

# Research project: integrated assessment of Oslo's green roofs

*How can green roofs improve resilience, equity and provision of ecosystem services in cities without creating negative socio-ecological impacts?*

Friday, November 5th / 9:30h - 10:30h



# Agenda

**1** Introduction to the research project

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**2** Case study: Integrated assessment of green roofs

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**3** Criteria for assessment

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**4** Scenarios for green roofs development

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**5** Expected results

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# nature-based solutions



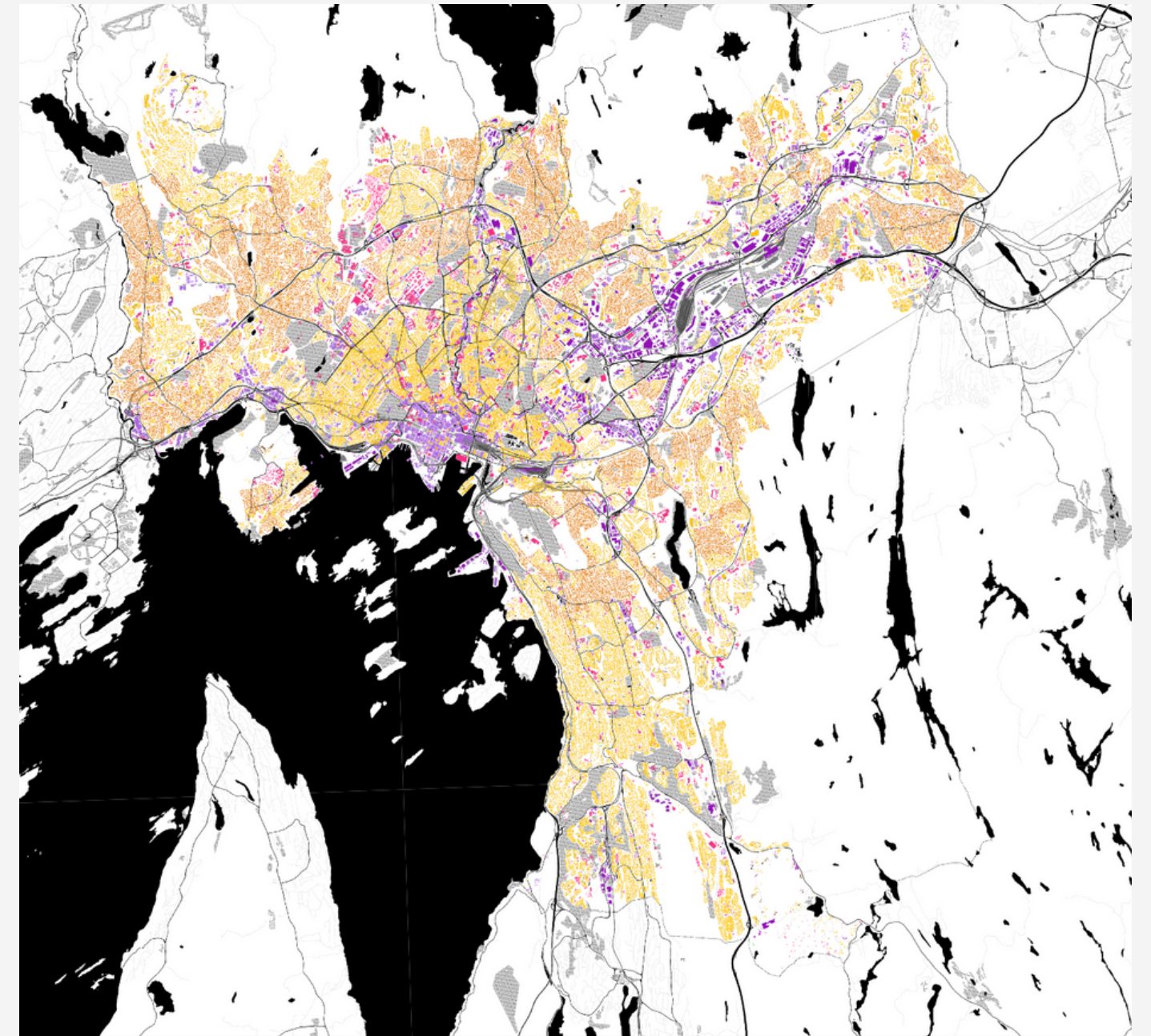
# How can **nature-based solutions** improve resilience, equity and provision of ecosystem services in cities without creating negative socio-ecological impacts?



Objective: to develop a tool for the integrated evaluation of Nature-based solutions in urban environments

# What will be evaluated?

**Green  
roofs**



# How it will be evaluated?

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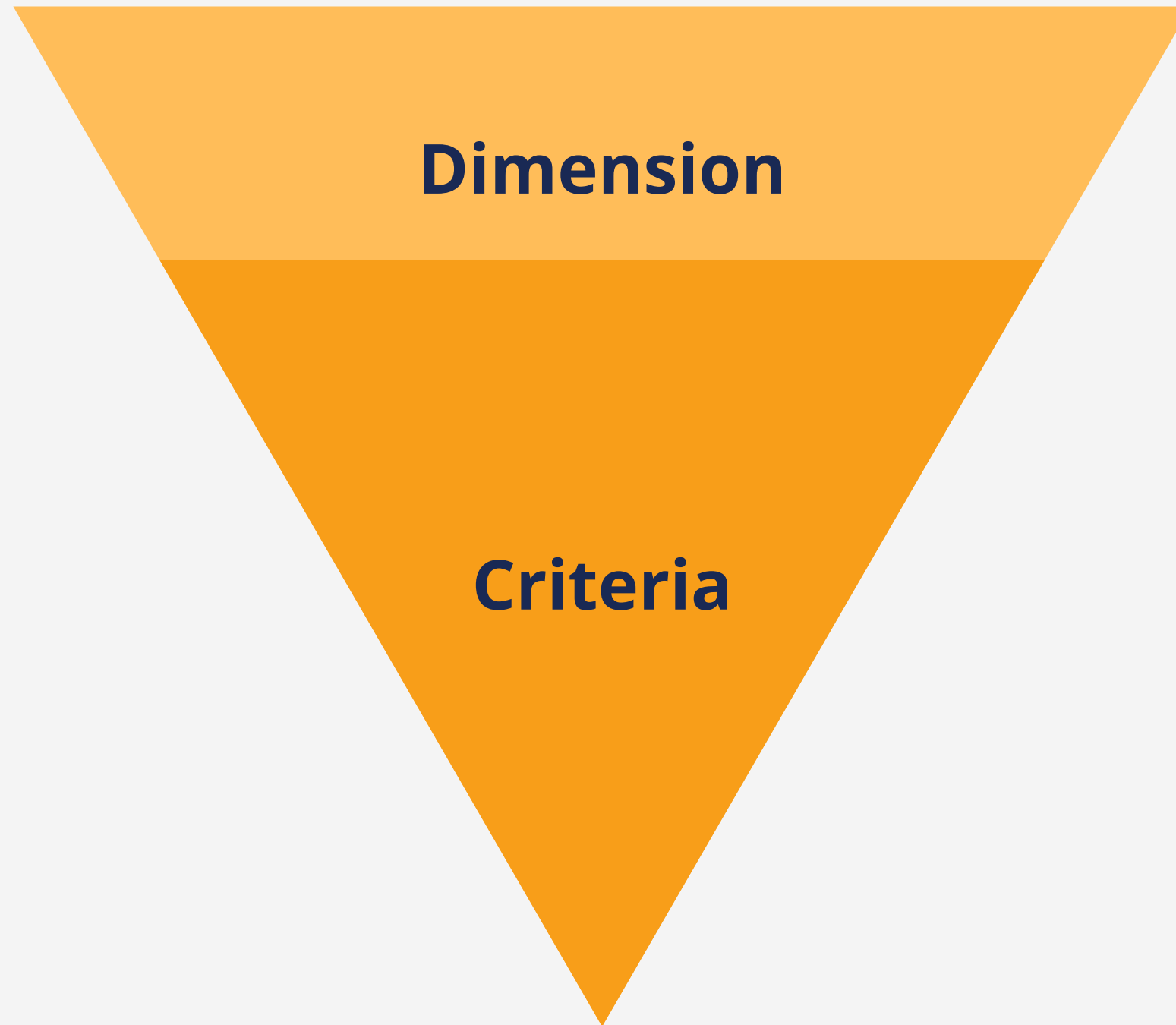
What can green roofs offer in the city?

