

PRESS RELEASE

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Curtain going up on "I Maestri del Paesaggio": Radigreen® yarn among the main players at the event

Time to "Think wild, live green". Starting tomorrow, 7 September, the limelight is on Maestri del Paesaggio [Masters of the Landscape], an international event organized by the Arketipos Association and the Municipality of Bergamo. For nineteen days, Bergamo's Città Alta [Upper Town] is going to be the splendid backdrop for the event, which features some of the top names in international landscape design and their most intriguing works. RadiciGroup's Radigreen® synthetic grass yarn is also playing a lead role in this showcase of Italian excellence and creativity.

As in previous years, *I Maestri del Paesaggio* is transforming Bergamo into a special international observatory where spectators can view the landscape in its many facets: reflections, provocations and revelations. From **7** to **25 September**, the highly topical issue of modern man's need to connect with nature and make it part of his daily life is going to be the focus of intense thought by some of the most authoritative green architects, garden designers, historians and photographers. Nineteen days of intense cultural excitement, with a <u>packed programme</u> of events and themes: Green Square, Educational, Green Design, Green Fashion, Green Food, Green Show, Kids, Green Tour, music, photography contests, installations and many land-art itineraries.

The 2016 installations erected in in Piazza Vecchia and Piazza Mascheroni are based on the creative ideas of sixteen students from Summer School 2015 directed by Stefan Tischer, a German landscape architect of international repute. Tischer and **Annacaterina Piras** – internationally renowned landscape designer, architect and co-founder with Tischer of the *LandWorks-Sardinia* international research programme – have, for the occasion, transformed the splendid Città Alta into a stage for nature and beauty. **Lucia Nusiner**, landscape designer, and

Maurizio Quargnale, lighting designer, have made their contribution to the vegetation design and lighting, respectively, of all of Tischer and Piras' installations.

RadiciGroup products are present in one of these wild installations, namely the one transforming Piazza Mascheroni into a wild game and adventure park, a tiny wild world covered with a living willow dome and a network of lianas, vegetation and suggestive lights. The square is carpeted with synthetic turf made of RadiciGroup's **MY RADIGREEN®** yarn and manufactured by the Italian company SIT-IN SPORT, a leading producer of artificial grass turf.



MY RADIGREEN®: a line of exclusive "All In One" combinations of straight and textured monofilaments, which is the hallmark of maximum creativity, innovation, production flexibility, customization and safety. MY RADIGREEN® is the ideal choice for the manufacture of long-lasting turf with excellent appearance that can make the most of public and private green spaces, opening up possibilities for unexpected uses and making outside areas more liveable – all the while allowing for

maximum design creativity.

RADIGREEN®'S ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT MEASURED USING THE PEF METHODOLOGY.

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