



Eleven EXEMPLARS

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The aim:

At least 2 tools per exemplar, and
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Selection Criteria

1. Policy relevance
2. Ecosystem service provision thresholds
3. Fit with key project research questions
4. Illustration of trade-offs
5. Potential for new or improved tool development.

Spatial criteria

- spatial scale
- geographic domain in Europe
- dominant land-use type → diversity of ecosystem services.

Social criteria

- relevance to EU directives and policy
- diversity and types of stakeholders represented
- dominant economic sector

- (1) Exemplar on the urban-rural fringe of the Greater Dublin Region
Lead: Marcus Collier
- (2) Urban dunes in Barcelona
Lead: Joseph Lascurain
- (3) Conservation of cultural landscape, Montado, Portugal
Lead: Margarida Reis
- (4) Co-beneficiary management of marine/coastal ecosystems for Blue Carbon, Balearic Islands
Lead: Nuria Marba
- (5) Trans-boundary River and wetland management at the Lower Danube
Lead: Maya Todorova
- (6) Landscape management and infrastructure development on rural and per-urban areas of the central Alps
Lead: Sandra Lavorel
- (7) Wine production and cultural landscapes in Europe
Lead: Kim Nicholas
- (8) Multi-scale implementation of environmental policy in Scotland
Lead: M Metzger & Meriwether Wilson
- (9) Circum-Mediterranean land abandonment
Lead: Wolfgang Cramer
- (10) Pan-European regulative Directives
Lead: Peter Verburg
- (11) Global Mechanisms for climate protection and habitat conservation
Lead: Ariane Walz

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(2) Urban dunes Lead: Joseph

(3) Conservation Montado, Po Lead: Marga

(4) Co-beneficia marine/coas Carbon, Bale Lead: Nuria

(5) Trans-bounda management Lead: Maya T

- 1. Urban-rural fringe of the Greater Dublin Region.** Investigating the potential of incorporating ES/NC factors into the planning and management of expanding cities, with special emphasis on green infrastructure and green innovation. A key issue is the critical thresholds between the provisions of rural versus urban ES, common to all European cities.
- 2. Urban dunes in Barcelona.** Investigating the multi-dimensional value of urban dunes based on the ES/NC concepts to enhance cost-effective management with multiple co-benefits, e.g. storm protection and urban/peri-urban recreation.
- 3. Conservation of cultural landscapes in the LTER region of Montado in Portugal.** Using the ES/NC concept to combine the practice, productive, ecological as well as cultural aspects of socio-ecological systems to promote improved management of cork trees. Key issues are the effects of climate change, land management and pollution in pushing Montado landscapes toward economic and ecological tipping points.
- 4. Co-beneficiary management of marine/coastal ecosystems for Blue Carbon on the Balearic Islands.** Using the ES/NC concepts to quantify the potential and security of the Blue Carbon sink in seagrass meadows by evaluating the co-benefits of management plans. The policy context is key including the EU Habitats Directives, the Framework Directive on Water and the Marine Strategy.
- 5. Trans-boundary River and Wetland Management of the Lower Danube.** Investigating how the ES/NC concepts will be used to estimate direct and indirect socio-economic benefits, such as flood mitigation, enhancement of water quality, fishing grounds, and carbon sequestration, across the Romanian-Bulgarian border. This exemplar will optimize the management and governance of a site supported by the WFD and the Habitats Directive.
- 6. Effects of landscape management and infrastructure development on rural and peri-urban areas of the central Alps.** Investigating the integration of ES/NC concepts into planning documents and the permit process for infrastructure and peri-urban development. A key issue is to promote cross-sectoral dialogue that optimises land use and management decisions (e.g. agriculture, forestry, tourism and hazard mitigation) including spatial trade-offs between up- and downhill beneficiaries, leading to insights into best practice in governance structures.
- 7. Wine production and cultural landscapes in Europe.** Investigating how to communicate responsibly grown and made wines to consumers, including assessing their impacts on ES/NC. This exemplar will further develop, implement, and test two existing instruments to assess life-cycle impacts of vineyard practices.
- 8. Multi-scale implementation of environmental policy in Scotland.** Testing a variety of valuation tools and governance instruments with decision-makers and stakeholders applied to issues of land use change, marine stewardship and climate change, from community implementation to the national level. A key issue is the strong Scottish Government support in operationalising the ES/NC concepts.
- 9. Circum-Mediterranean agricultural land abandonment.** Analysing policy options that reduce land abandonment and maintain the delivery of ES (i.e. agricultural products, risks of extreme events, semi-natural ecosystem integrity, water availability/runoff, carbon storage) while accounting for the Mediterranean's long legacy of land use history. A key issue is to support the identification of human livelihood risks, as well as the opportunities for sustainable use of ES/NC for Mediterranean people.
- 10. Pan-European regulatory Directives.** Investigating policy conflicts and synergies in order to showcase operational methods that improve policy design using the ES/NC concepts. A key issue for EU directives is the trade-off between ecosystem services, leading to policy conflict as well as providing potential for synergies between directives and other policies.
- 11. Mechanisms for Climate Protection and Habitat Conservation at the global scale.** Using a multi-scale ES/NC approach to test policy and market instruments for the twin goals of mitigating climate change and reducing habitat loss at the global scale. A key issue is to find balanced solutions that account for the multi-dimensional interactions between climate change, habitat loss and ecosystem functioning.

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Urban-Rural Gradient Exemplar (Fingal, Dublin, Ireland)

Significant urban / residential expansion during the economic boom (2000-2007)

- Rapid development / poor planning

Significant deterioration of socio-economic circumstances after the economic collapse (2008)

- Rapid decline / abandoned housing estates

Differing stressors on ES/NC during this time

- Impacts on ES / NC? (e.g. conversion of agricultural landscape)
- Lessons for new spatial planning and regulations?
- Potential for green infrastructure approach?

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Urban-Rural Gradient Exemplar (Fingal, Dublin, Ireland)

Instruments?

- CSO Data / Deprivation Index? – population and socio-economic change
- MOLAND? – land cover change
- Landscape Character Assessment? – spatial planning policies

Partners?

- Fingal County Council
- Urban Institute Ireland (MOLAND)

Hybrid dunes in urban areas on Mediterranean coast

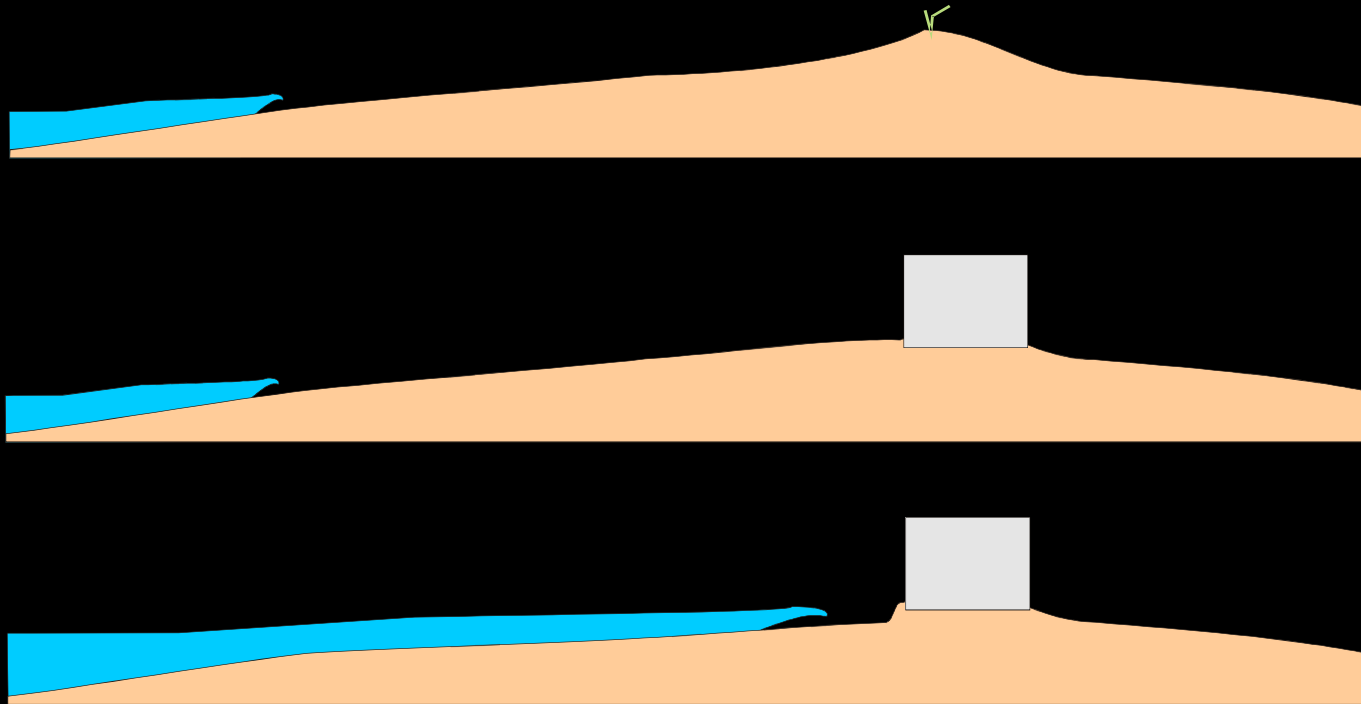
A very initial (and a bit freaky) proposal

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The problem:

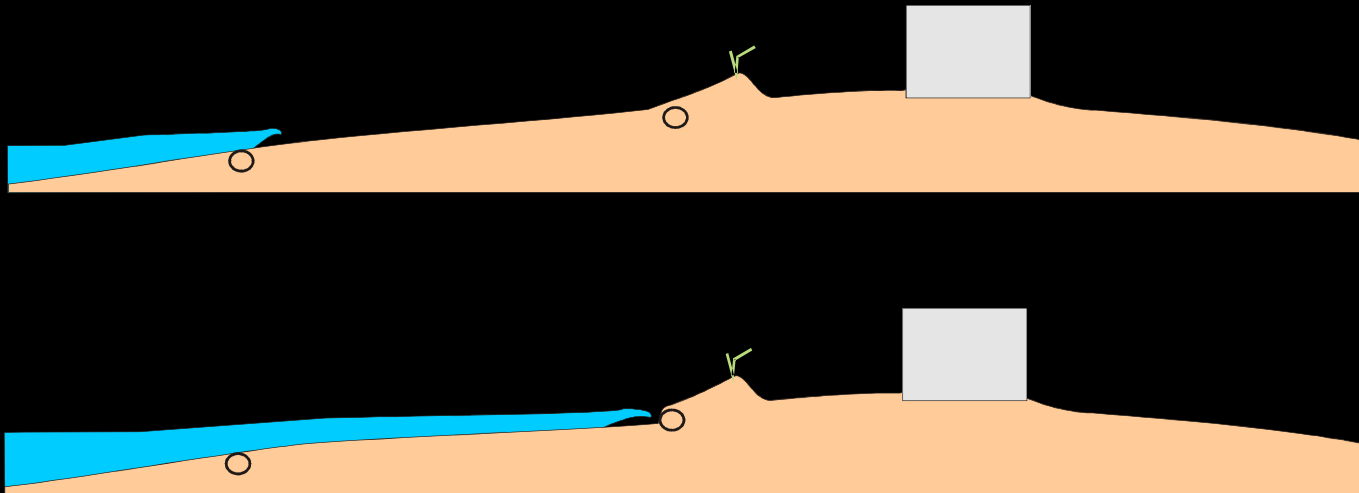
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The dune ecosystem disappeared by housing and building of hotels and tourist infrastructure.

Climatic change and lack of dune protection leads to an increasing problem of storm surges with sand disappearance and increasing risk to existing buildings and infrastructures.

Our urban proposal:



“Hybrid”(*) dunes (with some support of geotextiles and knowledge on coastal dynamics).

(*) The name was coined by Kim Nichols.

What region?

First idea is the **Barcelona Metropolitan area**, but would be nice to extend to, minimum, the **EU med coast (or at least Spain, France and Italy)**.

