



COLLABORATION WITH EXPERTS WORKED!



During the project, the students contacted scientists from different disciplines and municipal representatives. Both sides were very appreciative of the cooperation. All the experts confirmed that they were looking forward to continuing the cooperation. They plan to motivate other colleagues to do similar projects with schools.

"The students' great interest in my lectures and field measurements motivates me to continue working with schools."

"Contact with students and their projects has allowed me to explore new ways of disseminating science."

"I liked the enthusiasm of the students and their involvement in the research work and their openness to learn and try new things."

"I encourage others to get involved in these projects. I liked the students' ability to get into challenging topics and manage them nicely."

"It was nice to see that students care about our future."

WHAT DID THE EXPERTS HELP WITH?

- They consulted students' research plans and developed their ideas.
- They educated the students on the topics of their projects, for example lecturing on biodiversity, climate change, urban infrastructure, planting a forest or establishing a compost heap.
- They helped plan and implement surveys around the schools.
- They conducted experiments and added the necessary technical information.
- They provided technical assistance and contacts to other people.

WHAT THE PROJECT GAVE TO THE STUDENTS?

- Practical knowledge in environmental protection as well as biology and other disciplines.
- Loss of fear of reaching out to experts and a bridge between school and universities.
- Connecting theory with practice and trying out real research.
- Collaboration with experts to solve real problems.
- Feeling that it is worth trying to make a difference in their environment.
- New contacts with students with similar interests.
- Greater awareness of community issues and also interest from the community in their projects.

