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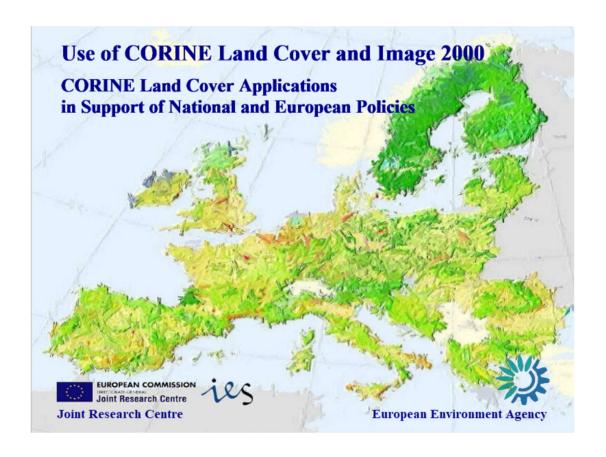
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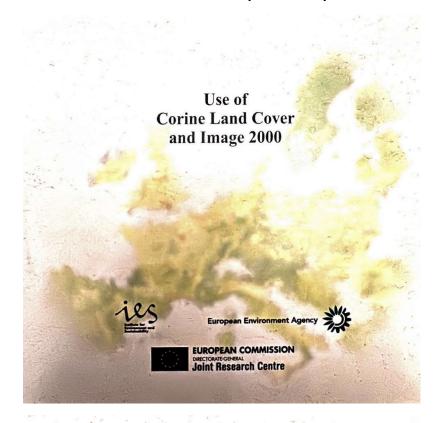
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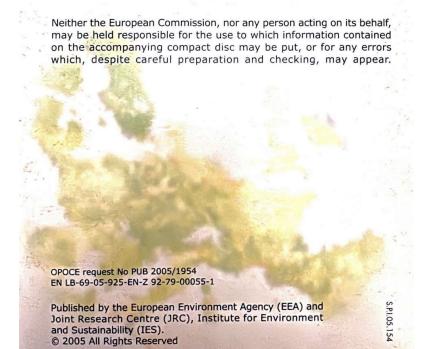
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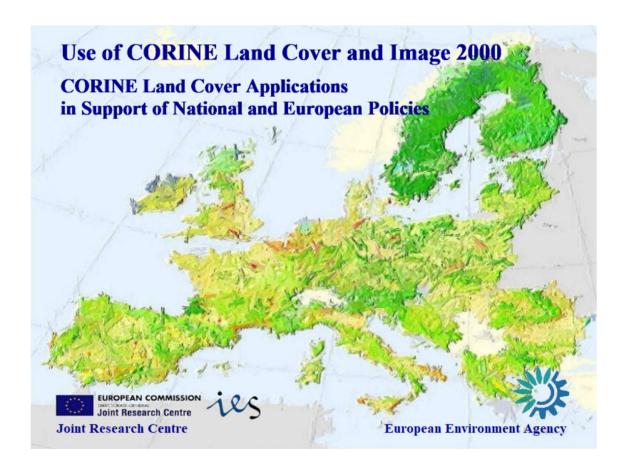




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This publication introduces the readers to information on applications from different European countries in support of the 6th Environmental Action Programme as well as several sectoral policies based on CORINE Land Cover.

This publication is part of a joint publication by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) and the European Environment Agency (EEA). The objective of this joint publication is to provide a general reference for CORINE Land Cover, its methodology and applications.



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The objective of the European Environment Agency (EEA) is to provide policy makers with timely and relevant environmental information. Regarding land cover (LC), EEA aims to provide those responsible for and interested in European policy on the environment with qualitative and quantitative LC data that is consistent and comparable across the continent.

As part of the EEA mandate, the CORINE Land Cover (CLC) database initiated by the Commission in 1985 should be further maintained and regularly updated. Consistent geo-referenced LC information has been identified by different national and European policies as a key database for integrated environmental assessment. In order to reach this goal EEA and the Joint Research Centre (JRC) launched the IMAGE2000 and CLC2000 Project (I&CLC2000), which includes as well the updating of the CLC database. The satellite image 'snap shot' of the EU territory (IMAGE2000) is the principal material to undertake the updating of CLC database for the year 2000 (CLC2000) and to identify main LC changes occurring in Europe within the period 1990-2000.

The project is also extended to several other European countries, 10 of which are new members of the European Communities from 1st May 2004. The dissemination and use of the I&CLC2000 products is defined in an agreement between the EEA, the European Commission and the participating countries. The database, which has been finished early 2005 for 29 countries covers about 4,5 million km2 with 25 ha spatial resolution. The CLC-changes database has 5 ha spatial resolution.

