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Sommario/riassunto Aging demographics and urbanization are two of the most important

social tendencies facing the world's developed countries. Today cities must adjust if older people are to maintain quality of life. The agefriendly city is a city suitable for everyone. The rewriting of the urban landscape with the elderly in mind might be the key to urban

regeneration. This research strives to build bridges between cognitive psychology and landscape architecture in order to promote senior citizens' well-being in the metropolis. It proposes a critical reflection on how urban landscapes, designed with evidence-based methodology can promote the psycho-physical welfare of the inhabitants, with particular focus on one of the most vulnerable groups. High quality neighbourhood green space is associated with mental health benefits, prevention of cognitive decline and dementia, reduced cardiovascular

morbidity and mortality, etc. However, the evidence base, related to healthy urban greenery, is poorly integrated in the planning,

management and design of urban green spaces. Through a global

current design practice analysis and the comparison of two European case studies (Copenhagen and Rome), analysed with quantitative and qualitative approaches, an Age-friendly Urban Nature Index was developed that aims to provide a tool for landscape architects and local decision makers to support future urban planning and design.