



# "The impact of depopulation on ecosystem services in Europe" project introduction

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#### **Římov catchment**

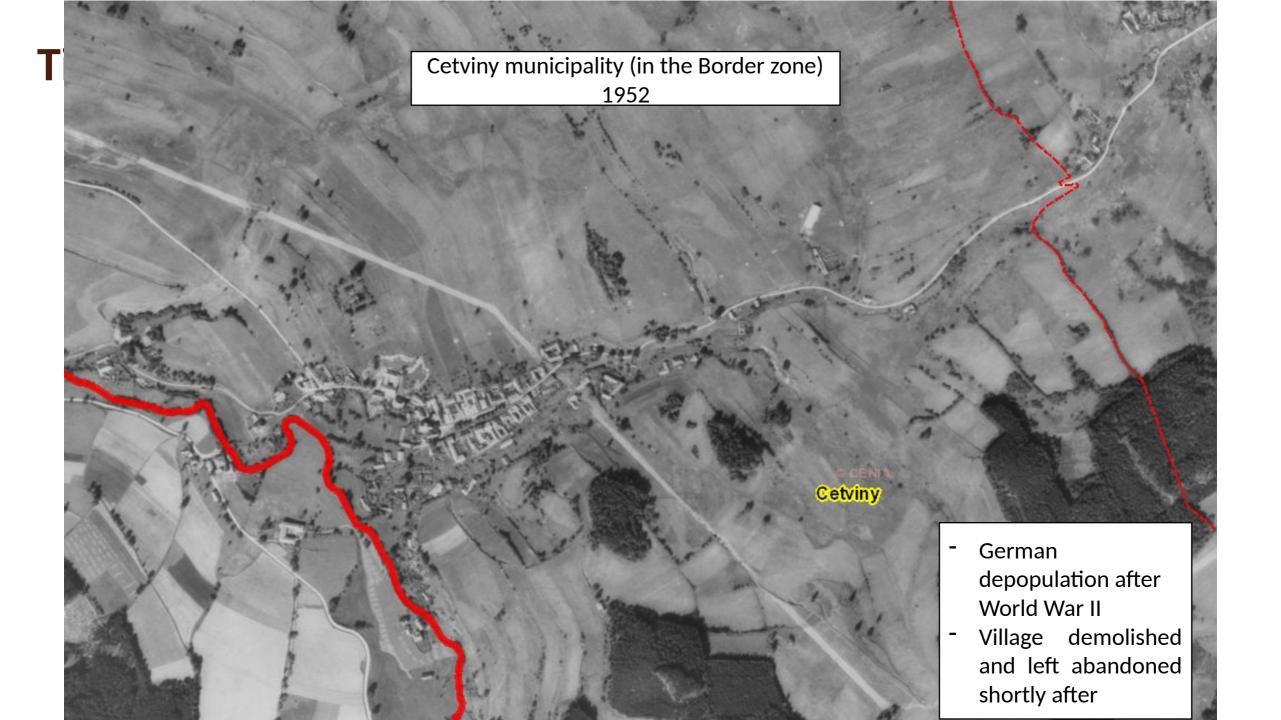
- Area of 490 km<sup>2</sup>
- Southern Bohemia Region
- Czech Republic, Austria
- Main River Malše
- Closing profile: Římov Reservoir