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In 1991 the CORINE programme was extended to the Central and Eastern European countries.



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In 2000 the update of the CORINE land cover data base was launched as a joint activity between the Member States and the European Community, and gradually expanded to all EEA member countries and even beyond. The overall coordination of work was ensured by the European Environment Agency jointly with JRC/IES (Institute for Environment and Sustainability). In 2004 the IMAGE and CORINE Land Cover 2000 databases were officially released to the public and can be accessed via EEA and JRC websites at the following addresses: http://dataservice.eea.eu.int and http://image2000.jrc.it.

CORINE Land Cover provides consistent information on land cover and land cover changes across Europe during the past decade.

The 1990 CLC survey has been accessed and used by people working primarily in the field of environment, but also research, agriculture, physical planning, forestry, education, transport, demography, tourism, energy and health. The update of CLC is expected to reach a broader audience ranking from policy makers at all levels, to the public at large.

The CD in hands, without any intention of being exhaustive, offers a practical and easily understandable glimpse on how the databases could be applied in concrete situations, as well as on what is the added value brought by using them. All the examples presented are based on Image and CORINE Land Cover databases and are developed by experts and institutions throughout Europe.

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CORINE Land Cover has been and continues to be one of the most frequently downloaded database from the EEA data service. During a country survey at the end of 2003 the national authorities responsible for the dissemination of national CLC data reported significant number of usages of the database by various organisations and for various fields of application, which subsequently sparked the idea for this publication.

The list of sectors in which CLC data has been successfully used, is being led by the environment applications, followed by research, agriculture, spatial planning and education.

Within the environmental domain itself, applications for nature conservation & biodiversity in combination with water related applications account for close to 40% of all these applications.

Of increasing importance are transboundary applications, especially in the context of river basin management or spatial planning and since the completion of the CLC2000 database - the mapping and analysis of land cover changes.

This publication does not aim to provide an exhaustive overview of existing applications or even fields of applications. This would never be possible as the number of applications is increasing every day. Therefore, the authors of this publication would like to encourage those who have developed

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Applications Review

This section provides a review of applications that have been employed in the research and information functions related to CORINE Land Cover. The applications describe the use of CLC90, CLC2000 as well as IMAGE2000 products.

The review is constructed in support of the 6th Environmental Action Programme nomenclature in the form of domains and sub-domains, mainly:

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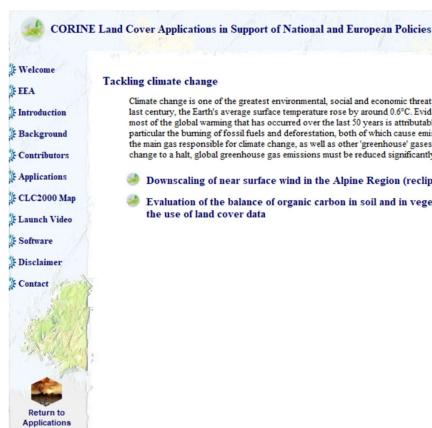


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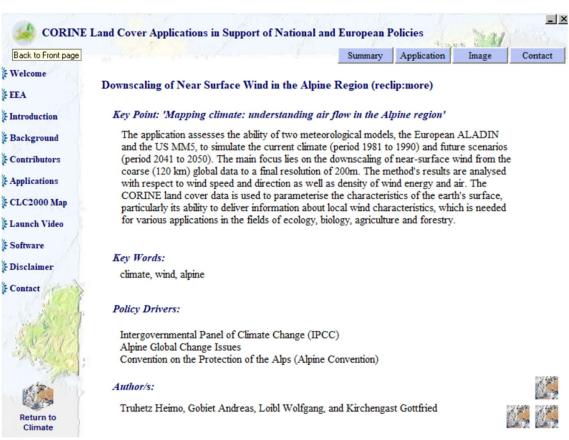
Climate change is one of the greatest environmental, social and economic threats facing the planet. During the last century, the Earth's average surface temperature rose by around 0.6°C. Evidence is getting stronger that most of the global warming that has occurred over the last 50 years is attributable to human activities, particular the burning of fossil fuels and deforestation, both of which cause emissions of carbon dioxide (CO2), the main gas responsible for climate change, as well as other 'greenhouse' gases. In order to bring climate change to a halt, global greenhouse gas emissions must be reduced significantly.

