

Governance and management of Croatian PAs

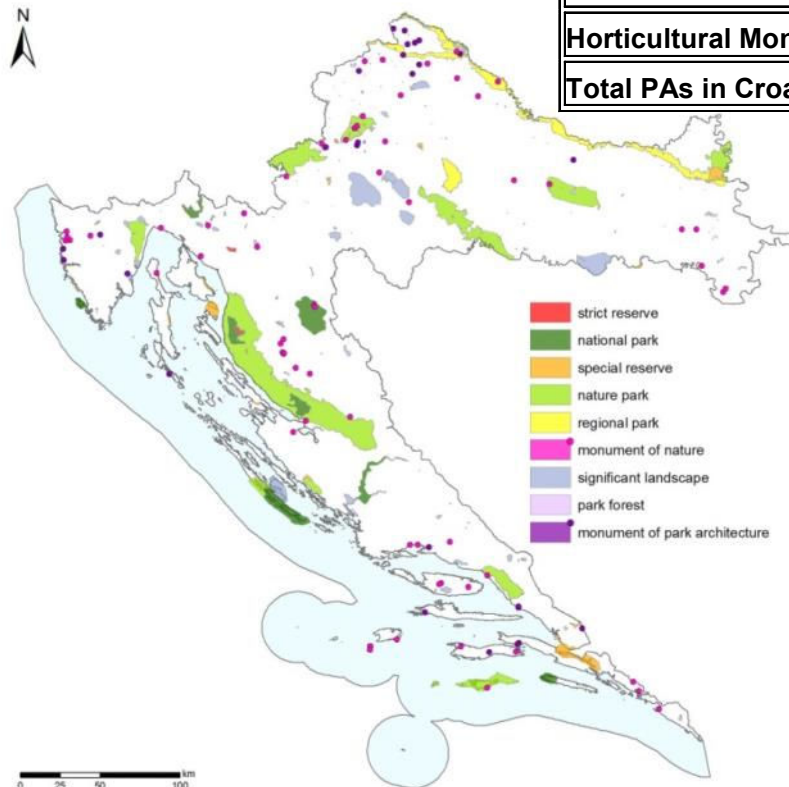
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PA network of Croatia – national categories

