



## International Center for Ethics in the Sciences and Humanities (IZEW)



## The Colourfoul Meadow Initiative – Species Diversity in Public Greenspaces



What & how? – As part of a nationwide framework, the initiative advocates and implements foster measures for green spaces and public parks in Tübingen. Through the design of care management plans, we counteract natural habitat destruction and can substantially contribute to the protection of biodiversity in urban areas.



**Where?** – In and around Tübingen city and perhaps right outside your doorstep! Have a look yourself at the location of the currently supervised meadows. ©



Where to? – We aim to improve the quality of urban grassland areas in regard to conservational and ecological issues and persuade thereby decision-makers to optimize the management of inner urban green areas.



**Who?** – Students and employees of the biology, geoecology, and geography departments at the University of Tübingen.



Ways beyond? – Other than biodiversity and habitat protection, the initiative complements its efforts by engaging with environmental education. With the active transfer of knowledge to the public (at different events and platforms) we aspire to communicate our message and inspire more people to contribute a small but important part.



**But!?** – We are a small part of the national and international aim of nature conservation. Sharing our management concepts and plans with other local communities is challenging, but vital in achieving a positive impact on a larger scale.



What now? - Change is an ongoing process! Create "colourful islands" (leave areas out when mowing), sow regional seed material, or come over to the monthly meetings on the Morgenstelle Campus.

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