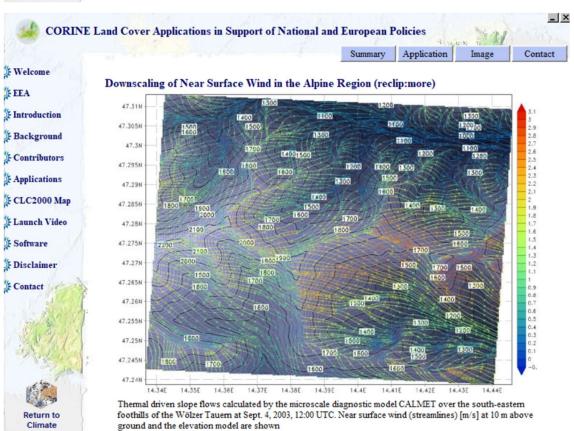
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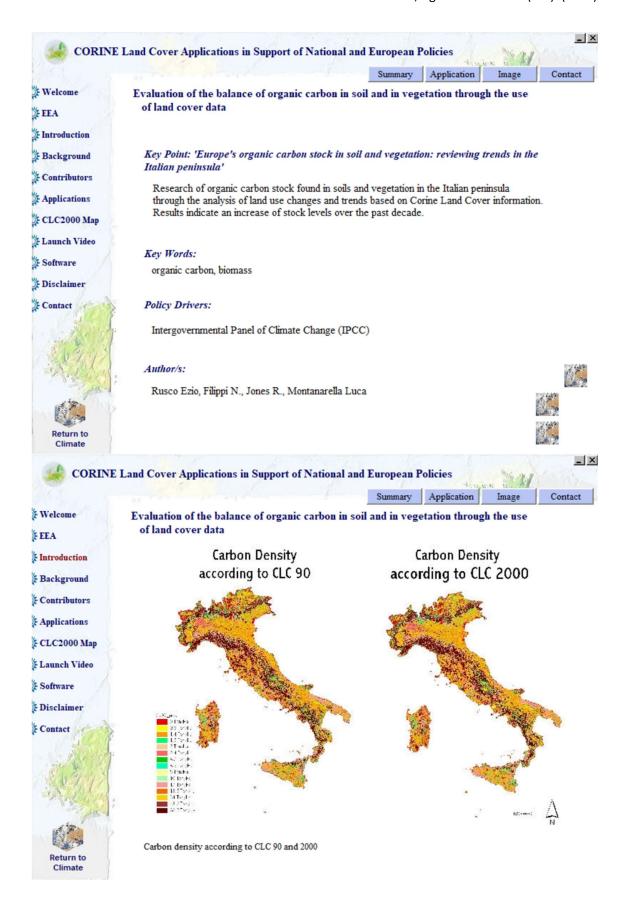
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Biodiversity Loss And Understanding Spatial Change

Despite the improved conservation policies introduced in the Member States, the EU's precious 'biodiversity' - essential for supporting life on this planet - continues to be under serious threat. Poor planning, wasteful land-use and intensive farming methods have resulted over the years in the destruction of many natural habitats such as wetlands, which many wild species depend upon for their survival. In Europe, many native sepcies are threatened. Birds such as the slender-billed curlew are now so rare that they risk extinction, while even numbers of common species such as skylark and garden warbler have fallen dramatically.

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Development of Ecological Networks in Baltic Countries (example: Estonia)

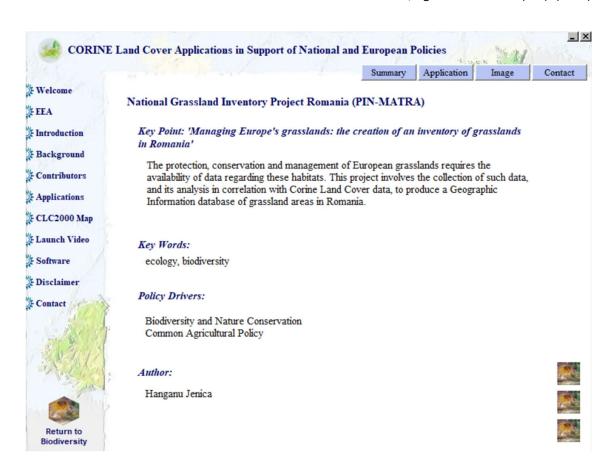
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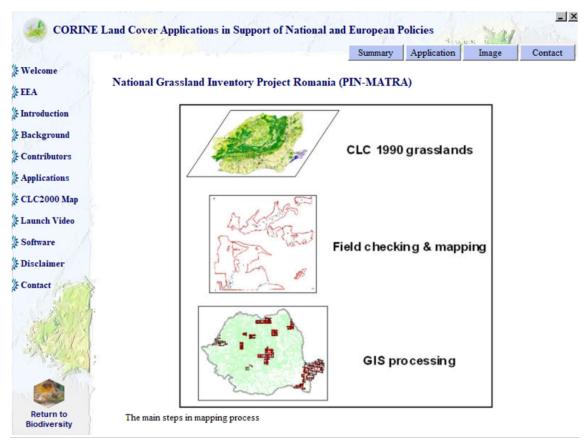
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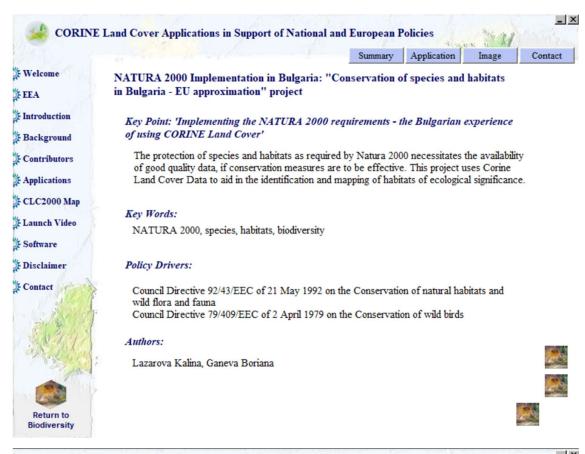
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Andalusian biodiversity map: Creation of a model that evaluates the biodiversity using normalized variables existing in SinambA (Andalusian Environmental Information Net) that would help to obtain a cartography at an adequate scale from this source. Afterwards, development of an evaluation and continuation of this cartography.