### Obstacles of green roofs

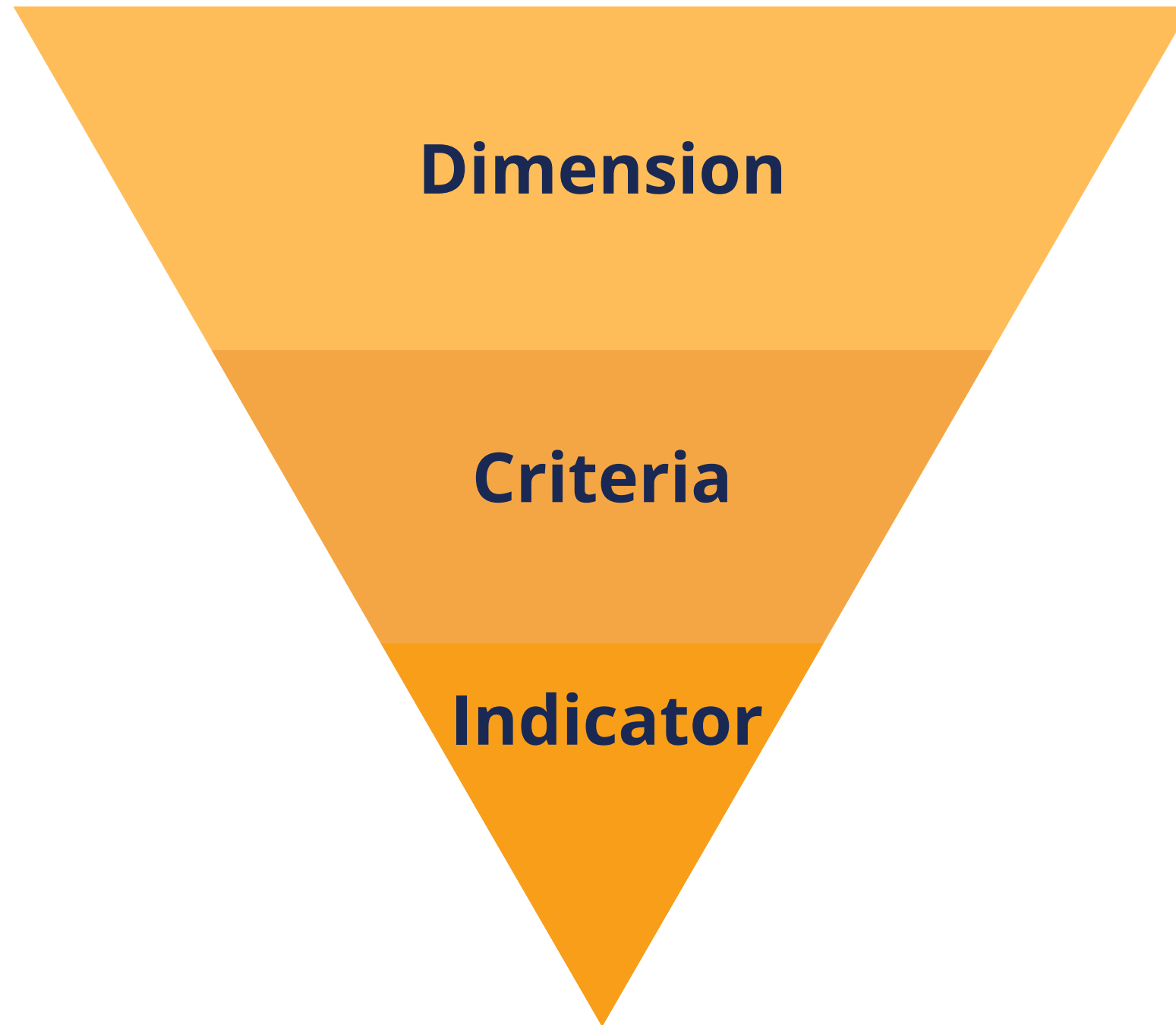
Which are the costs associated to green roofs?  
Which are the negative environmental impacts?



