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German City of Essen wins 2017 European Green Capital Award.

The German city of Essen has won the European Green Capital Award for 2017. Essen was singled out for its exemplary practices in protecting and enhancing nature and biodiversity and efforts to reduce water consumption.

European Green Capital Award (EGCA) is organized by the European Commission each year to promote environmentally friendly urban life. The Programme aims to reward cities that have achieved high environmental standards; encourage cities to commit to ambitious goals for further environmental improvement and sustainable development and promote best practices in other European cities.

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