The idea of urban beaches is easily transposed to any med beach under intense tourist use (or densities over 1 person X 16m² of usable sand).

What problem?

Hybrid dunes as an efficient tool **to protect coastline** from abrasion (regression) due to storm surges. Dunes as **ES-NC and Green infrastructure protecting coastline** from a process also related to climatic change.

Problems mainly related to the difficulty to intervene in an area which is strongly governed by central governments. Local communities would be able to invest and intervene but not allowed by a rigid and centralised governance system.

Research needs:

We need to show **real projects with good results with hybrid dunes**.

- Are there specific ways of modifying the soil around *Ammophila arenaria* to improve downward root growth?
- What is the relationships with specific beach profiles and dynamics and placement of soft artificial structures?
- **What are promising artificial ways of rejuvenation of artificial fixed dunes?** (key issue on dune management in BCN).

TOOLS TO BE USED

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Information:

The role of **crowdsourcing** to inform of dune response on storm events along the EU Med coasts
QR codes “in situ” to inform visitors.

Information and meta analysis about existing projects.

Information about the research needs previously cited.

Location of troubled beaches. Google Earth works nice!

Decision making tools:

Decision trees to identify and group dune and beach coastal dynamics.

Legal and policy instruments which could lead to local stakeholders empowerment. Ways to get permit to act on a very centralized and interventionist legal and administrative environment.

Trade-offs between trampling and intensive use of sand beaches. Mainly when local businesses are paying for the project.

Information and decision processes leading to at least partial crowd-founding of the projects.

Implementation and management instruments:

Resource hub with state of the art information about ongoing projects.

Decision trees to asses needs of artificial rejuvenation of dune ecosystem.

Policy suitability of the local stakeholders participation and funding of projects.

Data elicitation and **social media instruments** to show the benefits of this strategy.

Lead partner: **José Lascurain**.

Local partners: it depends on the geographical extent of the project. Probably the minimum is: **Metropolitan Area of Barcelona Administration**. They have held an international workshop on dune management organized by Jose a couple of years ago. If necessary a local engineering company and a lawyer specialized on environmental management.

Other formally part of OPERAs?

I would be very happy if could count with:

- **Kim Nicholas** (who coined the term hybrid dune).
- **Wolfgang Cramer** (as we had a conversation on the idea of extending the project to a wider geographical area).

Things to discuss!!!!



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Conservation of a Cultural Land



Geographic Scale: **Regional**

Location: **W Mediterranean**

Land Cover: **Forest & agriculture**

Sectors: **Forestry, agriculture & tourism**

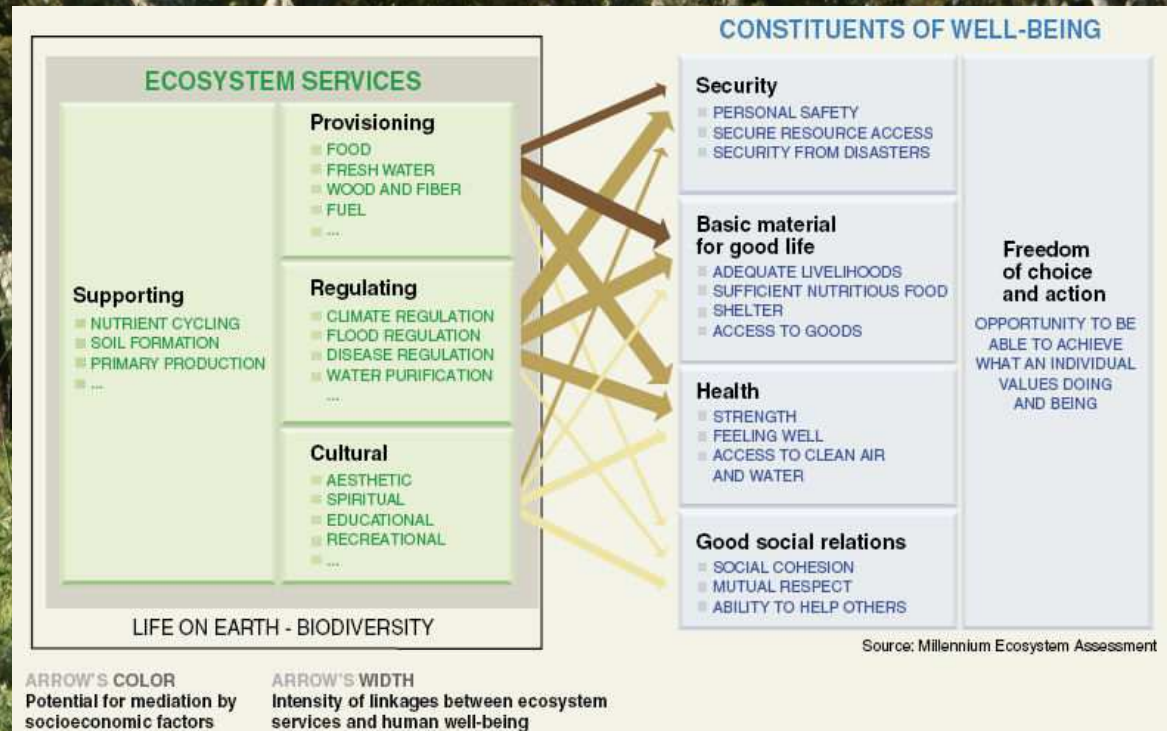


Conservation of a Cultural Landscape

The ecological and the cultural heritage of the cork trees is a key asset of the Montado landscape.

Climate change, changes in rural land management and pollution are threats pushing this traditional landscape towards an economic as well as ecologic tipping point.

Bringing the ES/NC concept into practice; productive, ecologic and cultural aspects of socio-ecological system will be combined to **promote an improved management and landscape conservation.**



Conservation of a Cultural Landscape

Responsible partner: **Margarida Santos-Reis (FFC-UL)**

Potential OPERA partners: **Wolfgang (Marseille), Sandra Lavorel (French mountains)**

Local partners: **New University of Lisbon (UNL – public participation), Companhia das Lezírias (largest multi-use state-farm in Portugal), local municipalities**

Instruments 1: Info tools and data

Mapping (land-use services), monitoring and early warning (ongoing studies)

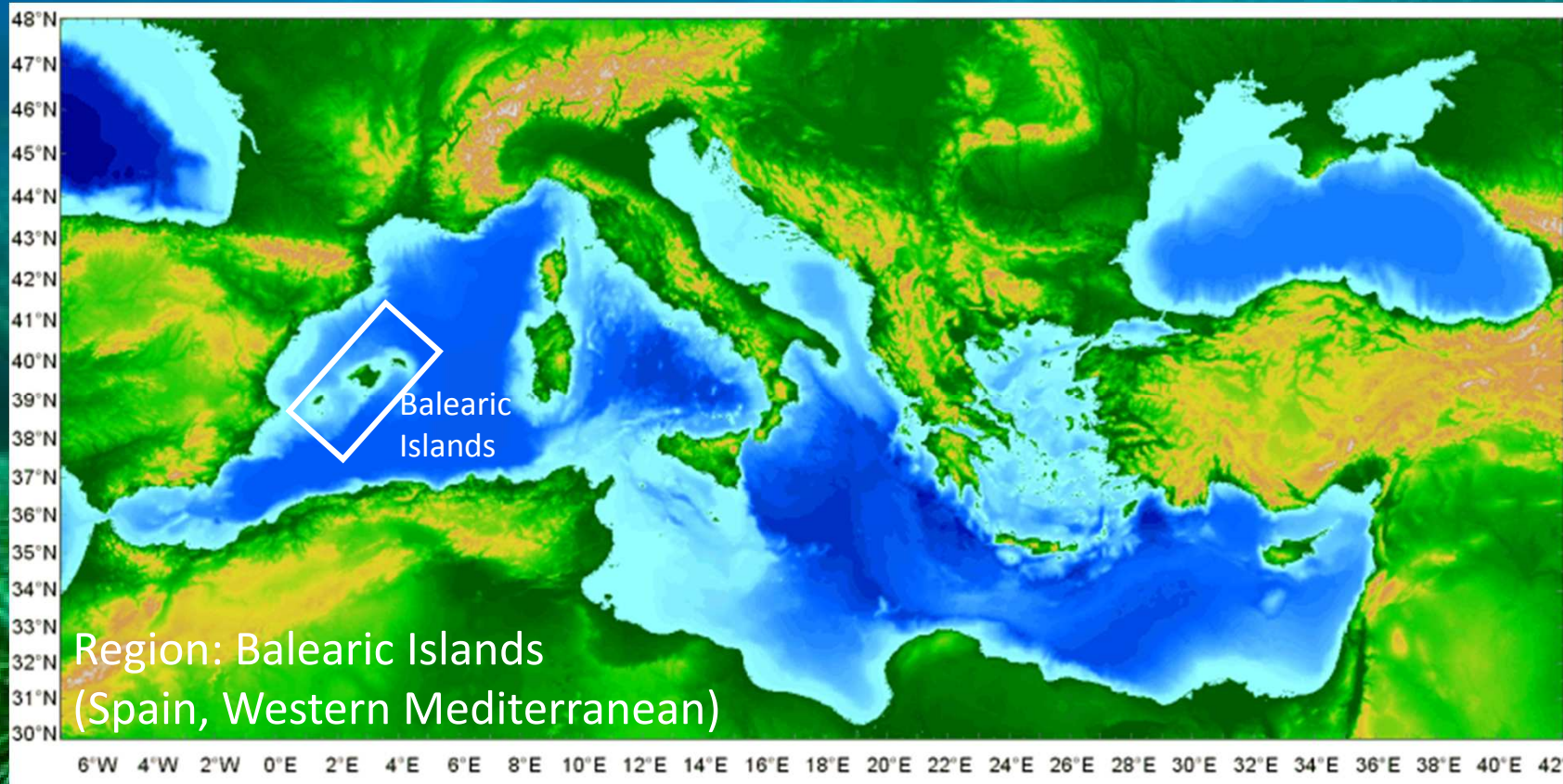
Instruments 2: Decision making tools

Valuation and participatory decision

Instruments 3: Implementation and management

Instruments, labeling and certification

Natural Carbon sinks in the coastal zones: seagrass management and climate change mitigation



Dominant Mediterranean seagrass: *Posidonia oceanica*

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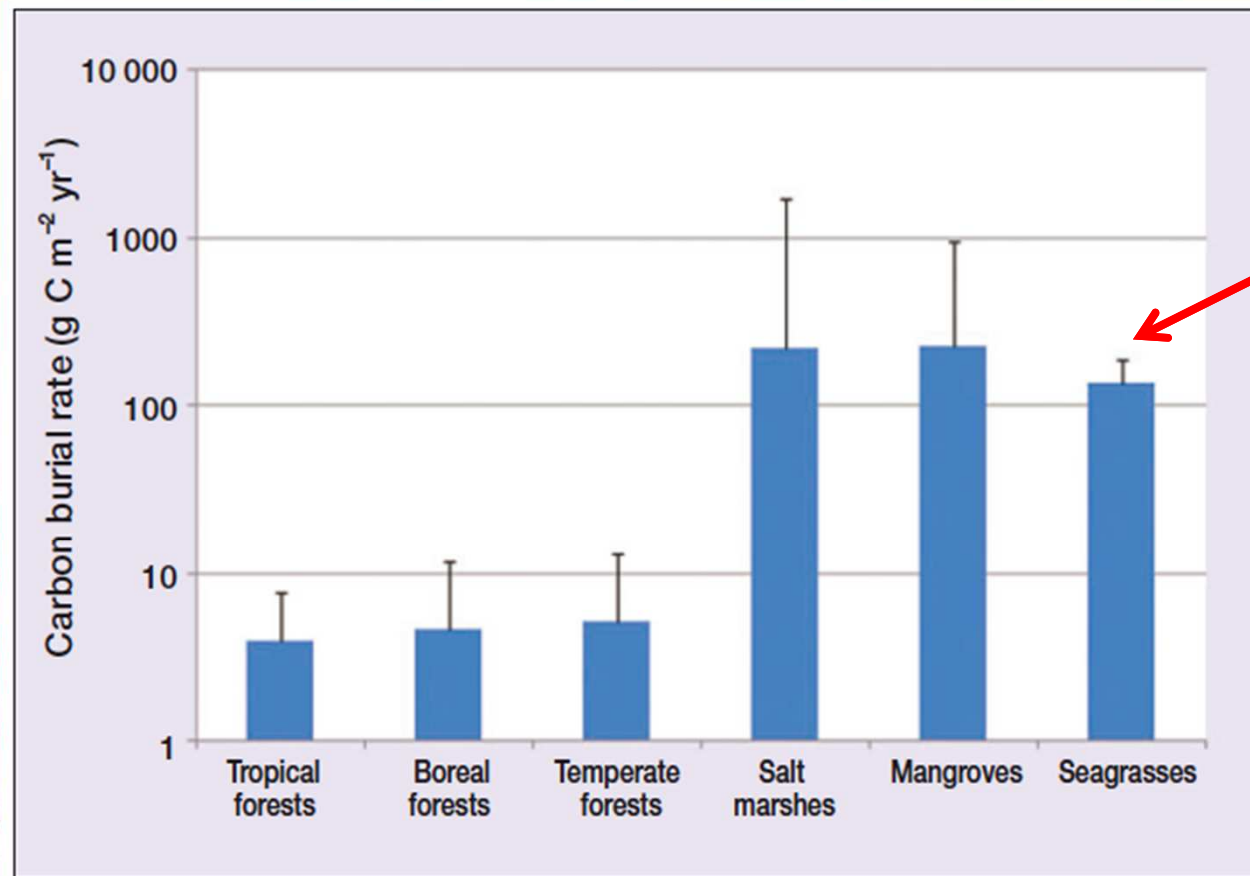


