Place attachment

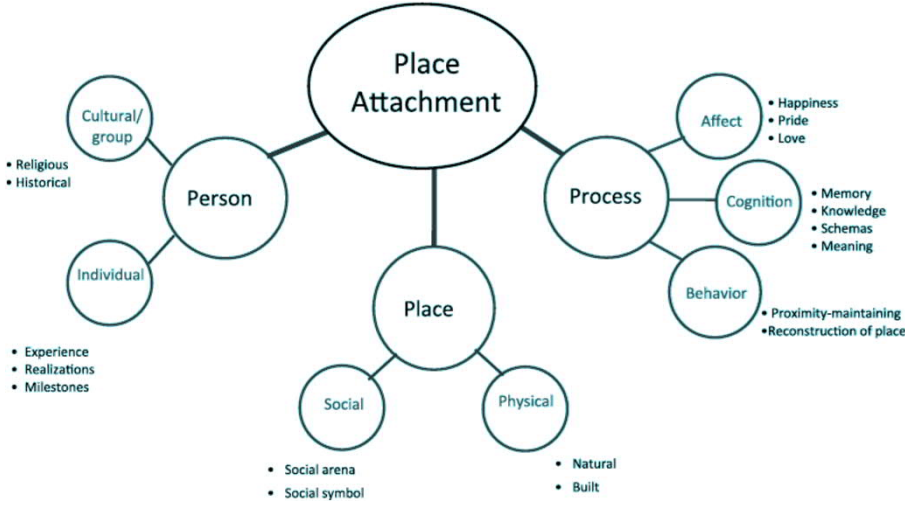
Photos: Marketta Kyttä

Place attachment

- focal concept in the people-place research
- emotional bond between a person and a particular geographical location

rootedness
topophilia
Giuliani & Feldman (1993):
The most important challenge for researchers in this area of inquiry is to integrate different viewpoints and approaches.
place dependence
place attachment
sense of place
urban identity
place identity
Hernandez et al. (2014):
Since the first works in the field, the number of different conceptual frameworks is indeed colossal.
Still today... insuccicient progress [has been] achieved.

Two conceptualizations of place attachment



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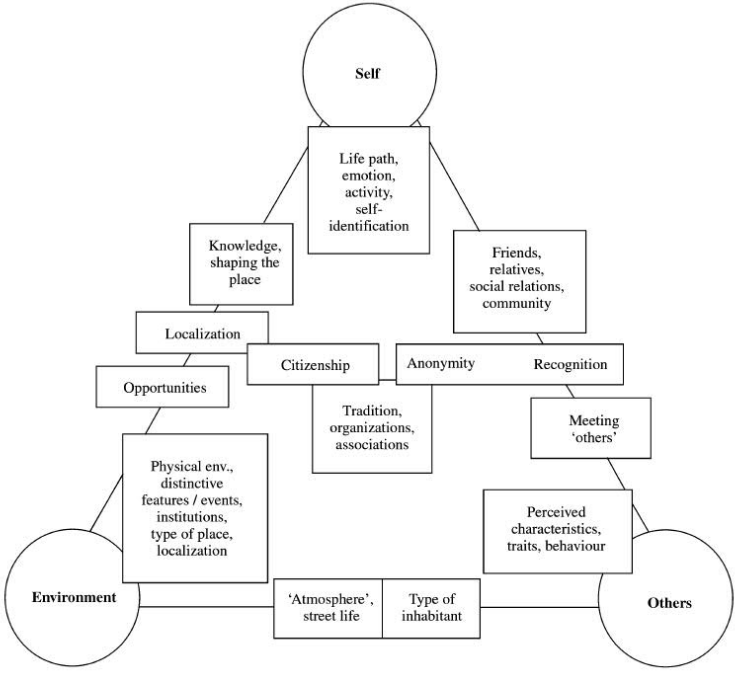

