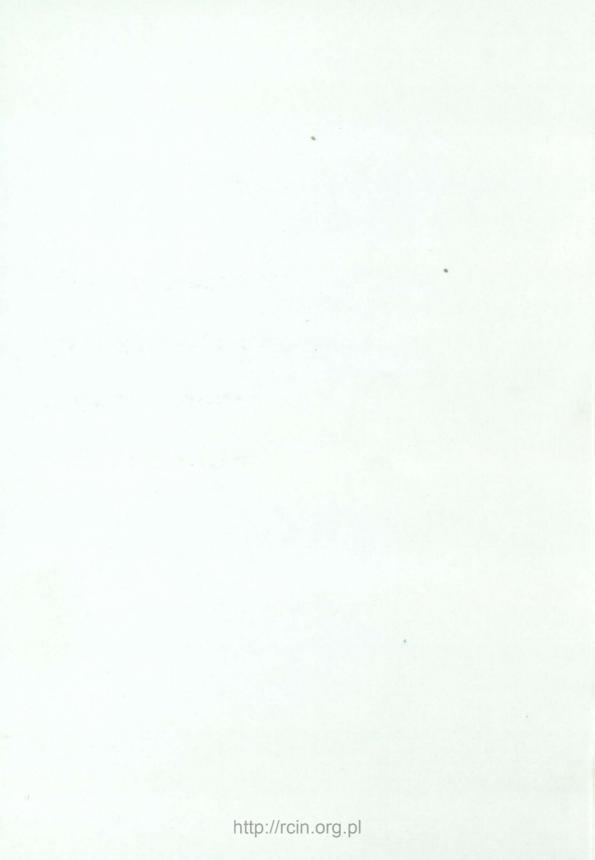
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#### INTRODUCTION

The papers collected in this volume were presented at the Second European Meeting of the International Network for Urban Ecology working within International Association for Ecology and UNESCO Programme 11 "Man and Biosphere". The Meeting took place in Madralin near Warsaw (Poland) on 15–17 December 1992. Local organizers and sponsors were the Museum/Institute of Zoology (Polish Academy of Sciences) and the Department of Environment Protection at Warsaw Agricultural University.

The aims of the Meeting were to review recent research on urban ecology and its practical applications in Europe and to look particularly at how countries in Eastern Europe could be brought more closely into activity of the International Network for Urban Ecology. These aims were achieved through the presentation of 21 oral papers, 11 posters and 2 panel discussions. Material from these works constitute the contents of this volume. The Meeting ended with a the field trip presenting the ecological problems of Warsaw, and with the visit to the City Office where the deputy mayor and urban planners explained the problems of the development of Warsaw.

The Meeting was attended by ca 45 participants. Polish scientists and urban planners were joined by guests from other 9 countries: Byelorussia, former Czechoslovakia, Finland, Germany, Italy, Sweden,, Russia, the United Kingdom and Ukraine. In adition to the official programme the three day of stay in Madralin – the recreation centre of the Polish Academy of Sciences situated in a rural landscape, created, beside the official programme, favourable conditions for individual contacts and discussions between participants representing such a variety of countries.

The hope of the organizers of the Meeting, who are the editors of this volume, is that the tradition of European meetings of the International Network for Urban Ecology, started in Berlin (1991) and followed in Madralin – will be continued.

Editors