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Actions in Slovenia

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and

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The Organizing Committee is delighted to invite you to the

THEMATIC SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

"Soil Protection Activities and Soil Quality Monitoring in South Eastern Europe"

The Conference corresponds with the 60th anniversary of work of Dr. Husnija Resulović, Prof. Emeritus.

The Conference will be held at the Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Sarajevo on June 18th and 19th 4. skupna seja GLOBE in SVORS. Problematika gospodarjenja z urbanim in odprtim prostorom v Sloveniji v luči podražitev naravnih surovin in hrane v svetu





THE ECOLOGY WORKING GROUP FOCUSSING ON SOIL CONSERVATION
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SOIL DEGRADATION

- •reversible
- •irreversible





CLIMATE CHANGES



Soil Threats - EU (COM 231, 2006)

Expert judgement for Slovenia:

EROSION **

SEALING ****

CONTAMINATION *****

ORGANIC MATTER DECLINE ***

LANDSLIDES ***

SALINIZATION *

COMPACTION **

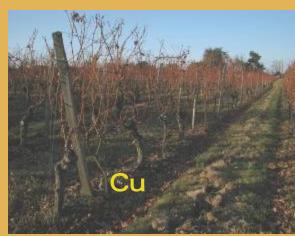
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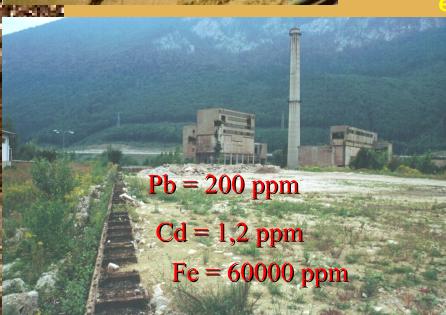