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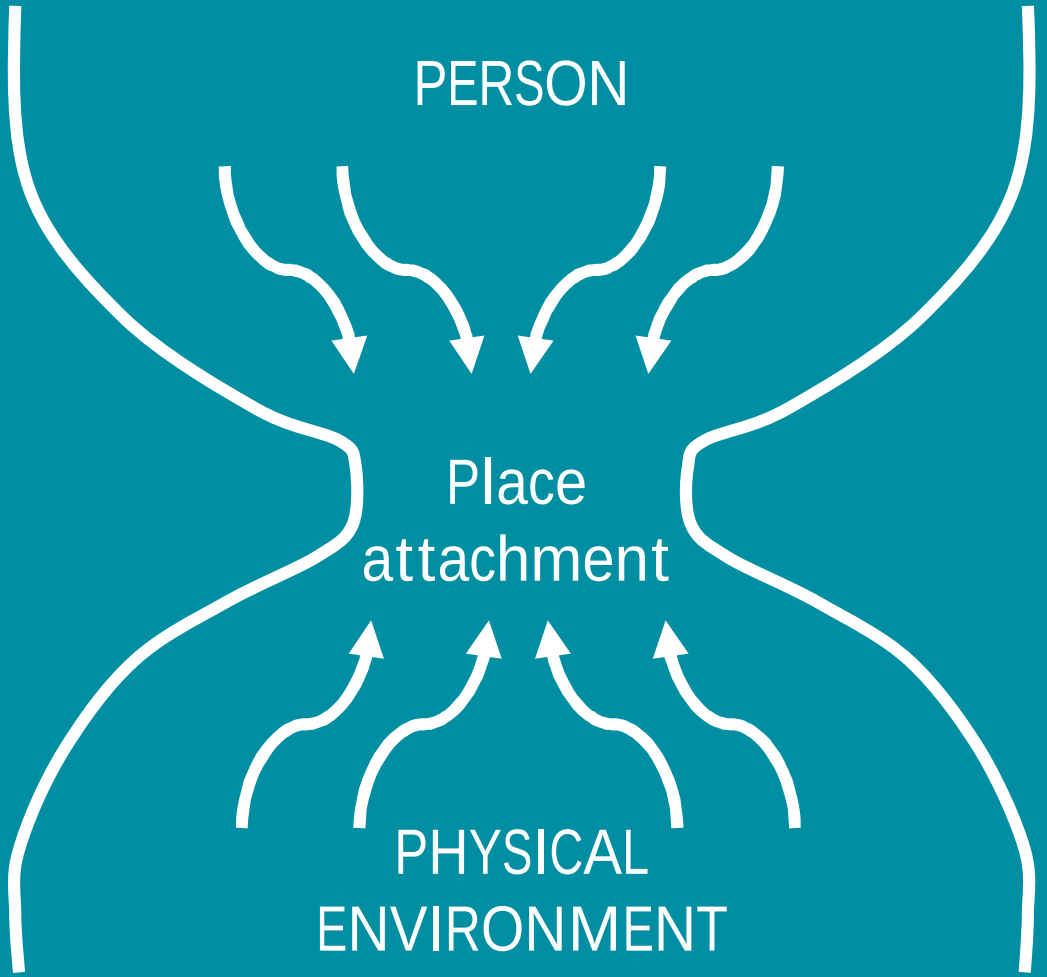