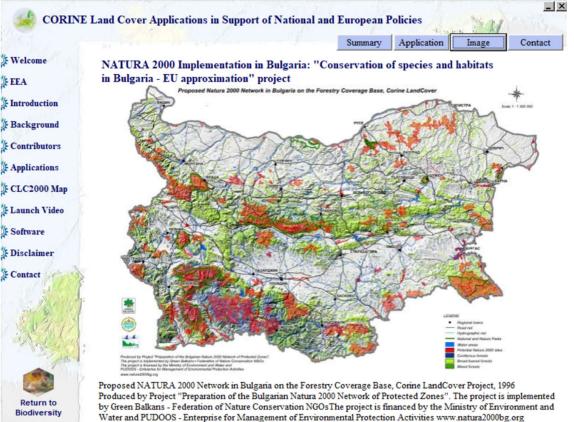
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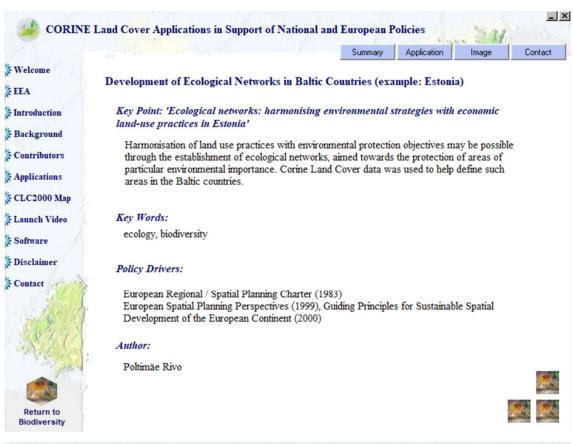
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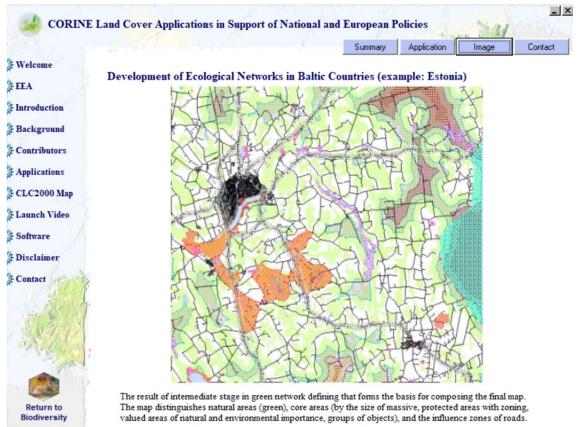
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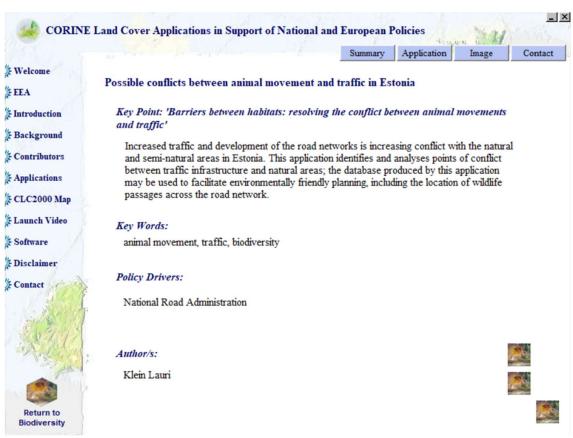
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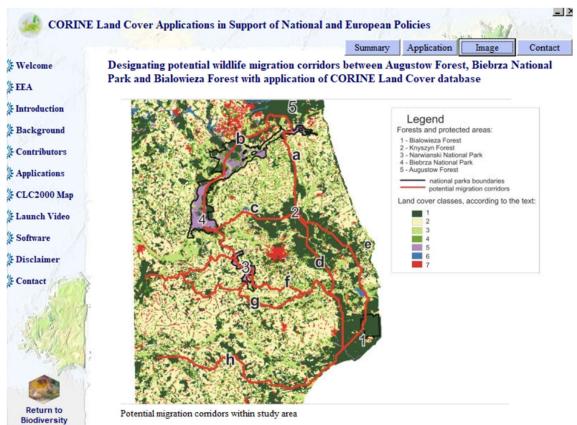
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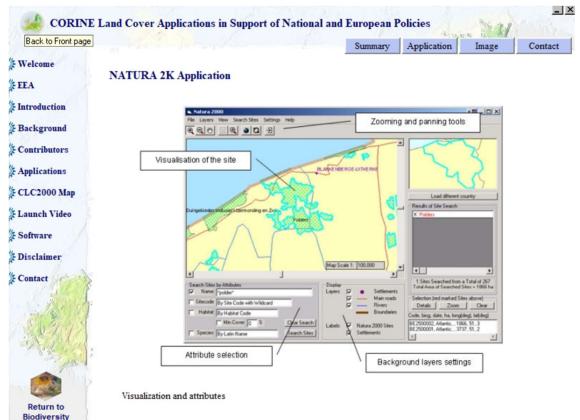
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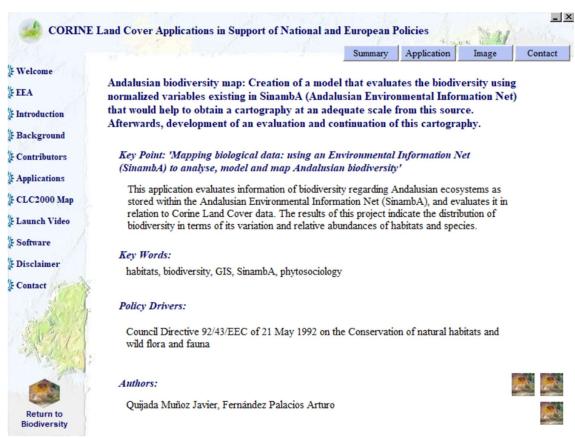
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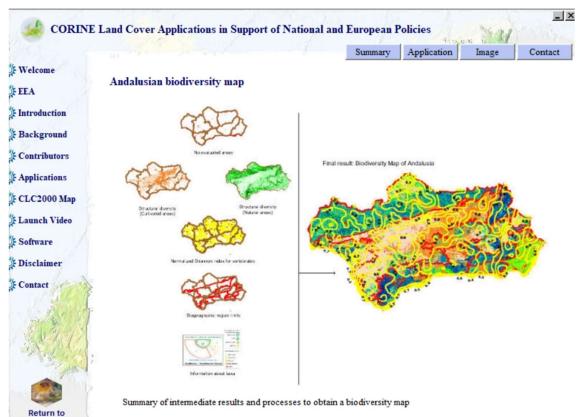




