Colentina Chain of Lakes

The focal area of the Bucharest landscape forum is the chain of lakes along the river Colentina. The river transects the entire northern periphery of a still rather compact urban area with 2 million inhabitants. The plans for transforming this originally very swampy area outside of the urban core into a potential urban green belt were laid out already back in the 1930’s.

This green-blue line has huge potential for the sustainable development of Romania’s capital city and represents high relevance for the forum’s four focal themes:

- urban growth and peri-urban sprawl
- sustainable tourism and recreation
- heritage and identity
- the rural fringe

Each working group will explore Colentina from a different perspective and contribute to building a holistic picture of this urban landscape.