NATURE

The New Urban Jobs in Comics



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Cartoonists: Hugues Bertrand Biboum, Adjim Danngar,

Fifi Mukuna, Silvia Pacucci



NATURE –
New Active Trades For A
Revealed Skills - Resilient Cities Urban Resilient Europe



The project

NATURE (New Active Trades For A Urban Resilient Europe) aims to produce a set of new training materials and resources for adult educators and professionals active in the field of inclusion to provide vulnerable groups of adults with skills and knowledge surrounding the topic of new urban agricultural trades for resilience.

NATURE's vocation is to build and test the favorable conditions to move from a top-down logic of environmental policy to a logic of appropriation and "doing it together" approach in challenging suburban areas.

The environment and climate action are priorities for the EU, both now and in the future. Our project champions **innovative methods** that empower learners (whom we refer to as 'knowledgeable individuals'), staff, educators, and youth workers to become effective agents of change.

This project will actively transform adult behavior, encompassing personal preferences, cultural values, sustainable development awareness, consumption habits, and lifestyles. NATURE brings together communities, adult training providers, environmental stakeholders, adults themselves, and research entities.

The comics

The comic strips presented below have been crafted through **interviews with real individuals** actively engaged in the fields delineated in the **Guide of Best Practices**, readily available for your reference and download on the project's official website.

These dedicated individuals are at the forefront of the **burgeoning urban professions** that have arisen from our research efforts, and their key attributes are succinctly outlined in the **New Job Sheets**, also accessible on the same platform. These vocations have sprouted on the outskirts of our

urban landscapes, representing a departure from specialization, founded upon experiential knowledge. They serve as valuable environmental contributors to our cities. Each profession is underpinned by a unique narrative, boundless energy, and a proactive spirit, driven by the vision of reshaping urban living and life on our planet.

Among these professions, you will discover an Upsycling Artisan, Zero Waste Consultant, Urban Farmer or Shepherd as well as a Soil Maker, each with their own distinctive roles and contributions.



The scriptwriters

Christophe Dabitch, born in 1968 and currently residing in Bordeaux, France, is a prolific writer and creative talent. His body of work encompasses prose, collaborative books with photographers, and comic strip scripts, all of which have garnered international recognition through translation into multiple languages. His diverse career has seen him excel not only as an author but also as a journalist and a creator of compelling video documentaries.

In addition to his creative pursuits, Christophe Dabitch is deeply committed to projects of societal significance, further underscoring his impact on the literary and cultural landscape. His most recent literary endeavor, *Passeur de lagunes*, co-authored with Venetian cartoonist Piero Macola, transports readers to an imaginary Venice of the near future, exemplifying his remarkable storytelling prowess.

Christophe Edimo is a highly accomplished screenwriter hailing from French-Cameroonian roots and currently residing in France. Having spent his formative years in Cameroon, Christophe Edimo made the pivotal decision to relocate to France in the early 1990s. In the year 2001, he established the esteemed organization known as 'L'Afrique Dessinée' in the heart of Paris. This organization serves as a unifying force for talented authors from the African diaspora and stands as a revered institution within the global comic industry. Christophe Edimo consistently contributes to the advancement of African comics through his active involvement in various promotional endeavors, including workshops and festivals. His impressive body of work encompasses numerous comics and graphic novels, some of which have earned him prestigious accolades and recognition.

The cartoonists

Hugues Bertrand Biboum hails from Yaoundé, Cameroon. His multifaceted skills encompass graphic design, illustration, 2D animation, comic strip creation, and webtooning. He has actively contributed to various cartoon and video game endeavors, serving as both an animator and storyboard artist. In addition, he has authored multiple comic strips and holds the position of Artistic Director at the animation and publishing firm known as Waanda Studio.

Adjim Danngar is a highly regarded comic strip author and press cartoonist with both French and Chadian heritage. He has been a resident of France since 2004 and actively contributes to multiple initiatives within the Afrique dessinée collective, of which he is a distinguished member. Adjim Danngar frequently participates in exhibitions and festivals held in both African and French contexts. Additionally, his press cartoons find occasional publication in renowned newspapers, including Libération, Ouest-France, and Africultures.

Fifi Mukuna hails from the Democratic Republic of Congo and pursued her education at the Academy of Fine Arts in Kinshasa, where she successfully obtained a diploma in advertising graphics. Her profound passion lies in the realm of drawing and illustration. Her professional journey has seen her serve as a caricaturist for numerous local newspapers and magazines within the Congo region. Presently residing in France, Fifi predominantly engages in collaborations with children's magazines. Her artistic style is characterized by a semi-realistic approach infused with a subtle sense of humor, making her work universally appealing across all age groups.

Silvia Pacucci, hailing from a quaint village in southern Italy, cultivated her passion for art during her formative years. During adolescence, she embarked on creating small comic strips, delighting her peers with her talent. Subsequently, in Florence, she dedicated three years to a comprehensive comic strip program and actively engaged in art workshops tailored for children, in addition to participating in online comic strip competitions. Her journey led her to Paris in 2010, where she currently serves as an activity leader at a children's leisure center, specializing in instructing both comics and Italian language.



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Soil Alchemist

Scriptwriter: Christophe Dabitch

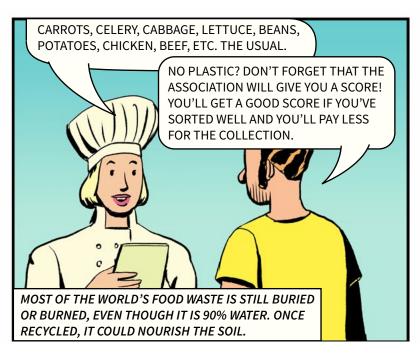
Cartoonist: Hugues Bertrand Biboum

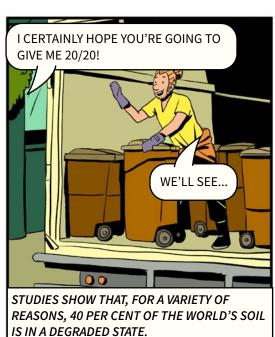
NUT: Collecting & Composting Broker

Taken inspiration from **Les Alchimistes**

Country: France



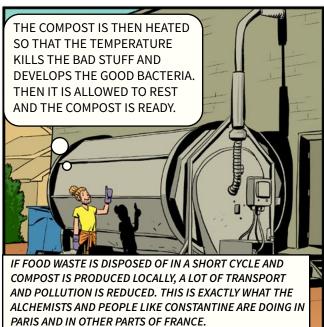






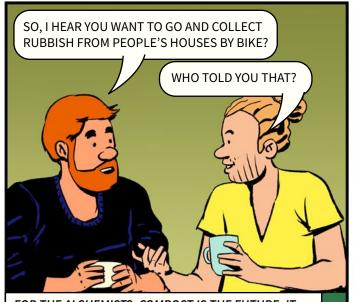












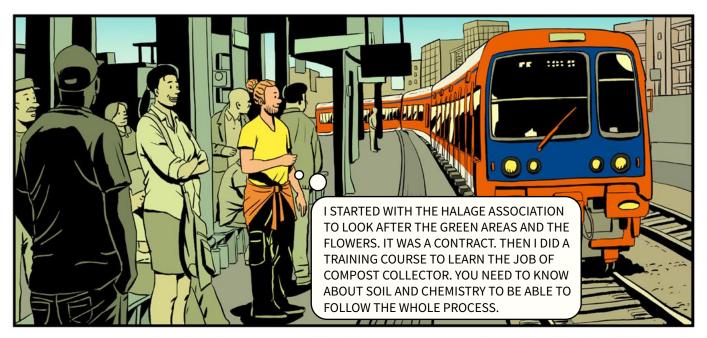
FOR THE ALCHEMISTS, COMPOST IS THE FUTURE. IT REPLACES CHEMICALS THAT HARM LIVING ORGANISMS AND INCREASINGLY EXPENSIVE PHOSPHATE-BASED FERTILISERS.



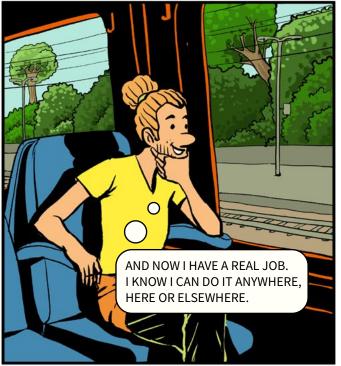
AND THE CREATION OF MORE URBAN GARDENS TO

MAKE A DIFFERENCE.