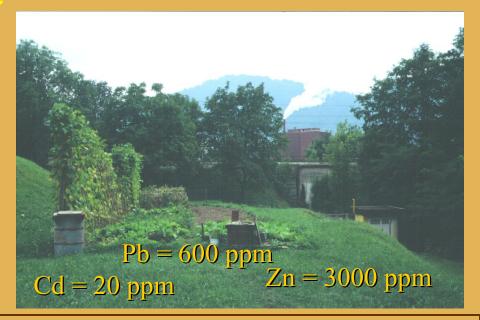
SOIL CONTAMINATION - INVISABLE TREATH

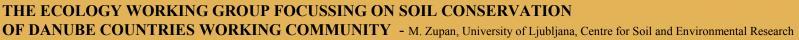






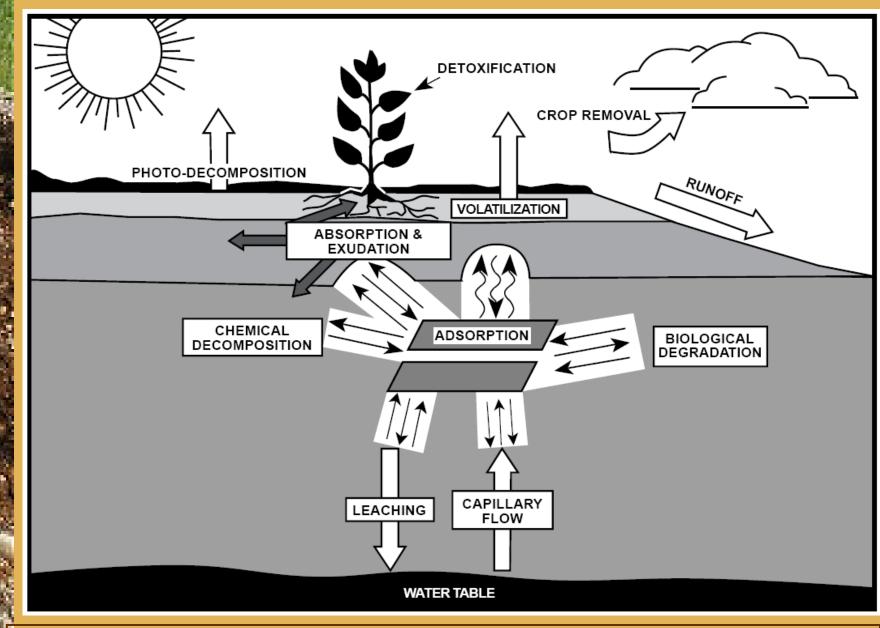






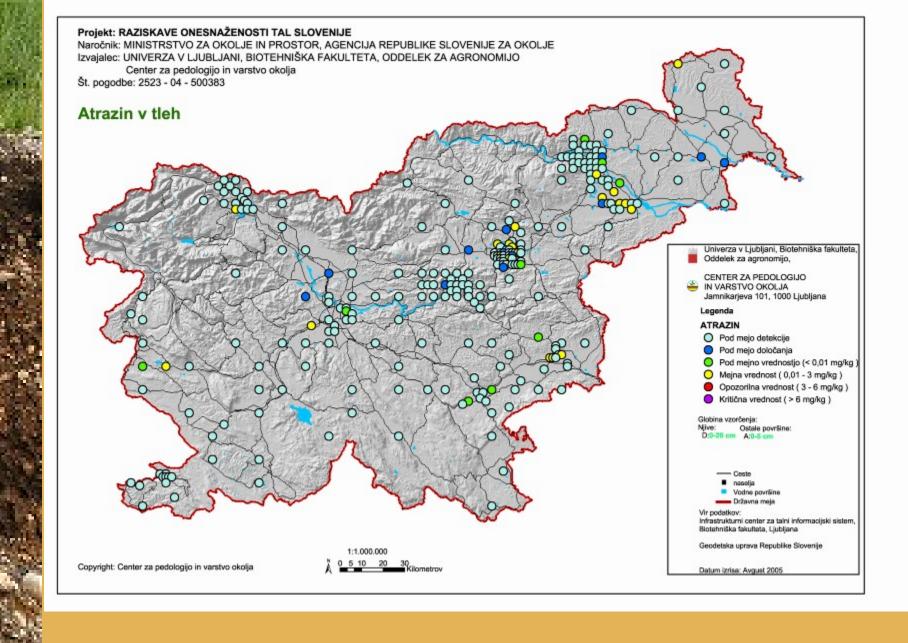


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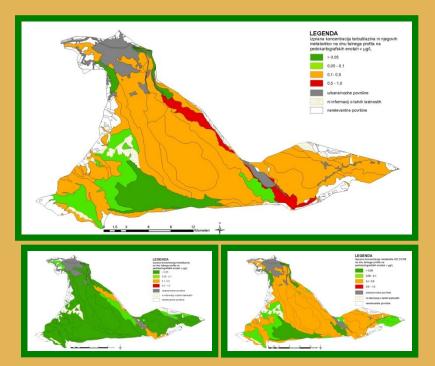
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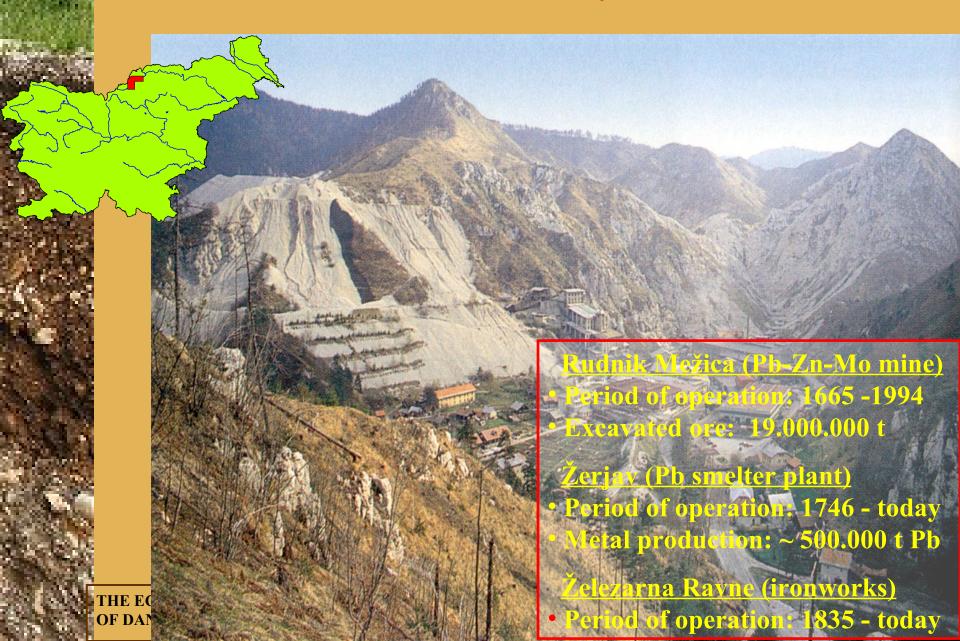




