



Protected Areas 2020 (raster 10m) based on CDDA, Natura 2000 and Emerald Network datasets, Jan. 2022

The "Protected Area" data set is a raster data set combining of the following data sources:

- Nationally designated areas (CDDA) for internal use - version 19, June 2021
- Natura 2000 (vector) - version 2020, July 2021
- Emerald Network data - the Pan-European network of protected sites version 2020, Sept 2021

The internal version of the European inventory of Nationally designated areas (CDDA dataset version 19, 2021) holds information about designated areas and their designation types, which directly or indirectly create protected areas. The data is delivered by the Eionet partnership countries as spatial and tabular information. EEA does not have permission to distribute some or all sites reported by Estonia, Ireland and Türkiye.

Natura 2000 is the key instrument to protect biodiversity in the European Union. It is an ecological network of protected areas, set up to ensure the survival of Europe's most valuable species and habitats. Natura 2000 is based on the 1979 Birds Directive and the 1992 Habitats Directive. Please be aware that some Member States have submitted sensitive information that has been filtered out of the Natura 2000 database. The Natura 2000 version used for this dataset covers the reporting in 2020.

The Emerald Network is an ecological network made up of Areas of Special Conservation Interest. The objective of the Emerald Network is the long-term survival of the species and habitats. The Emerald Network consists of the Areas of Special Conservation Interest (ASCI) designated under Recommendation No. 16 (1989) and Resolution No. 3 (1996) of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention. The Emerald version used for this dataset covers the reporting in 2020.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Because of the use of the internal CDDA spatial dataset, no spatial maps or other visualizations showing potential location of protected areas may be generated from the PA data set presented here. For spatial representation of the CDDA data please refer to the public versions registered in SDI (<https://sdi.eea.europa.eu/catalogue/srv/eng/catalog.search#/metadata/c0c9663b-ea1c-4068-b8b5-533f40539bdf>).

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GEMET - INSPIRE themes, version 1.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Protected sites			
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Continents, countries, sea regions of the world.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kosovo (UNSCR 1244/99) Norway EU27 (from 2020) North Macedonia Switzerland Bosnia and Herzegovina Iceland Serbia Albania EFTA4 United Kingdom Montenegro
GEMET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> protected marine zone environmental protection site protection protected landscape natural area natural areas protection biodiversity protection
Spatial scope	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> European
INSPIRE priority data set	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natura 2000 sites (Habitats Directive) Nationally designated areas - CDDA Directive 92/43/EEC EEA Annual Work Programme Natura 2000 sites (Birds Directive) Directive 2009/147/EC

Resource constraints

No information provided.

Access constraints	Other restrictions
Other constraints	public access limited according to Article 13(1)(b) of the INSPIRE Directive
Use constraints	Other restrictions
Other constraints	This dataset contains parts which are restricted by the data providers and not to be made public. EEA does not have permission to distribute some or all sites reported by Estonia, Ireland and Türkiye.
Spatial representation type	Grid
Distance	10 m
Language of dataset	English
Topic category	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environment