- Mediterranean endemic
- Dominant ecosystem in sandy areas between 1-40 m depth
- Extension in the Mediterranean
50 000 km² (Balearic Is.: ≈ 600 km²)
- Marine angiosperm
- Clonal plant
- very slow growth rate (1- 6 cm yr⁻¹)
- clones are extremely long living; some clones have persisted for ~ 100 000 years

Photograph: Manu San Félix

Long-term C_{org} burial in seagrass soils is two orders of magnitude higher in coastal marine than terrestrial ecosystems

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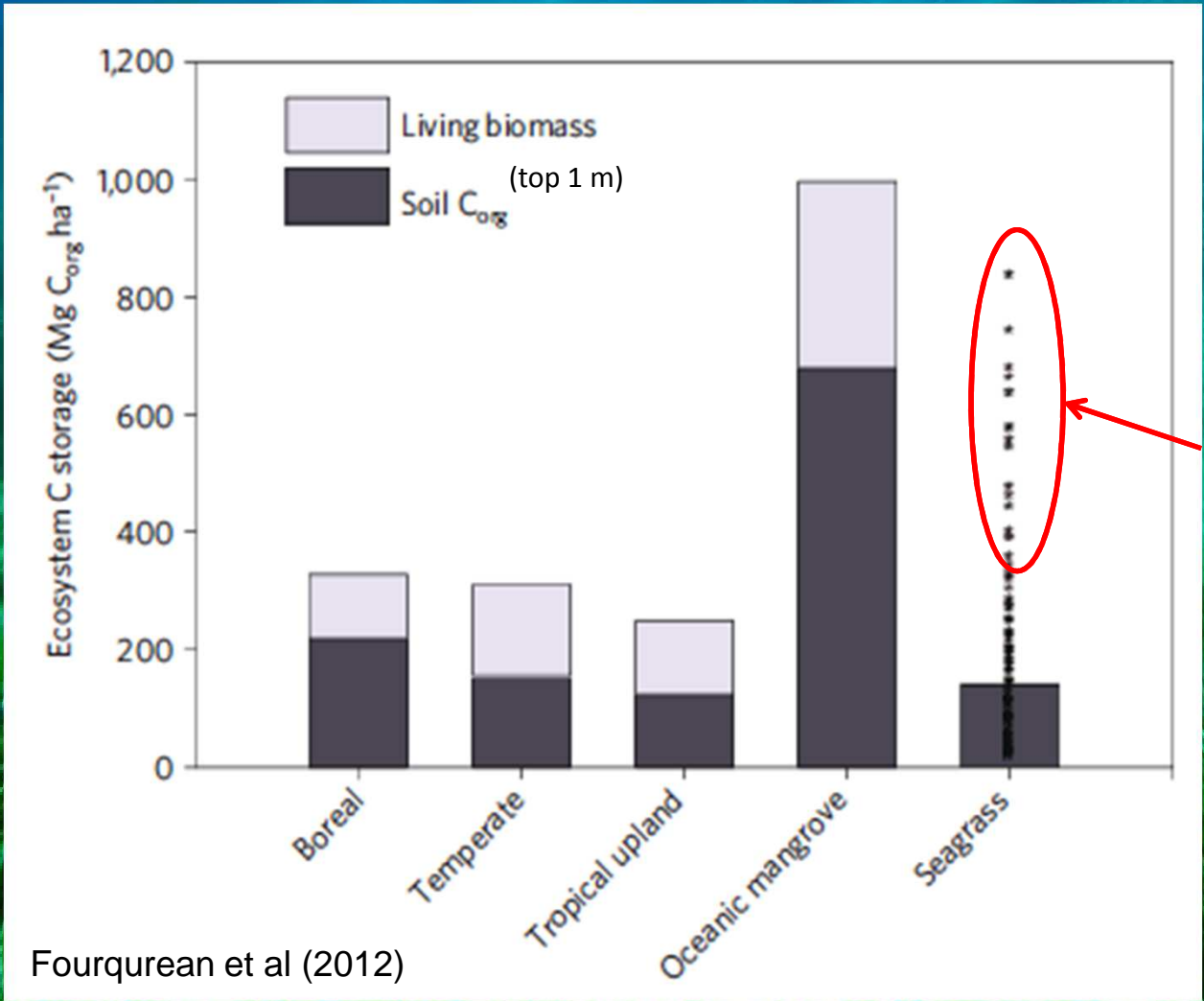


138 gC m⁻² yr⁻¹

Globally, seagrass meadows bury 10 % of total C_{org} buried in the ocean (Duarte et al 2005)

Figure 5. Mean long-term rates of C sequestration ($g C m^{-2} yr^{-1}$) in soils in terrestrial forests and sediments in vegetated coastal ecosystems. Error bars indicate maximum rates of accumulation. Note the logarithmic scale of the y axis. Data sources are included in Tables 1 and 2.

Seagrass meadows are hot spots of C storage

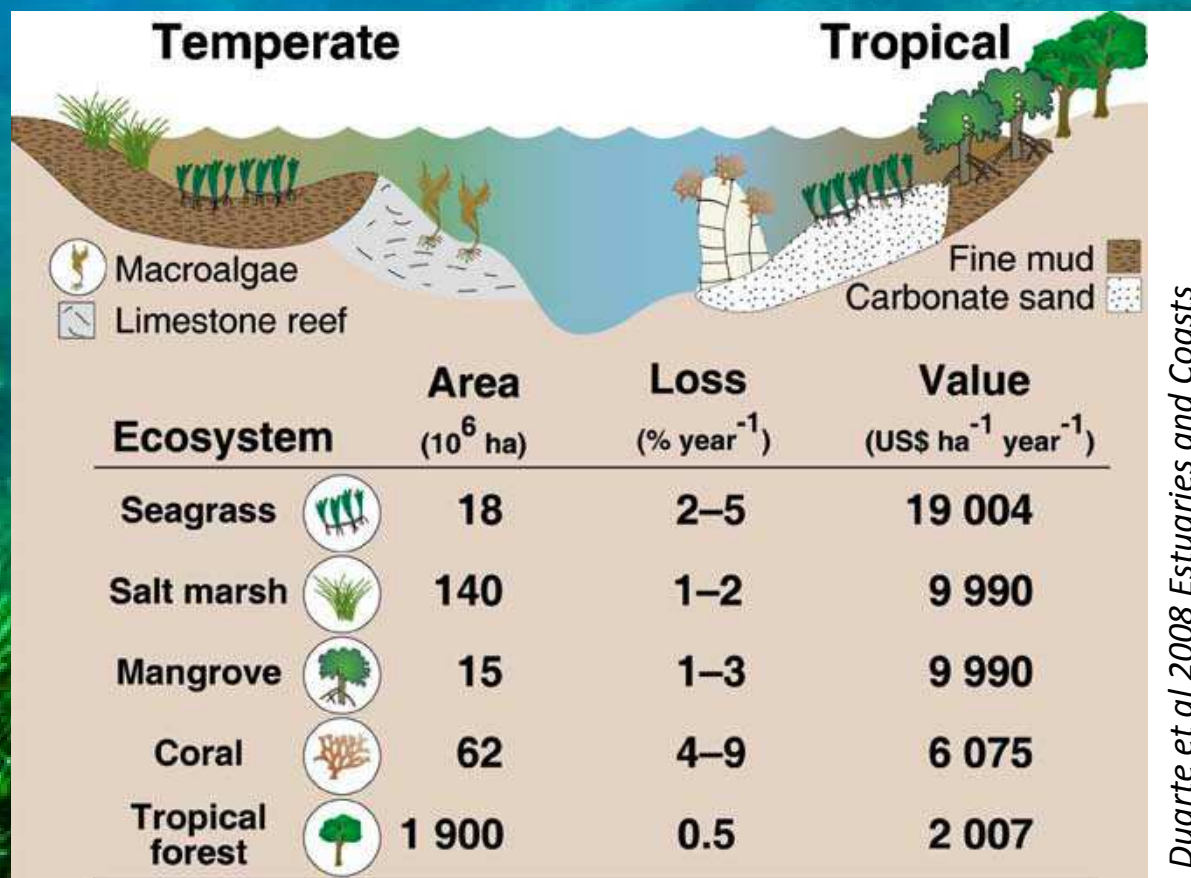


Fourqurean et al (2012)

Carbon stocks (per area) in seagrass meadows can be much higher than in terrestrial ones and, unlike on land, the largest pool remain in the soil.

Seagrass C_{org} soil deposits can be larger than those estimated here (e.g. 5 m thick deposits have been documented in *P. oceanica* meadows, Lo lacono et al 2008).

Seagrass ecosystems rank amongst the most threatened marine habitats



The loss of *P. oceanica* meadows compromises the carbon sink function, not just by decreasing carbon sequestration but enhancing the **risk of carbon emissions from stored C deposits**.

- *P. oceanica* meadows provide **additional ecosystem services**: e.g. coastal protection, beach sand production, water transparency, nutrient cycling, water oxygenation
- *P. oceanica* meadows are protected by **EU directives (Habitat, WFD, Marine Strategy), national and regional legislation, international conventions (Barcelona Biodiversity Convention)**
- **Protected marine areas** in the Balearic Island region:
 - * 1 Biosphere Reserve (the entire island of Menorca)
 - * 1 meadow is part of a UNESCO heritage
 - * several marine Sites of Community Importance (SCI) with marine reserves
 - * 1 Spanish National Park

Research questions to address in OPERAs

- To assess the carbon sink capacity of seagrass meadows of the Balearic Islands
- To investigate the security of these carbon sinks and their role in climate change mitigation
- To evaluate the effect of seagrass management policies on carbon sink security and its co-benefits (i.e. conservation of other seagrass ES)
- To assess the economic cost of *P. oceanica* protection vs value of carbon sink/emissions in seagrass meadows, including co-benefits of protection

INSTRUMENTS

- Info tools and data: mapping, monitoring, data compilations
- Decision making tools: trade off listed above
- Implementation and management instruments: legislation (EU directives (Habitat, WFD, Marine Strategy), national and regional), and marine protected areas

PARTICIPANTS

- Exemplar Responsible: CSIC (Núria Marbà, Carlos M. Duarte, Inés Mazarrasa)
- Exemplar partners: IVM (Jan Vermaat), Univ. Edinburg (Meriwether Wilson), others?
- Is there established collaboration with local partners, that are not formally part of OPERAs – No, but we will interact with regional and local administrations (e.g Government of the Balearic Islands, Consells insulars, municipalities) and a major ferry company operating in Spain (Balearia).