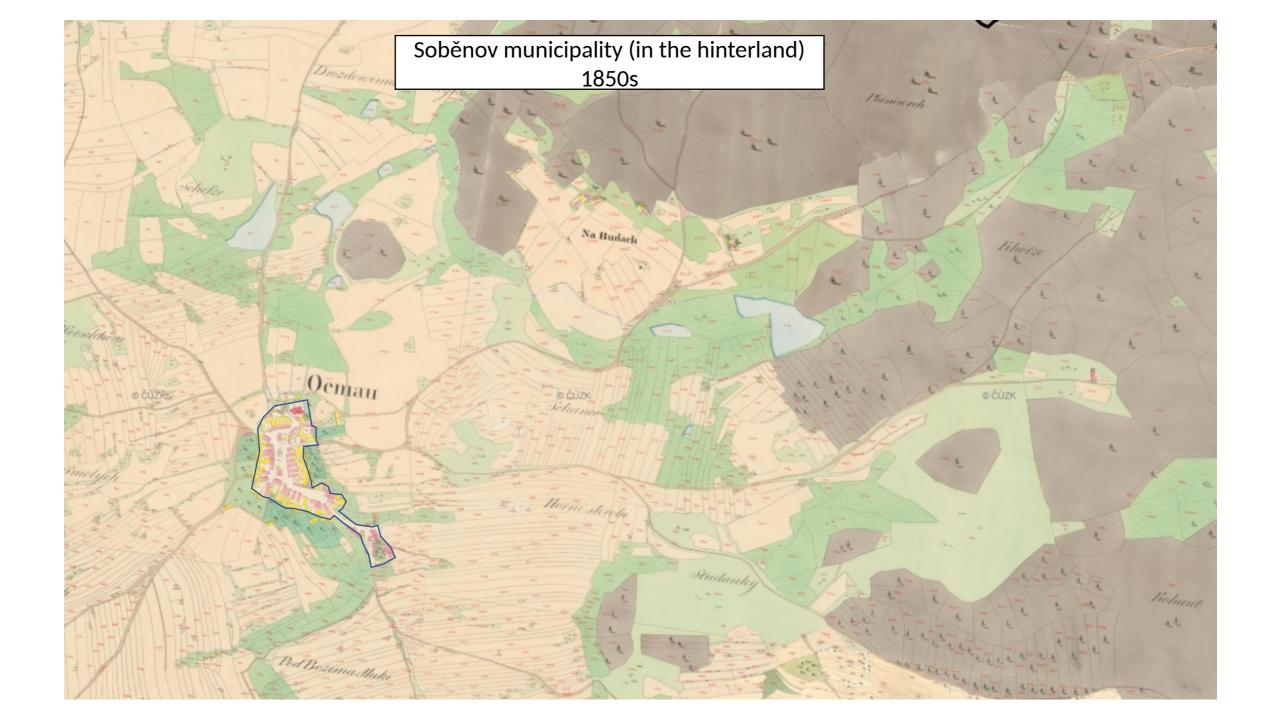
#### Historical landuse changes in Římov catchment

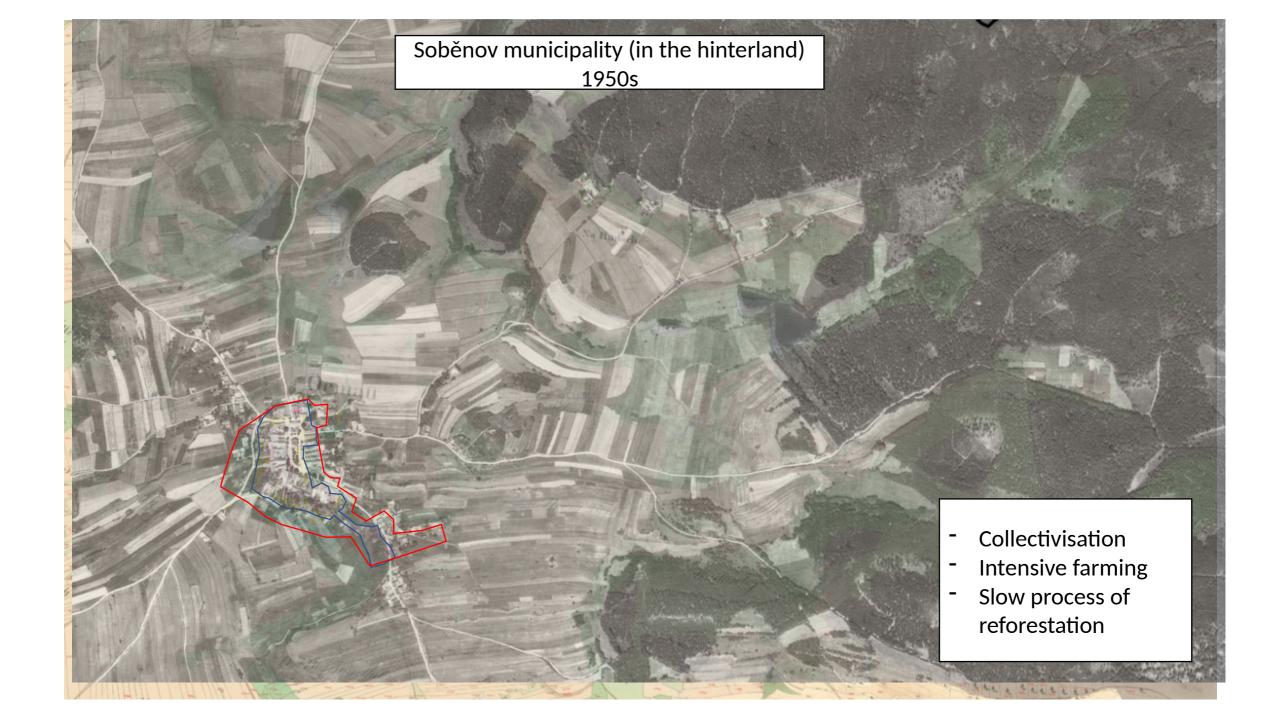
- Sparsely populated until 17th century
- Settled in the 17th century by Germans due to logging
- Settlement changes due to the railway at the beginning of the 20th century
- After WW II
  - Displacement of the German population
  - Abandonment of the Border zone (Reforestation)
  - Collectivisation of agricultural land (intensive farming) in the hinterland
- After 1989
  - Privatisation of agricultural land
  - Meadows and pastures instead of intensively cultivated arable land
  - Extension of existing municipalities