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**Socio-ecological urban risks**

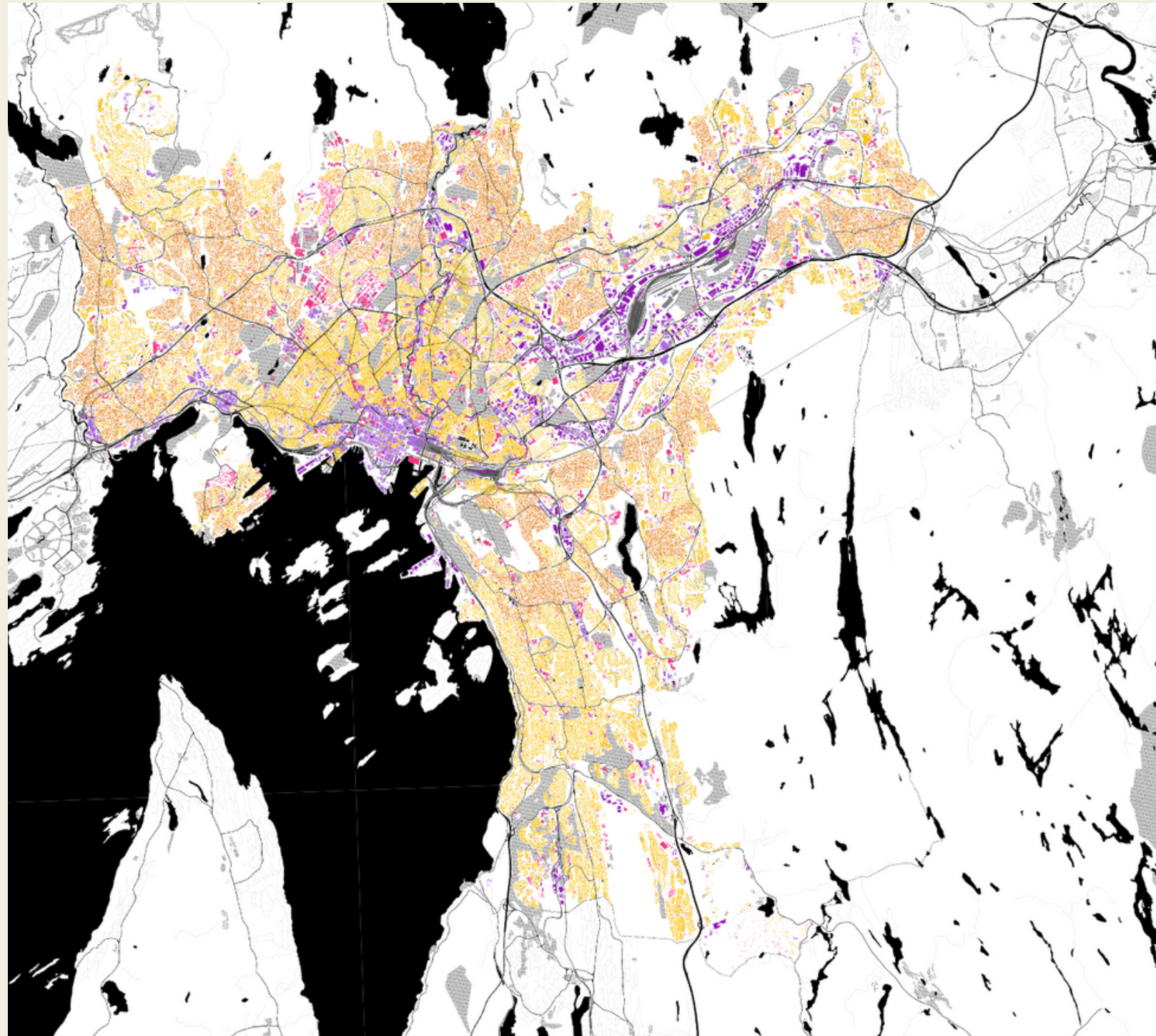
**Lack of habitat for biodiversity**

# Pre-selected criteria

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# Context for the evaluation