Sustainable Profiter

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Cartoonist: Adjim Danngar

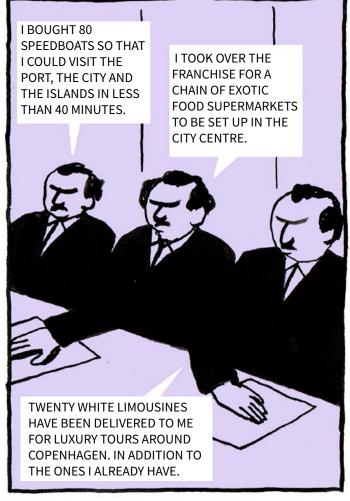
NUT: Eco-touristic Mediator

Taken inspiration from **Green horizons/Bioteket**

Country: Denmark

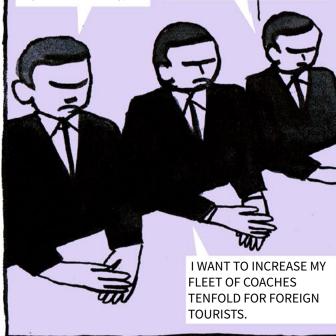
GENTLEMEN, WE ARE FACING UNPRECEDENTED ADVERSITY. THESE ARE SERIOUS TIMES. I NEVER THOUGHT I WOULD REACH THIS CONCLUSION, BUT REALITY FORCES ME TO DO SO. BEFORE I PRESENT THE CONCLUSIONS OF OUR STUDY, I'D LIKE TO HEAR WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY. WHAT ARE YOUR CURRENT PROJECTS IN THE TOURISM SECTOR?

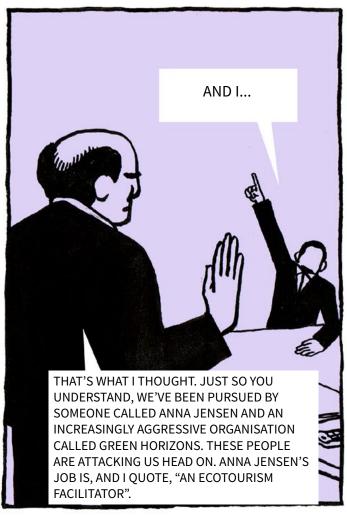




I HAVE TO BUILD THREE HOTELS, THREE GLASS AND STEEL TOWERS WITH HELIPADS AT THE TOP TO CONNECT THEM TO THE AIR-PORT. I'M WAITING FOR THE PERMITS.

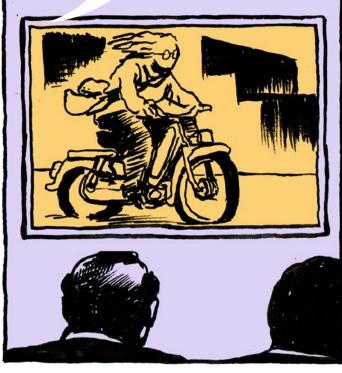
I HAVE A REVOLUTIONARY PROJECT: VIRTUAL REALITY TOURS FOR MY TOURISTS, WHO WON'T LEAVE THEIR ROOMS. EVERYTHING THEY NEED IS ON SITE, IN THE STOREROOMS AND FREEZERS.

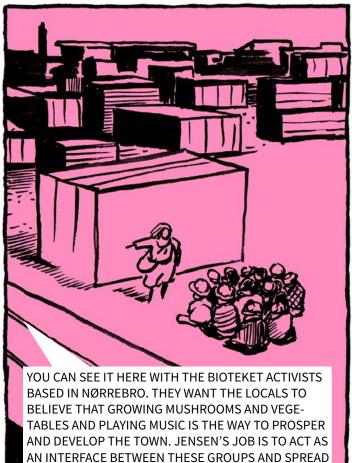






BEFORE WORKING AT GREEN HORIZONS, THIS ANNA JENSEN TRAVELLED A LOT. SHE WROTE ARTICLES, WHICH YOU WILL FIND IN THE REPORT. SHE SPECIALISED IN, AND I QUOTE, "SUSTAINABLE AND ENVIRON-MENTALLY FRIENDLY TOURISM AND UNIQUE CULTURAL EXPERIENCES". WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THE ACTIVISTS WHO MAY HAVE INFLUENCED HER IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.

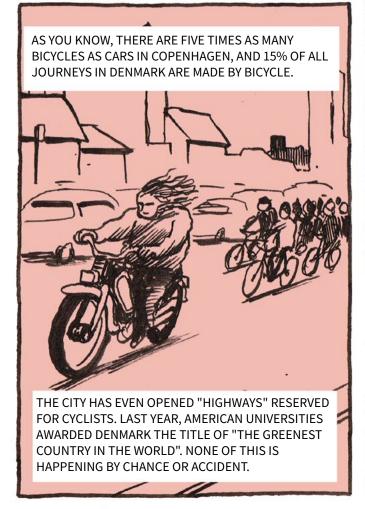


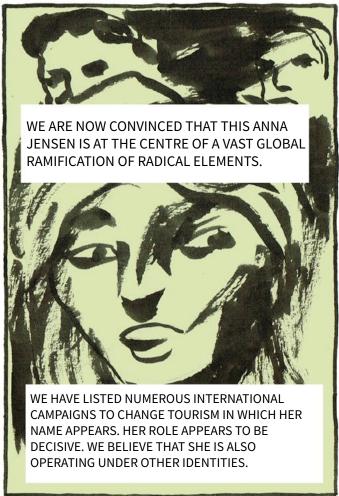


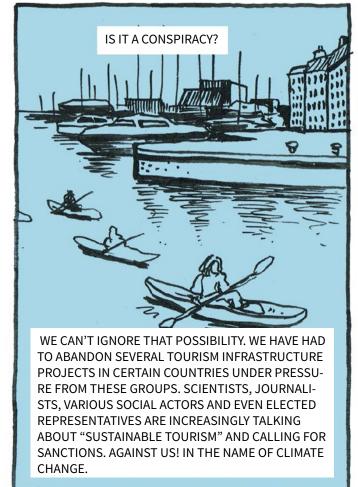
PROPAGANDA.

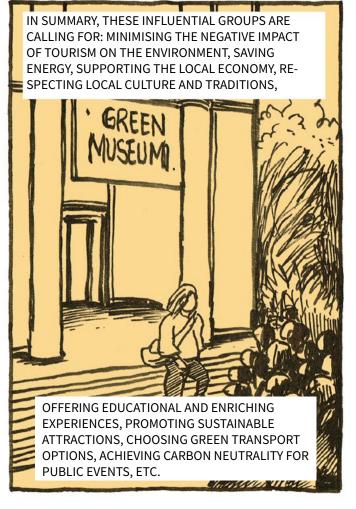
THERE SHE MET WITH RESTAURATEURS, HOTELIERS AND TOURIST AGENCIES. OUR RECORDS SHOW THAT SHE IS AN OUTSPOKEN ADVOCATE OF LOCALLY SOURCED ORGANIC FOOD, WASTE SORTING, REDUCED ENERGY AND WATER CONSUMPTION, LOCAL CRAFTS, "SOFT TOURISM"

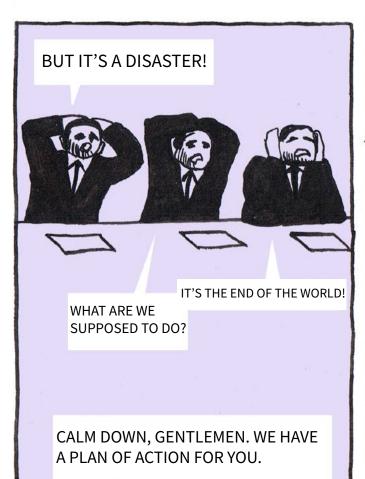
- AND I QUOTE - VISITING THE CITY'S PARKS, ETC. SHE EVEN SUGGESTS THAT THEY CAN BENEFIT FROM INTERNATIONAL LABELS.



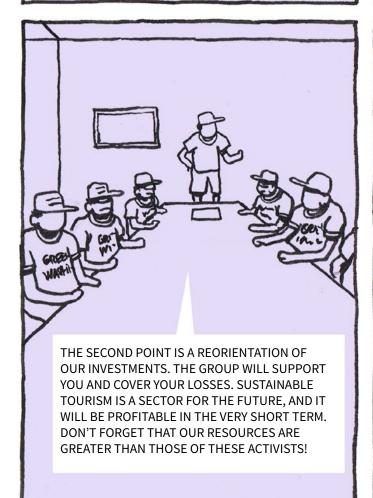














IN A NUTSHELL, GENTLEMEN, BECAUSE OUR SUR-

Heavenly Pudding

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Cartoonist: Hugues Bertrand Biboum

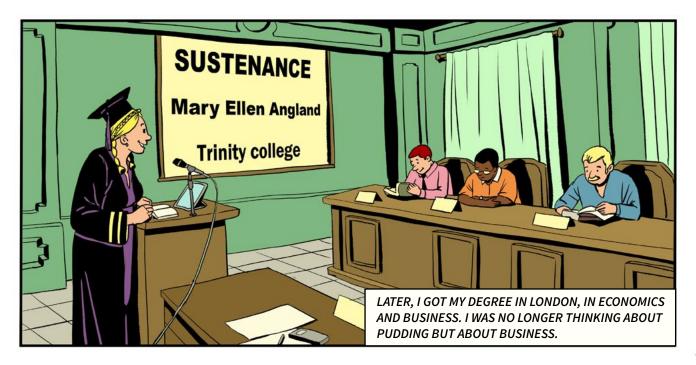
NUT: Food redistributor Inspired by **FoodCloud**





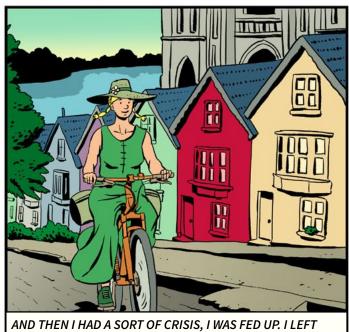


DREAMING OF PUDDINGS IN THE SKY AMONG THE CLOUDS.