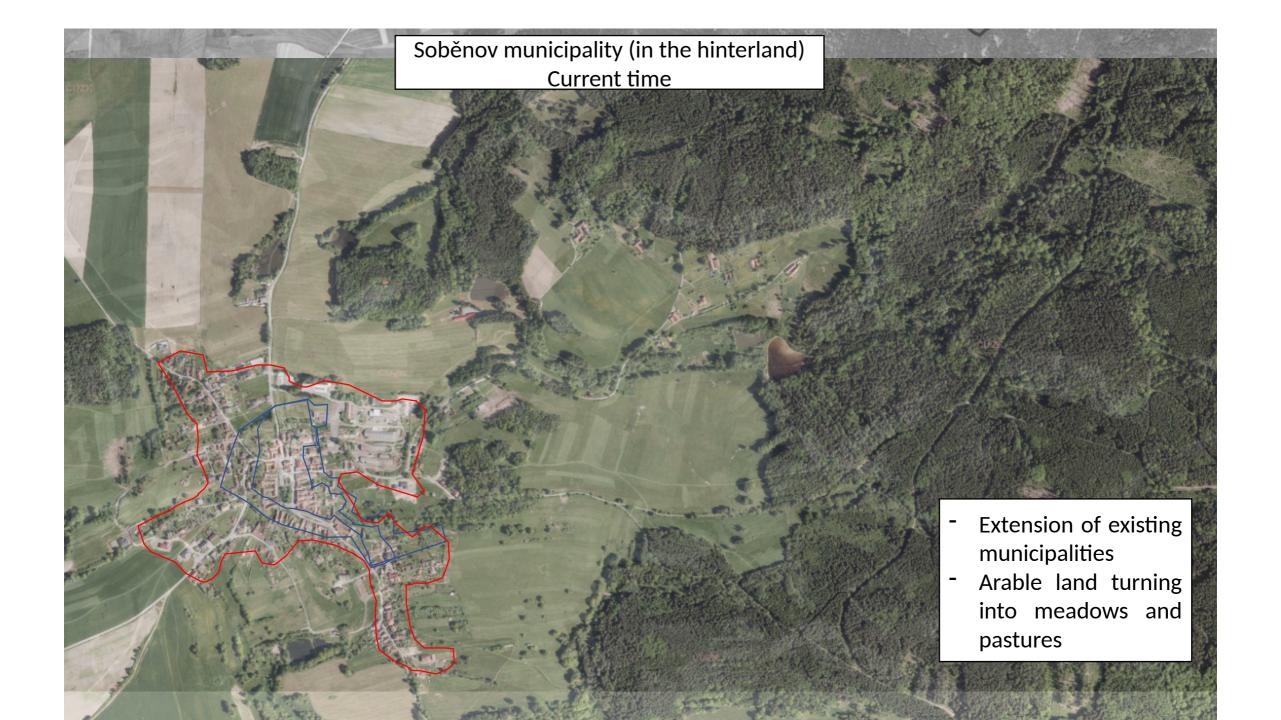












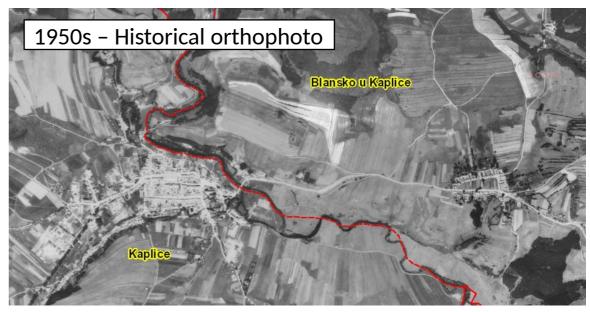
#### Landuse change in example municipalities