Increase in green roofs until 2030



 Oslo



**Forslag til strategi for grønne tak og fasader**

Bakgrunnsdel – faglig grunnlag  
Høringsutkast 11.01.2021

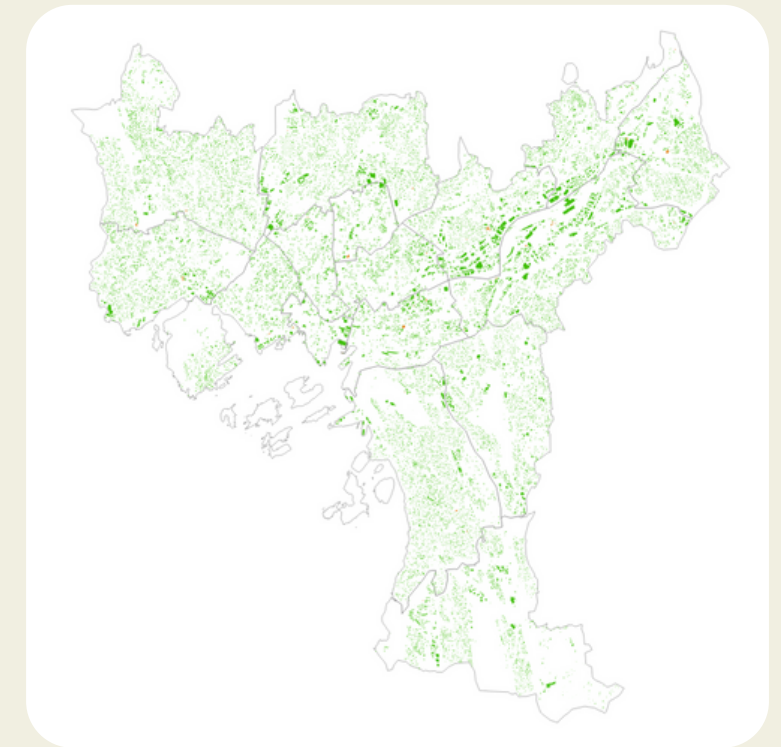
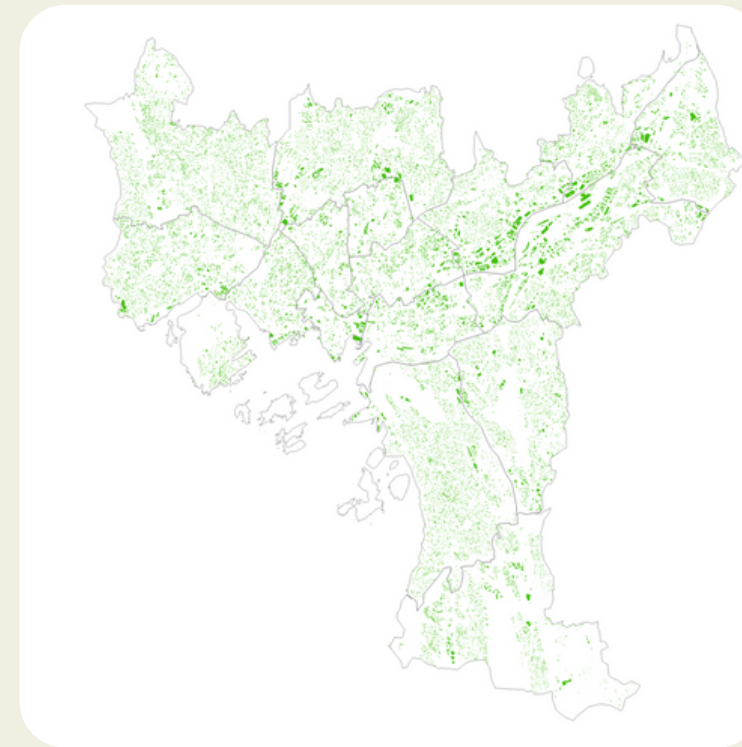
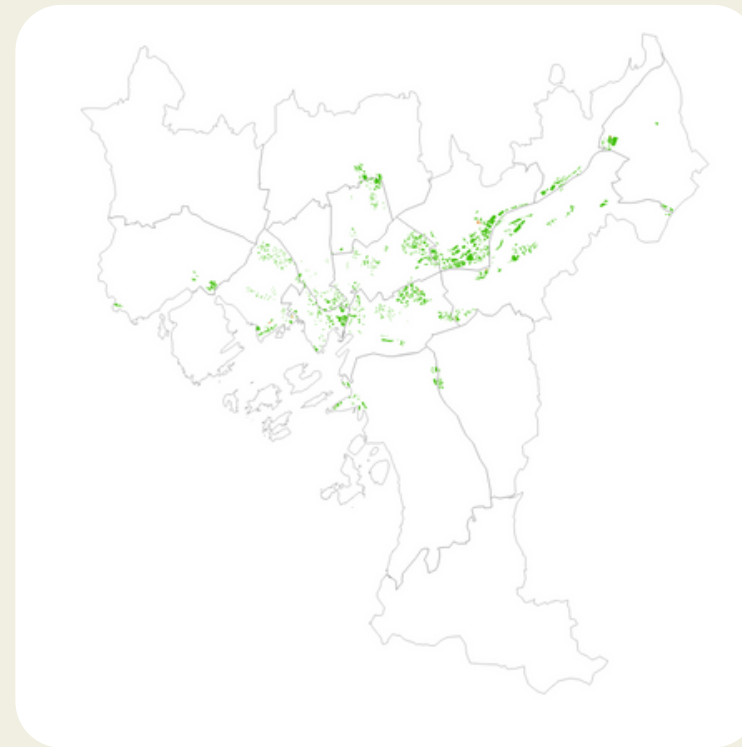
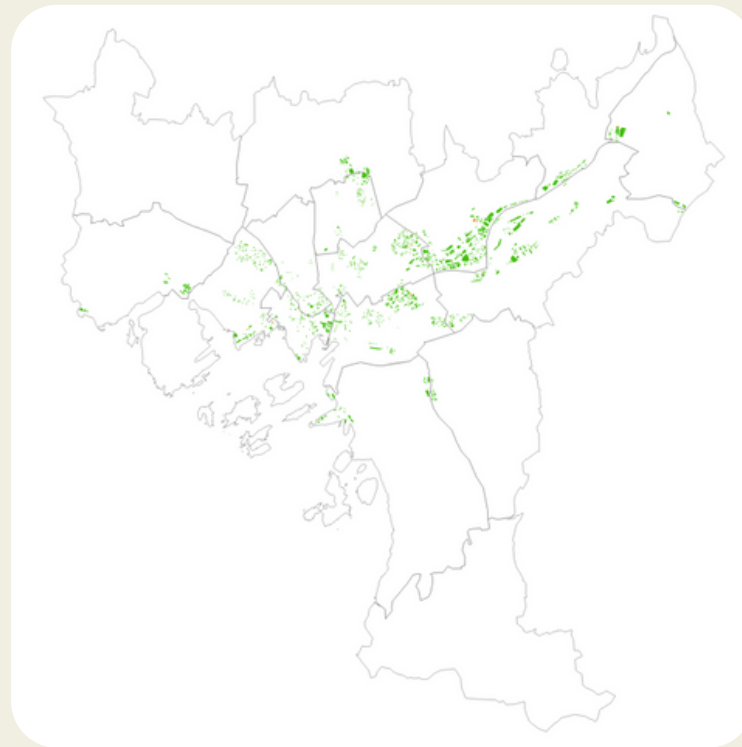
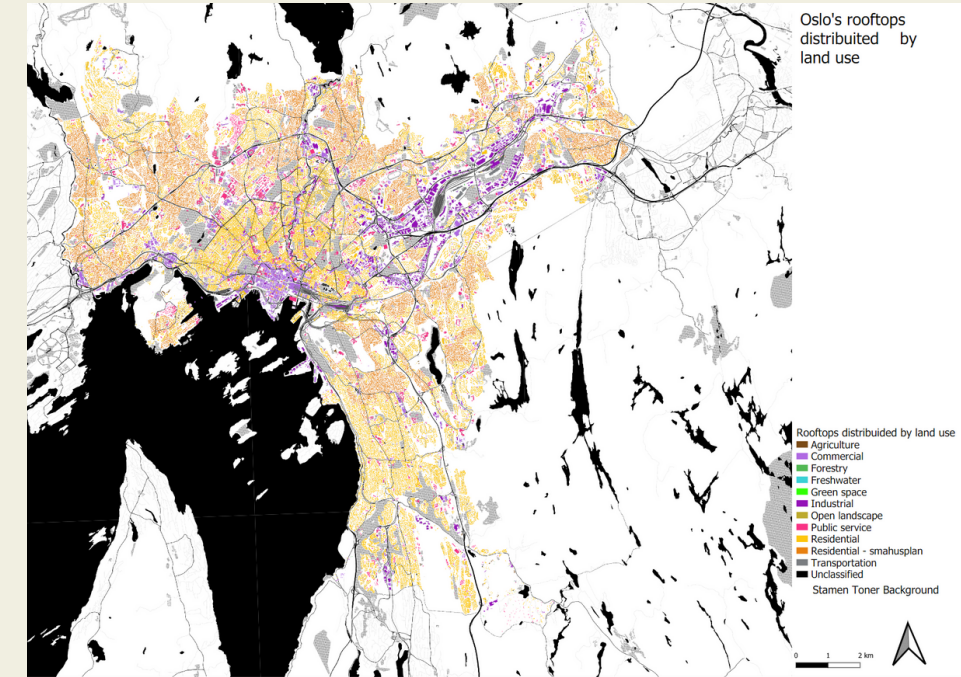


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# Scenario definition



Spatially explicit and considering:  
- Building feasibility (slope+area)