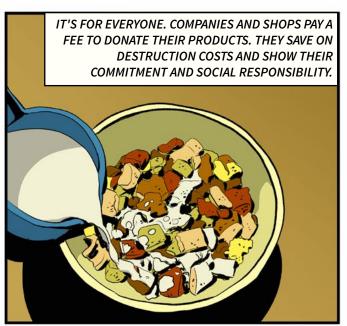




THE SECRET IS IN THE CLOUD. WE REDISTRIBUTE MORE THAN 16,000 TONNES OF PRODUCT IN IRELAND AND OTHER COUNTRIES PER YEAR. THAT'S THE EQUIVALENT OF 50,000 TONNES OF CO2 NOT RELEASED INTO THE ATMOSPHERE BY THE DESTRUCTION OF UNSOLD GOODS.











Stop Crying, Make Some Oyster Mushrooms

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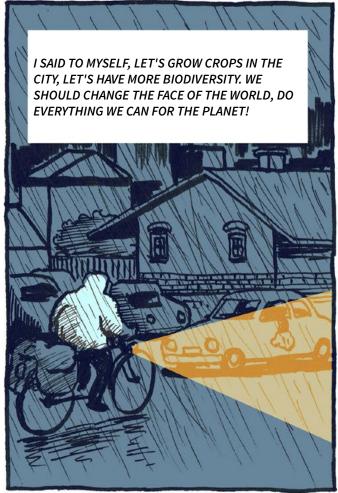
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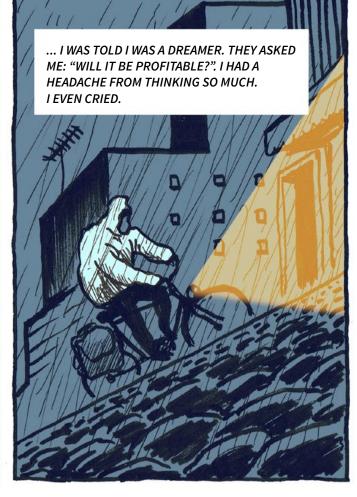
NUT: Re-used waste farmer

Inspired by Revolution farm and kitchen



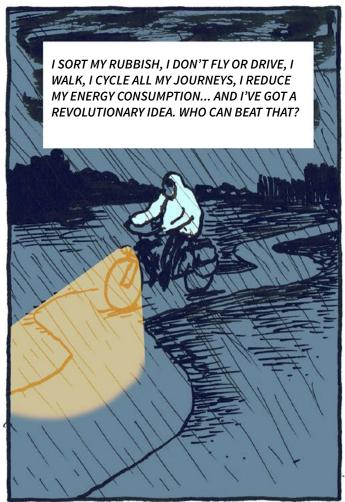










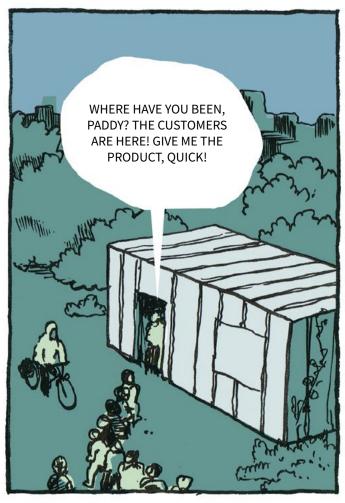




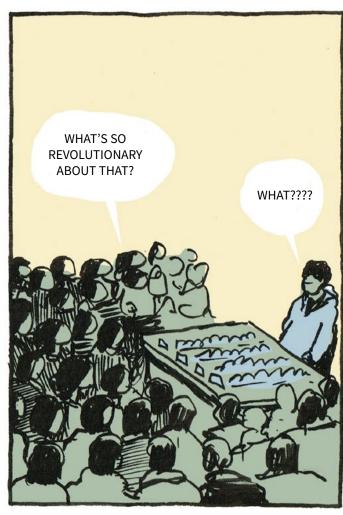
















Cartiera, Social Atelier

Scriptwriter: Christophe Edimo

Cartoonist: Fifi Mukuna

NUT: Re-using fabrics sewers Inspired by **Cartiera**

Country: Italy





THAT'S WHY I IMMIGRATED: I WASN'T ESSENTIAL. IMMIGRATION PROBABLY SAVED ME...

BECAUSE, LIKE THESE REJECTS, BY WORKING HERE I'M CHANGING. AND ONE DAY, I HOPE, I WON'T HAVE ANY MORE GLOOMY THOUGHTS.





AND NOW, LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN DO WITH THIS LEATHER THAT WAS DESTINED FOR THE LANDFILL SITE.

I WAS ABLE TO LEARN CRAFT TECHNIQUES THAT ARE IN DANGER OF BEING LOST IN ITALY...

I FEEL RESPECTED. I FEEL HAPPY...













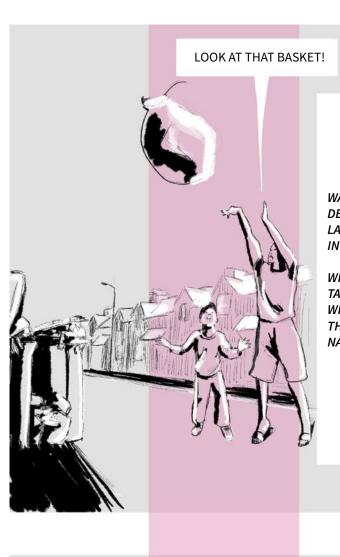
The Two Cycles

Scriptwriter: Christophe Dabitch

Cartoonist: Silvia Pacucci

NUT: Soil maker

Inspired by Cork Urban Soil Project



WASTE, RUBBISH, DETRITUS, DUSTBINS, LANDFILL, INCINERATION...

WHY DO WE ALWAYS
TALK LIKE THAT ABOUT
WHAT WE THROW AWAY?
THERE IS NO WASTE IN
NATURE.

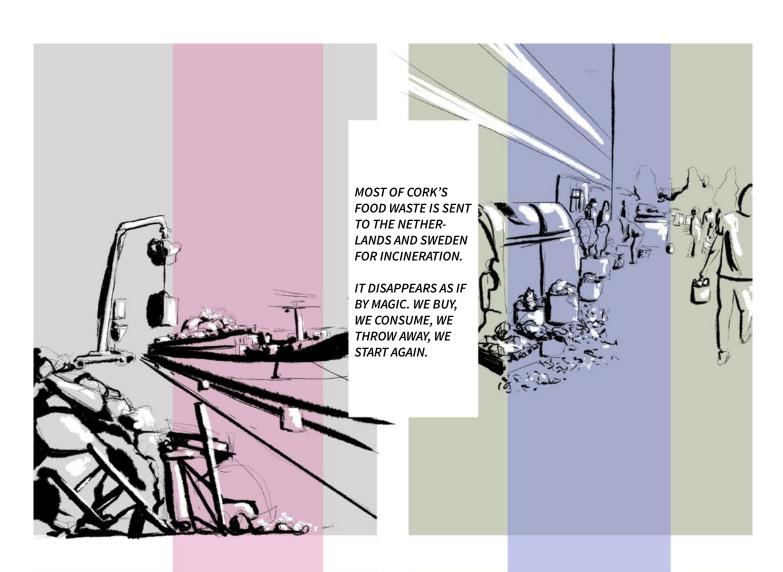


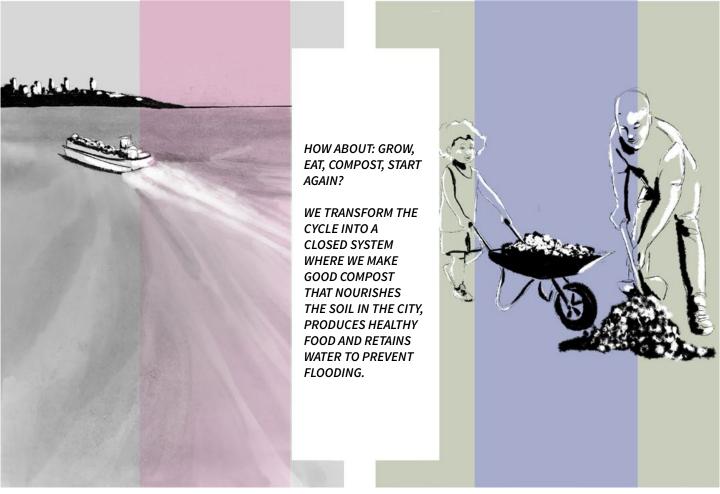


CORK RESIDENTS PRODUCE 30 TONNES OF FOOD WASTE EVERY DAY.

