

BETWEEN DEVELOPMENT AND PRESERVATION: PLANNING FOR CHANGING URBAN AND RURAL CULTURAL LANDSCAPES AT MUNICIPAL LEVEL

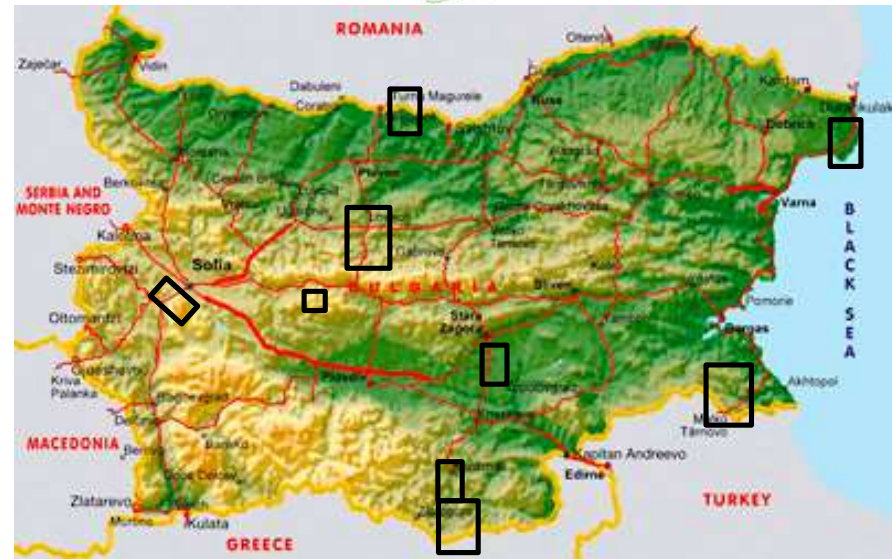
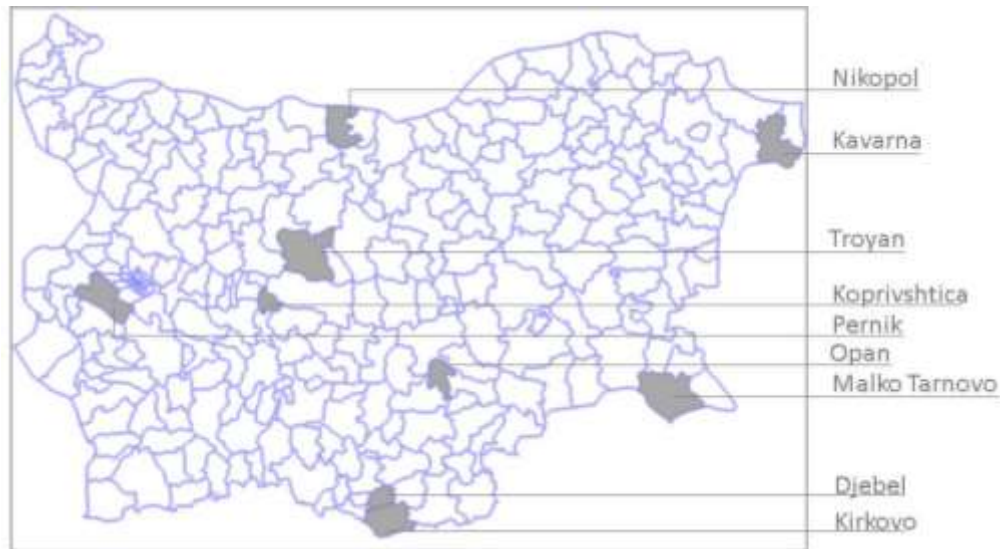
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Introduction. The Context

- 256 Comprehensive Development plans of municipalities (CDPM) to be created by the year 2018
- Landscape –to design and assign territories for implementation of preventive and restorative (The Territorial Management Act)
- Landscape – Part of the Strategic Environmental Assessment of the CDPM