# Where will the green roofs be evaluated?

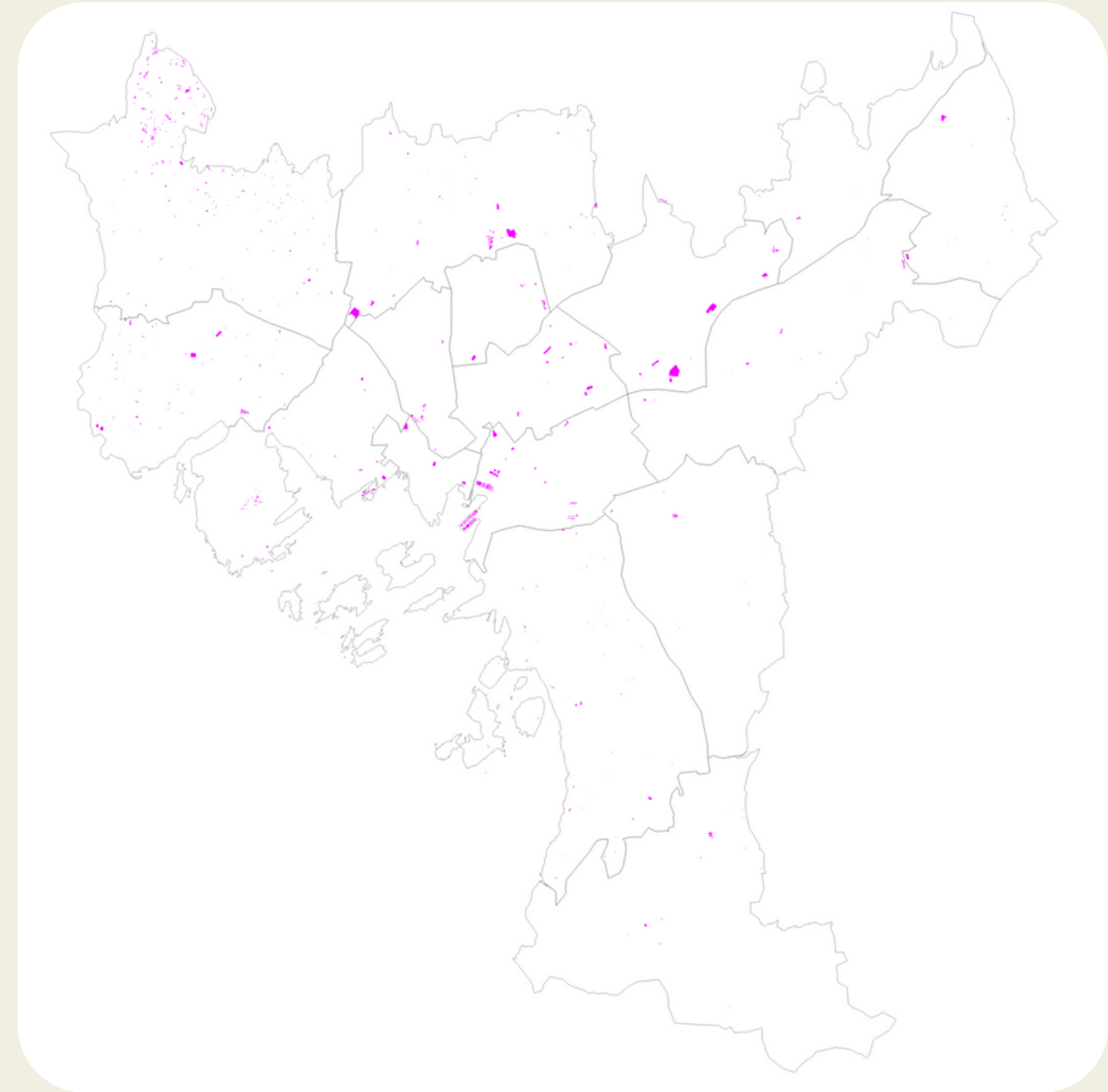
## SCENARIO 0

Reference scenario

Current state

Total green roofs: 957

From green roof Municipal survey (2017)



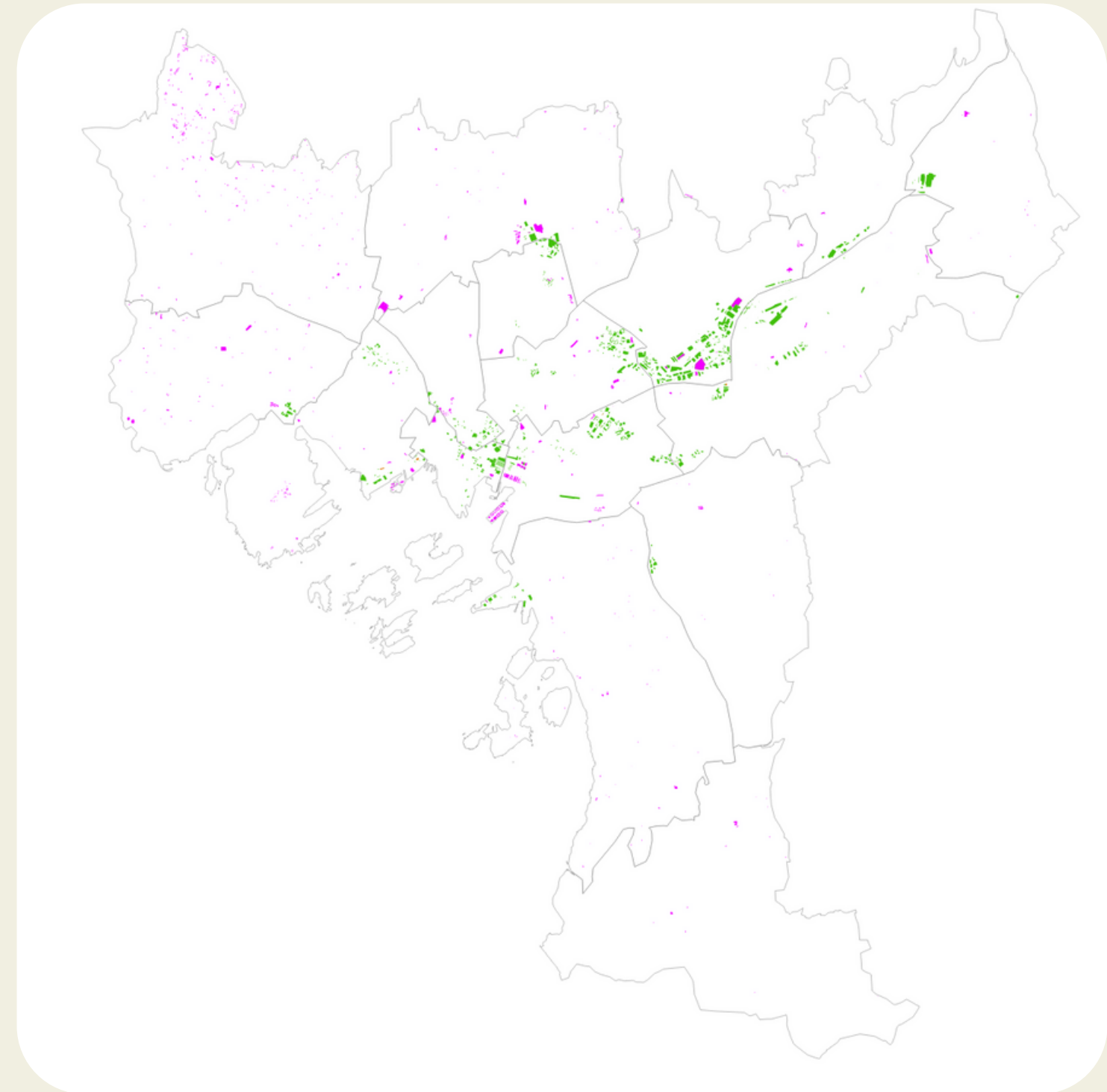
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## SCENARIO 1

