EEA geospatial data catalogue

Nationally designated areas

The European inventory of Nationally designated areas holds information about designated areas and their designation types, which directly or indirectly create protected areas. The Nationally designated areas is the official source of protected area information from the 38 European member countries to the World Database of Protected Areas (WDPA). The Nationally designated areas inventory may be queried online at the Biodiversity Information System for Europe (BISE: https://biodiversity.europa.eu/).

Two versions of the public dataset are provided. The full dataset includes the entire geographical coverage including nationally designated areas in overseas entities. The European dataset excludes the overseas entities. The datasets are accompanied by tabular data which 1) includes information on the nationally designated sites and designated boundaries for public dissemination; and 2) contains information about designation types and the national and international legislative instruments, which directly or indirectly create protected designated areas in Europe.

Simple

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Equivalent scale

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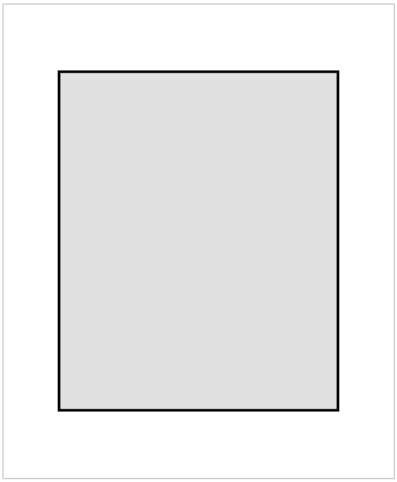

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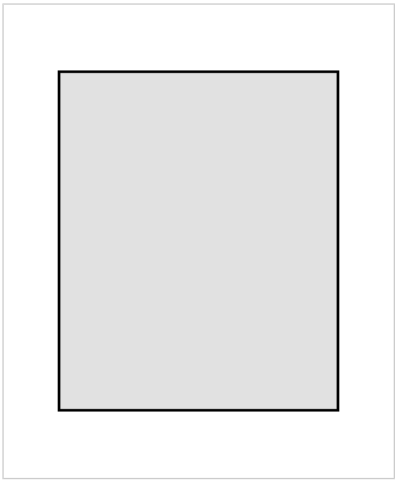

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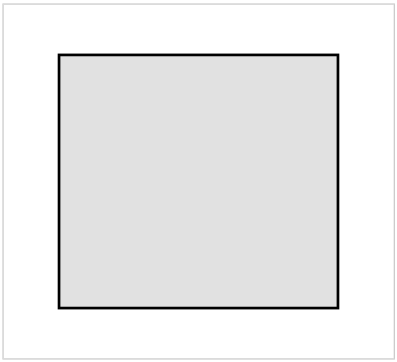

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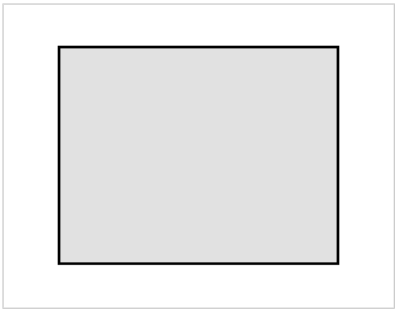

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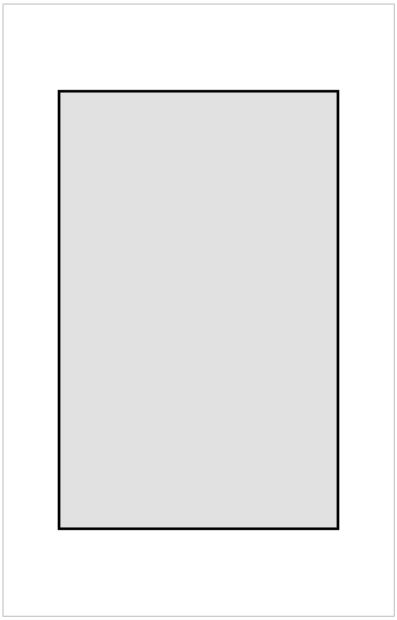