Cetviny landuse (ha)	1845	1948	1990	2000
Arable land	337.7	344.9	74.5	7.5
Meadows	118.7	138.6	98.5	132.7
Pastures	57.1	32.6	185.9	211
Agricultural land	515.8	518.3	358.9	351.2
Forests	87.5	94.8	204	205.3
Built-up areas	6.5	5.7	0.3	0.3

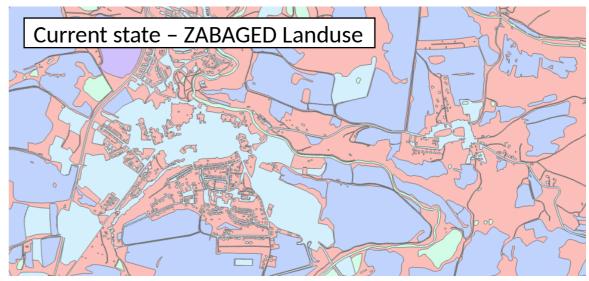
Soběnov landuse (ha)	1845	1948	1990	2000
Arable land	423.8	416	330.1	251.7
Meadows	140.1	121.9	51.2	139.3
Pastures	143	78.3	58.7	48.9
Agricultural land	709.2	619.2	449.9	449.8
Forests	510.7	598.2	701.9	702
Built-up areas	5.4	6.1	6.6	7.5