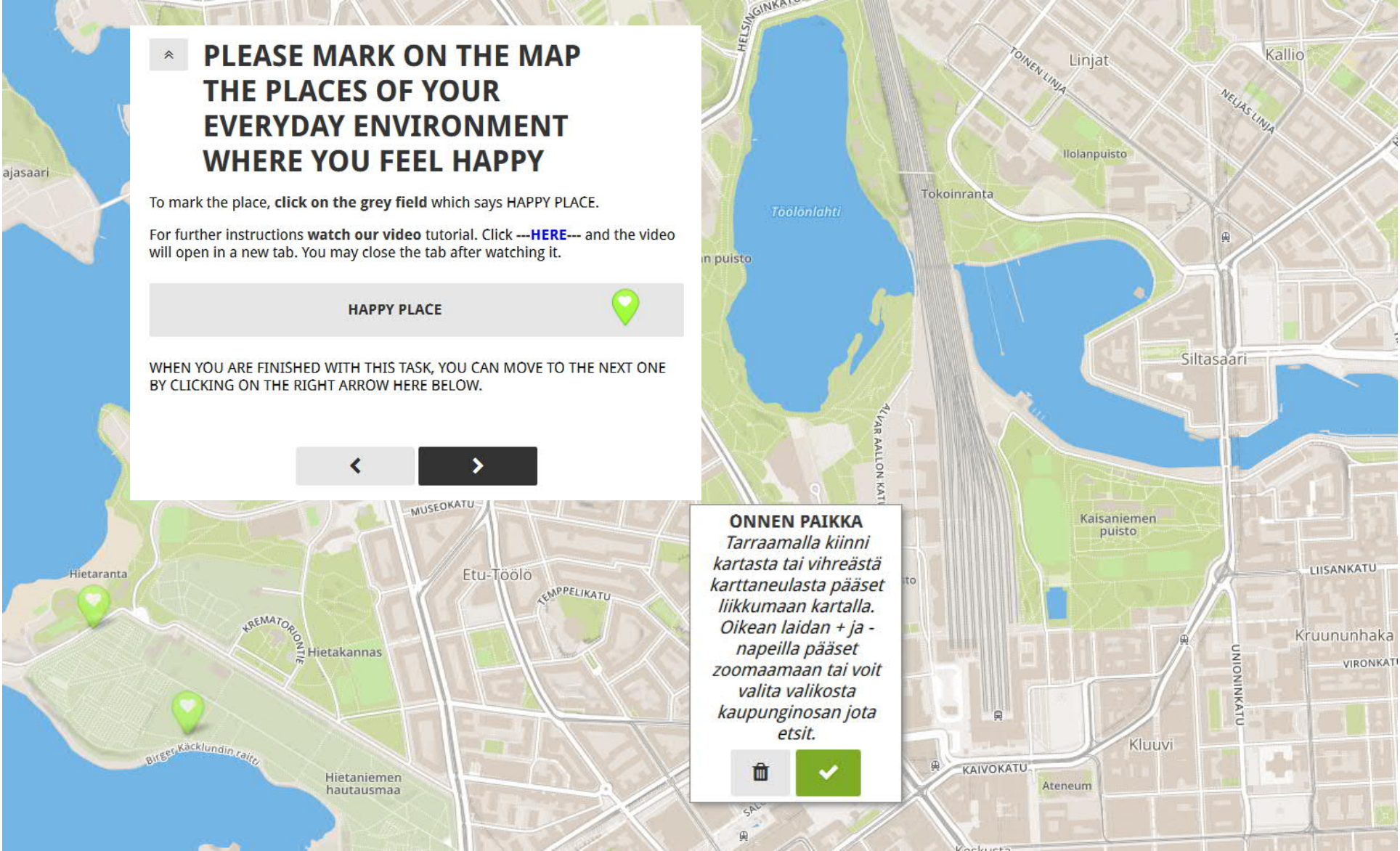
Crucial question?