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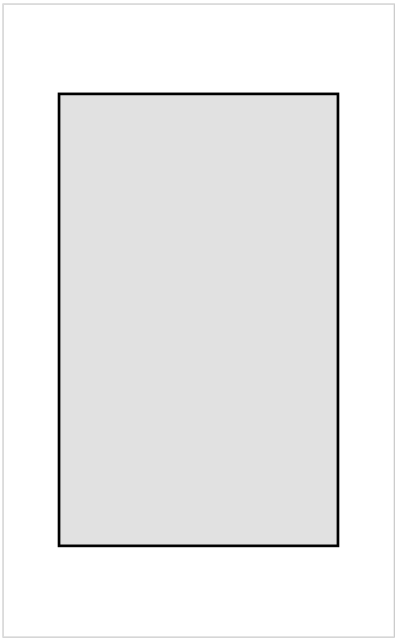

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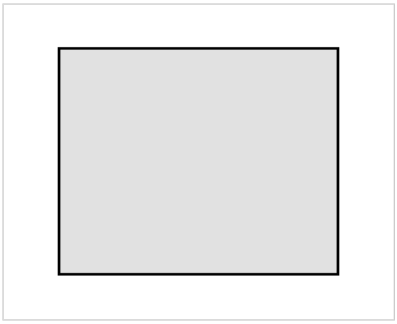

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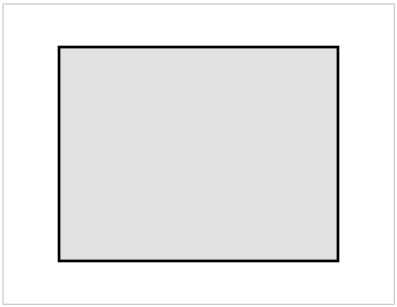

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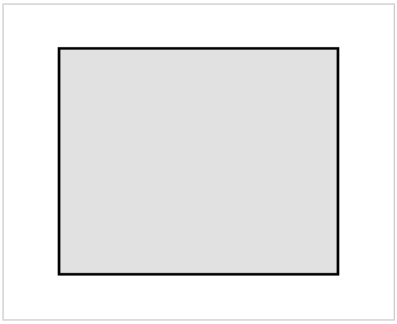

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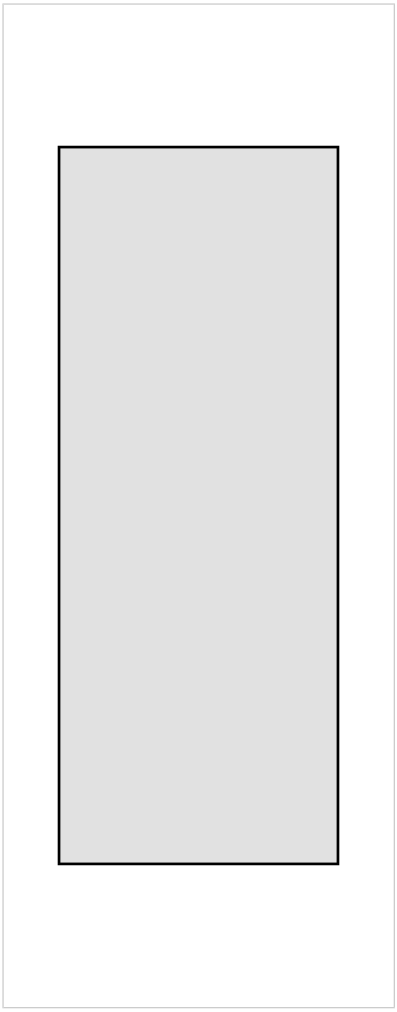

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EEA topics	• Biodiversity: state of habitats and species • Land use
GEMET	• natural area • natural areas protection