#### **Basis for LU determination**





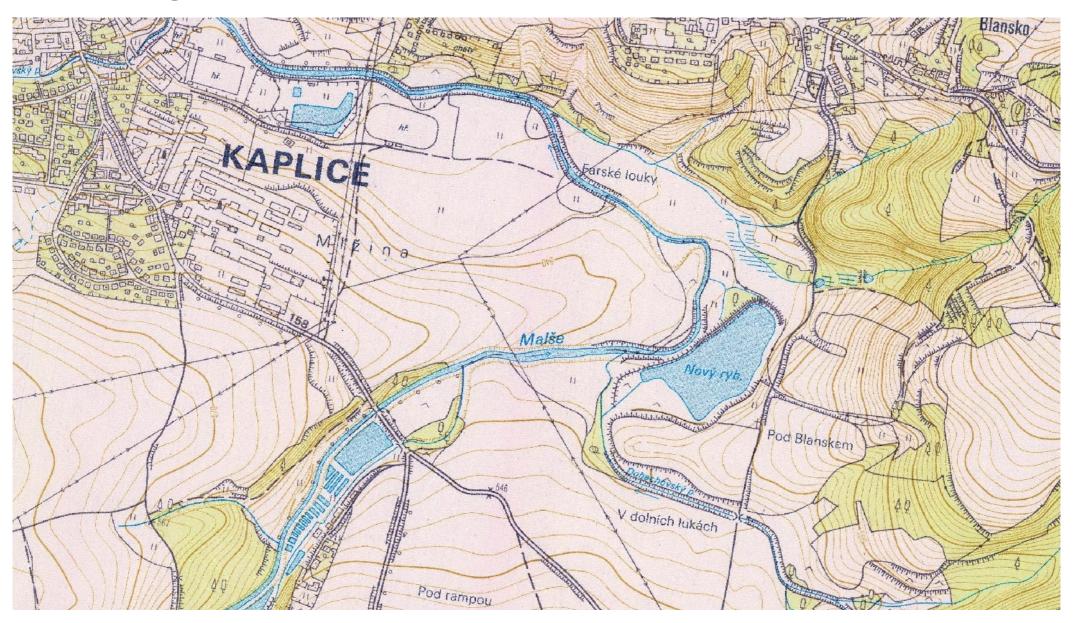


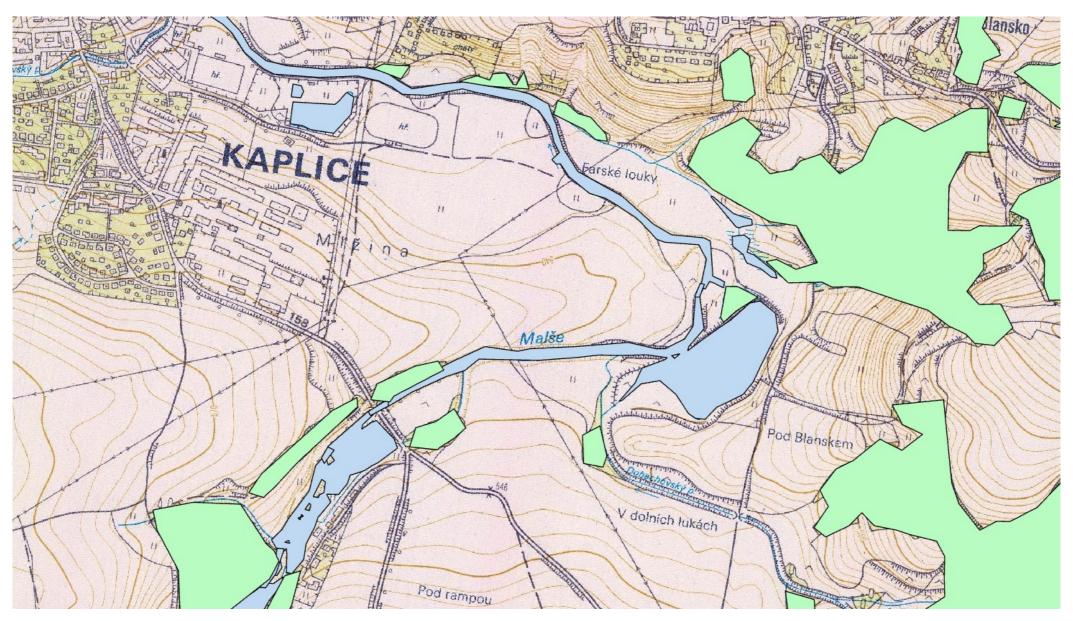


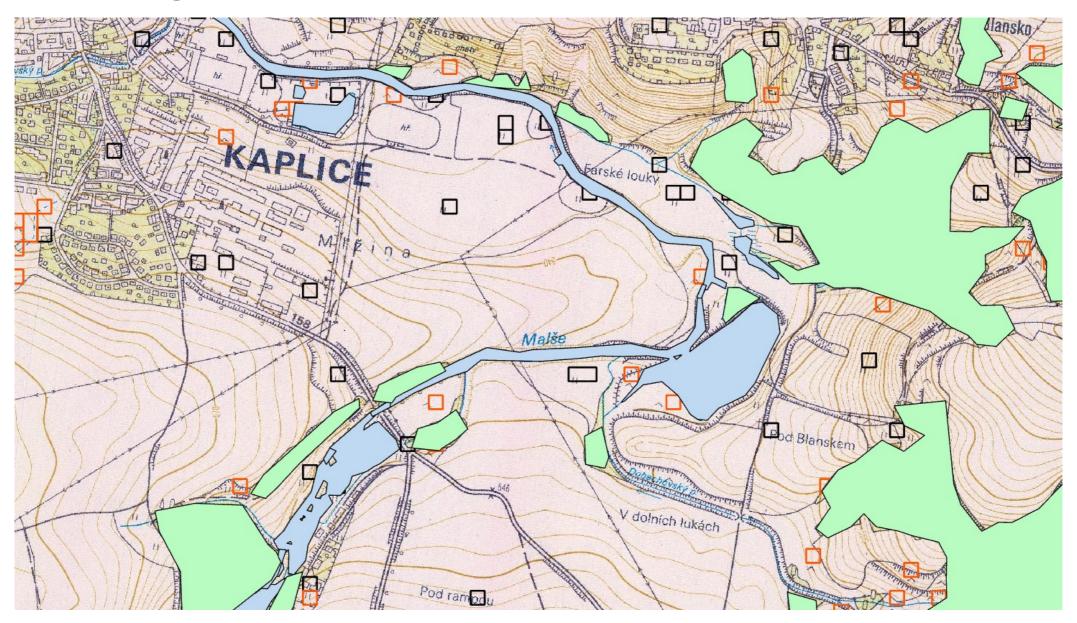
#### **LU Determination**

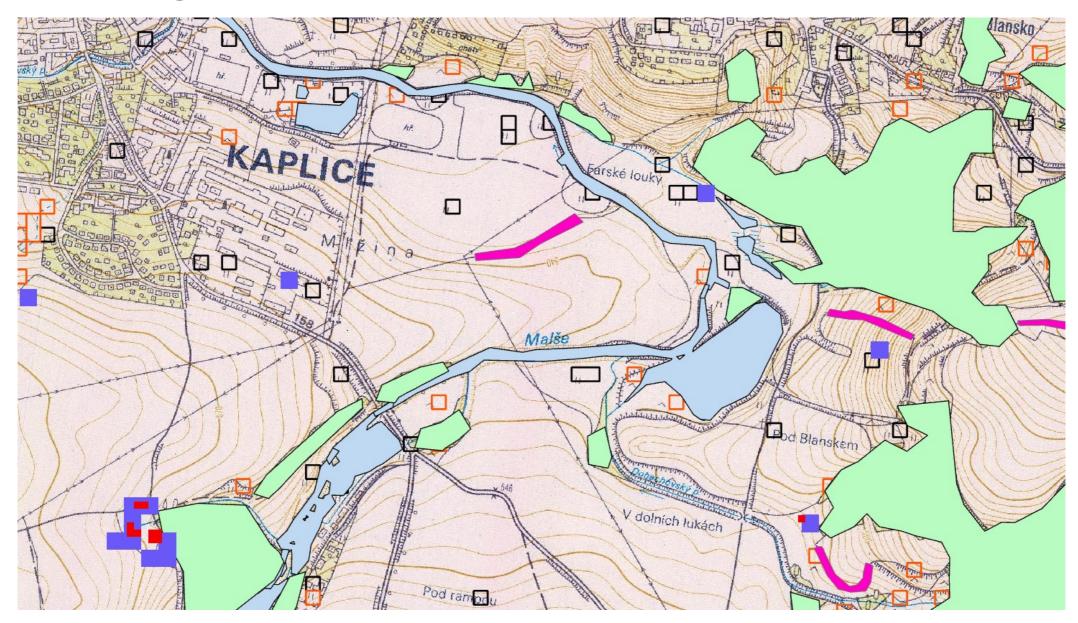
- The main challenge at this point