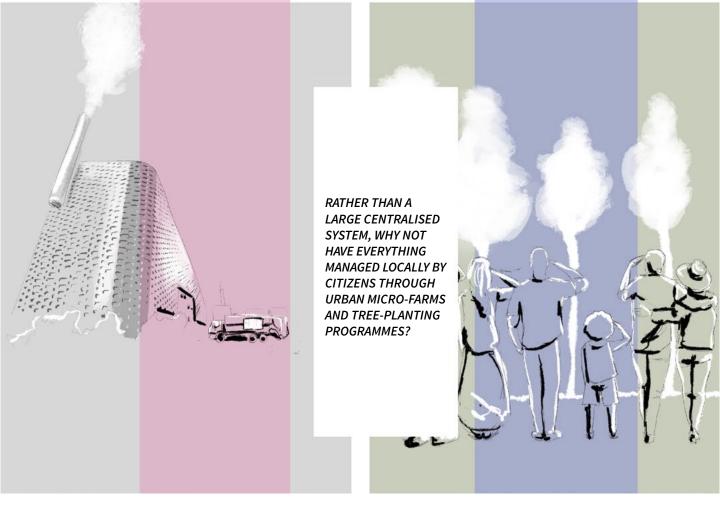
IN IRELAND, 60% OF HOUSEHOLD ORGANIC WASTE IS LANDFILLED OR INCINERATED.

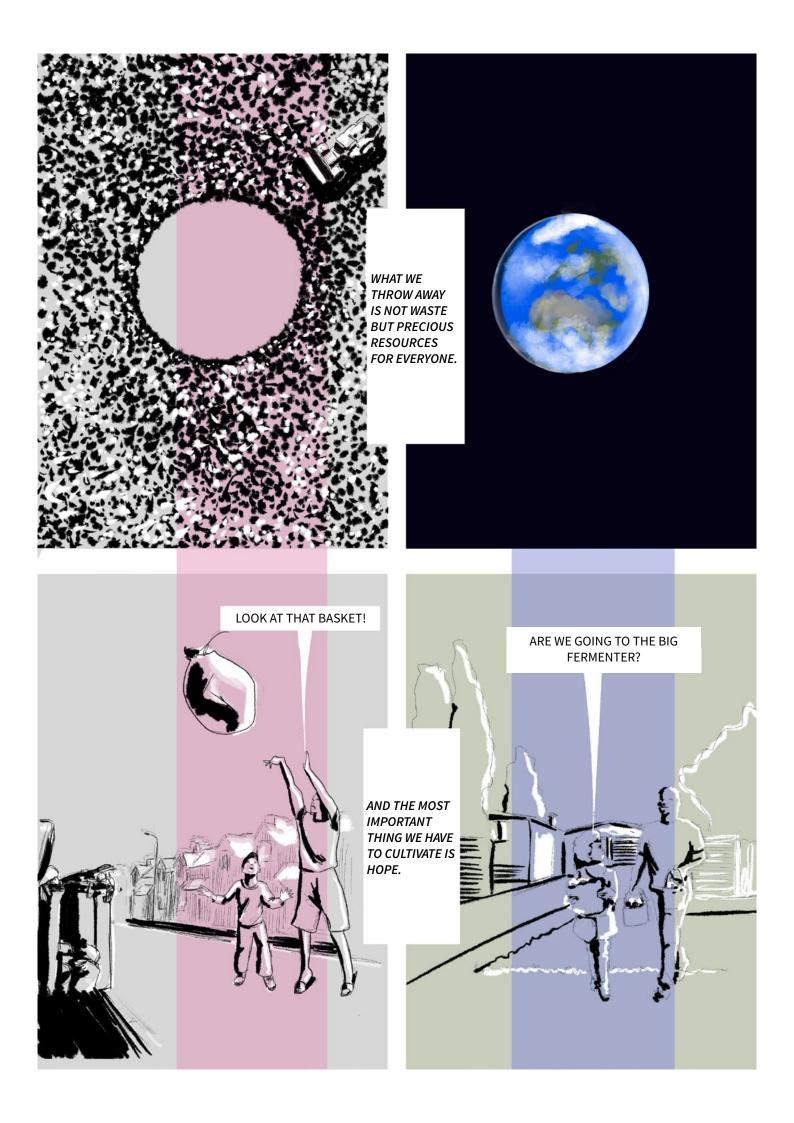












KAI Restaurant - Eating Well Also Means Less Waste

Scriptwriter: Christophe Edimo

Cartoonist: Fifi Mukuna

NUT: Sustainable cook

Inspired by Kai Restaurant

MY NAME IS JESS.
I'M THE OWNER OF
KAI, A GOURMET
RESTAURANT HERE IN
GALWAY.

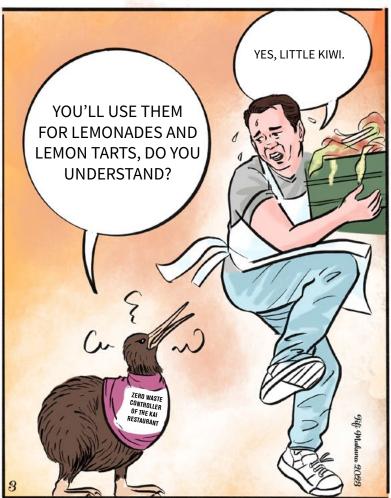
















Eta-Beta, the Recycling Artisans

Scriptwriter: Christophe Edimo

Cartoonist: Silvia Pacucci

NUT: Upcycling artisan Inspired by **Eta Beta**

Country: Italy







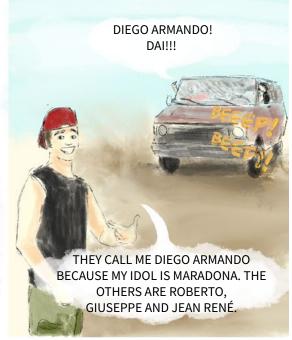












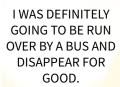






TODAY THE MARADONA TEAM RECOVERED GLASS. ONCE REMELTED, IT WILL BE RECYCLED INTO NEW OBJECTS.





I THINK I WAS GOING TO END UP AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA, AND I WAS GOING TO KILL FISH AND MAYBE THE WHOLE FOOD CHAIN THAT FOLLOWS.



WE ADD ARTISTIC VALUE TO THE SECOND LIFE OF GLASS. THE SALE OF THE OBJECTS IS USED TO PAY EVERYONE A FAIR WAGE.





