

Landscape Classification

Definition

Landscape classification is a means of grouping different types of landscapes into categories to address similar types at once. Classification is important for communication because it provides a consistent frame of reference. As the classification of landscapes is complicated by the fact that it involves both human perception and physical reality, there are many different attempts, according to nationality but also to scientific background. EUCLAND set-up a European Agricultural Landscape classification based on identity, pattern, process, change, spatial relationship, social organisation and topography with 10 different classes. Landscape classification is a basis of the research on landscape structure, process, and function, and also, the prerequisite for landscape evaluation, planning, protection, and management, directly affecting the precision and practicability of landscape research.

Related terms

Landscape character

Keywords

Landscape units

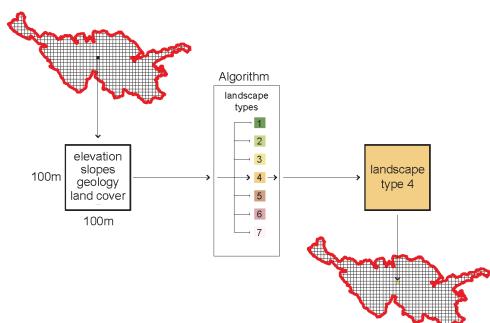


Figure 8a Illustration of a method of classification using an algorithm.
(Source: Bevk 2015)

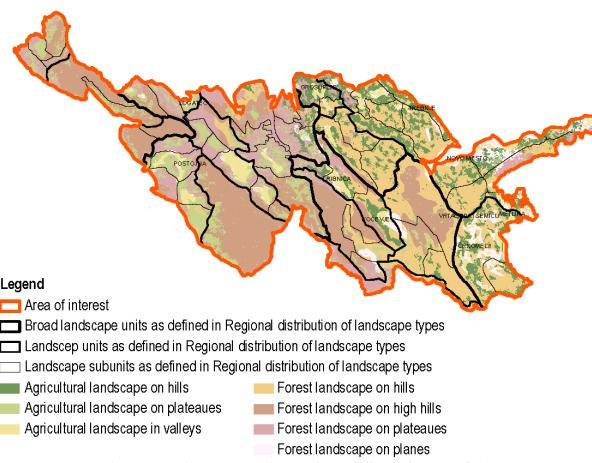


Figure 8b Typology and regionalization of the Karst landscapes of in the selected area of inner Slovenia.
(Source: Bevk 2015)

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Translations

Bosnia and Herzegovina	Klasifikacija pejzaža/ okoliša
Bulgarian	Класификация на ландшафта
Croatian	Klasifikacija krajolika
Czech	Klasifikace krajiny
Danish	Landskabs klassifikation
Dutch	Landschapsclassificatie
Esperanto	Klasifiko de pejzaĝo
Estonian	Maastiku klassifikatsioon
Finish	Maisemien luokittelu
French	Classification du paysage
German	Landschaftsklassifikation
Greek	Κάταταξη τοπίου
Hebrew	סיווג נוף
Hungarian	Tájosszámítás

Italian	Classificazione del paesaggio
Islandic	Flokkun landslags / landslagsflokkun
Latvian	Ainavas klasifikācija
Lithuanian	Kraštovaizdžio klasifikacija
Montenegrin	Klasifikacija pejzaža
Polish	Klasyfikacja krajobrazu
Portuguese	Classificação paisagística
Romanian	Clasificarea peisajului
Russian	Ландшафтная Классификация
Slovakian	Klasifikácia krajiny
Slovenian	Klasifikacija krajine
Serbian	Класификација пејзажа
Spanish	Clasificación del paisaje
Swedish	Landskapsklassificering