- LU parameter that describes the change we observe needs to be accurate

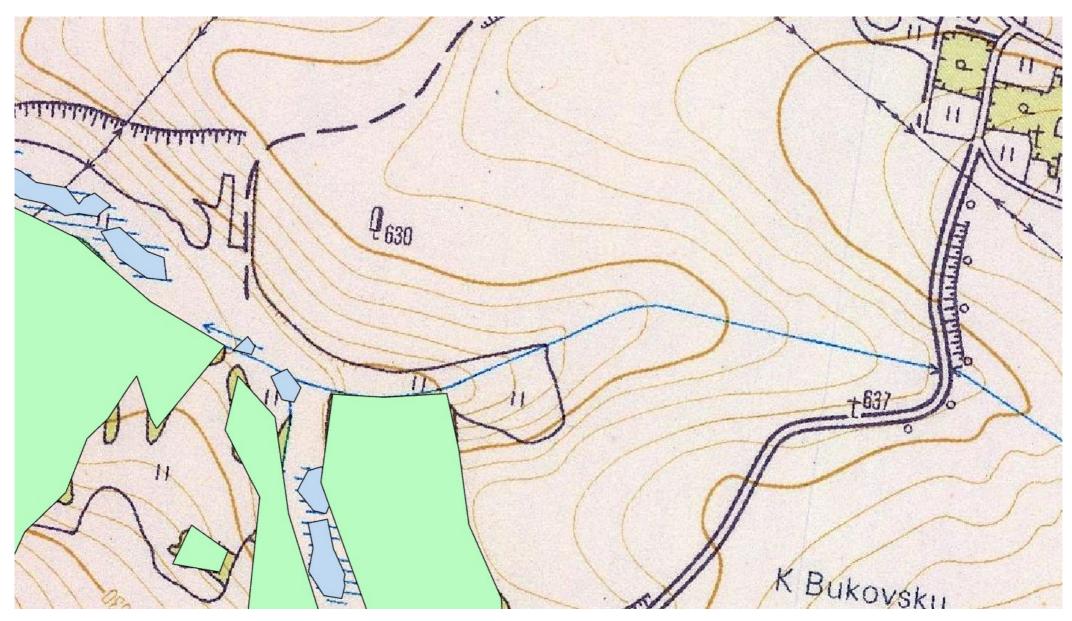
- 1850s Combination of LU performed by Belgian students and Adam T. machine learning
- 1950s Manual correction of Belgian students dataset
- 1980s Whole new dataset preparation
- Current LU complete