Regenerator

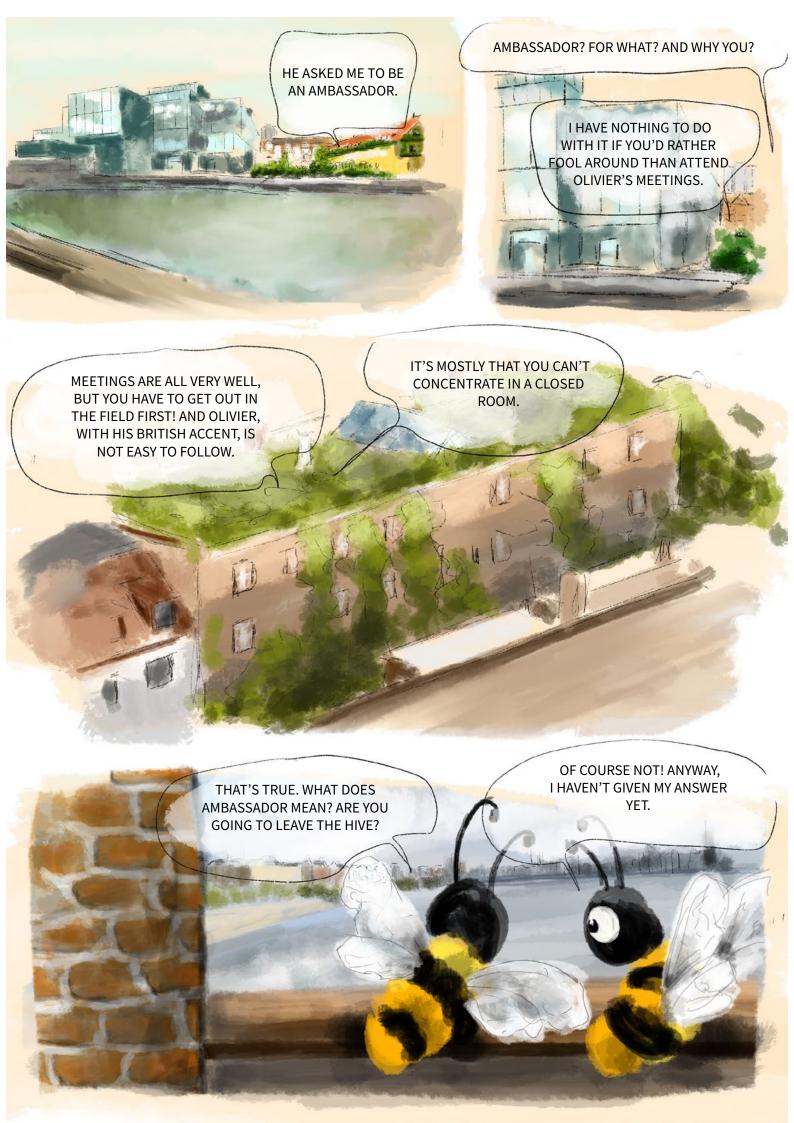
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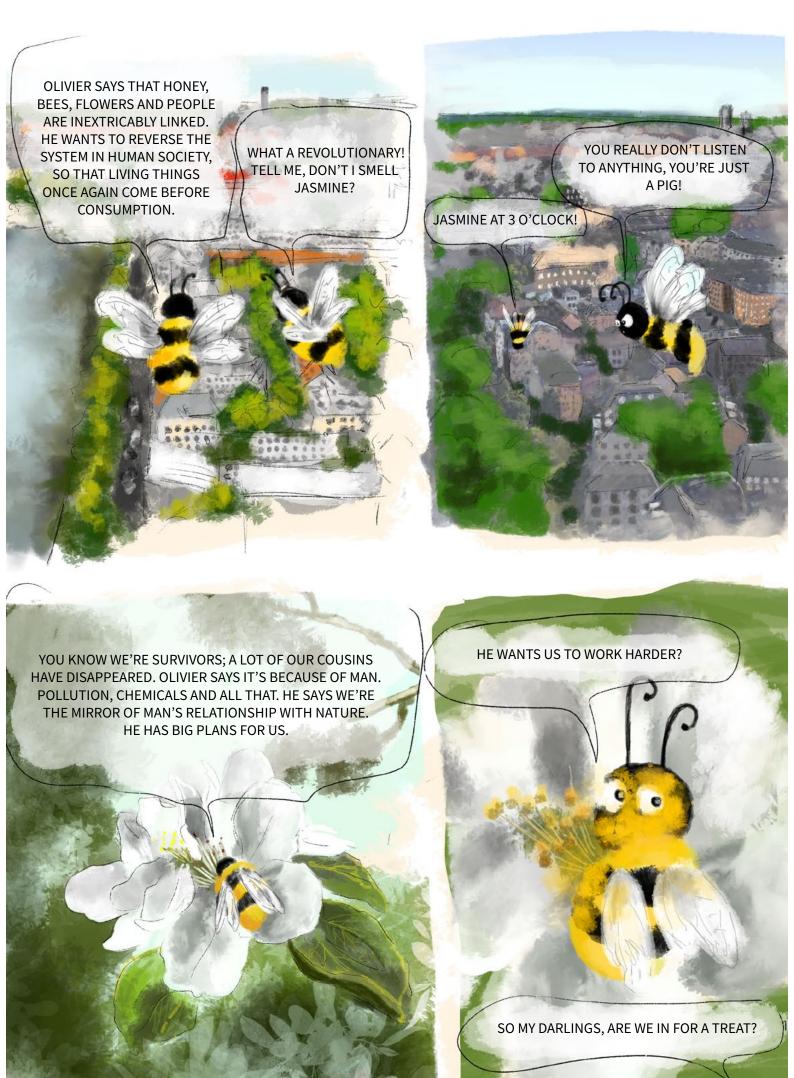
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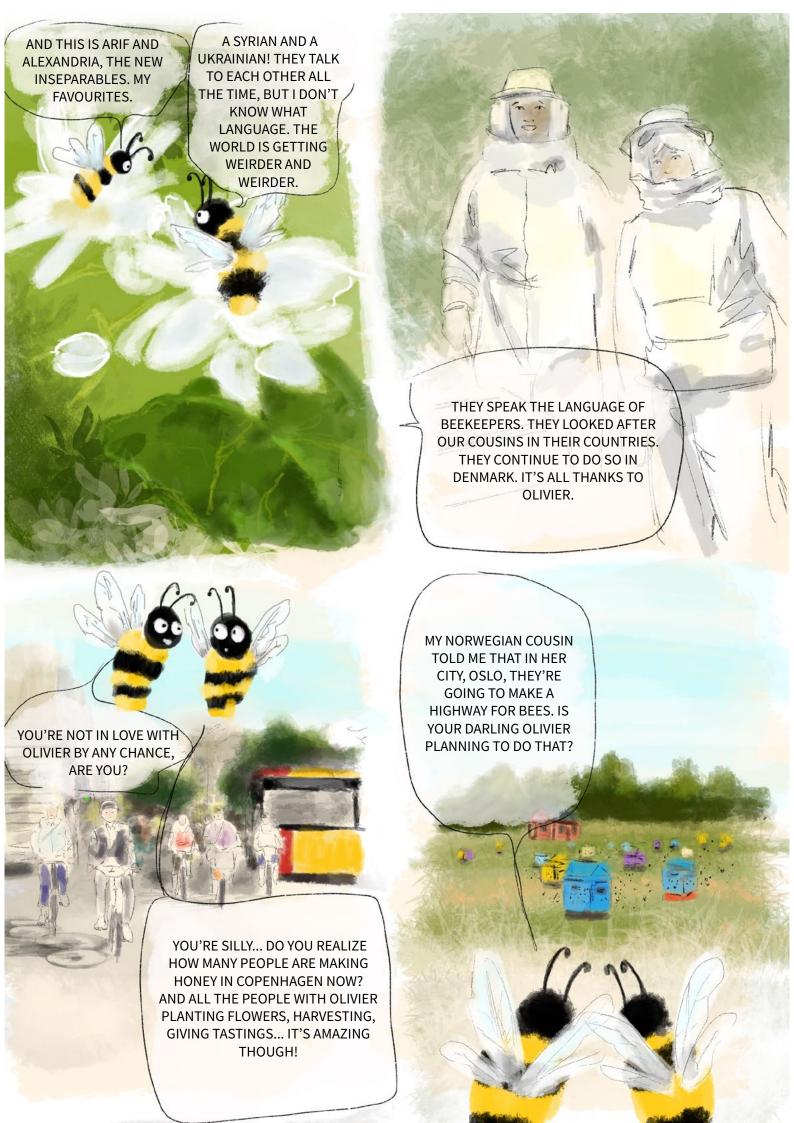
NUT: Urban Beekeeper

Inspired by **Bybi Honey**

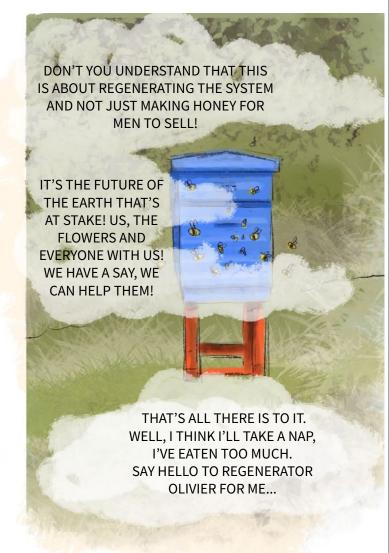
Country: Denmark















Mr. Swiss Army Knife

Scriptwriter: Christophe Dabitch

Cartoonist: Adjim Danngar

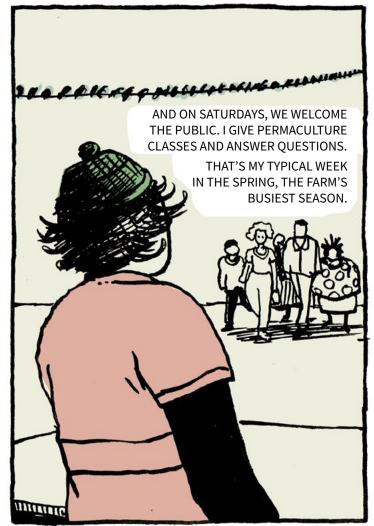
NUT: Urban Farmer

Inspired by <u>Association Parti poétique – Ferme Zone sensible</u>











KNOWING HOW TO OBSERVE

BE ATTENTIVE TO YOUR ECOSYSTEM

KNOW THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT

ENJOY BEING OUTDOORS

BEING ADAPTABLE

BE CURIOUS

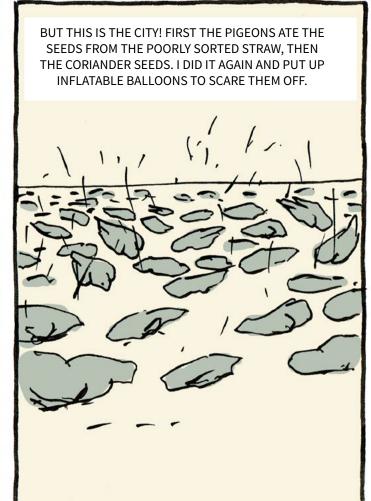
A JACK-OF-ALL-TRADES

TO PASS ON.

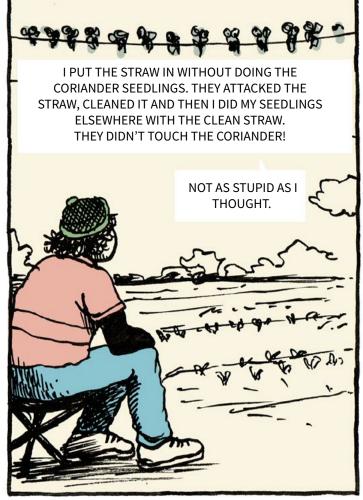


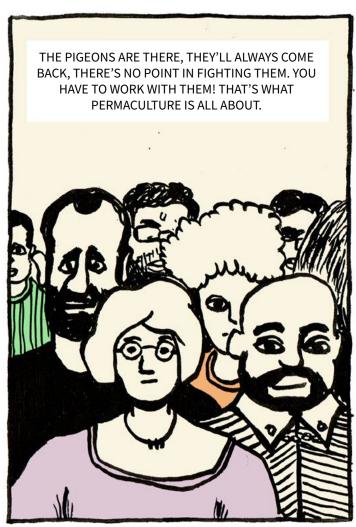


AFTER MY TRAINING, I APPLIED THE THEORY. I SOWED CORIANDER WITH STRAW TO PREVENT EVAPORATION.