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INSPIRE priority data set	• Nationally designated areas - CDDA • EEA Annual Work Programme • Nationally designated areas - CDDA • EEA Annual Work Programme
Reporting obligations	• Nationally designated areas (CDDA) • Nationally designated areas (NatDA)
Spatial scope	• European

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Type of resource

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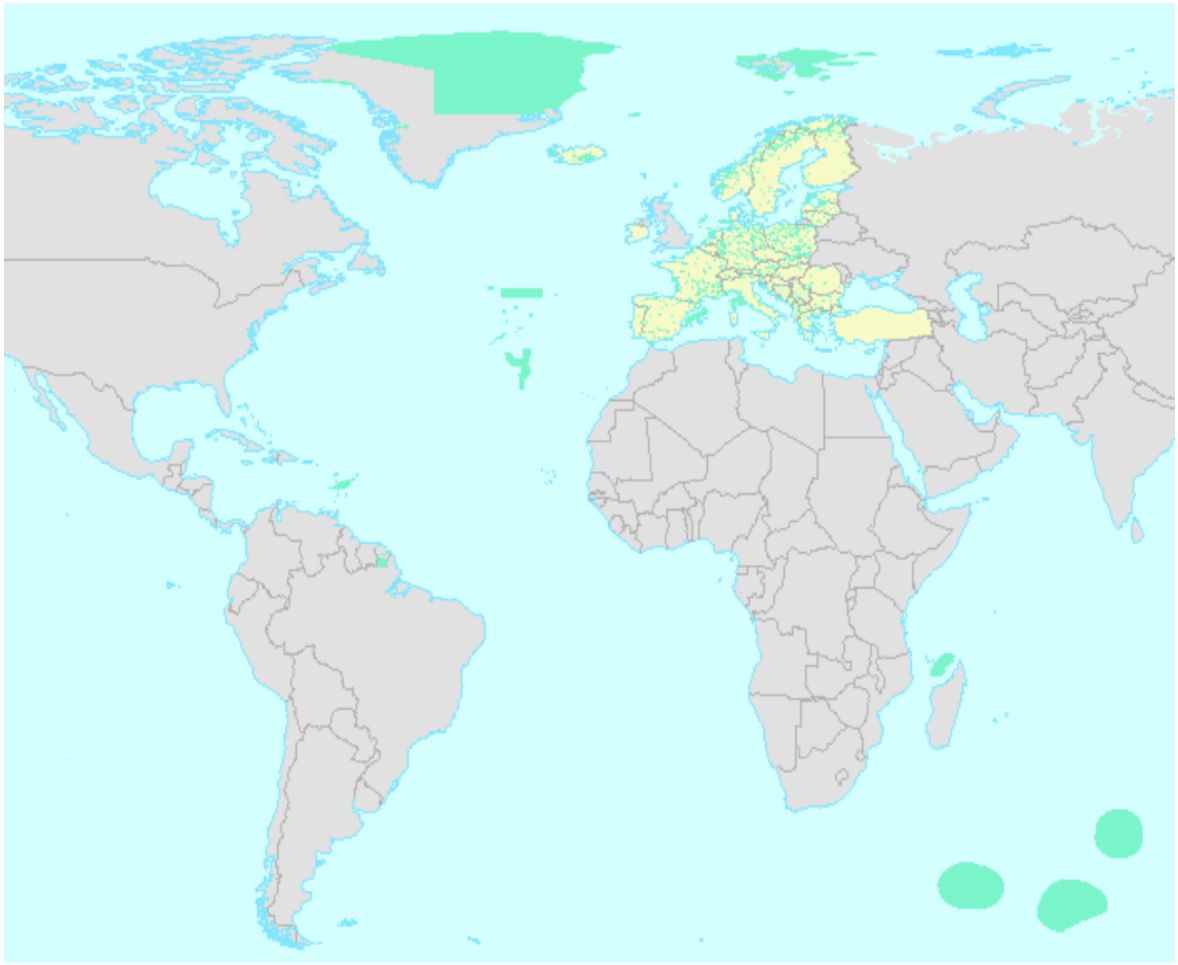

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