Lower Danube exemplar: Persina nature park

The Danube PES project, area map



The main aim of the Danube case is to research and find/ prove the link between Danube ecosystems and a range of environmental benefits for communities in the area, as well as in the Danube river basin, given the application of appropriate set of instruments to safeguard or improve them.

Instruments:

- social valuation
- market-based instruments related to biomass management (work already started on a pilot level) and carbon-based, including PES, offsets
- decision-support instruments to show the value of restoring and managing a wetland, as well as trade-offs between different ecosystem services

Responsible for the exemplar: WWF

Partners:

- VU University, the Netherlands
- Denkstatt Bulgaria
- TIAMASG, Romania

Non-OPERAs partners: 4 local municipalities, Association of Danube Municipalities (Danube basin level), ICPDR, Directorate of Persina Nature Park, local entrepreneurs interested in biomass use, farmers, etc.

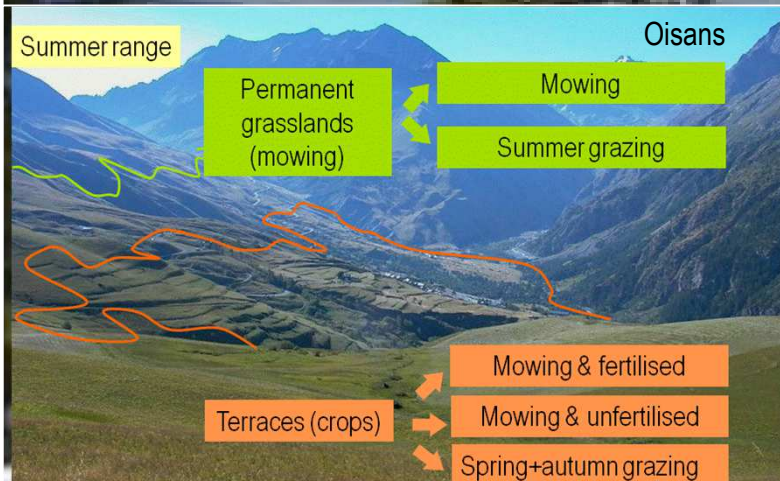
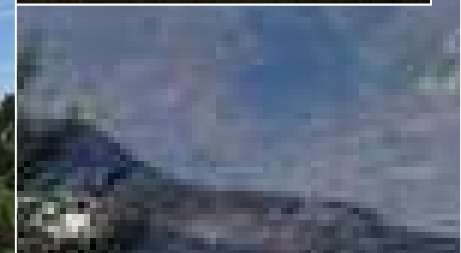
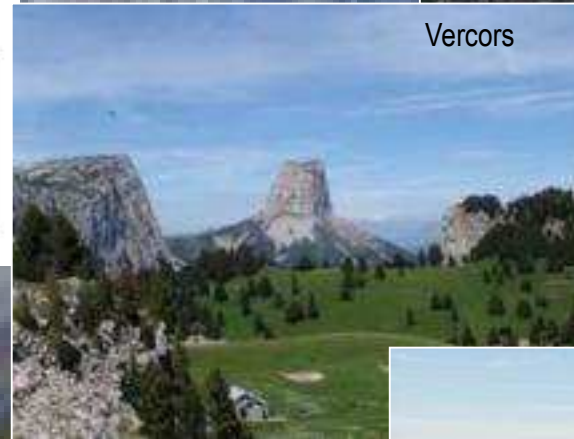
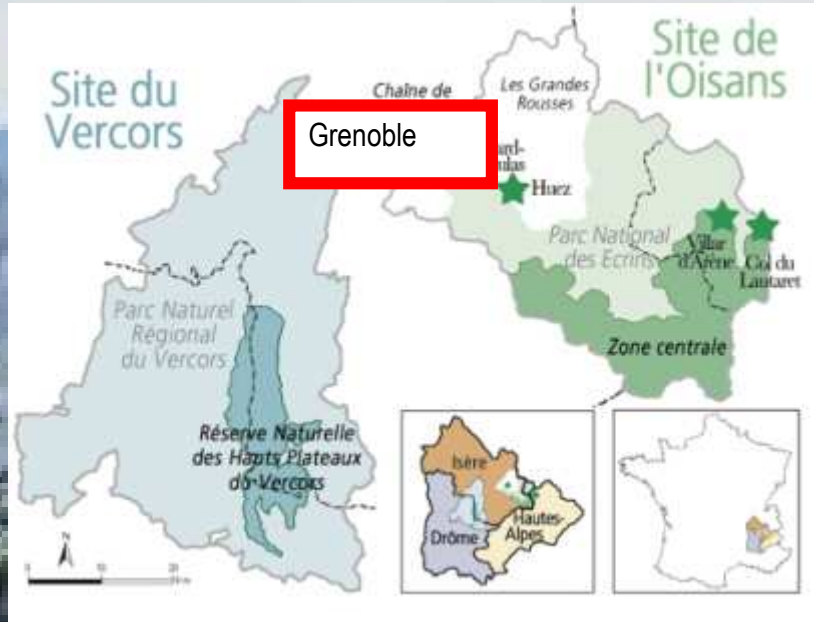


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Central French Alps exemplar

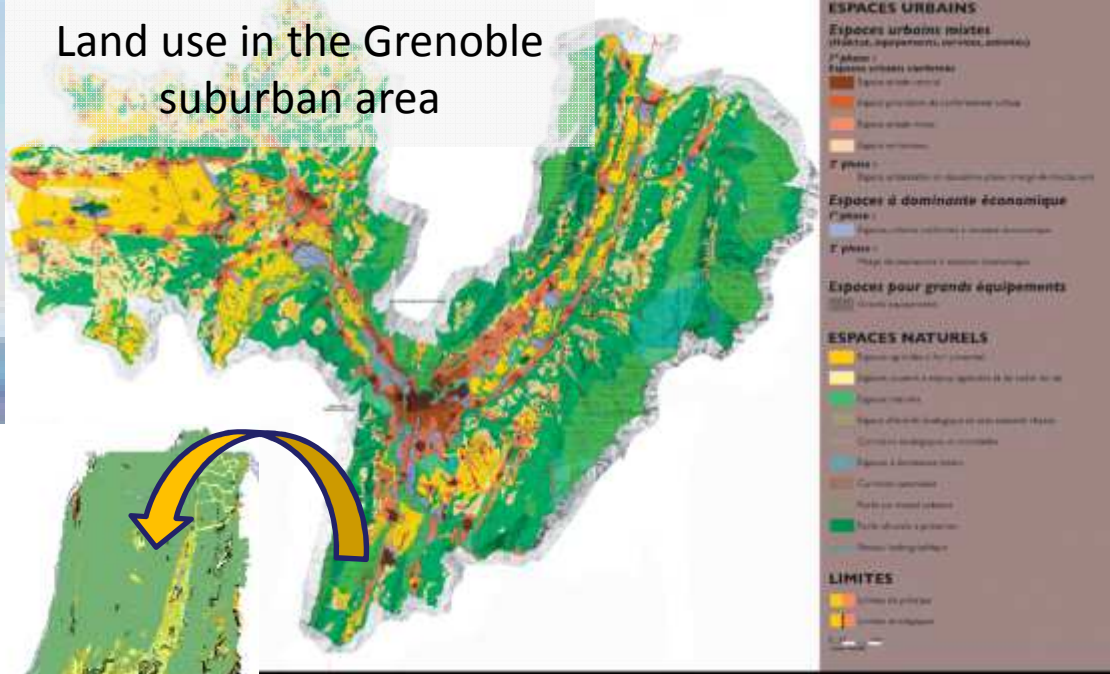
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Two contrasted focal areas within the Central French Alps LTSER

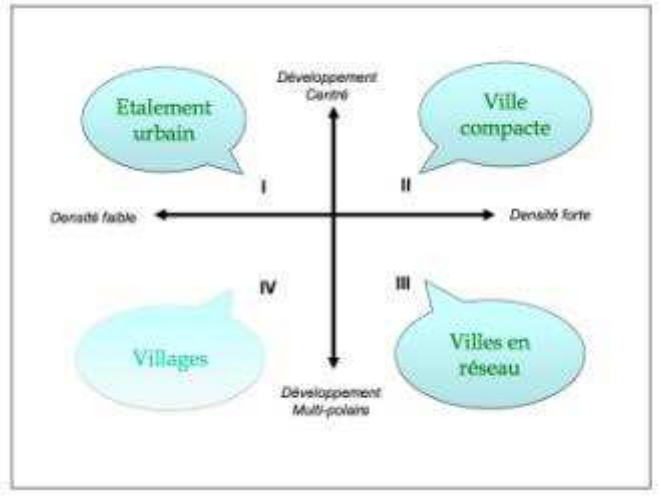
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Land use in the Grenoble suburban area

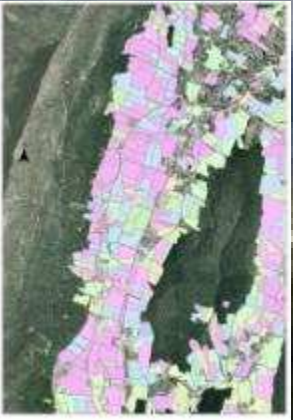
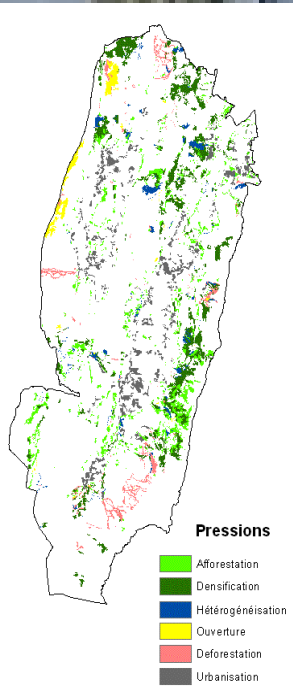


3 Urban development scenarios as part of the planning process



Vercors:
4 Montagnes focal area

Historical pressures on forests



Detailed grassland management

Main issues in the Central French Alps

Urban / sub-urban development strategies and consequences for biodiversity and ecosystem service provision