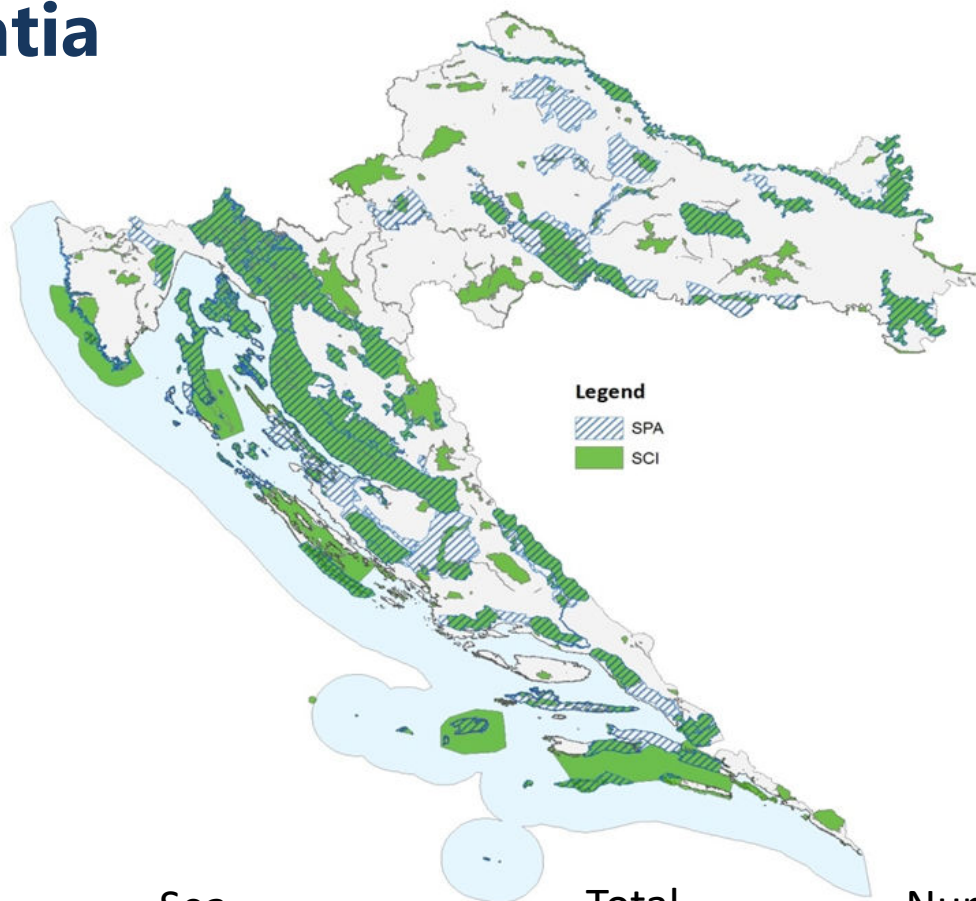
89,10% = IUCN category V

CATEGORY	IUCN	number of PAs	area (km ²)	% area of Croatian territory
Strict Reserve	Ia	2	24,19	0,03
National Park	II	8	979,63	1,11
Special Reserve	IV	77	400,11	0,45
Nature Park	V	11	4.350,48	4,90
Regional Park	V	2	1025,56	1,16