Business as usual

75 new green roofs per year until 2030

Total: around 2,000 new green roofs



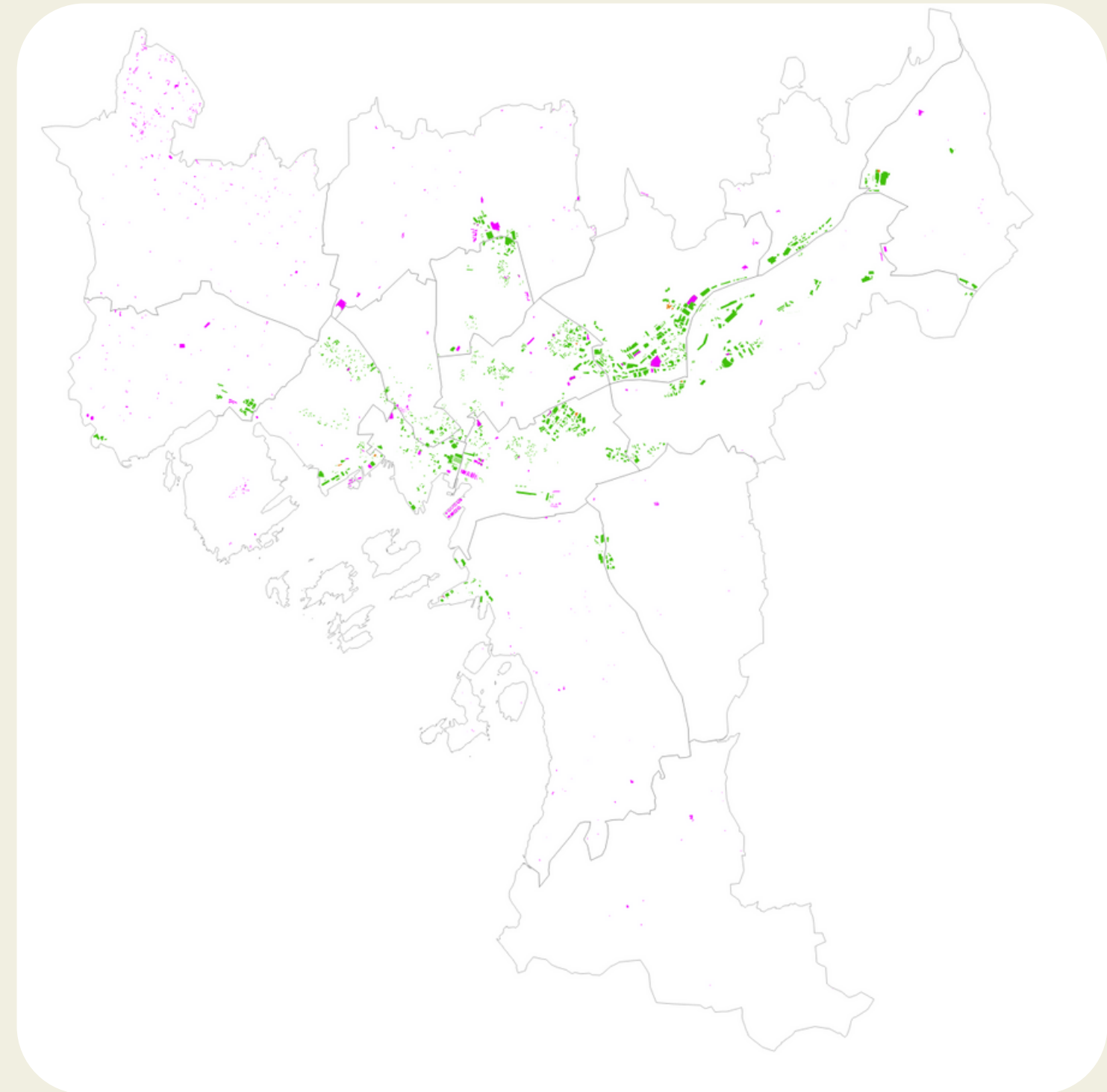
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## SCENARIO 2