Sub-urban spread vs. agriculture

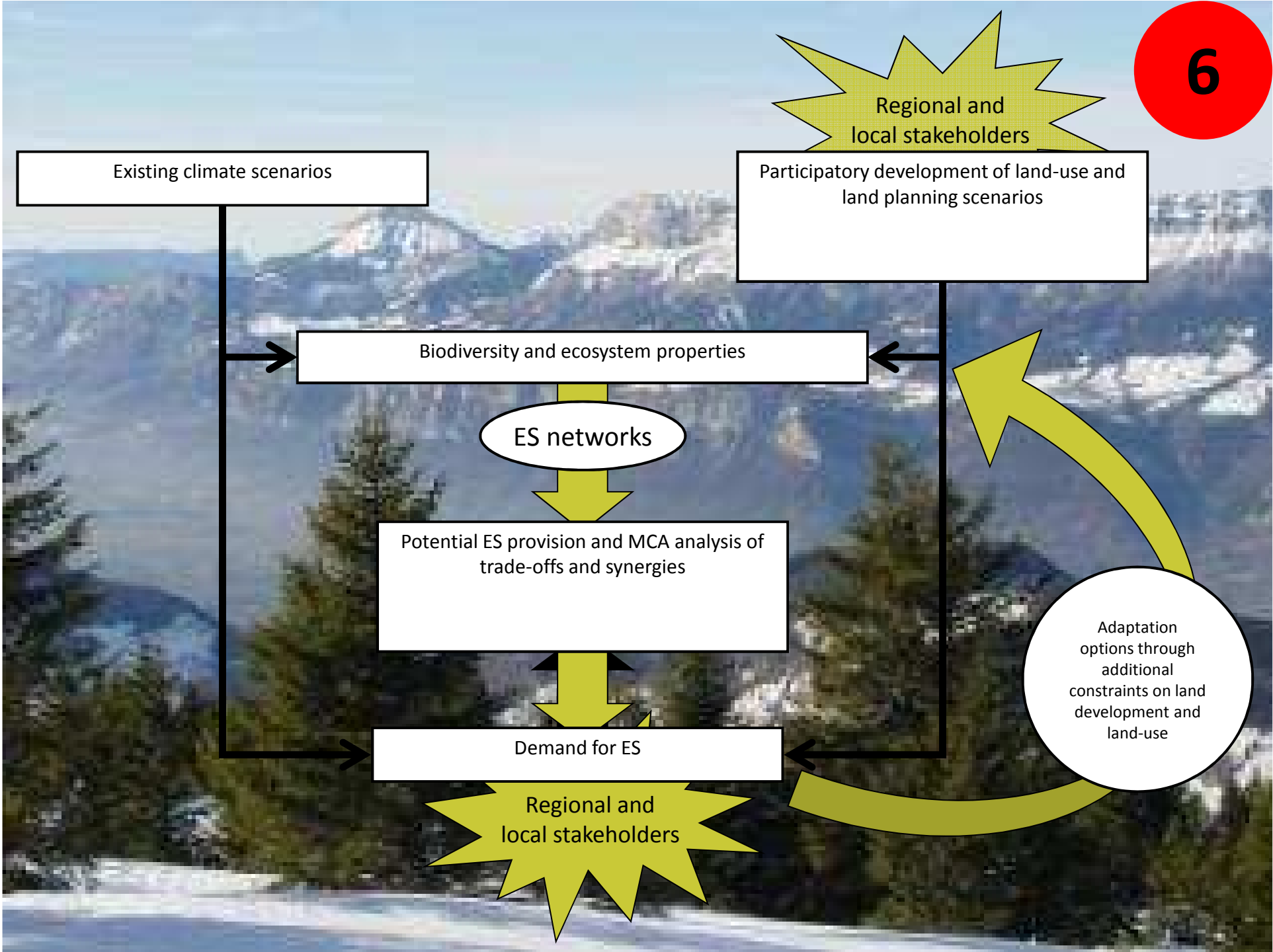
Viability of local agricultural production

Demand for recreation and biodiversity conservation from urban / rural population

Protection from natural hazards (flooding, rock falls, avalanches...)

Green infrastructure development

➤ **Planning for multiple, some times conflicting objectives**





| Institution | Main contacts | Relevant sectors | WP1 & WP3 | | | WP2 | WP4 | | | |
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| | | | R | G | M | | G | M | R | |
| Communauté de communes de Grenoble (Métro) | Hélène Poimboeuf, chargée des questions d'environnement | local government | X | | | | | | | |
| Communauté de communes du Grésivaudan | Philippe Vieille, vice-président développement durable, Valérie Lacoua, Service Aménagement de l'espace, Alexandre Chalencou, Chargé de développement Tourisme, | local government | | | | | | | | X |
| Conseil Général de l'Isère | Arnaud Callec, responsable du programme d'actions en faveur de la faune, de la flore, et des habitats | local government | | | | | X | X | X | |
| Agence d'Urbanisme de la Région Grenobloise (SCOT consortium) | Hugues Merle & Marielle Pezet-Kuhn, Chargés d'études environnement chez AURG | local government | | | | | | | | X |
| AVENIR - Conservatoire départemental des milieux naturels | Roger Marciau, responsable scientifique | Nature | X | X | X | | X | X | X | |
| Centre d'Etudes Techniques de l'Equipement de Lyon | Virginie Billon, chef de l'unité | environmental protection | X | | | | | | | X |
| CRPF - Centre Régional de la Propriété Forestière | Denis Pellissier, directeur | Forestry | X | | X | | | X | X | |
| Parc Naturel Régional du Vercors | Jean-François Anglois, directeur, Christophe Revallier, chargé de mission, Jean-Luc Grave, resp. du pôle biodiversité, Jean-Michel Letton, chargé de mission | Farming, forestry, tourism, biodiversity, tourism | | | X | | | X | | |
| ONF - Office National des Forêts | Christophe Anglois, responsable du Service Forêt de la Région Rhône-Alpes, Jean Claude Sarter, animateur territorial, Jean-Luc Grave, resp. du pôle biodiversité, Jean-Michel Letton, chargé de mission | Forestry | X | | X | | | X | X | |
| Chambre d'agriculture de l'Isère | Veronique Gitton, conseillère grandes cultures à l'antenne de la Tour du Pin | Farming | X | X | | | X | | X | |
| Adayg (Association de Développement de l'Agriculture dans le Y Grenoblois) | Thierry Loeb, animateur local | Farming | | X | | | X | | | |
| Comité Départemental du Tourisme de l'Isère | Karine André, Responsable Pôle animation et services | Tourism | X | | | | | | | X |
| Office Municipal du Tourisme de Villars | Dominic Vassal, Directeur | Tourism | | | X | | | X | | |
| Association de Développement Touristique de Villars | Valériane Janet, Directrice | Tourism | | | X | | | X | | |

Participative process with stakeholders from multiple sectors: Urban planning, agriculture, forestry, tourism, nature conservation

Table 2 - Stakeholders who will be involved in the project, per work package (right-hand side columns). WP1, 3 and 4 are split according to the scale or subsystem in which stakeholders will participate. R stands for regional scale, G for the Grésivaudan subsystem and M for the '4 montagnes' subsystem

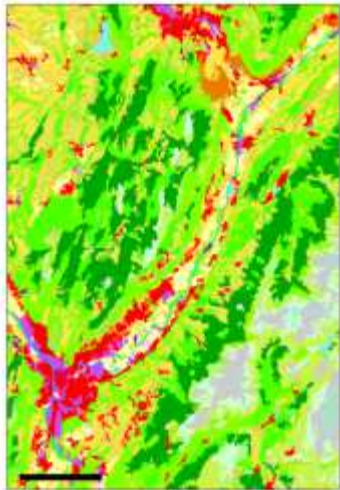
Contributing projects and funders

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Instruments – InvEst ecosystem service model

Grésivaudan valley
focal area

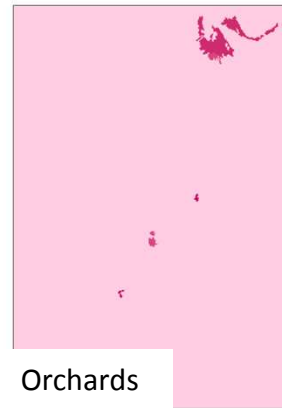


Land use

Biomass production

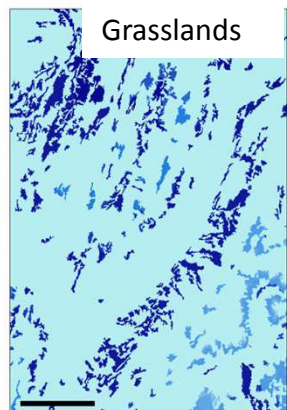
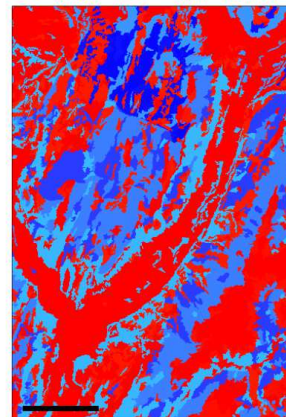