MINIG AND SMELTING FACILITIES



Impacts of Pb-Zn mine, Pb smelter and ironworks in Meža valley



1970 - 1980 the most severe pollution (SO₂)

Meza valley – smelter site ZERJAV

NATURAL SUCCESSION

(tolerant plants hyperaccumulators, ...)

Wally of death

SOILS ARE STILL HEAVILIY CONTAMNATED!

Decree on improvement of environmental conditions in Meza valley, 2008!







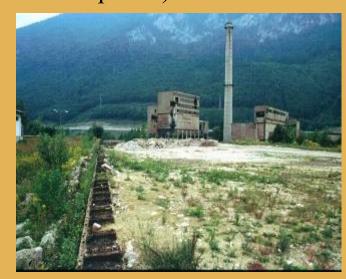
Recultivation, remediation and reuse of contaminated soils

Brownfields in urban areas

- could be rebuilt with new buildings or pavements (reuse)
- special care on management of contaminated material.

• all uncovered areas (soils) should be stabilised, covered with unpolluted fertile soil layer and revitalised with plants (grass or other

cover plants).













Soil legislation in Slovenia

- Article No. 96. of Environmental Protection Act monitoring of the State of the Environment (OJ RS, No. 32/93, 41/04, 39/06)
- Decree on the limit input concentration values of dangerous substances and fertilizers in soil (OJ RS, No. 84/05)
- Decree on the Limit, Warning and Critical Concentration Values of Dangerous Substances in Soil (OJ RS, No. 68/96)
- Rules on monitoring of the input of dangerous substances and plant nutrients into the soil (OJ RS, No. 55/97)
- Regulation on burdening of the soil with waste input (OJ RS, No. 3/03)
- National Environmental Action Plan (Official Journal of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 83/99) in and Resolution on National Environmental Action Plan 2005-2012. (OJ RS, No. 2/06).
- Agricultural land act (OJ RS, No. 59/96, 31/98 in 01/99)

OJ RS = Official Journal of the Republic of Slovenia





Soil monitoring in Slovenia is legislated by Environmental protection act (Official Journal of Republic of Slovenia, 1993, 2004, 2006), in Article No. 96. – environmental monitoring:

- ➤ The State shall carry out monitoring of natural phenomena, state of the environment and environmental pollution.
- The monitoring of natural phenomena shall include monitoring of meteorological, hydrological, erosion, geological, seismological, radiological and other geophysical phenomena.
- The monitoring of the state of the environment shall include monitoring of soil and air quality and of biological diversity.
- The monitoring of the environmental pollution shall include monitoring of emissions into soil, water and air.

SOIL POLLUTION MONITORING IN THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA



Decree on soil pollution monitoring



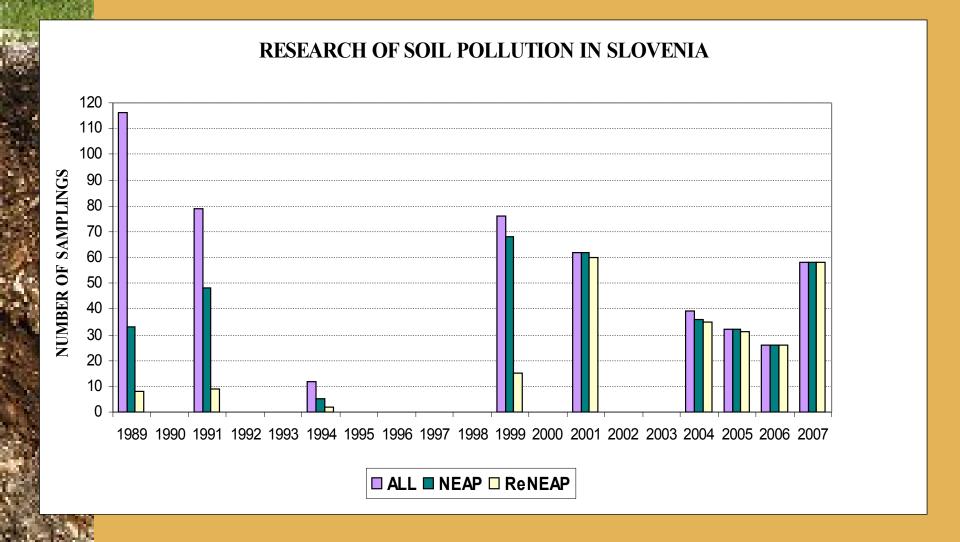


National Environmental Action Plan

- was adopted at the governmental level in 1999 and a Resolution on National Environmental Action Plan in 2006
- the NEAP set out the goals, guidelines and strategy for environmental protection and the use of natural resources
- the main goals are to prevent further chemical and physical contamination and to perform remedial actions where necessary and feasible,
- detailed action plan <u>for the next period (2005-2012)</u> is established including:
 - preparation of legislation concerning the soil immission monitoring on State level (National monitoring programme);
 - adoption the Codes of good agriculture practice according the Nitrate directive;
 - proceeding of the assessment of soil pollution (quality);
 - establishing soil information system on State level;
 - prevention measures including education and training.



Soil pollution assessment 1989 - 2007







- data are collected at the Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia (EARS),
 - this data are also part of data collection of Infrastructural center for Soil and Environmental Science within Network of research infrastructual centers of University of Ljubljana
- database on soil at EARS is under development (Oracle, SDE, GIS),
- reports are available on the Internet, other data on request,
- reporting to EEA not obligatory, Slovenia does not report, since the requested data is reffering to local contaminated sites (register is not established jet)





- comparison of so far existing methodology for soil quality assessment in Slovenia (ROTS, 2000) which should be harmonized regarding the EU guideline (overview of soil, harmonization of reference methods for parameters, equipment and holders of activity),
- elaboration of framework programme of sampling regarding ReNEAP objectives (from assessment to monitoring),
- to compile and implement Decree (Rules) on soil pollution monitoring.





The following should be done:

Inclusion of contents according to EU legislation:

- monitoring establishment and defining operative method and form of reporting for state and EU purposes,
- soil information system and its inclusion in others (GIS) national and EU information systems,
- proposal of remediation measures for most endangered areas,
- implementation of remediation actions.