PLEASE MARK ON THE MAP THE PLACES OF YOUR EVERYDAY ENVIRONMENT WHERE YOU FEEL HAPPY
To mark the place, click on the grey field which says HAPPY PLACE.
For further instructions watch our video tutorial. Click ---HERE--- and the video will open in a new tab. You may close the tab after watching it.
HAPPY PLACE
WHEN YOU ARE FINISHED WITH THIS TASK, YOU CAN MOVE TO THE NEXT ONE BY CLICKING ON THE RIGHT ARROW HERE BELOW.
ONNEN PAIKKA
Tarraamalla kiinni kartasta tai vihreästä karttaneulasta pääset liikkumaan kartalla. Oikean laidan + ja - napeilla pääset zoomaamaan tai voit valita valikosta kaupunginosan jota etsit.
Töölönlahti
Linjat
Kallio
Tokoinranta
Siltasaari
Kaisaniemen puisto
Etu-Töölö
Hietaranta
Hietakannas
Hietaniemen hautausmaa
Kluuvi
Ateneum
Kruununhaka
MUSEOKATU
TEMPPELIKATU
KREMATORIONTIE
KAIVOKATU
UNIONINKATU
LIISANKATU

Espoo Ringside Golf
Master Golf Espoo
Kaskela
Rajakylä
Vuosaaren satama
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Villinki
Ita-Villinki
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TURUNVÄYLÄ
PORVOONVÄYLÄ
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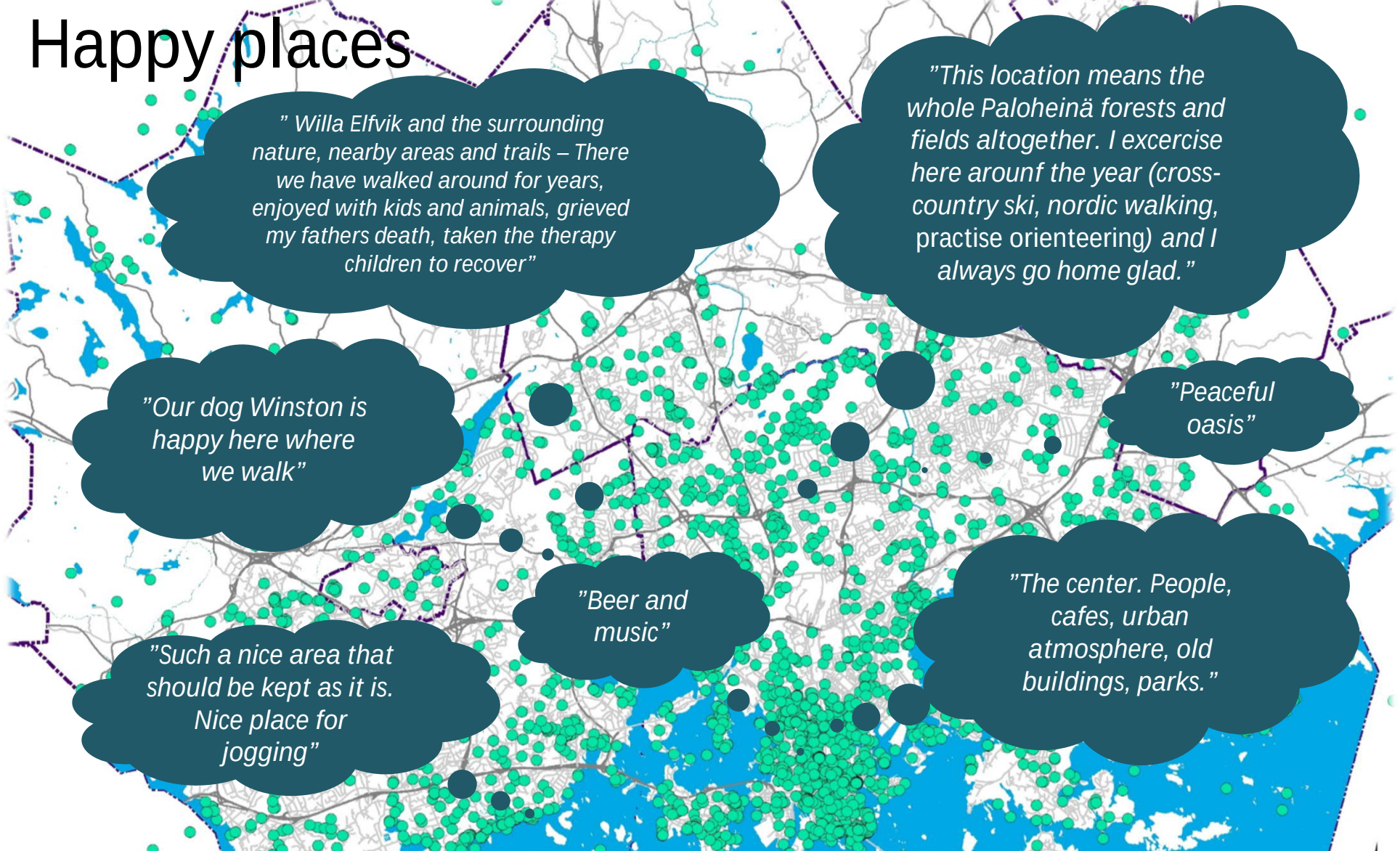
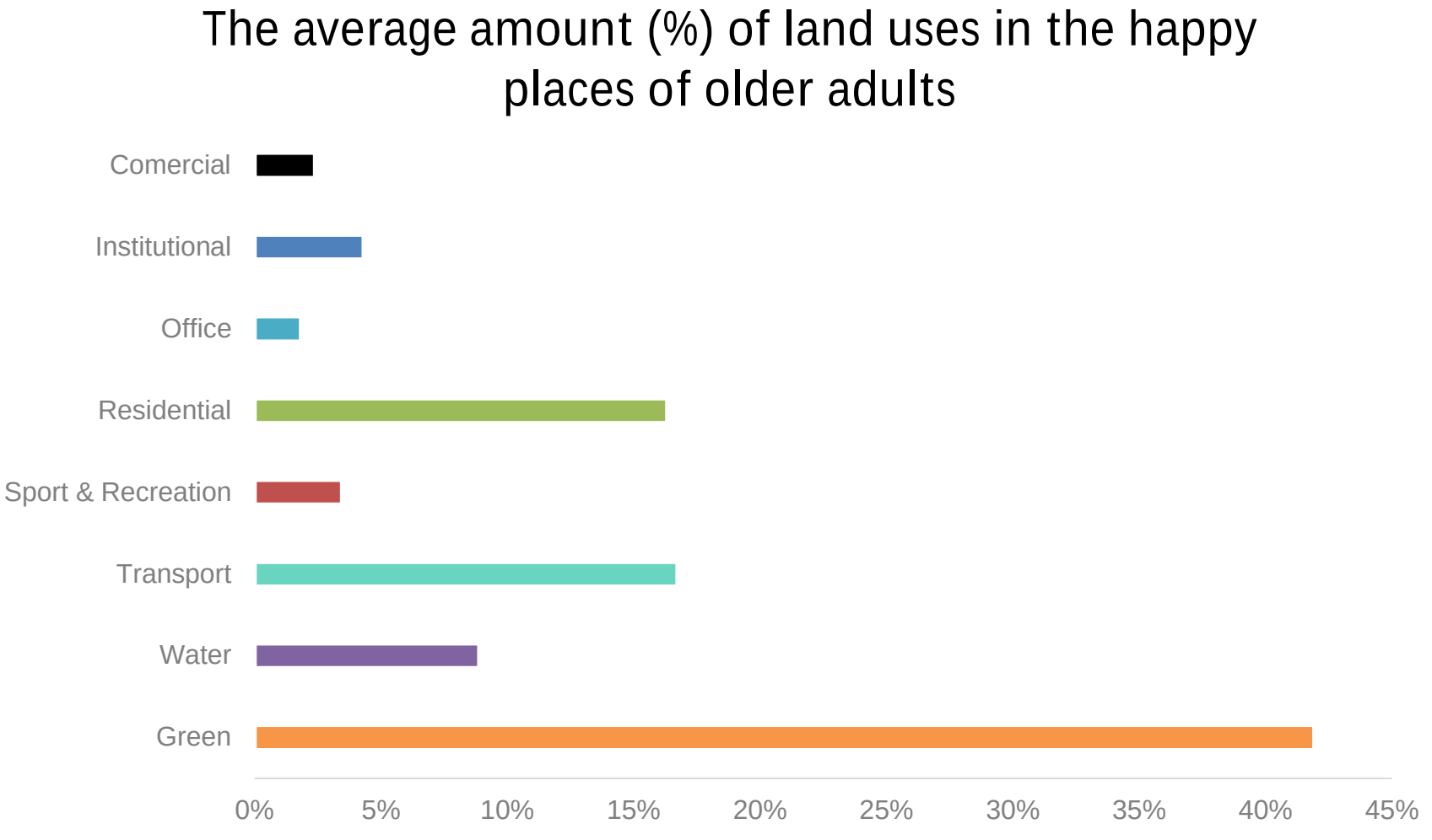
Happy places