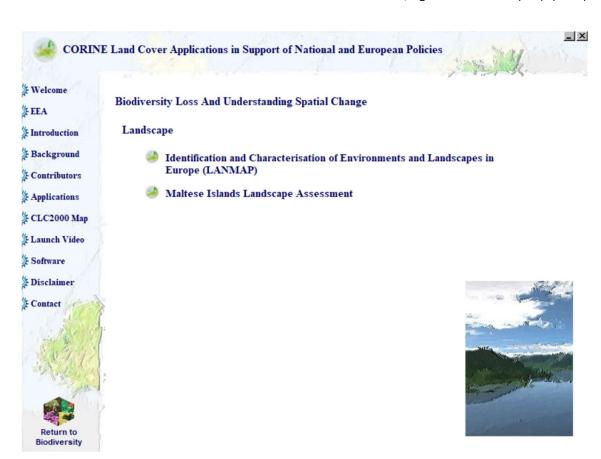


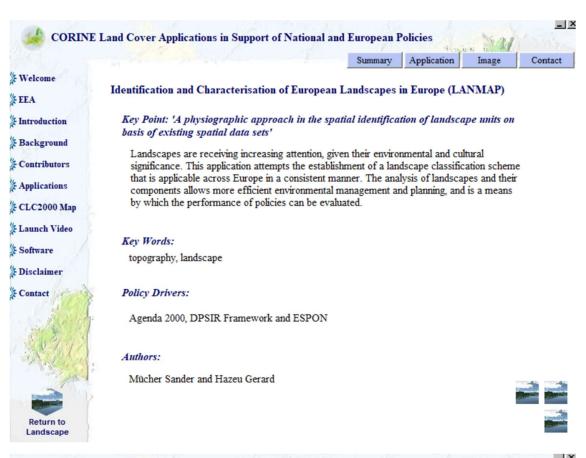






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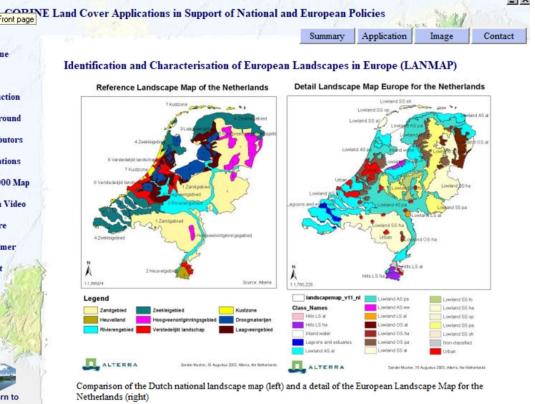
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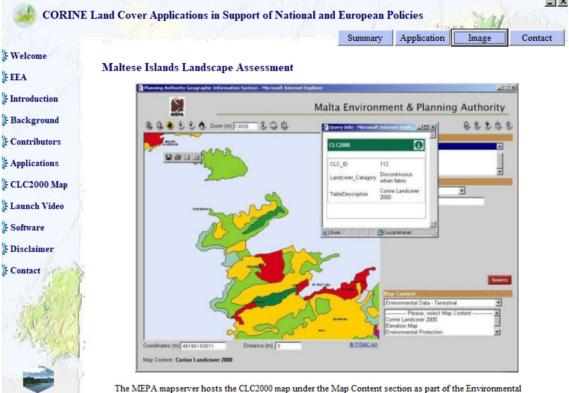
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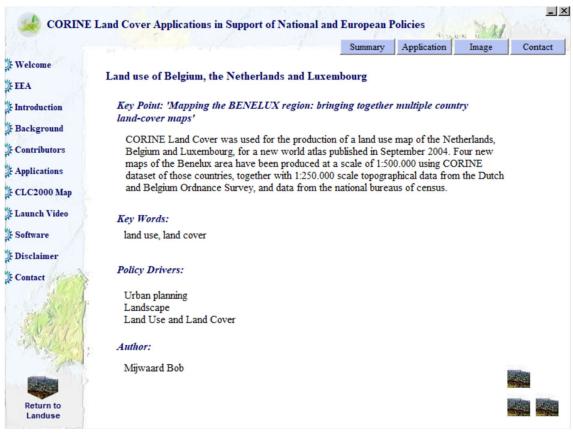