ORGANIC MATTER IN SLOVENIAN SOILS

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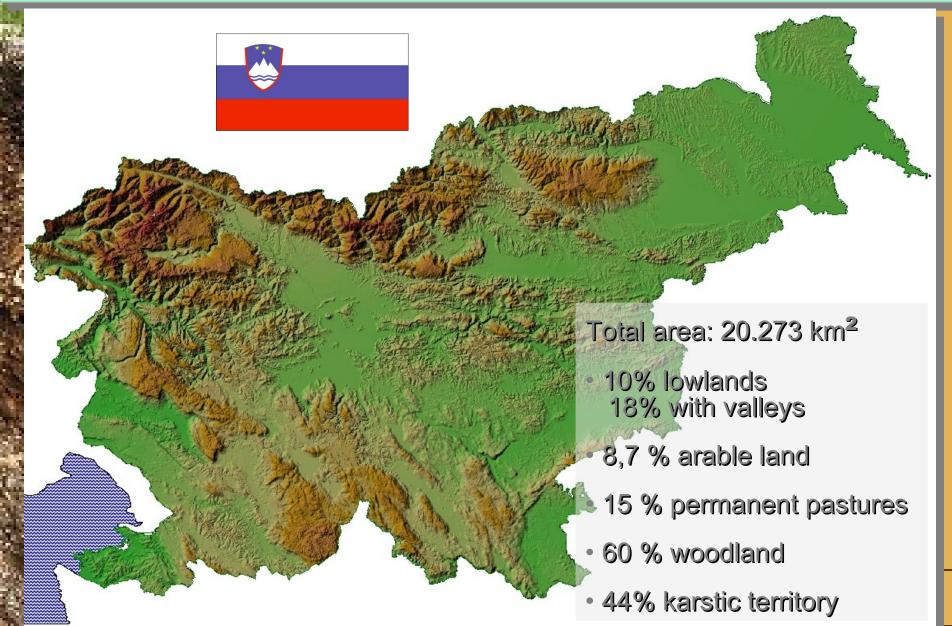
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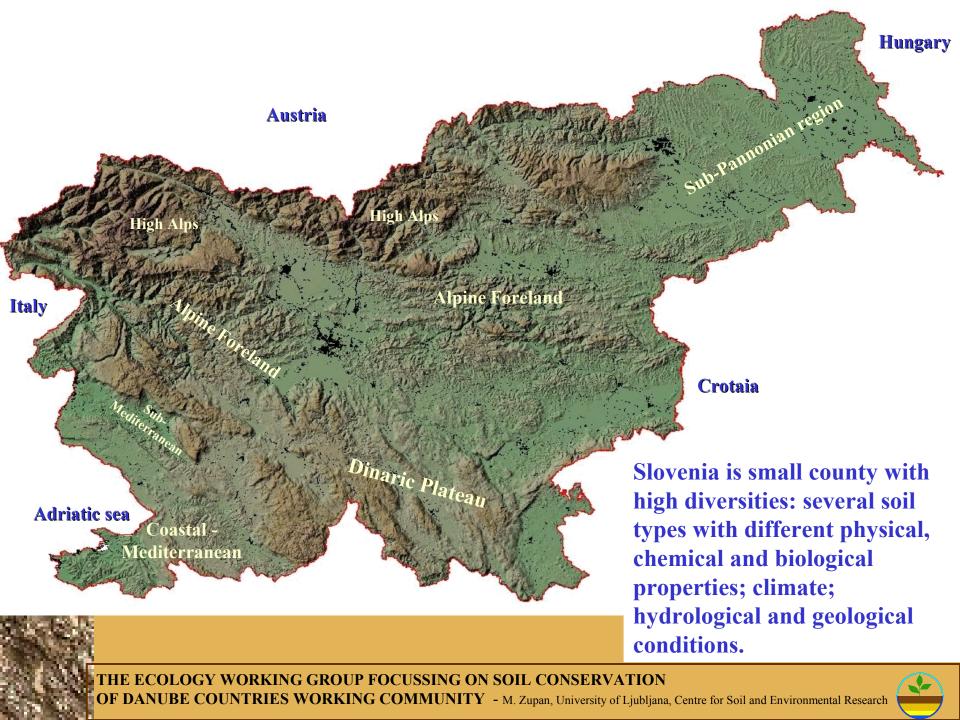
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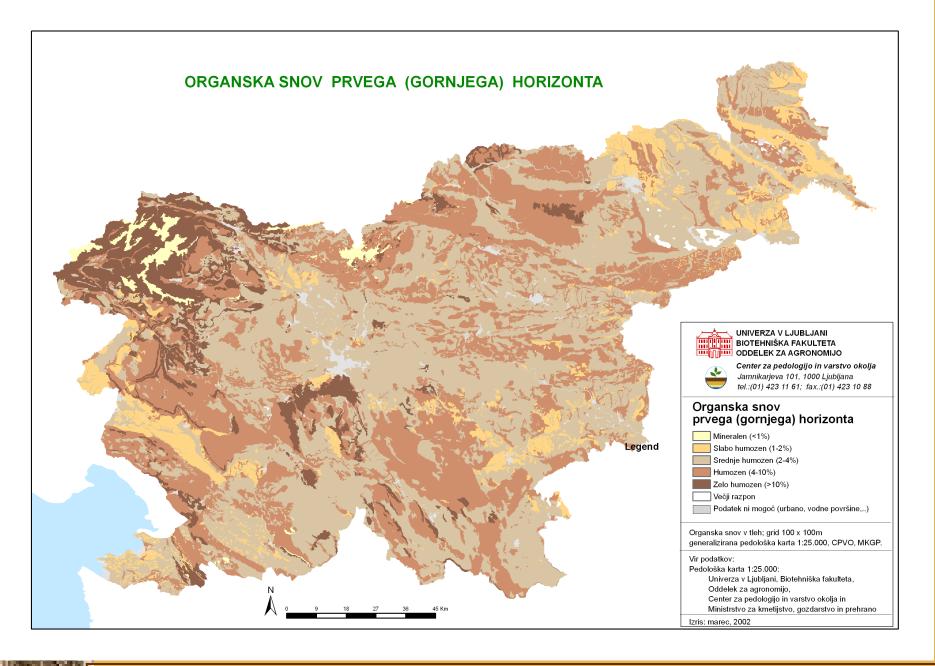