	How many times a theme was mentioned in the stories of happy places	%
PERSONAL PERSPECTIVES	744	23 %
PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT		
Social life	268	8 %
Appearance of the environment	722	22 %
Functional possibilities	1198	37 %
Atmosphere	307	9 %

Physical environment in older adults' happy places



Urban park med vackra blomrabatter och flera bankar att sitta och se på andra.

Helsinki is the city of sea. Sea has always been an important element for me.

As a fort
dweller,
the centr
when I like in the ”countryside” by the border between Helsinki and Vantaa. Most often this visit means nowadays Espa surroundings but sometiems also Kallio.

ner
the market place is full of life and international atmosphere. It is pleasant to walk around even if you are not going to buy anything.

Happy place marking

0 50 100 200

Sources: Esri, HERE, DeLorme, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), swisstopo, MapmyIndia, © OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community; Esri, HERE, DeLorme, MapmyIndia, © OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS user community

Finally

Key blind spots in place attachment scholarship:

(1) Sensory or immediately perceived meanings are not taken into account
(2) Little attention is paid to how place meanings are the joint product of attributes of environmental features and the attributes of the individual
(3) The assumption that the relationship between place attachment and behavior is linear and not constituted in dynamic relations among mind, culture, and environment.

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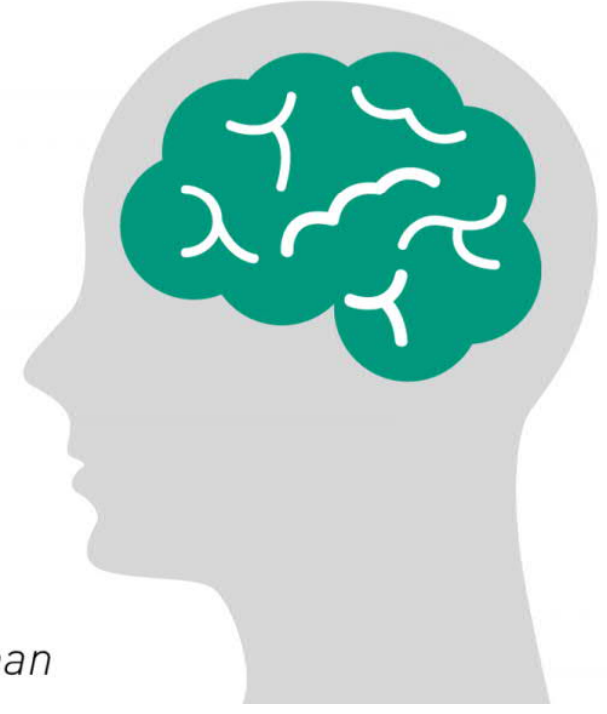
SYSTEM 1

Intuition & instinct

95%

Unconscious
Fast
Associative
Automatic pilot



SYSTEM 2

Rational thinking

5%

Takes effort
Slow
Logical
Lazy
Indecisive

Source: Daniel Kahneman

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What happens?	Start of the course	Lectures & group work presentations	Lectures & group work presentations	Lecture & group work	Lecture & group work	Lecture & group work	Final session
Teaching mode	Online	Online	Online	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid
Contents of contact session	Introduction	Perceived safety	Sense of Community	Knowledge from people in planning	Socially sustainable and health promoting environment	Various urban user groups	Final rehearsal?
	Student's pre-tasks concerning personally meaningful places	Child-friendly environments	Restorative environments	The preparation of PPGIS data for analysis	Activity space modelling	Age-friendly environ-ments	
		Aesthetic Experiences	Place Attachment	Various levels of PPGIS data analysis	Urban walkability	From city streets to suburban woodlands	Final presen-tations
				Online and onsite PPGIS data analysis	Residential relocation and travel behavior change		
Group work	Group work 1 starts	Group work 1 presentations	Group work 1 presentations	Group work 2 starts	Group work 2	Group work 2	
Individual work							