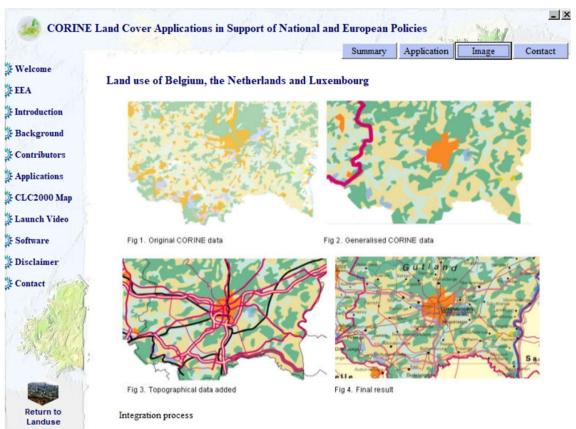
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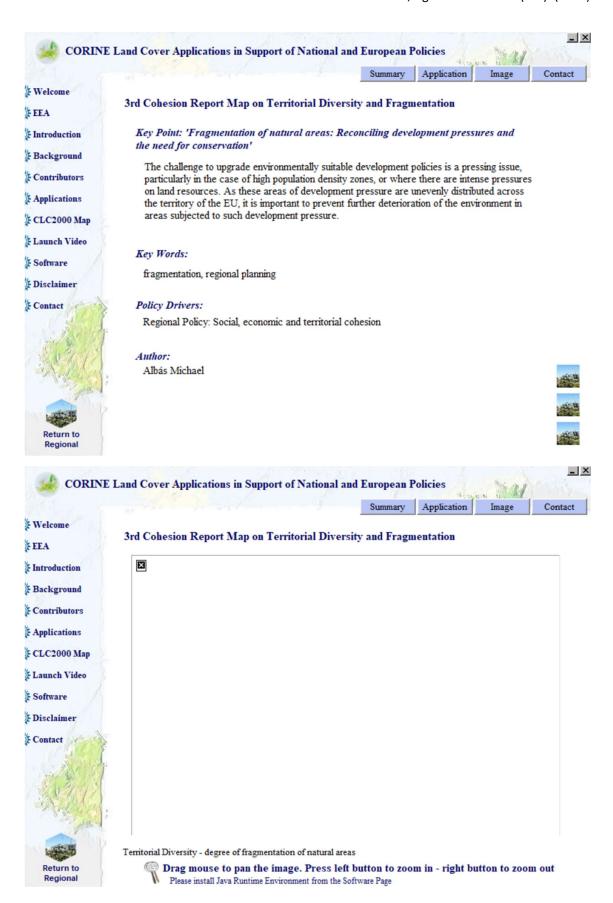
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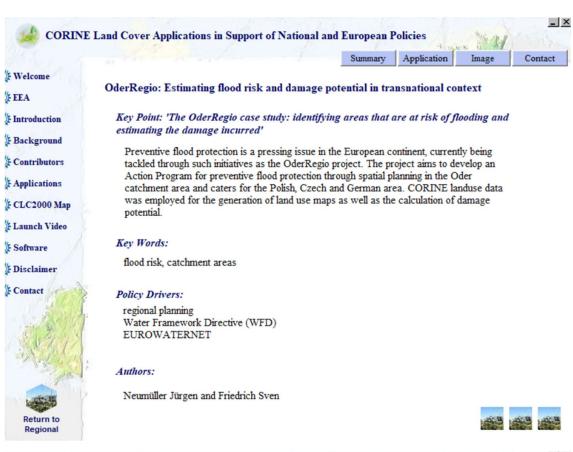
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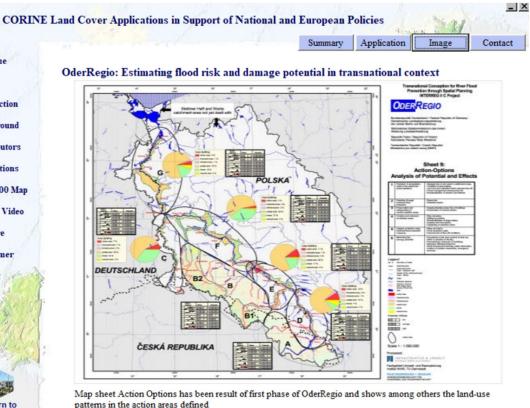
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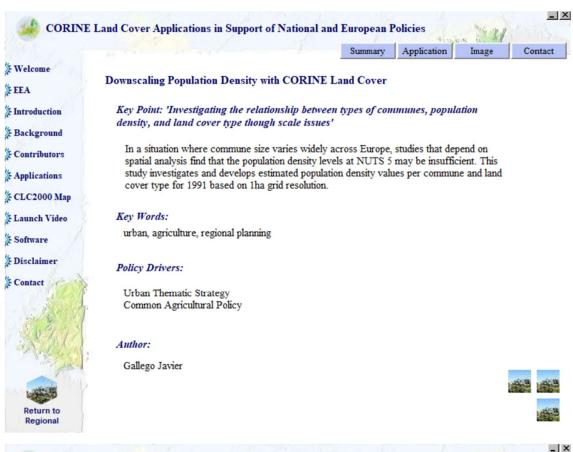