Engrainage - Bringing the Countryside to the City

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Cartoonist: Hugues Bertrand Biboum

NUT: Urban Farmer

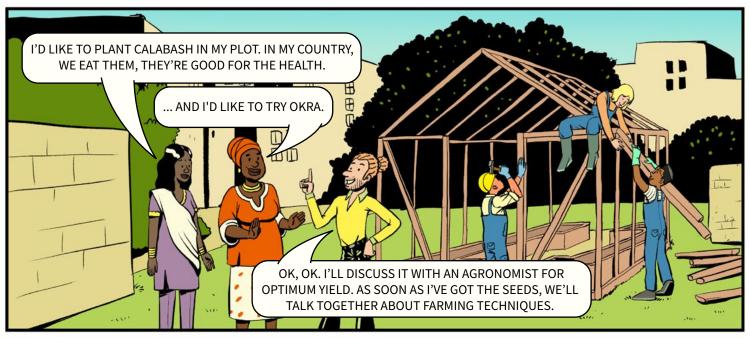
Inspired by **Engrainage**









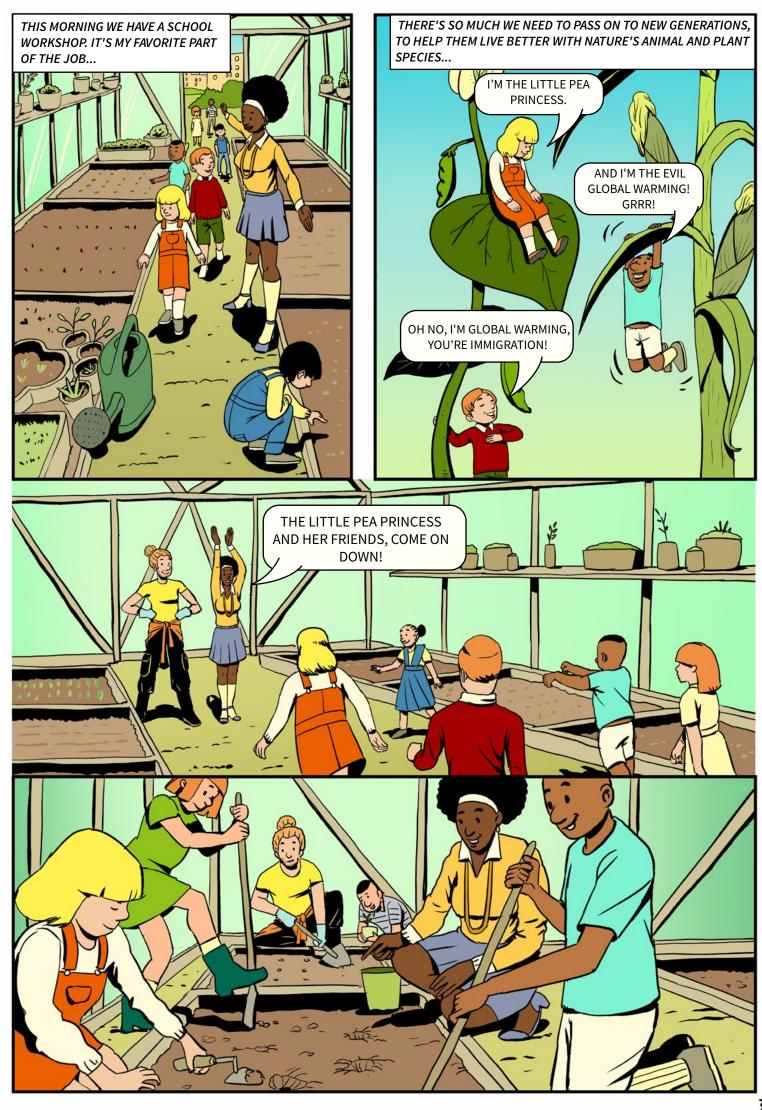




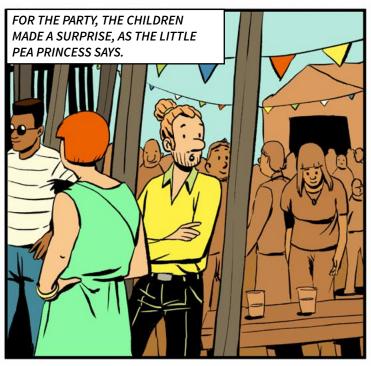
IT'S IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES, TO SHOW THEM HOW WE CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELL-BEING OF THE COMMUNE'S INHABITANTS: WE NEED THEIR SUBSIDIES. BUT WE ALSO NEED TO ORGANIZE SCHOOL WORKSHOPS - WHEN'S THE NEXT ONE? - AND THEN WE HAVE TO RIGOROUSLY SCHEDULE THE WORK OF OUR VOLUNTEERS - OTHERWISE WE'LL HAVE THE INSURANCE COMPANIES ON OUR BACKS.



