FORMS OF GREENERY IN THE INVESTMENT PROCESS

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Erhalt und Pflanzung von Bäumen auf Dämmen und Deichen
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Trees in rural areas
– best practice and recommendations

Pests and diseases of
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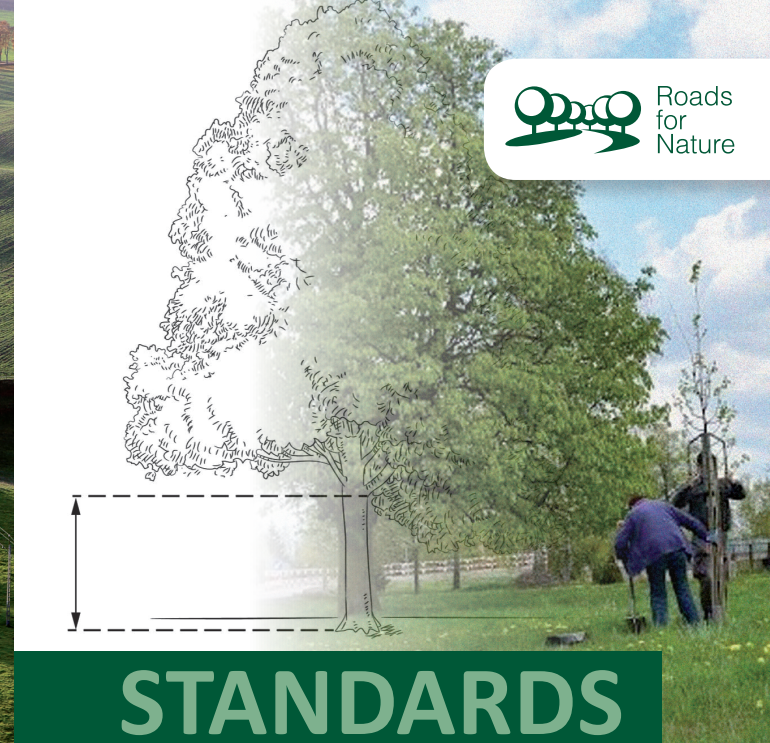Biosecurity recommendations

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Roads for Nature

STANDARDS
FOR TREES

Publications presenting good practices and guidelines for the application of the standards in practice, which were developed within the framework of the project "Trees for Europe's Green Infrastructure":

- Standards for work on and around trees – User Manual.
- Pests and diseases of urban trees. Biosecurity recommendations.
- Trees in rural areas – good practice and recommendations.
- Preservation and planting trees on dams and dykes.
- Tree Friends Guide
- Roadside tree maintenance manual.

The resources are available at:
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OSTO

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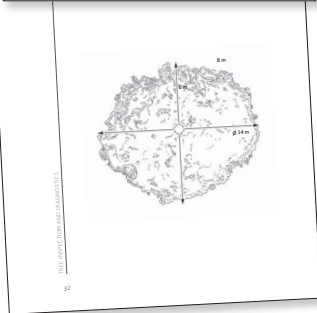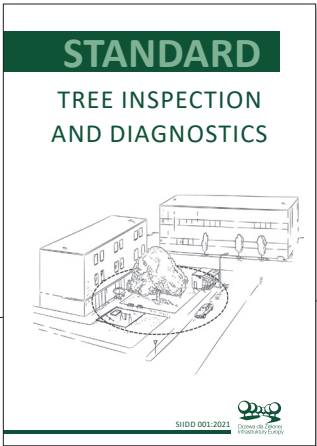
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Trees are a key component of green infrastructure – one cannot imagine a human-friendly environment without them.

Trees improve the quality of life in cities. They cool and provide shade, produce oxygen, filter air of pollutants, protect against noise and flash floods. Trees improve the microclimate of the rural landscape, protect agricultural crops from drought and soil erosion. They are habitat for wildlife, including pollinators essential to farmers.

In the era of climate change, we need trees more than ever. At the same time, the changing climate is making it more and more difficult for trees to survive, and people are not making it easy for them. That is why we need **STANDARDS** showing how to take proper care of them so that they live long and provide us with numerous benefits.

The standards serve managers, tree officers, and contractors of tree work. They may also be useful for community activists to influence green space management.
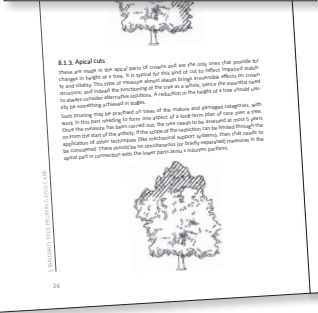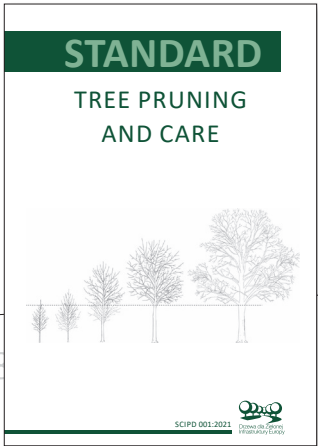
STANDARD

TREE INSPECTION AND DIAGNOSTICS

Standard for tree inspection and diagnostics

defines and organises the procedure and content of tree assessment at two levels – basic and advanced. It makes a clear distinction between inventory and assessment. It is an aid for tree assessors – diagnosticians as well as those ordering these assessments and decision-makers. The standard introduces comprehensiveness to assessment and provides a guide to key diagnostic features.
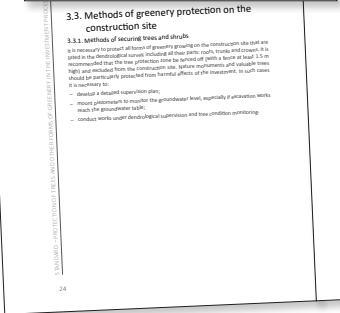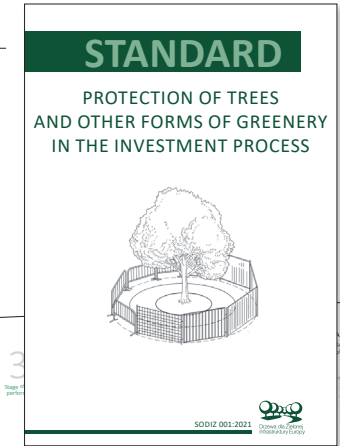
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STANDARD

TREE PRUNING AND CARE

Standard for tree pruning and care

orders the types of work on and around trees, clearly separating various types of pruning and mechanical reinforcement from care which improves the habitat of the tree. Such approach helps both to provide the structure to the types of work on and around trees and to improve communication between customers and contractors. The innovative approach based on tree needs, adopted here, developed by the European Arboricultural Council, allows measures to be taken for the longest possible tree life in line with public safety needs.

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STANDARD

PROTECTION OF TREES AND OTHER FORMS OF GREENERY IN THE INVESTMENT PROCESS

Standard of protection of trees and other forms of greenery in the investment process

covers a comprehensive investment process, from design to implementation. It describes and organises the objects of protection and the means of its implementation, including the technologies of the work and the persons responsible. It can be a real help for all the entities involved in the investment process, facilitating goal setting, implementation, control and evaluation. The standard was developed in partnership with the Landscape Architecture Association.

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