

Landscape History

Course description

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Course code: EG176-0BBB0

Credit points: 3

Evaluation: oral exam / written exam / mid-term grade

Instruction hours/week (lecture + practice): 2 + 0

Language: English

Course content

'Landscape history' reveals the human nature interaction and its results during the history of humankind. Focusing on human impact the main changes of the landscapes are presented in the course. Both positive and negative case are shown, explaining the different land use and resource management systems in the past. Through these examples the driving forces of the harmonious man-nature relationship and the causes of regional and global environmental degradations are unfolded giving bases for adequate future environmental and land use strategies and for sustainable development.

Lectures present the main sources, methods and results of landscape history. Most relevant landscape change processes and impacts from local to global scale are reviewed. Some relevant examples throughout Europe and in the Carpathian basin highlights the message of the subjects focusing on the maintainance of the natural and cultural values.

Required and recommended reading

Konkoly-Gyuró É. ed.: Readings in landscape history. Digital Textbook prepared for the course
Landscape History Journal <https://www.tandfonline.com/loi/r1sh20>