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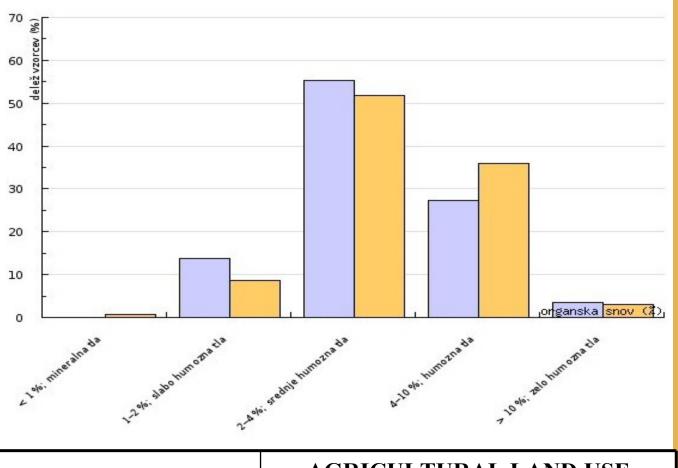
ORGANIC MATTER CONTENT IN SLOVENIAN SOILS (% OM)

| Soil depth (cm) | Soil organic matter (%) | | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|
| | SOIL POLLUTION ASSESSMENT* | | SOIL FERTILITY PROGRAM** | | | |
| | grassland | arable | grassland | arable | plantations | |
| 0-5 | 11,2 | | 5,7 – 9,1 | | | |
| 5-20 | 6 | 3,9 | | 3,4 – 3,7 | 2,3 – 3,2 | |
| 20-30 | 3,4 | | | | | |

^{*} Zupan et. al, 2008



^{**} Sušin et al., 2007



- Humid climate
- Land use (grasslands)
- Organic fertilizer

| SOIL ORGANIC MATTER CONTENT | AGRICULTURAL LAND USE (topsoil) | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| (%) | Soil inventory | Fertility control | |
| > 2 | 86,2 % | 90,7 % | |
| > 4 | 30,9 % | 39,0 % | |

Sušin & Vrščaj, 2007





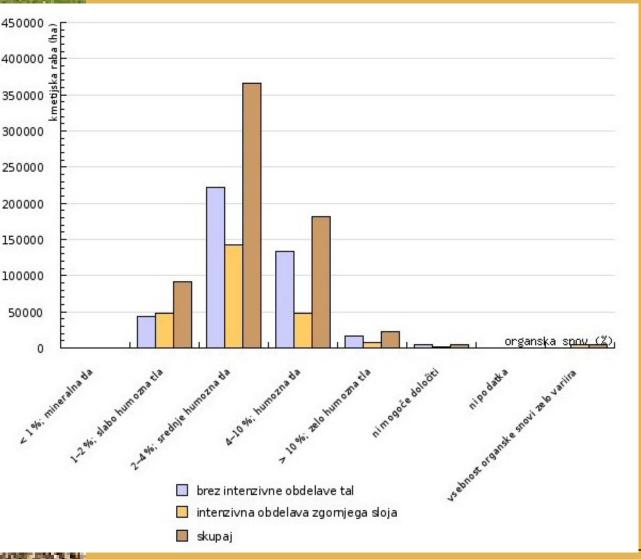
- 886 soil profiles (national soil inventory and BIOSOIL project)
- for bulk density PTF ware used (% clay, % Corg.)