Crops

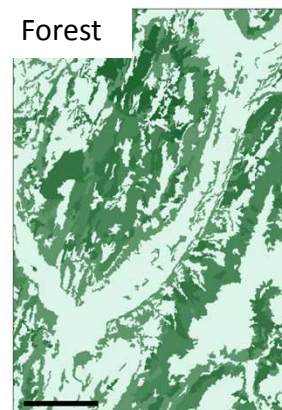


Orchards

Biomass C stocks



Grasslands

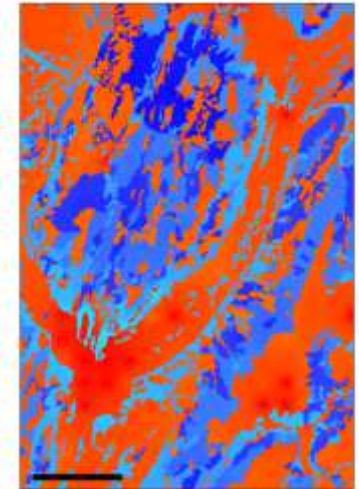


Forest

Soil C stocks

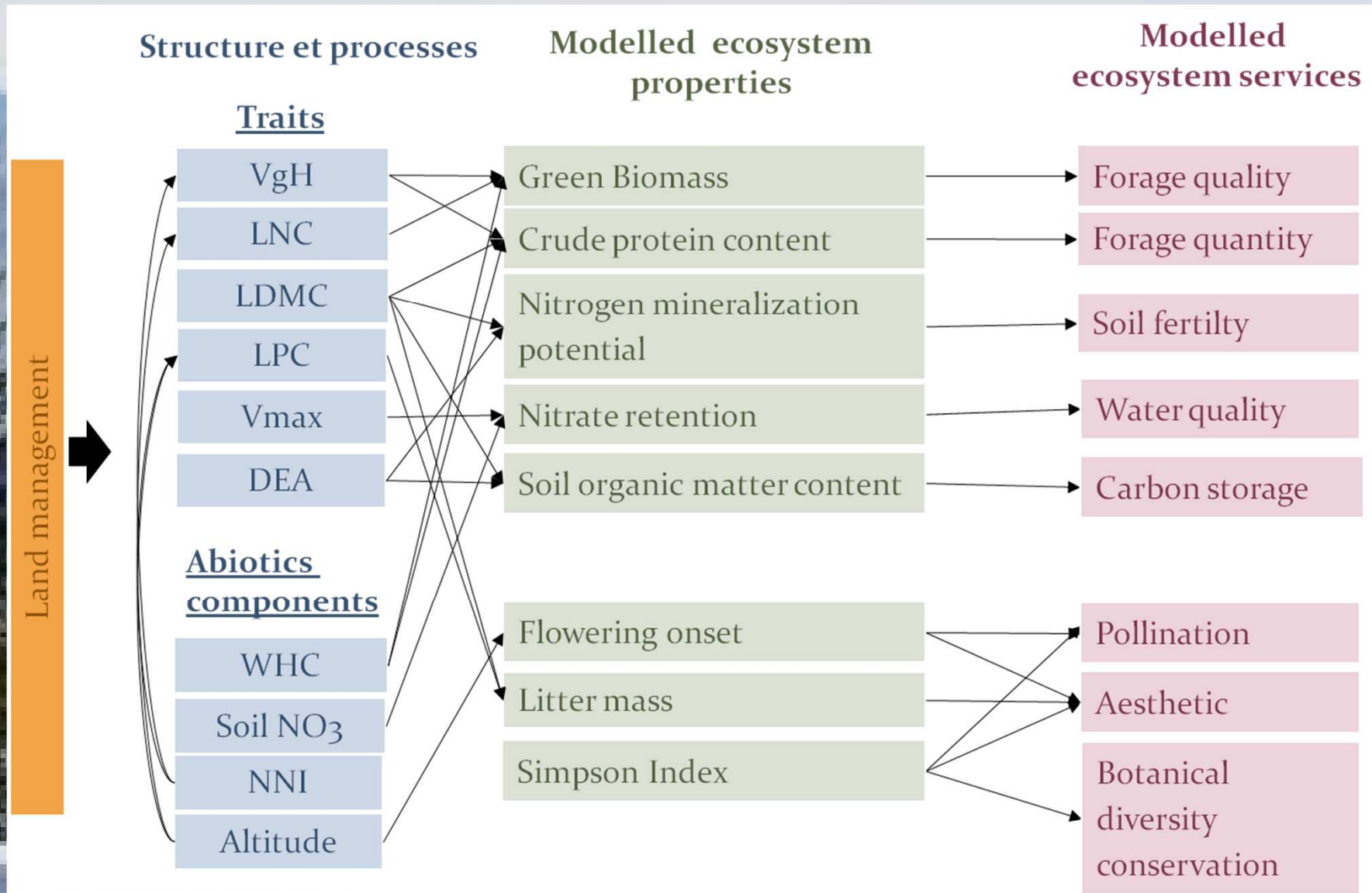


Total C stocks



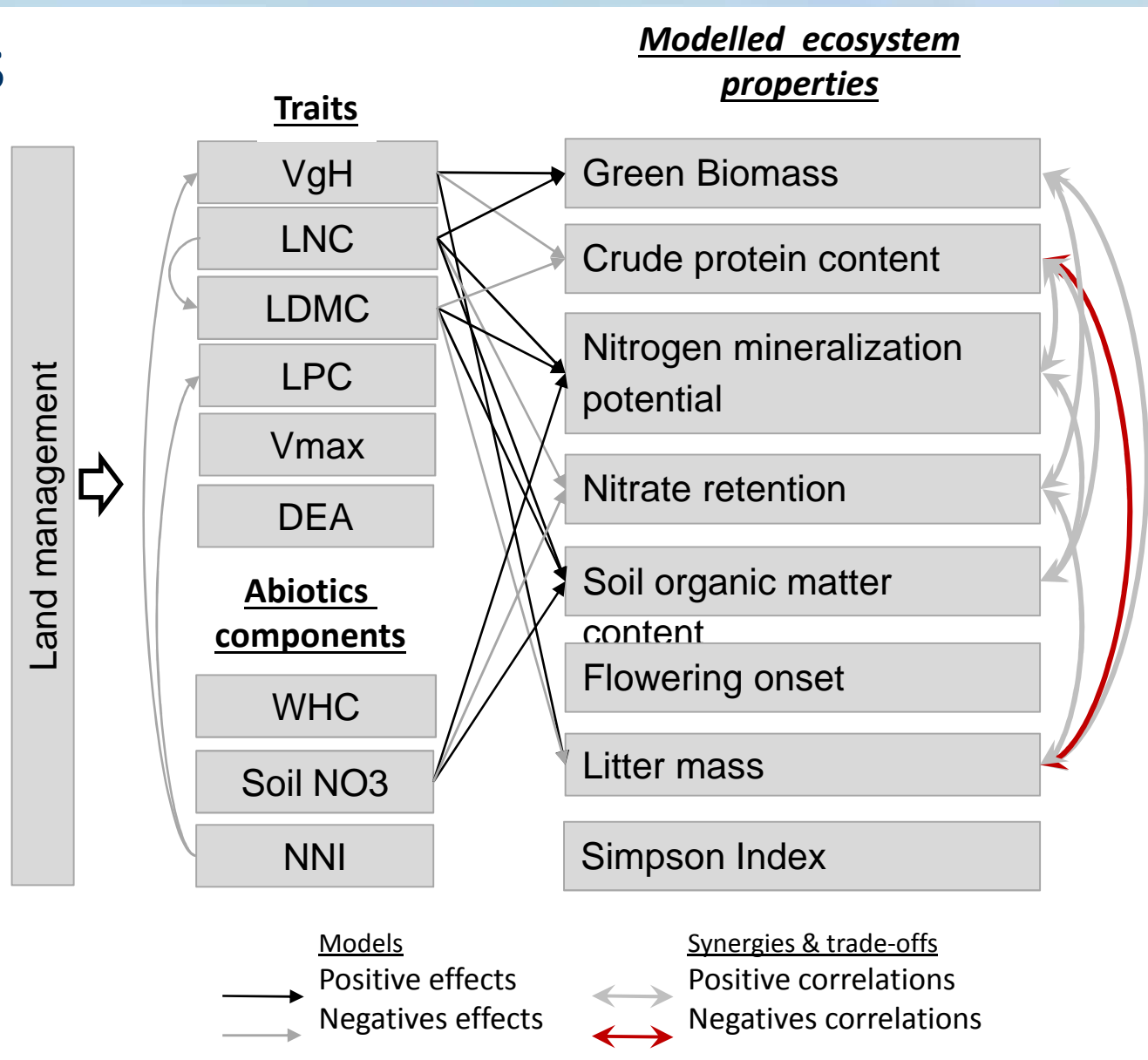
Instruments – Trait-based ecosystem service models

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Mechanistic trade-off analysis

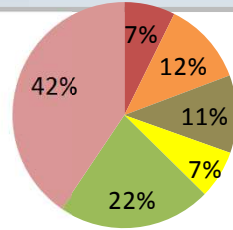
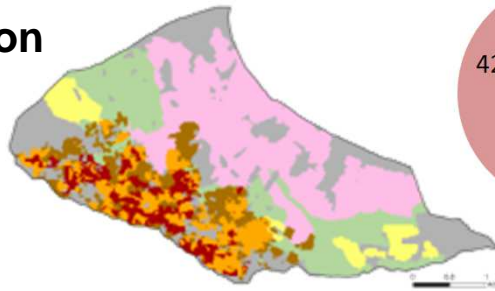
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Land management types

- Non grasslands
- Terraces mown and fertilized
- Terraces mown
- Terraces grazed
- Terraces grazed and fertilized
- Grasslands mown
- Grasslands mown and fertilized
- Grasslands grazed
- Grasslands grazed and fertilized
- Alpine meadows

Current situation

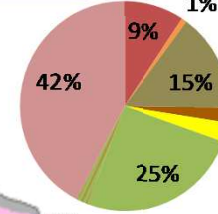
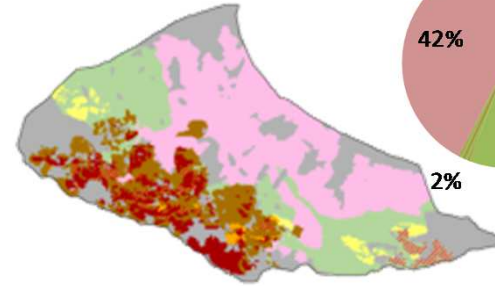
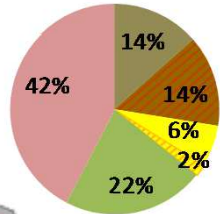
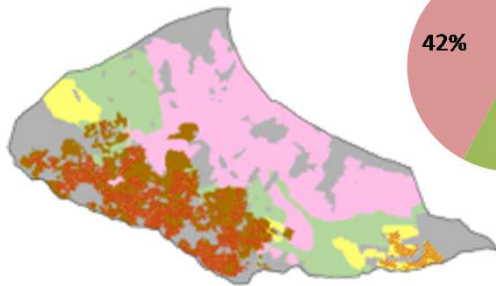


Future scenarios

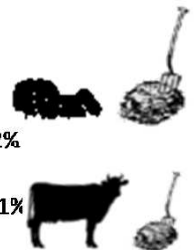
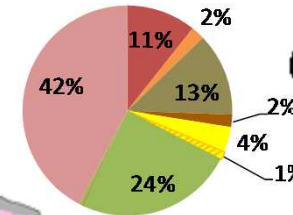
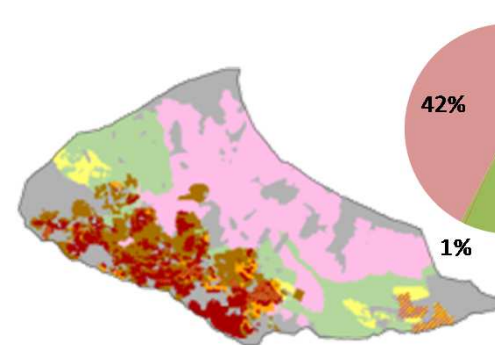
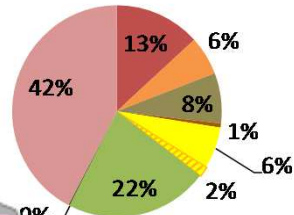
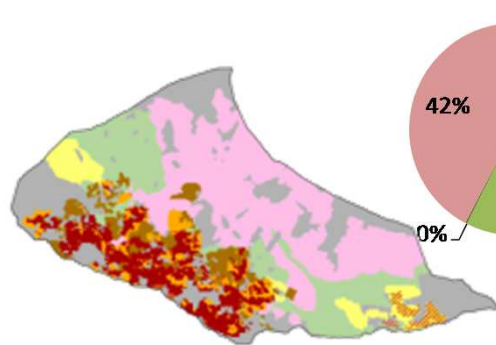
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Intermittent



Instruments to be developed in OPERAs

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Remote sensing to parameterise functional models of ecosystem services

MCDA and other trade-off analysis methods

3D visualisation – coll. ETH

Biodiversity offsets and habitat banking

Certification and other labels

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Wine Production and Cultural Landscapes in Europe

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Marcus Lindner
EFI



Dariya Hadzhiyska and Boyan Rashev
Denkstatt

Exemplar Goals: (part of Step 1 of Blueprint, Seppelt et al. 2012)

- Engage stakeholders around vineyard sustainability
- Develop and test instruments
- Encourage best practices in vineyard management and winery practices
- Limit vineyard expansion and direct expansion away from most sensitive biodiversity areas

Targets

- Maintain and enhance vineyard ES such as C sequestration and biodiversity habitat
- Maintain and enhance economically viable wine industry in traditional regions
- Maintain and enhance social traditions and sustainable tourism in wine regions



Difficult fieldwork conditions!

Analysis: Further develop, implement, & test 2 instruments to assess life-cycle impacts of vineyard practices through the value chain, and communicate these to the consumer

- Marcus Lindner, EFI: Material Flows Analysis using ToSIA (Tool for Sustainability Impact Assessment)
- Dariya & Boyan, denkstatt: Life Cycle Analysis tools

Scotland: supporting multi-scale implementation of environmental policy

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Scotland: supporting multi-scale implementation of environmental policy

Major recent policies have an ES/NC focus:

- Climate
- Land
- Biodiversity
- Marine

There great policy interest and ongoing research:

- UK National Ecosystem Assessment
- National ES/NC research
 - James Hutton Institute
 - Forest Research
 - CEH (OpenNESS case-studies)
- Emerging Community of Practice

Scotland: supporting multi-scale implementation of environmental policy

We plan to:

- Use Scotland as national case to test OPERAs philosophy
- Have a multi-scale approach (EU context – National – Regional)
- Test a wide range of instruments
 - Scenarios
 - Valuation methods
 - Mapping
 - ?Certification (Whisky!)
- Work with and find synergies with:
 - OpenNESS
 - other national partners
 - Scottish Government
- Develop a CoE and Resource Hub for Scotland

Lead: Marc Metzger, Univ. of Edinburgh

Questions / object

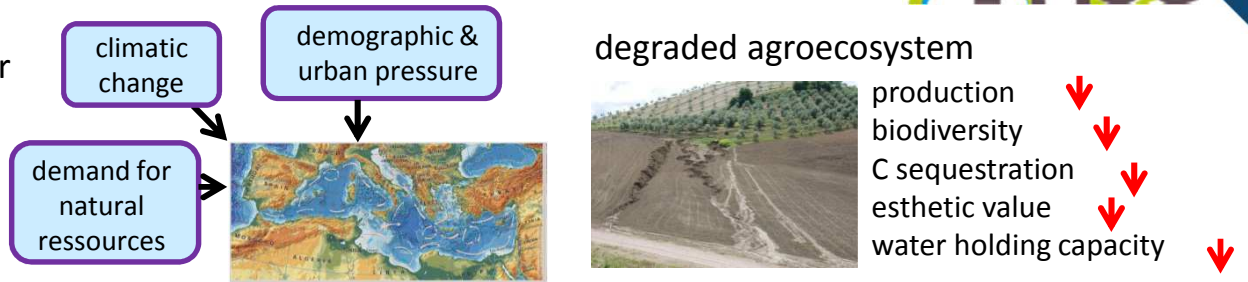
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Mediterranean Agrobiodiversity & Ecosystem Services

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1) Ecosystem services from Mediterranean (agro-)ecosystems under multiple pressures (global change) - role of land management and ES assessment for sustainable agriculture