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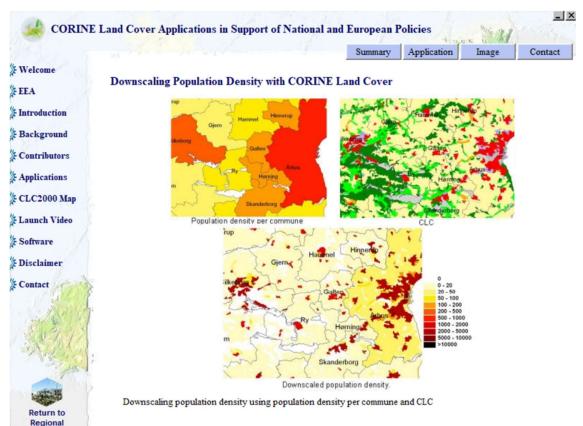
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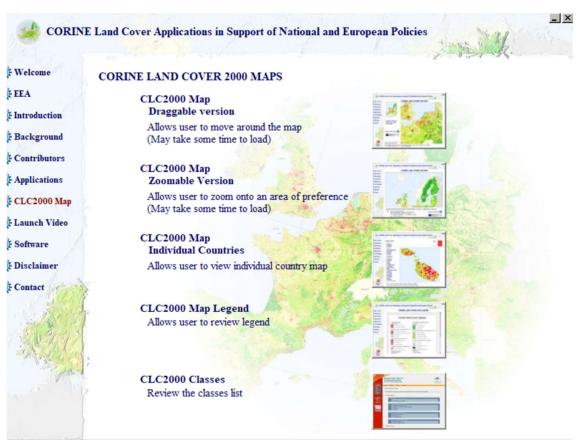
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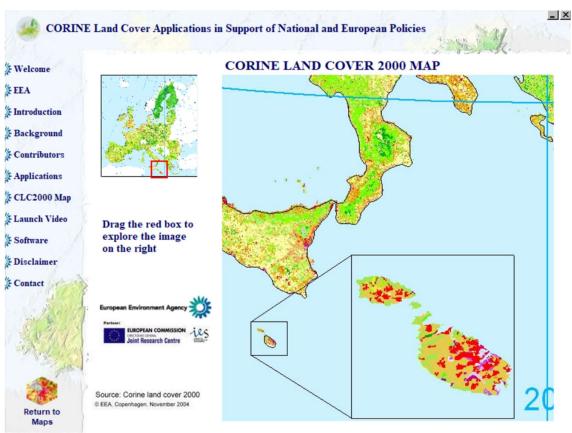
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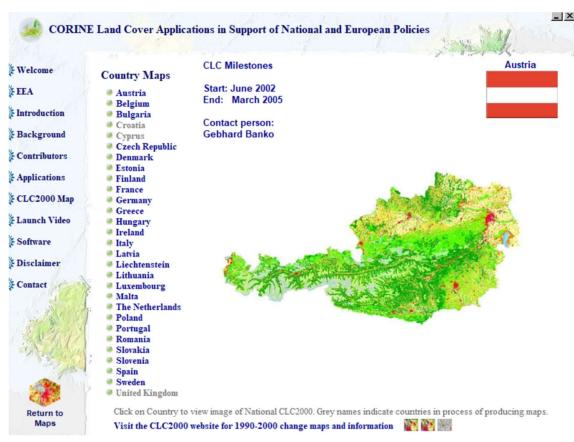