Monument of Nature	III	80	2,27	0,00
Significant Landscape	V	82	1.331,28	1,51
Park Forrest	n/a	27	29,55	0,03
Horticultural Monument	n/a	119	8,36	0,01
Total PAs in Croatia		408	7.528,05	8,55



Natura 2000 in Croatia

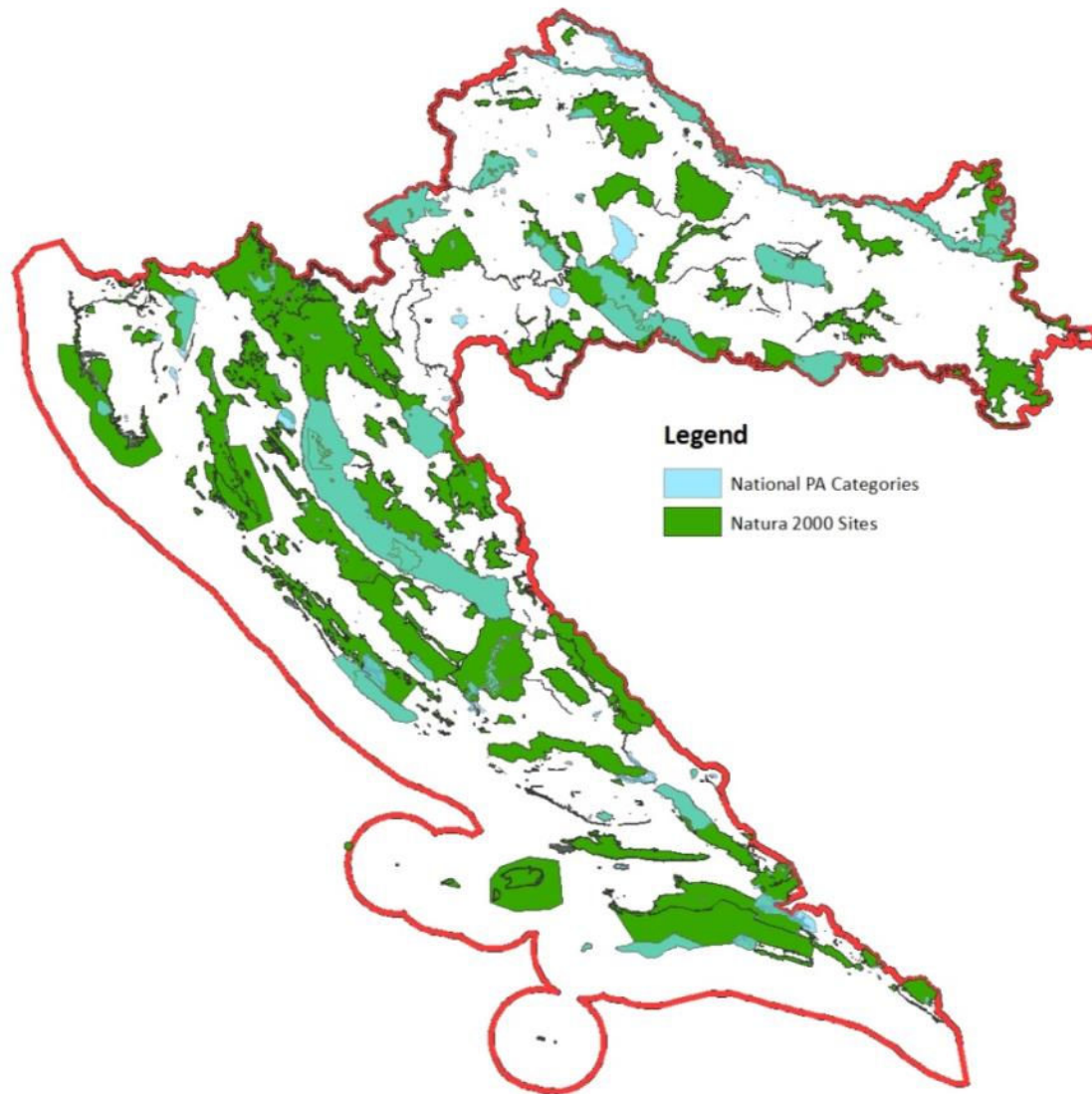
IUCN category (IV) V ?