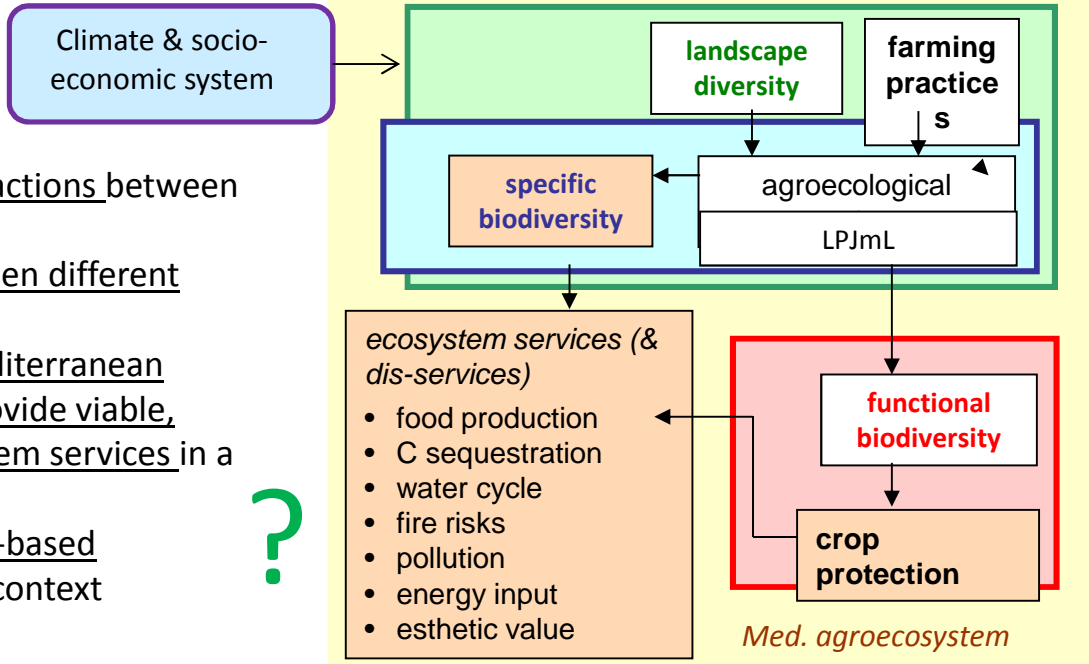
2) Role of biodiversity in Mediterranean agroecosystem functioning

Landscape diversity, diversity of crops and woodlands, agroforestry, mixed farming, traditional practices & innovative systems

Does the higher diversity of agro-ecological systems provide social and economic benefits in a more sustainable way?

3) Research objectives for the Mediterranean OPERAs exemplar:

- better quantification of the interactions between agriculture and biodiversity
- estimation of ES trade-offs between different agricultural systems
- evaluation of the capacity of Mediterranean biodiverse agroecosystems to provide viable, sustainable, and resilient ecosystem services in a global change context
- test the applicability of a process-based ecosystem model (LPJmL) in this context





Data 1:

1) Input data for ecosystem process modelling:
 climate, soil properties, atmospheric composition ($[CO_2]$, $[O_3]$, N deposition), etc (historical, present, projections)

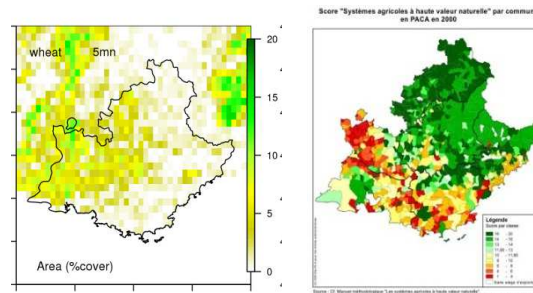
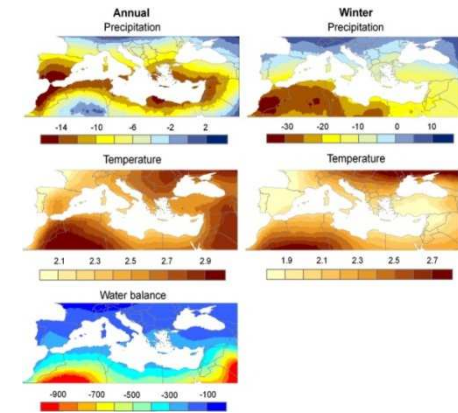
Several data sets already in-house, available freely, or through collaborations (GHG Europe, Carbo-Extreme, FUME, OT-Med etc)

2) Data on management / farming practices / landscape diversity:

land use, rotation, fertilizer use, irrigation, associated crops, multiple cropping, organic farming, mixed farming, crops-livestock, agroforestry, agrosystem typology, agro-ecological infrastructures, corridors, hedges, farm typology, etc (historical, present, scenarios)

3) Socio-economic data:

(historical, present, scenarios)



Wheat area (Monfreda et al., 2008)

High Natural Value farmlands (SOLAGRO., 2010)



Typology of exploitation (SOLAGRO., 2010)



Arable weeds richness (CBNBP-MNHMP 2000)

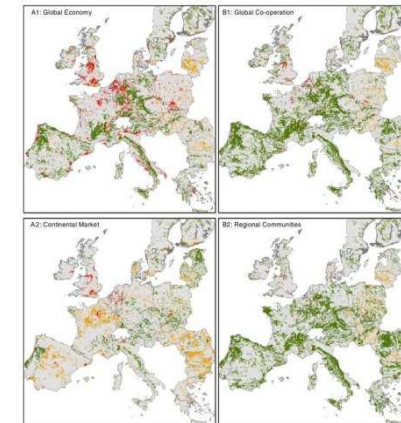
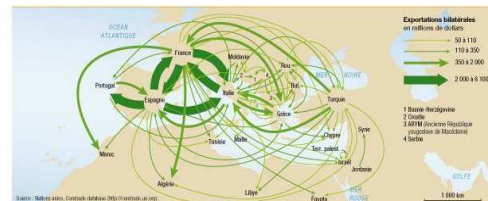
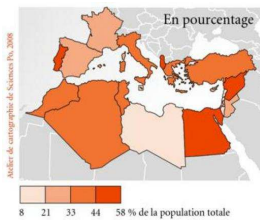
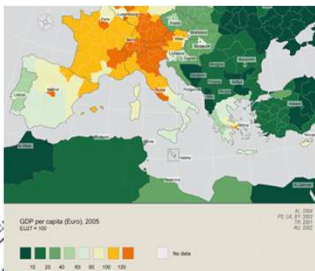


Fig. 4 Typology of the dynamics in simulated land use for four scenarios

Land use change scenarios (Verburg et al., 2010)



Trade of agricultural products (CIHEAM, Atlas Mediterra 2010)

Work to do: complete, gap filling, homogenization, etc

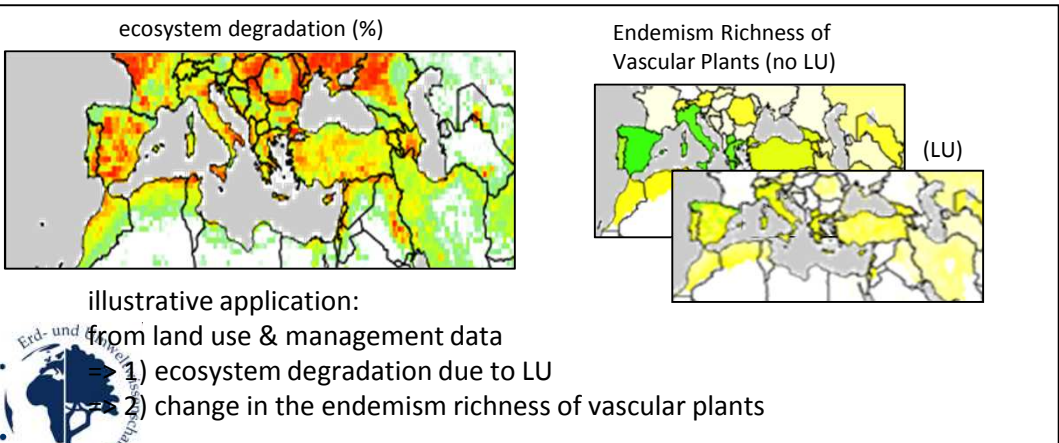
Data 2:

Meta-analysis of studies (experiments, surveys, modelling) for comparison of different agricultural systems to provide indicators of ES trade-offs in the Mediterranean region

Summary of ecosystem quality per farm type in the EU (Reidsma et al. 2006)

| Ecosystem quality (%) | Farm types | Production systems |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 100 | No production | Primary vegetation |
| 40 | Extensive grassland management | Medium/ high cattle density on natural grassland |
| 35 | Extensive organic farming | Low-External-Input and Sustainable Agriculture, permaculture |
| 25 | Extensive farming | Traditional farming; extensive farming; Low-External-Input Agriculture |
| 20 | Intensive organic farming | Rainfed organic farming |
| 20 | Intensive grassland management | Grassland production based on ploughing, reseeding and fertilization |
| 15 | Highly intensive organic farming | Organic farming in developed countries |
| 10 | Intensive production systems | Intensive agriculture; integrated agriculture; High-External-Input Agriculture, conv. agriculture |
| 5 | Highly intensive prod. systems | Irrigation based agriculture; integrated agriculture; drainage based agriculture; additional soil levelling practices; regional specialization |

Ex.: Reidsma, P. et al., 2006. Impacts of land-use change on biodiversity: An assessment of agricultural biodiversity in the European Union. *Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment*.



(examples for studies to evaluate)

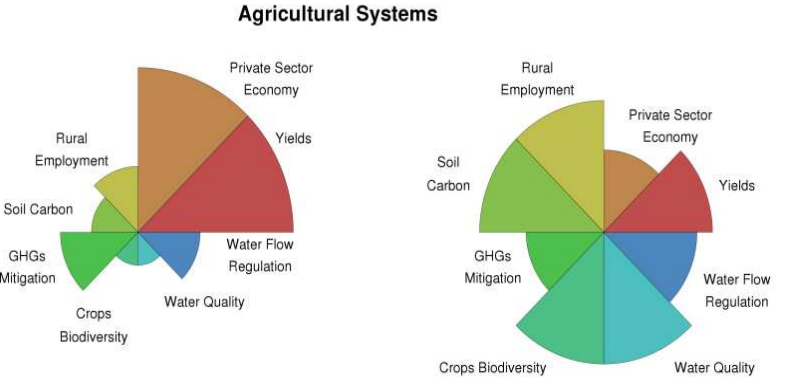
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Farm-SAFE: the process of developing a plot- and farm-scale model of arable, forestry, and silvoarable economics

A. R. G. *Agroforestry Systems* 43: 71–80, 1999.
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 J. Palm

Growth and nitrogen status of young walnuts as affected by intercropped legumes in a Mediterranean climate

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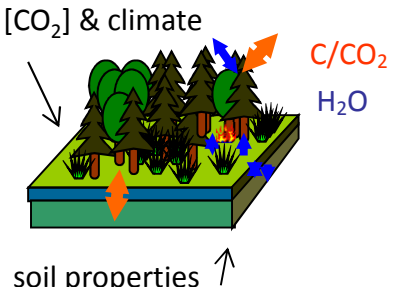
(hypothetical tradeoff analysis based on process model and ES indicators).