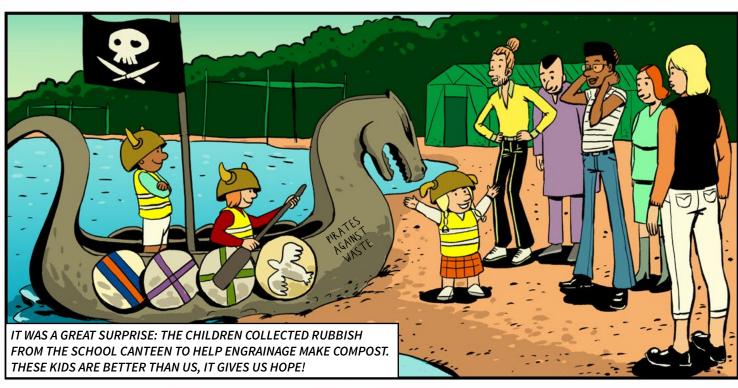










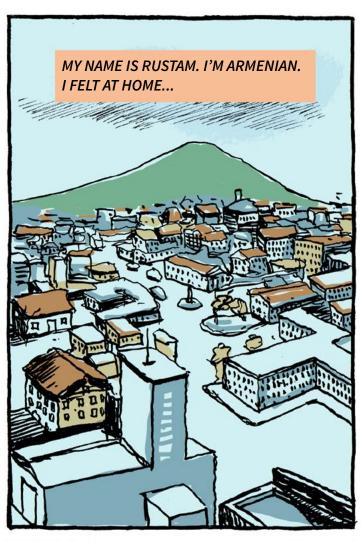


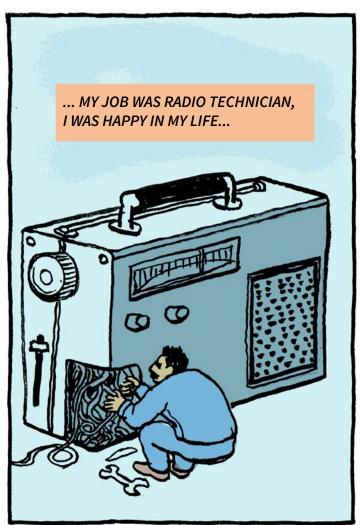
Halage. Flower Island

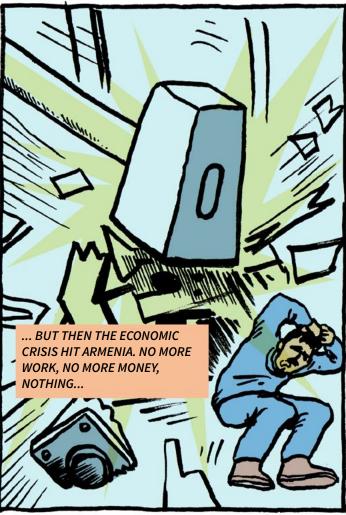
Scriptwriter: Christophe Edimo

Cartoonist: Adjim Danngar

NUT: Urban Floriculturist Inspired by Lil'Ô





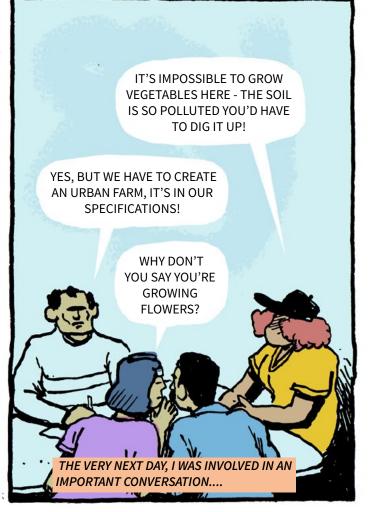






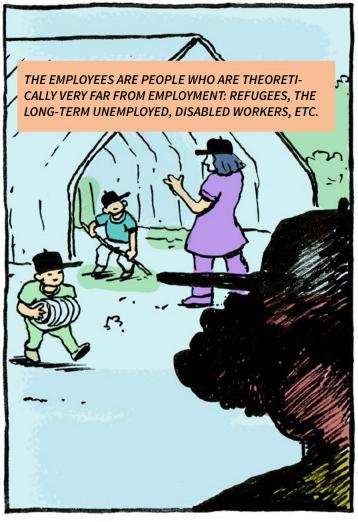








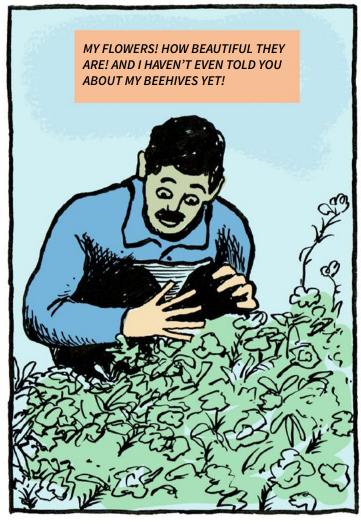


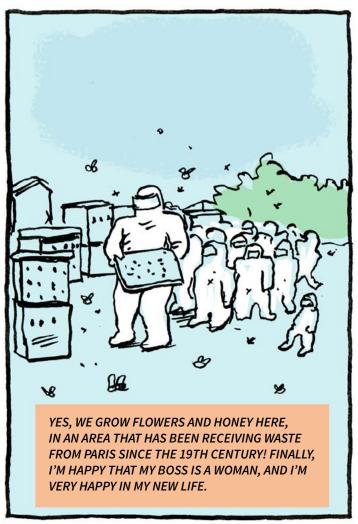












Urban Renewer

Scriptwriter: Christophe Edimo

Cartoonist: Fifi Mukuna

NUT: Urban Metabolizer Inspired by **Tricycle**







... IT SOMETIMES HAPPENS IN WORK INTEGRATION THAT YOU HAVE TO DEAL WITH AN EMPLOYEE WHO IS PANICKING AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OUT OF WORK. YES, INTEGRATION: TRICYCLE ENVIRONNEMENTAL DOES INTEGRATION THROUGH WORK, AS WELL AS RECYCLING MATERIALS.









