

HUMBOLDT Application Scenario

Protected Areas

The Protected Areas Scenario aims to transform geoinformation, managed by park authorities, into a seamless flow that combines multiple information sources from different governance levels (European, national, regional), and exploits this newly combined information for the purposes of planning, management and tourism promotion.

The scenario defines a number of use cases for which detailed user stories have been developed to address and examine planning and management issues, as well as tourism added value. The scenario develops the harmonisation process via active engagement with various stakeholders at the national and trans-national levels including national authorities and European agencies.

Intention:

The scenario was created to permit the exploitation of previous experience to support Humboldt project development.

Experience and lessons so far:

Implementation of this Fast Track Scenario, on the basis of a selected User Story, to serve as a reference for further development of the HUMBOLDT Scenarios. Revision of the Protected Areas Data Specifications in relation to the INSPIRE Data Specification for the Protected Sites data theme.

Next steps:

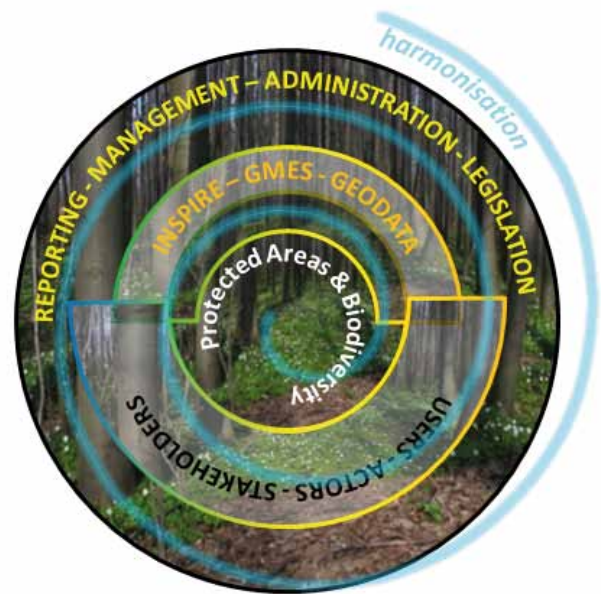
To provide harmonised linkages between the Protected Areas Scenario and the Transboundary Catchment Scenario. To create an example to serve as demonstration of the harmonisation capabilities of the HUMBOLDT tools in the Protected Areas domain.

User relevance

The participation of IGP (Instituto Geográfico Português) and the Italian Liguria Region Authority proved to be essential in assessing the needs of the different stakeholders and in the definition/assessment of the Protected Areas Scenario. At the same time, these partners are data providers, planning and management authorities, offering them a comprehensive example of good practice in this field.

Main user groups

Stakeholders at different levels face the need to harmonise data and information in their work and can be classified according to their purpose or roles in using geo-data and geo-information. These are recognised as: Decision makers, territorial governments, leisure and tourism operators, planners, citizens (individuals, associations and NGOs), researchers, commercial operators (geo-data providers, geo-services providers).



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