Instrument:

The LPJmL agroecosystem model used for the Mediterranean region

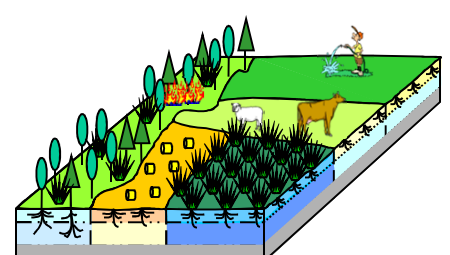
LPJ-DGVM
(Sitch et al. 2003, Gerten et al., 2004) :

Process-based dynamic global model for natural vegetation



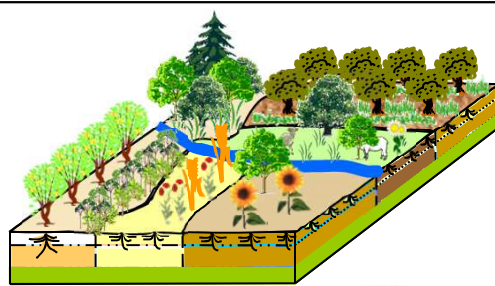

LPJmL
(Bondeau et al. 2007, Rost et al., 2008, Waha et al, 2011) :

LPJ for managed Land (with crops, pastures, bioenergy, irrigation, etc)

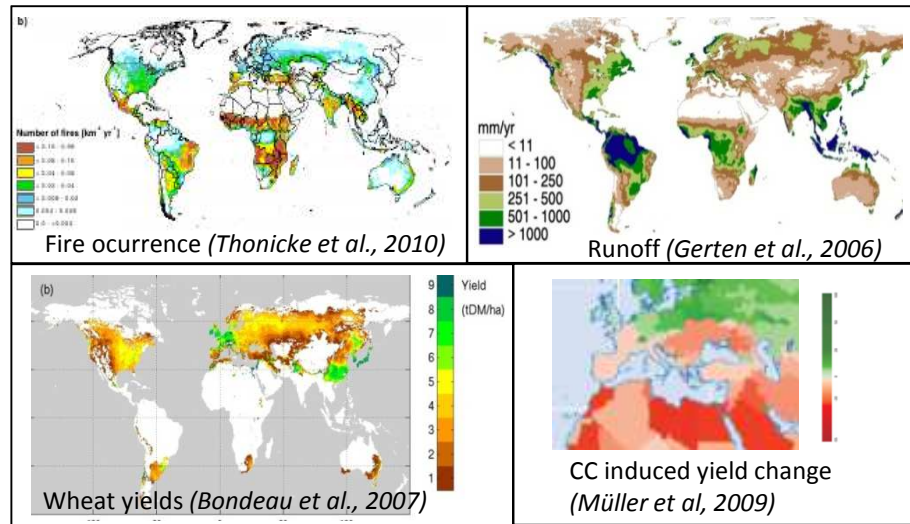


Mediterranean LPJmL
(PhD Simon Decock)

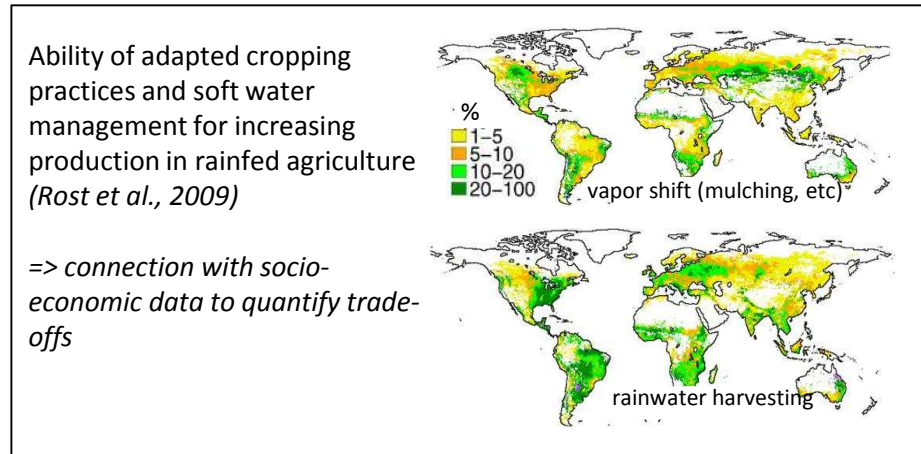
with perennial crops (olive, grapes) and different managements (e.g. mixed & low input farming, agroforestry), links with biodiversity

Example output from process-based LPJmL simulations



Accounting for agricultural management in a process-based model



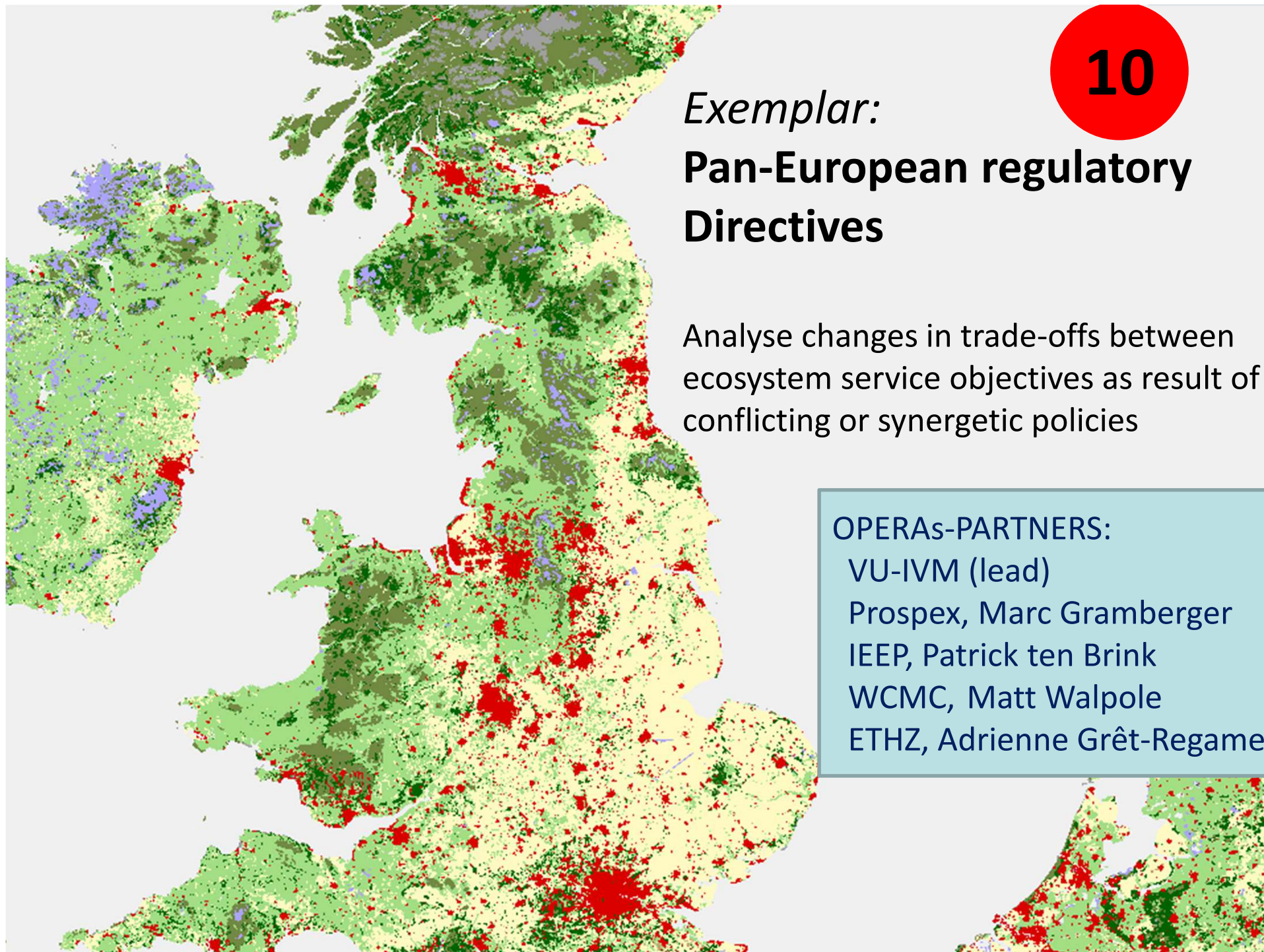
Subsequent estimation of tradeoffs between agricultural and non-agricultural ecosystem services, using adaptation of econometric models, e.g. InVest or ARIES (or with OPERAs partners?)

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Exemplar:
**Pan-European regulatory
Directives**

Analyse changes in trade-offs between ecosystem service objectives as result of conflicting or synergetic policies

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Pan-european exemplar: instruments

*Stakeholder process on
policy demand for
instruments at EU level*

Information tools:

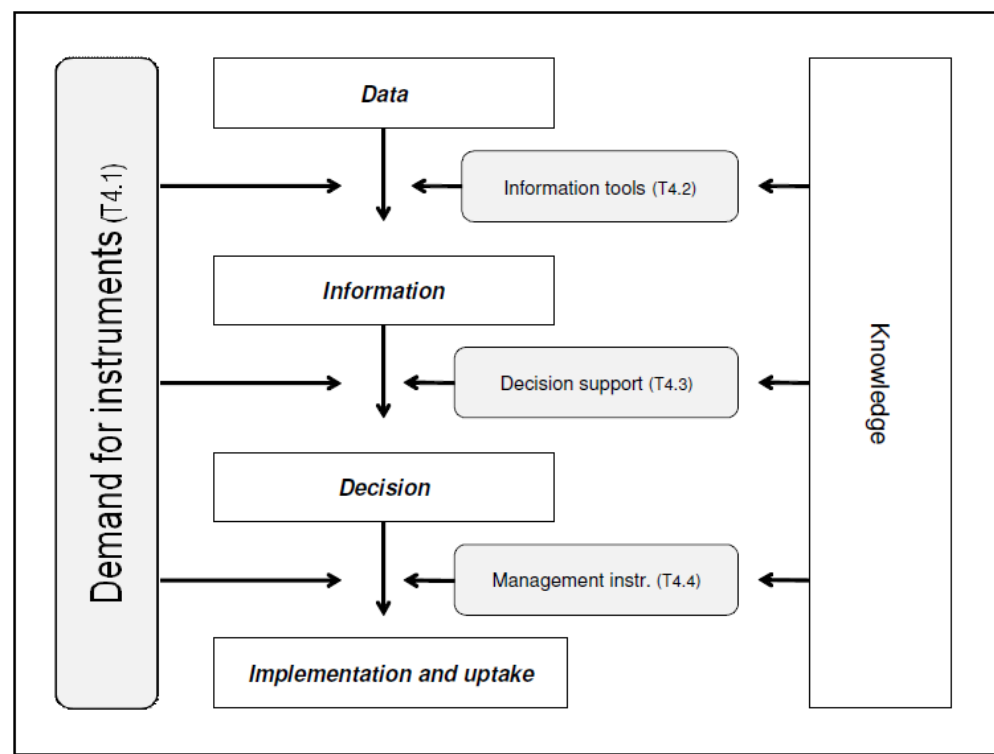
- Scenario analysis
- Impact assessment
- Trade-off analysis

Decision tools:

- Economic accounting??

Uptake:

- Stakeholder engagement (?)



Global mechanisms for climate protection and habitat conservation

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CENTRAL RESEARCH QUESTION

What are impacts of global policy foci on climate, biodiversity or biodiv & ES protection on regional, national and global scale?
What are balanced solutions accounting for multi-dimensional interaction between climate change, habitat loss and ES?

THE PLAN:

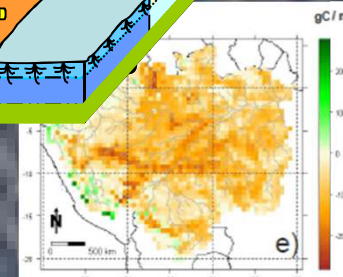
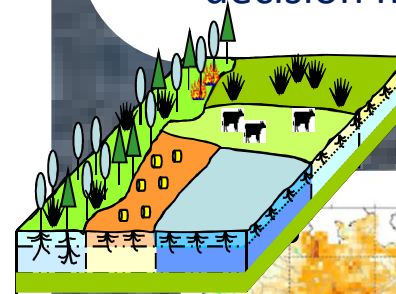
Multi-scale investigation in 3-5 tropical countries to analyse the impacts of different policy foci, by

- Large-scale modelling & economic valuation
- Regional case studies including ecosystem modelling and varying PES

TOOLS:

Information tools for policy making

- Simulation (land use, ecosystem response and post-processing quantification of ES)
- Economic valuation
- Regional ES modelling
- Regional PES schemes
- Dialogue with multi-level decision makers



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