| | CARBON STOCK (t/ha) | | | | |
|----------|---------------------|-----------------|----------|--|--|
| Land use | Organic part | Mineral part | Together | | |
| ARABLE | 0 | 164 | 164 | | |
| FORESTS | 5,6 | 150 | 155,6 | | |
| PASTURES | 3,4 | 150 | 153,4 | | |
| MEADOWS | 2,8 | 143 | 145,8 | | |

Kobal et al., 2007



IMPACT OF SOIL CULTIVATION ON SOIL ORGANIC MATTER CONTENT



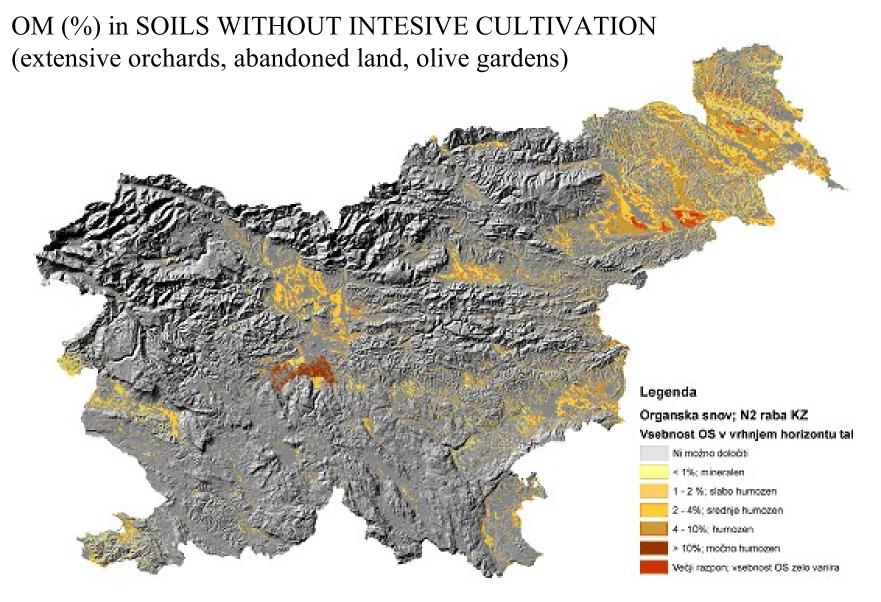
WITHOUT INTENSIVE CULTIVATION orchards, abandoned land, olive gardens

extensive

INTENSIVE CULTIVATION (PLOUGHING) fields, gardens, plantations (hop, grape, fruit)

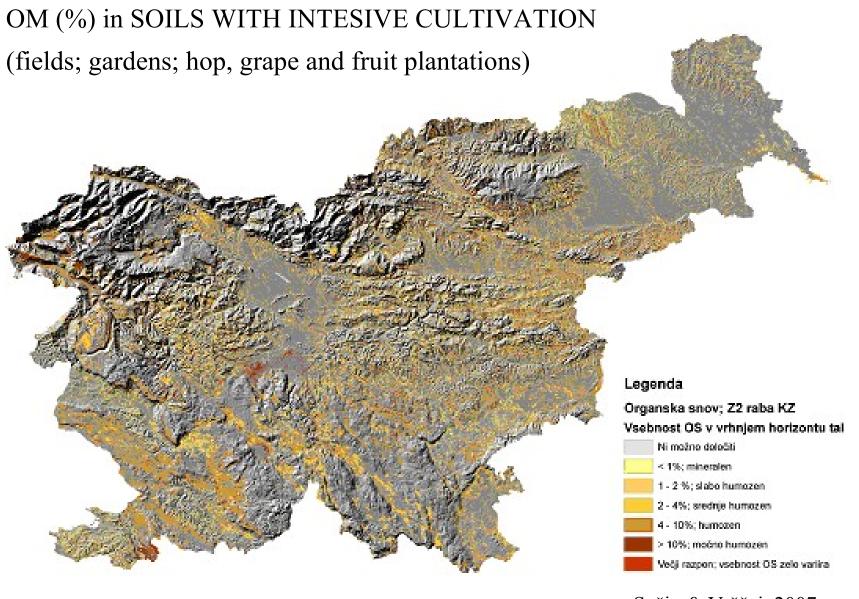
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