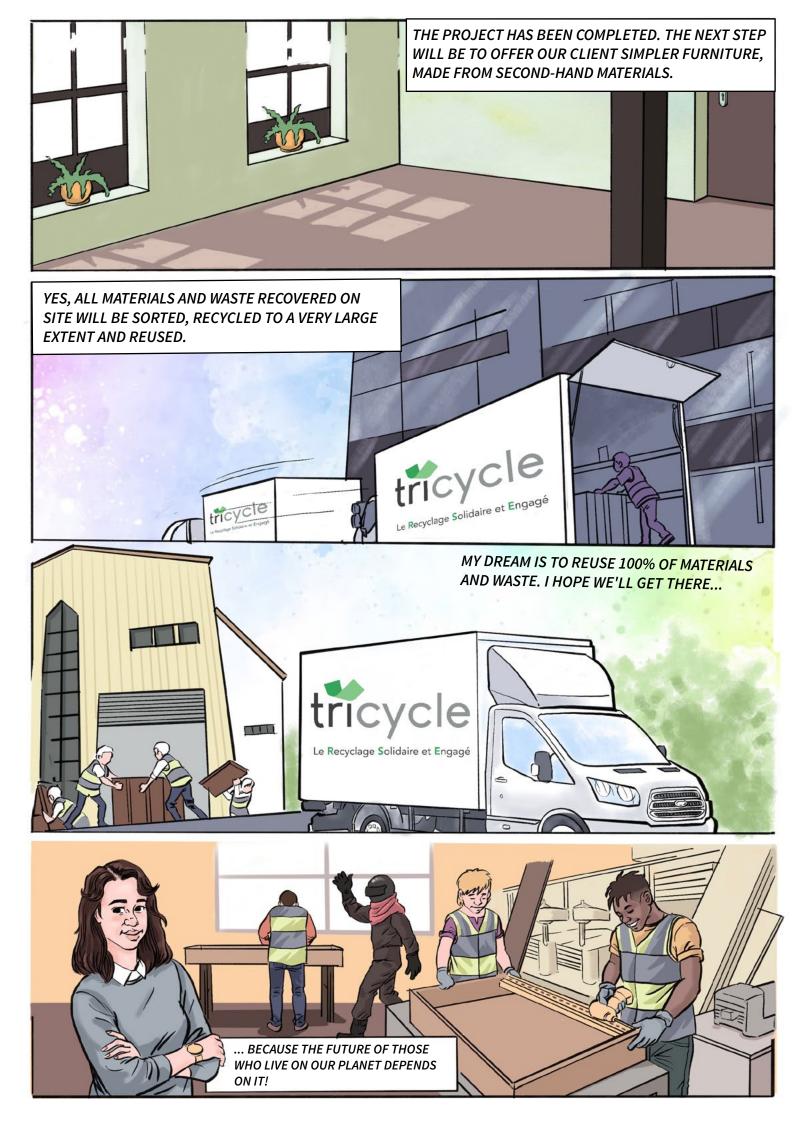












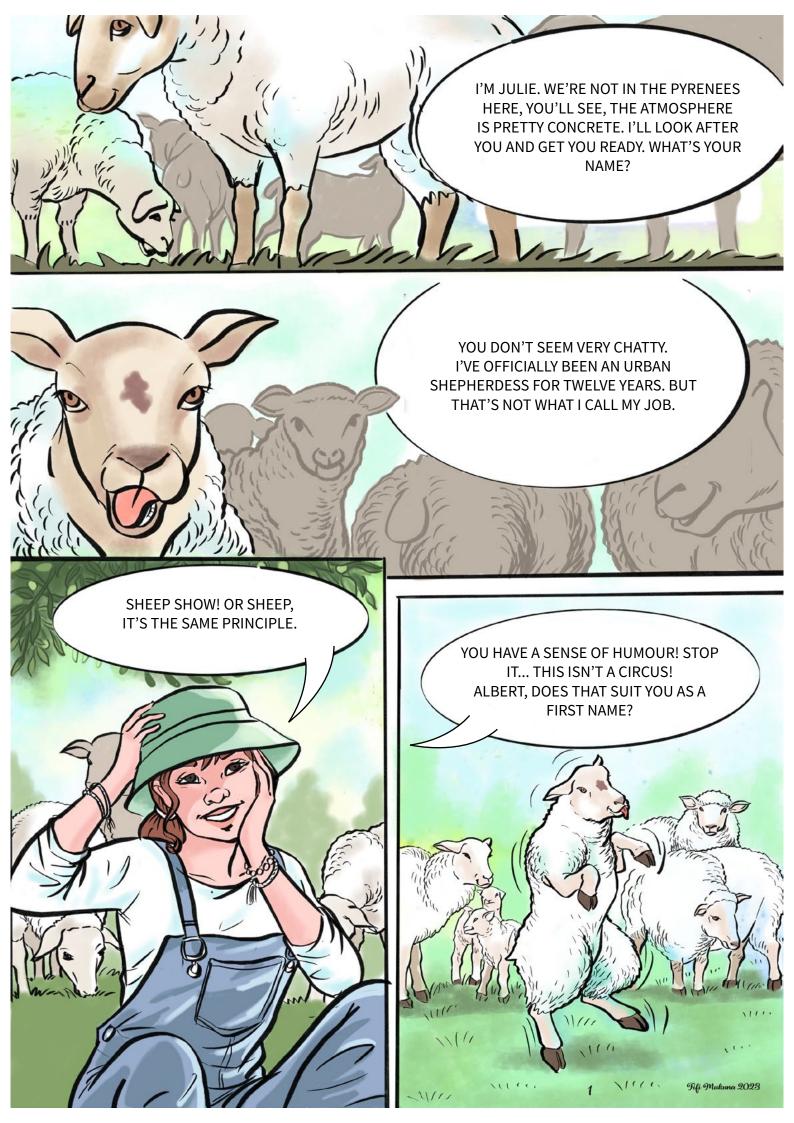
Sheep Herder

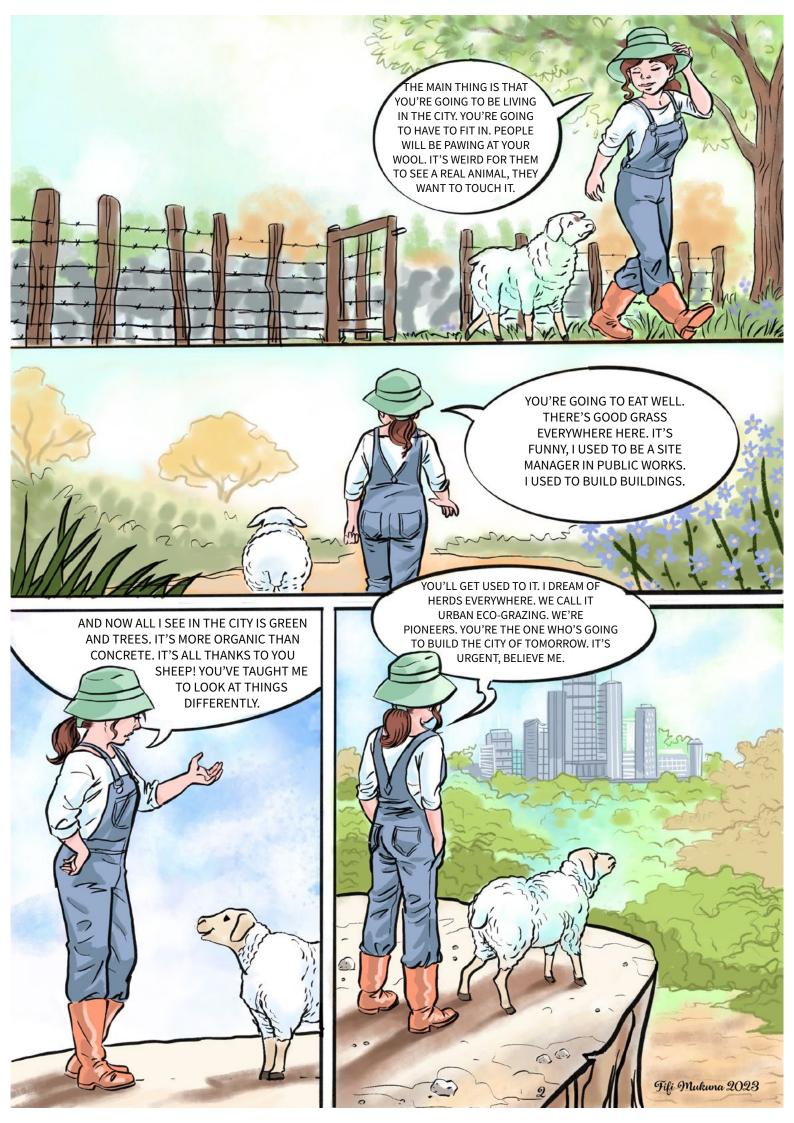
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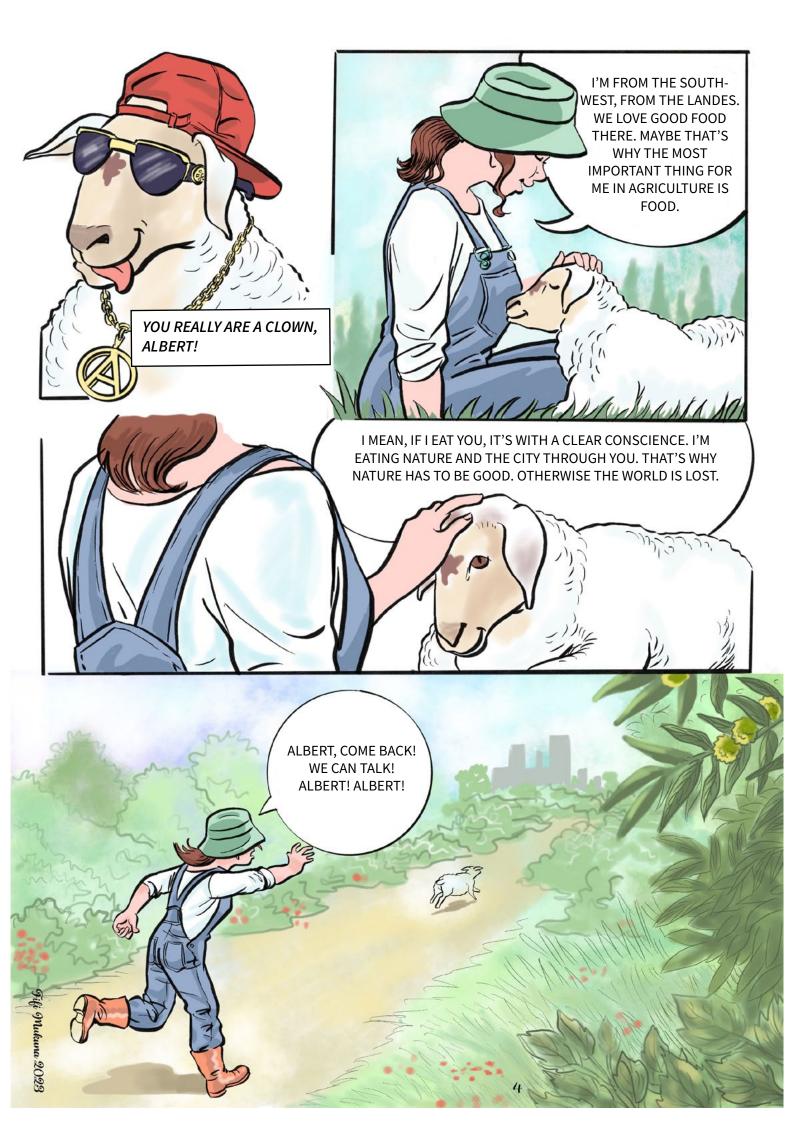
NUT: Urban shepherd

Inspired by Association Parti poétique – Ferme Zone sensible









Green Connect: For a Habitable Planet

Scriptwriter: Christophe Edimo

Cartoonist: Silvia Pacucci

NUT: Zero Waste Consultant Inspired by **Green Connect**

Country: Australia





ONE OF THE GREEN CONNECT URBAN FARMS IS 13 KM AWAY.

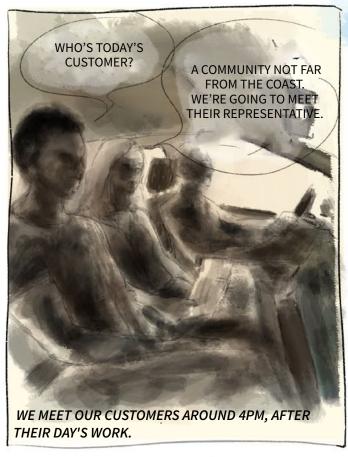


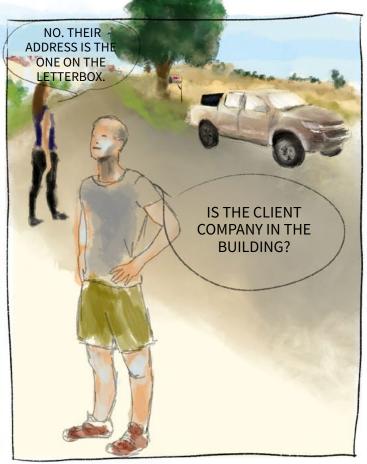
THE FRUIT AND VEGETABLES GROWN ON OUR FARMS ARE FREE FROM CHEMICAL INPUTS, AND THE LIVESTOCK ARE RAISED STRESS-FREE AND IN THE OPEN AIR.



ABDUL! HARRY! COME WITH ME, WE NEED TO ASSESS OUR NEW CLIENT'S WASTE MANAGEMENT!

MY NAME IS BELLA PEARDON. I'M HEAD OF ZERO WASTE CONSULTANT AT GREEN CONNECT.



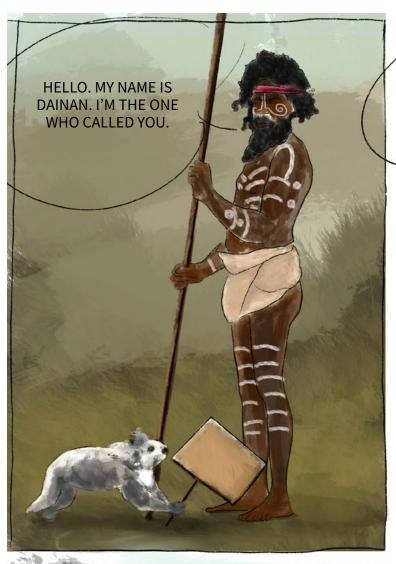
















THE SOFTWARE USED BY BELLE INSTANTLY ANALYSES THE NATURE OF THE WASTE PLACED IN THE CONTAINERS BY HARRY AND ALAIN.







THE IDEA, IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION, IS TO ORGANISE A ZERO WASTE EVENT FOR THE NEIGHBOURS, WHO WILL HAVE TO BECOME AWARE OF THEIR NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

AN EXPLANATION SESSION WAS NECESSARY, BECAUSE THE COMPANY'S EMPLOYEES AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE HOUSING ESTATE HAD NO IDEA THAT THEY WOULD HAVE A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, AND CONSEQUENTLY ON THEIR HEALTH AND THE HEALTH OF THEIR NEIGHBOURS ACROSS THE ROAD.





IT'S NOT EASY TO MAKE EVERYONE A ZERO WASTE PLAYER. AT GREEN CONNECT, WE GET BACK INTO THE FIELD TO HELP OUR CUSTOMERS MAKE PROGRESS IN THIS AREA. WHAT MAKES ME SO HAPPY IS THAT EVERYONE CAN MAKE PROGRESS, IN THEIR OWN WAY. EVEN KOALAS.



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