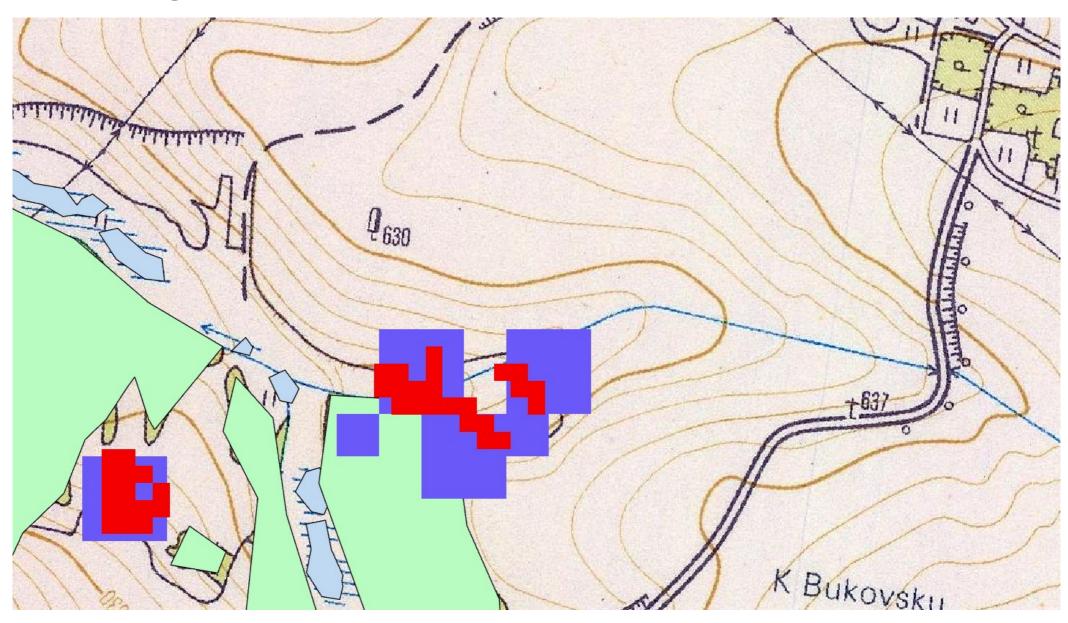


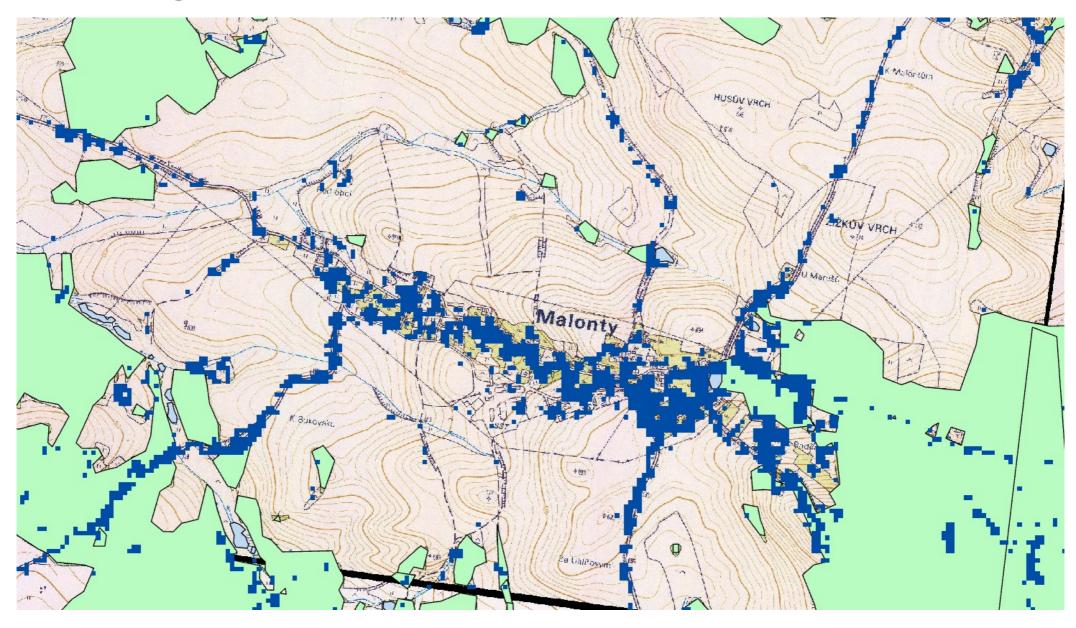