Ambitious

200 new green roofs per year until 2030

Total: 4,050 new green roofs



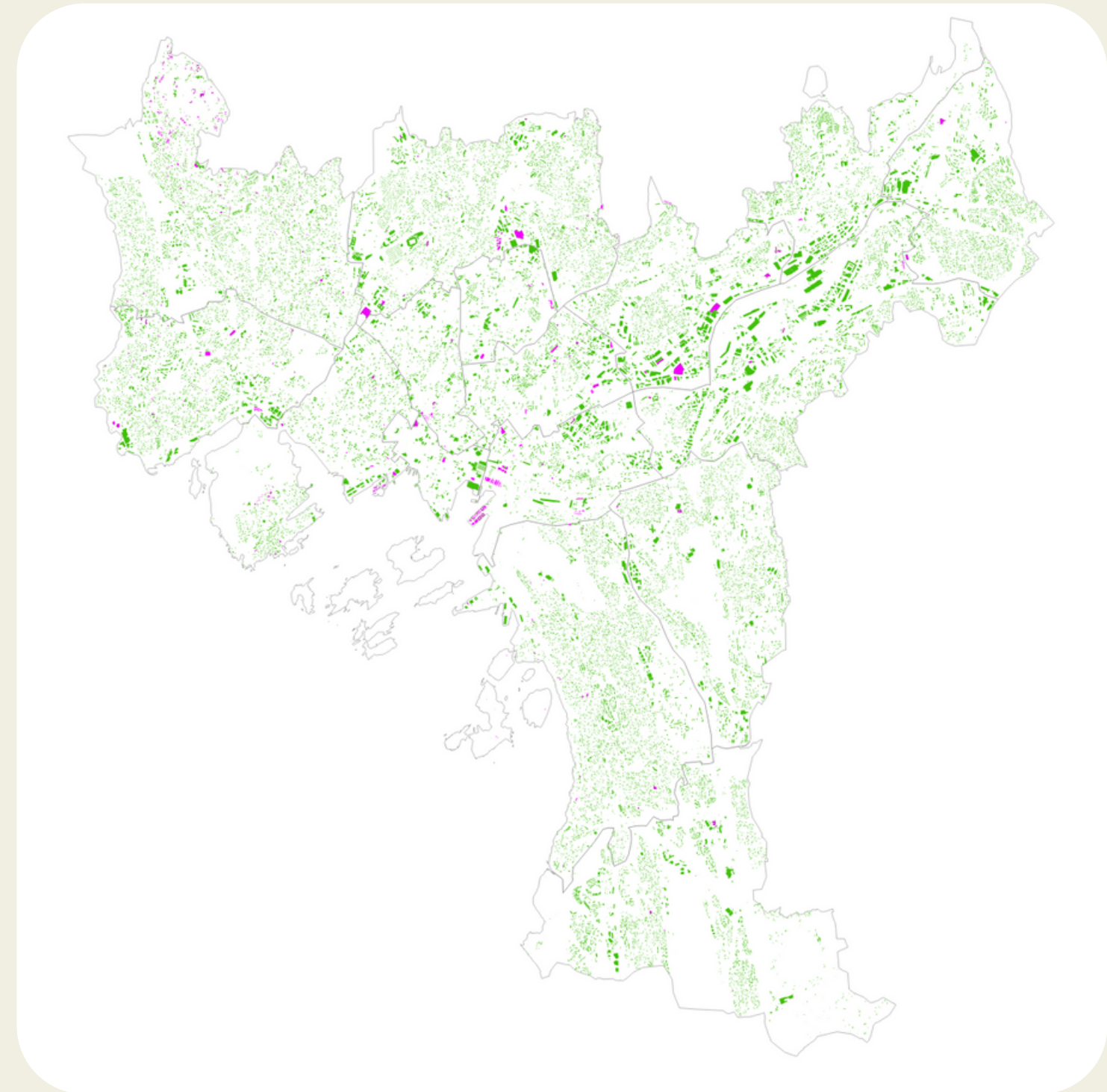


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## SCENARIO 3

Maximization extensive

Total: 8,000 new green roofs

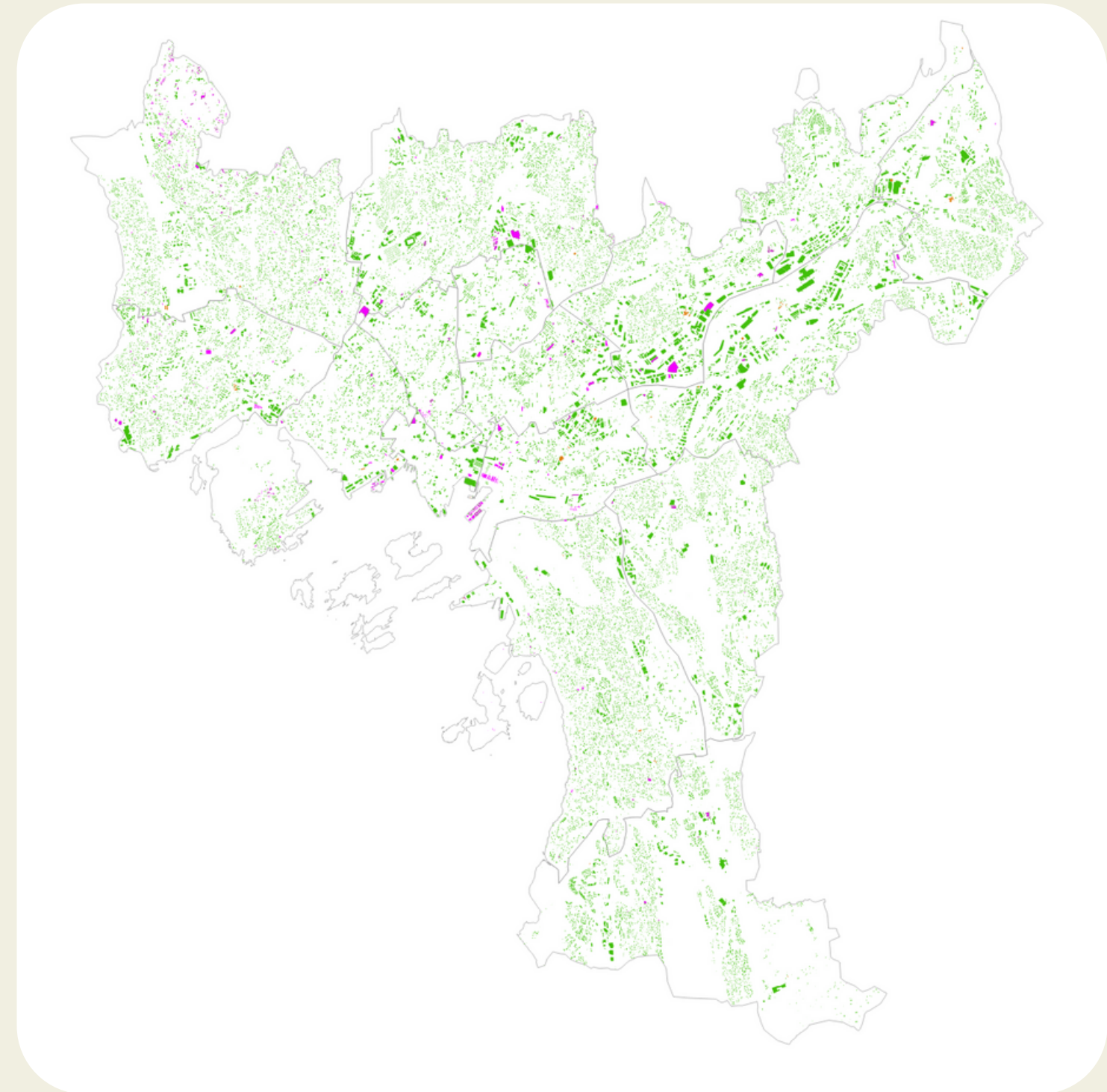


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## SCENARIO 4

Maximization extensive & intensive

Total: 10,000 new green roofs



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## SCENARIOS BY 2030

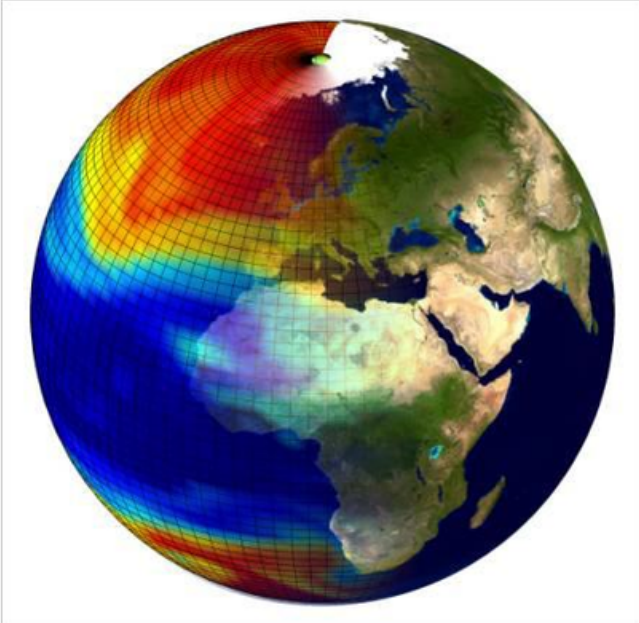
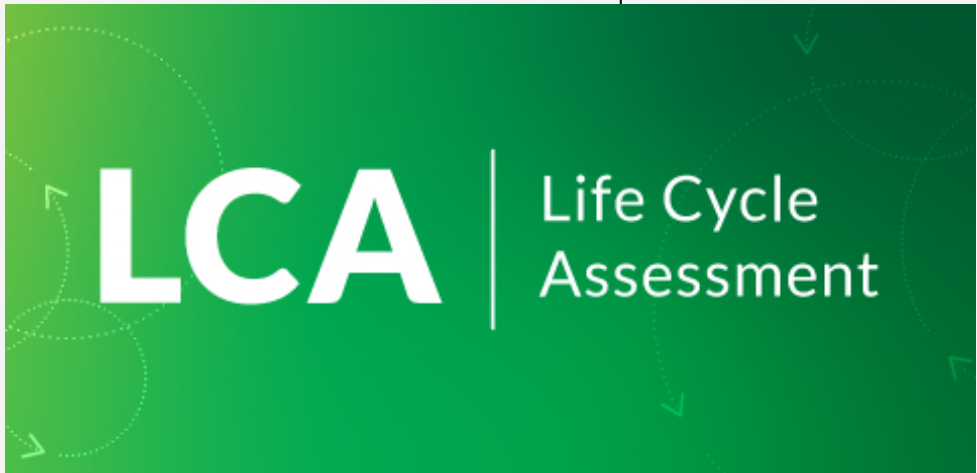

1) Business as usual	2,000 new green roofs
2) Ambitious strategy	4,050 new green roofs
3) Maximization 1	8,000 new green roofs
4) Maximization 2	10,000 new green roofs

Understanding the capacity of green roofs for shaping the city

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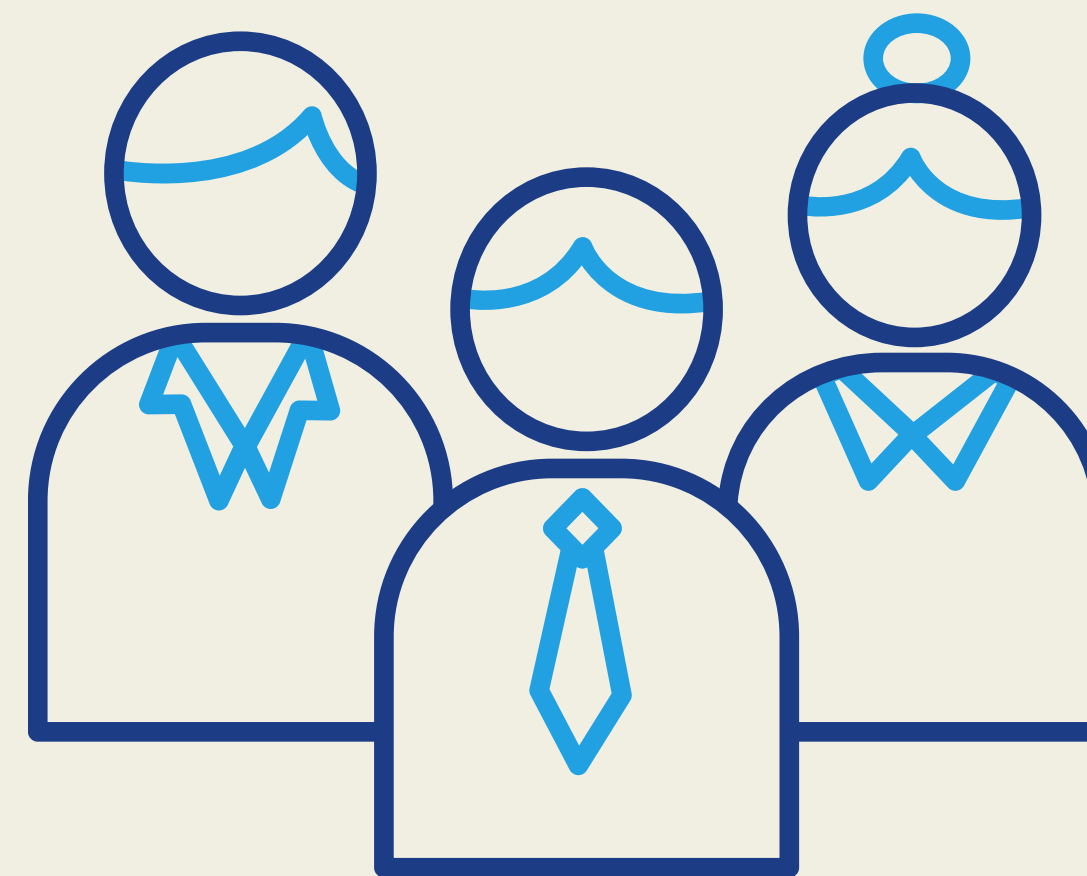
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CRITERIA	 	 	

# Impact matrix

DIMENSION	BENEFITS PROVIDED	REDUCTION OF URBAN RISKS	OBSTACLES FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE
SCENARIOS	CRITERIA	CRITERIA	CRITERIA
1) Business as usual			
2) Ambitious strategy			
3) Max: extensive			
4) Max: extensive + intensive			

# Participatory stakeholder process (2022)

- Should any of the benefits of green roofs be considered more important than others?
- Are the negative impacts of the green roofs relevant?
- Can green roofs solve some the urban risks of the city?



# Missing information for the assessment

- Construction year of buildings in the city
- Energy efficiency rating of buildings in the city
- Building materials of main building typologies





# Tusen takk!



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