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# Children&Nature Network: promoting the connection between children and nature





To get more green areas in the cities is one of the aims of Chidren & Nature. Source: Children&Natura network.



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Everybody can take part of this network and share experiences on the forum. Source: Children&Natura network.

An international movement of organizations and associations aiming to reconnect children and nature. They are supported by the Children&Nature Network, co-founded by Richard Louv.

#### The Right to Nature

Every child has the right to play, learn and grow with nature as a part of its daily life. After the publication of The Last Child in the Woods: Saving our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder in 2005, Richard Louv, together with other collaborators, co-founded the <u>Children & Nature network</u>, a non-profit organization whose mission is to fuel the worldwide grassroots movement to **reconnect children to nature**. They work to improve the health in communities by encouraging people to be in contact with nature, offering strategies for families to become involved with nature, and promoting the **values of nature** in cities. They have set up a <u>research and resource centre</u>, to help building strong local leadership and train new local actors. At present, they have two hundred registered Nature Clubs.

#### **Resource and support network**

They offer training and resources, innovative ideas and tools to promote collaborations among grassroots movements from around the world, facilitating communities and families that seek to connect with nature through leisure, schools or city life. The organization was established in the United States, but has actions in around <u>twelve</u> <u>countries</u>, from **Brazil** to **New Zealand**, and from **India** to **Canada**, supporting hundreds of local campaigns moved by this goal.

The network's members, whether they are organizations, families, schools or individuals, will find in-class and online trainings, forums and events. The Network has a yearly conference; last edition was in Oakland.

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