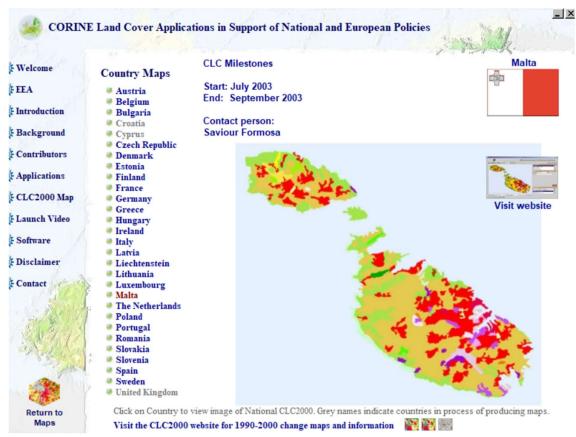


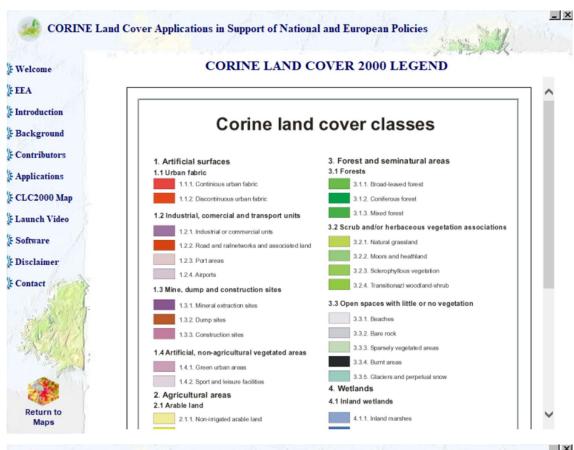




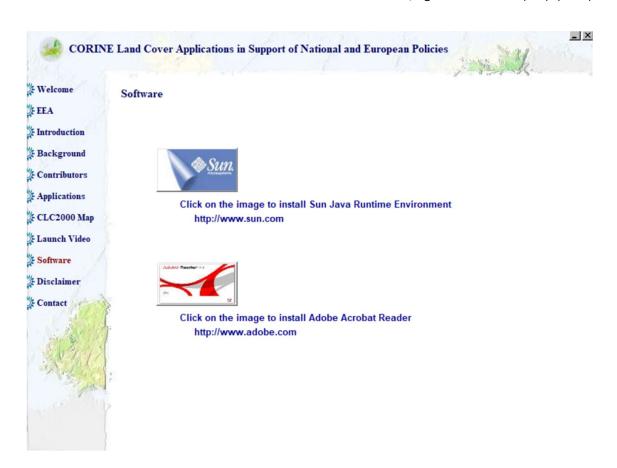












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