Extent

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Conformance result

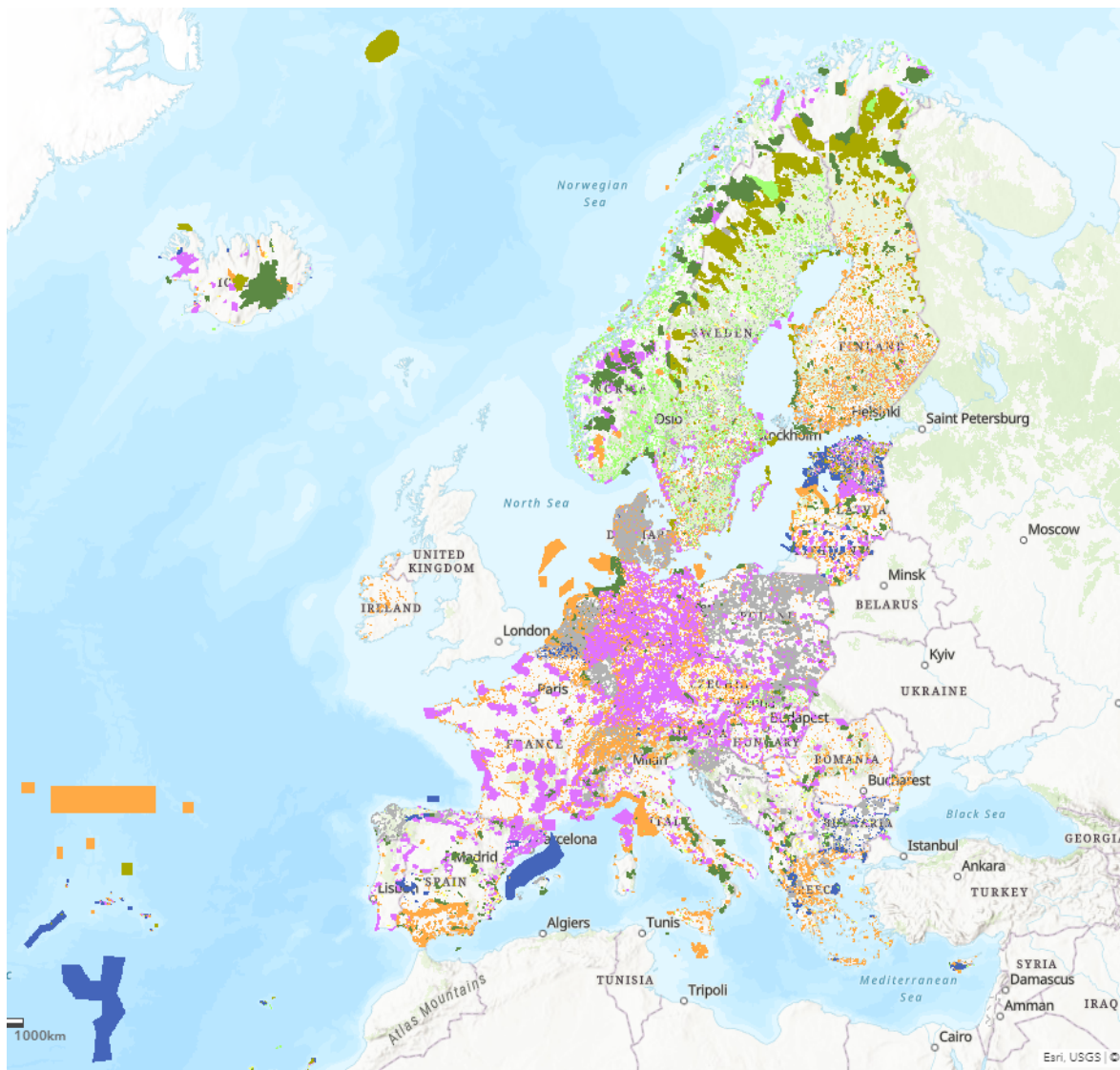
Title	Commission Regulation (EU) No 1089/2010 of 23 November 2010 implementing Directive 2007/2/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards interoperability of spatial data sets and services
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Explanation	See the referenced specification

Statement	<p>This 10m protected area (PA 2021) raster dataset was created to solve the problems of overlays between and inside the different protection vector datasets and to obtain a simple raster format for JEDI and GIS processing.</p> <p>Each of the three vector input data was first converted to 10m binary raster. Then the three raster files were summarized and a fixed raster value was assigned to</p> <p>each combination of protected "type" (CDDA only = 10, CDDA and Natura 2000 =11,):</p> <p>-----</p> <p>PIXEL values:</p> <p>Protected areas lookup tables</p> <p>-----</p> <p>code protection type</p> <p>1 Natura 2000 only</p> <p>10 CDDA only</p> <p>11 Natura2000 and CDDA</p> <p>100 Emerald only</p> <p>101 Emerald and Natura 2000 *</p> <p>110 CDDA and Emerald</p> <p>111 CDDA, Natura2000 and Emerald *</p> <p>-----</p> <p>*This combination should not actually occur (Natura 2000 & Emerald) , but it does, due to overlaps at the country borders.</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTE:</p> <p>Because of the use of the internal CDDA spatial dataset, no spatial maps or other visualizations showing potential location of protected areas may be generated from the PA data set presented here!</p> <p>For spatial representation please refer to the public versions of the data registered in SDI (https://sdi.eea.europa.eu/catalogue/srv/eng/catalog.search#/metadata/c0c9663b-aa1c-4068-b8b5-533f40539bdf).</p>
Source	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common Database on Designated Areas (CDDA) version 19 - polygon and tabular data for internal use, Jun. 2021• Natura 2000 (vector) - version 2020, Jul. 2021• Emerald Network data - the Pan-European network of protected sites version 2020, Sep. 2021

Metadata

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