THE SAMPLE OF THE STUDY: 9 MUNICIPALITIES



MUNICIPALITY	LOCATION	POPULATION NUMBER (1946, 1985, 2011)	AREA [HA]	Area Footprint	NUMBER OF SETTLEMENTS
DZHEBEL	SC Region Kardzhali Province	16 122, 22 851 8 163	22 980		47 settlements: 1 town; 46 villages
KAVARNA	NE Region Dobrich province	16 320	48 136		21 settlements: 1 town; 20 villages
KIRKOVO	SC Region Kardzhali Province Trans-border R (EL)	22 280	53 787		3 settlements: 73 village; 2 v. without population
KOPRIV-SHTITCA	SW region Sofia Province	2 475, 3 255 2 410	13 887		1 town
MALKO TARNOVO	SE region Bourgas Province Trans-border R (TR)	10 857, 7 036 3 840	79 800		13 settlements: 1 town, 12 villages
NIKOPOL	NW Region Pleven Province Trans-border R (RO)	26 301, 17 785 9 305	41 827		14 settlements: 1 town, 13 villages
OPAN	SE Region Stara Zagora Province	2 950	25 747		13 settlements: 13 villages
PERNIK	SW region, Pernik Province	59 593, 117 615 97 181	48 420		24 settlements: 2 towns and 22 villages
TROYAN	NW Region Lovetch Province	39 701, 45 338 32 339	60 243		38 settlements transformed into 22 in 2012

MUNICIPALITY	PREVAILING NATURAL LANDSCAPES; AV. ELEVATION	NATURAL RISK AND HAZARD	PROTECTED AREAS NATURE	PROTECTED AREAS CULTURAL
DZHEBEL	East Rhodopi mountain Av. Elevation 340 m	Seismic risk Floods, Erosion	1 natural reserve 2 protected natural heritage areas	3 (out of 31) immobile heritage monuments (national importance)
KAVARNA	Danubian plain	Abrasion, glaciation	1 natural reserve	2 archeological reserves 123 immobile monuments (21 declared)
KIRKOVO	East Rhodopi mountain Av. elevation 523 m Rhodopi mountain	Erosion, Seismic risk, Deforestation, Drought, Forest fires		71 immobile monuments (1 of national importance)
KOPRIVSHITICA	Sredna gora mountain Av. Elevation 1250 m	Forest fires	1 natural reserve 4 natural places of interest	1 Architecture reserve 418 immobile monuments (397 - reserve)
MALKO TARNOVO	Elevation 200-600 m for 60% of the area, Strangja mountain	Forest fires	Strandja national Park (all territory of the municipality)	1 Architecture reserve 194 immobile monuments (43 of which - dropped out) - 13 national importance
NIKOPOL	Plain, Elevation: 23,6-249,2 m, Danubian plain	Floods, Landslides, erosion		40 immobile monuments 48 archeological
OPAN	Thracian valley	Hailstorm, fire (agricultural land)		17 immobile monuments 11 of which of national importance
PERNIK	Av. elevation 900 m Vitosha mountain, Struma valley	Floods, Seismic risk Landslides, Mining (reclamation/ regeneration)	Vitosha Nature Park (partial)	98 immobile monuments (7 of national importance)
TROYAN	The Balkan mountain Av. elevation 380 m		National park Cental Balkan (partial)	569 immobile monuments (119–declared = 1 ethnographic) + 77 archeological monum.

RESOURCES AND RISKS IDENTIFIED IN THE 9 MUNICIPALITIES

- Too many immobile monuments of culture (BG – more than 40 000 registered - 3rd place after Italy and Greece in Europe) changed socioeconomic conditions – lack of expert and administrative capacity
- Depopulated areas – e.g. Malko Tarnovo (69,2 % of the settlements – 9 villages with population less than 100 p.)

TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES

ARCHITECTURAL RESERVES



The town of Koprivshtitsa. Architectural reserve



Malko Tarnovo municipality. The village of Brashlian. Architectural reserve

Well preserved due to the restrictive regimes, complete inventarization and investments before 1989.
Buffer areas defined for Koprivshtitsa

TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES

NATURAL HERITAGE AND ARCHEOLOGY



Malko Tarnovo municipality. Mishkova niva archeological site (tracian) in Stranja mountain



Kavarna municipality. Archeological reserve

TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES
SCALE OF VILLAGES AND INTEGRATION
INTO EXISTING RURAL LANDSCAPE



Pernik municipality. Kralew dol village



Opn municipality. Stoilovo and Slivarevo villages



TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES

INTANGIBLE HERITAGE



Malko Tarnovo municipality. Nestinarstvo – one of the three inscribed into the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity (2009)



Pernik municipality. Surva - one of the three inscribed into the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity (2015)

Problems: Preserve the frame and the specific environment, episodic events

TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES

SPECIFIC LANDUSE



Malko Tarnovo municipality. Pastoral landscape



Kavarna municipality. Agricultural land with a wind protection green belt

TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES

SPECIFIC LANDUSE



kirkovo municipality.

TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES

TRADITIONAL LIFESTYLES

Koprivshtica municipality. Mode of transportation ⇒

Kavarna municipality. Fishers' village ↓

Djebel municipality. Tobacco production ↓



TYPES OF LANDSCAPES – SAMPLES CONTEMPORARY EVENTS



The town of Kopriwshitz, Site of the National Folklore festival (UNESCO intangible 2016 application, on the tentative list)



The town of Kopriwshitz, performance (from citizens to citizens and tourists) on occasion of the April uprising,

PROBLEMS

CONTEMPORARY EVENTS



Kavarna Municipality. July morning combined with a rock fest (changed location in 2016) – Activities and crowds close to the archeological reserve.

PROBLEMS

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY



Kavarna Municipality. Kaliakra reserve – in the National nature and culture list Before 2004 (left) and after the construction of the wind park 2008 (right)

PROBLEMS

GLOBALIZATION –

NEW CULTURES AND LIFESTYLES ARRIVED



Kavarna Municipality. Golf courses on the edge of a cliff (left – completed project), Right (during the construction) –

PROBLEMS
GLOBALIZATION –
MORE ACCOMMODATION



Kavarna Municipality.
Patchwork,
uncontrolled completion

PROBLEMS

GLOBAL COMPETITION – MORE ATTRACTIONS



Kirkovo municipality. Lost authenticity of the culture monument .



Pernik municipality. Lost authenticity of the culture monument (national importance). Construction of walls with contemporary materials over ruins

PROBLEMS

TOURISM, INVESTMENTS, PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT



Kavarna Municipality.



Housing area „Delta hills“, next to Kladnica village

OTHER PROBLEMS

- Natural risks and hazards (for immobile monuments in non-urbanized areas)
- Unsustainable land-use (no added value for the local development)
- Depopulation leads to change in land-use (potential Natura 2000 and green infrastructure elements) Depopulated areas – e.g. Malko Tarnovo (69,2 % of the settlements – 9 villages with population less than 100 p.)
- Too many immobile monuments of culture (BG – more than 40 000 registered - 3rd place after Italy and Greece in Europe) changed socioeconomic conditions – lack of expert and administrative capacity
- Landscape components (follow different rules and parallel planning/separate and design)
- Property and territorial management, poor property management, Lack of documentary
- No efficient methods so far to measure the impact

GRUPS OF MEASURES - PROPOSALS

in the Comprehensive Development plans addressing the final phase of the projects

- Spatial structure,
- Functions – change (how much to change), integration with other recourses (heritage, tourism, recreation, accommodation)
- Parameters(density and intensity of use) in order to keep the appropriate scape
- Regimes (most of them protective) and guidelines
- Additional study and inventory of monuments
- Additional study of population change, growth trends and changing preferences
- Actions to keep visual corridors

PROPOSALS - Zoning (1)

found in the Comprehensive Development plans - types of regimes/zones

- Second home areas,
- Resorts
- & 4 areas (for temporary use and agriculture with the right to put temporary building (up to 40 sq. m.)
- Reconsidering the buffers of the reserves (archeological and architectural)
- Culture routs

PROPOSALS - zoning(2)

found in the Comprehensive Development plans - types of regimes/zones

- Natural risks and hazards - areas for preventive protection (required by the territorial development act – parks, elements of green infrastructure), archeological parks
- Forests near cities
- Recreational forests (designated from past documents but difficulty to implement)
- Special purpose forests (required by the Forestry law)
- Riverfront parks in non-urbanized areas

Instead of conclusion

The tasks and responsibilities of the local authorities (in terms of collaboration during preparation and implementation) have been increasing recently.

They are a serious challenge in the process of increasing regional disparities.

No matter of the restrictive, opportunistic or restorative strategies created for the landscape development.

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