	Land		Sea		Total		Number
	Površina kopna RH (km ²)	% kopna RH	Površina obalnog mora RH (km ²)	% obalnog mora RH	Ukupna površina RH (km ²)	% ukupne površine RH	Broj područja Natura 2000
SCI	16.104,92	28,46	4.604,40	14,50	20.709,33	23,44	743
SPA	17.103,62	30,22	1.045,44	3,29	18.149,06	20,54	38
Natura 2000	20.785,83	36,73	4.906,15	15,45	25.691,98	29,08	781



national PA categories \cap Natura 2000 network



26% of N2K is covered by national categories of PAs

87% of all PAs are part of N2K network



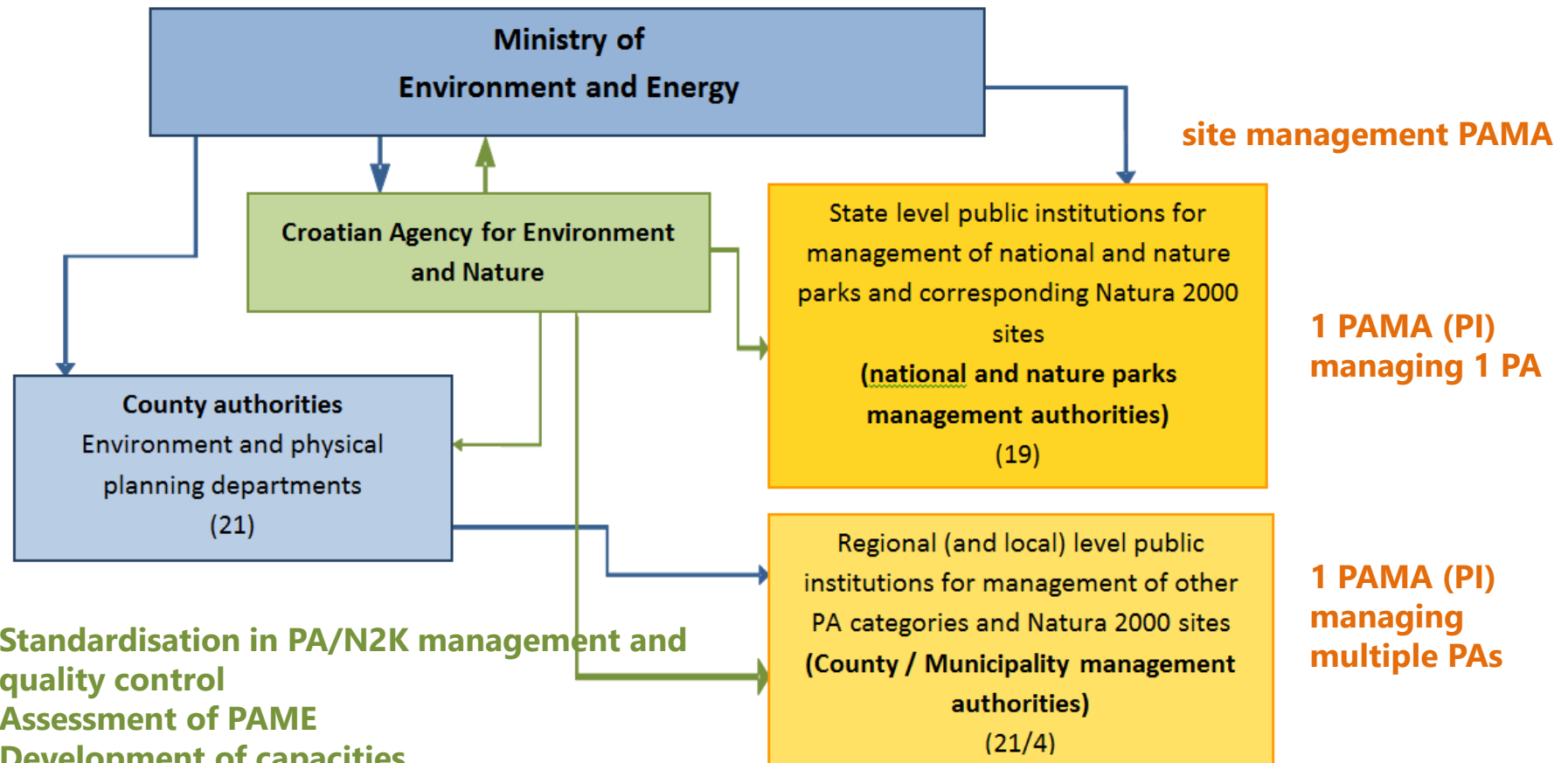
Institutional framework

Legal framework

Administrative control of PAMAs

Sustainability of use in PAs & Natura 2000:

- nature protection conditions
- appropriate assessment in accordance to article 6 (3,4) HD



- **Standardisation in PA/N2K management and quality control**
- **Assessment of PAME**
- **Development of capacities**
- **Technical revision in appropriate assessment**



PA governance

governance type		subtypes
A	governance by government	federal or national ministry or agency in charge
		sub-national ministry or agency in charge
		government-delegated management (e.g., to an NGO)
B	shared governance	transboundary management
		collaborative management (various forms of pluralist influence)
		joint management (pluralist management board)
C	private governance	declared and run by individual landowners
		declared and run by non-profit organizations (e.g., NGOs, universities)
		declared and run by for-profit organizations (e.g., corporate owners, cooperatives)
D	governance by indigenous peoples and local communities	indigenous peoples' protected areas and territories – established and run by indigenous peoples
		community conserved areas – declared and run by local communities

Legal possibility for (partial) delegated management for national categories and Natura 2000 sites



Basic documents related to the PA management in Croatia - case of national parks -

Spatial plan

- The LAW adopted by the Parliament
- Legally binding for all area stakeholders

Management plan

- Strategic plan of PI adopted by PI's management board

Conservation and protection rule book

- Bylaw adopted by the responsible minister
- Legally binding for all area stakeholders

mutually compatible with the aim of long-term conservation of nature

- Land use plan highlighting the future needs for construction (buildings, infrastructure...)

- Long term work plan for PI
- Assessment of the conditions in PA, long term objectives, activities and indicators

- Regulation and/or ban of different human activities in the specific PA (limits for visitation, no-entry etc.)



PA management in Croatia

- *Management Plan is a strategic plan of PAMA*



multiple designation = one plan

segments of PA management

- **Conservation of natural values (bio and geo diversity)**
- **Sustainability of natural resources usage - *if appropriate***
- **Conservation and protection of cultural and traditional values**
- **Visitor management, interpretation and education**
- **Cooperation with local community**
- And other...**



Existing and future management plans

- Conservation objectives and measures incorporated in 5 management plans of national and nature parks and in development for 6 (relation tables with a purpose to check if Natura 2000 management is covered)
- Recommendation in „National guidelines for management planning in protected areas and/or Natura 2000 sites“ (soon available in English)
- *New project – „The development of a framework for management of the ecological network Natura 2000 in Croatia“*

