

Takeaway Summary – Web Mapping tool

Purpose of Presentation

One of the aims of the OPERAs project is to allow information exchange between Practice, Knowledge and Instruments (and tools). This presentation will show various collaborations within the project between exemplars as well as knowledge studies and the Ecometrica Mapping tool. The latter is a visualization and communication tool that can be used to publish or communicate information in a user friendly and intuitive interface. A live demonstration of the Ecometrica Mapping tool will show (preliminary) results of several exemplar studies and a knowledge study on the Mapping tool.

What is new?

The Mapping tool has been shown at a previous User Board meeting to present results for the Global exemplar. This presentation will show a wider range of applications of the Mapping tool at various extents, ranging from global to local.

An example can be viewed here: operas-ghgv.ourecosystem.com

Why is this important?

The Ecometrica Mapping tool can be an important and useful tool to communicate with decision makers and stakeholders because often data and information in map format can appear to be “locked up” as hard copy maps are static and quickly outdated and often expert software is needed to extract useful information from these spatial data.

Who benefits from this and how could this be used in policy or practice?

Results in map format and other relevant spatial data can be combined in one location and accessible in one interface to enable policy makers, stakeholders, practitioners to extract the information needed to make informed decisions.

Academic and other institutions that produce spatial data can benefit from using the Mapping tool as it can be used to make their data accessible to a wide range of people.