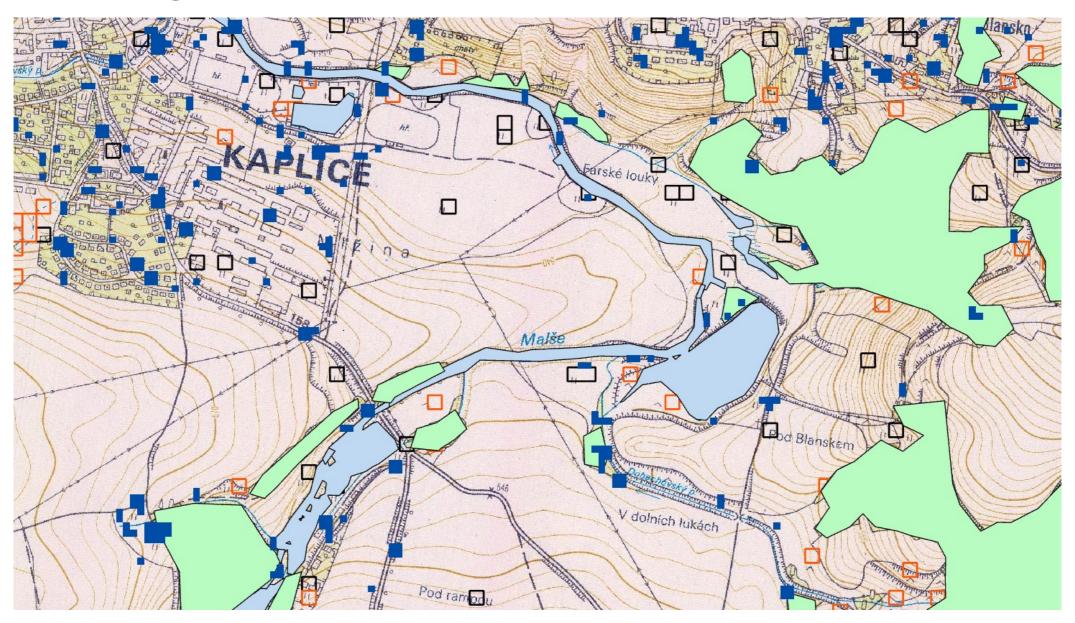


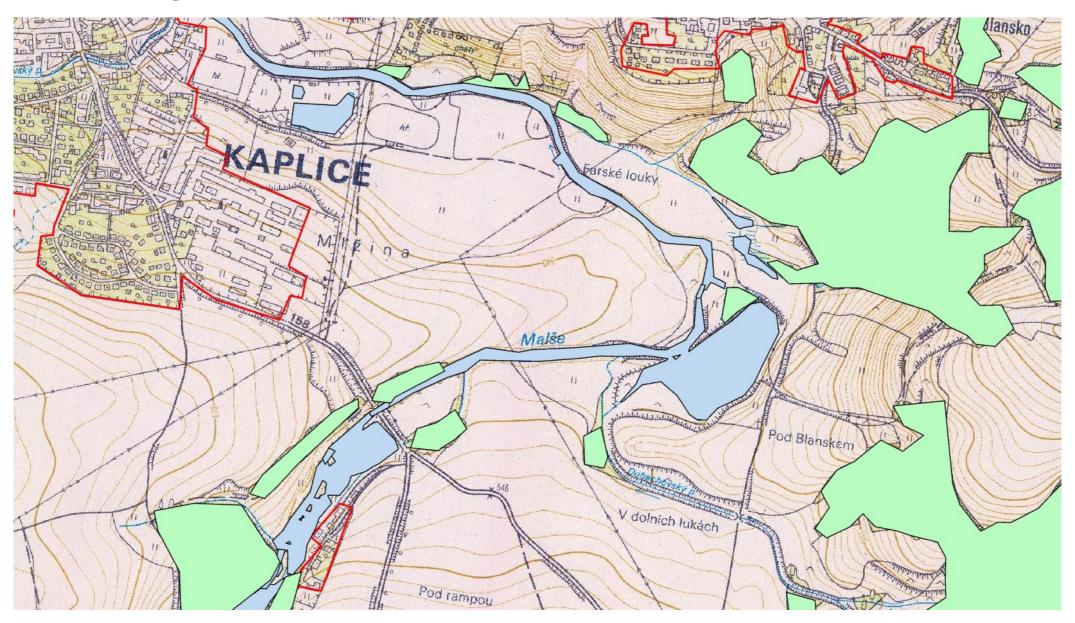


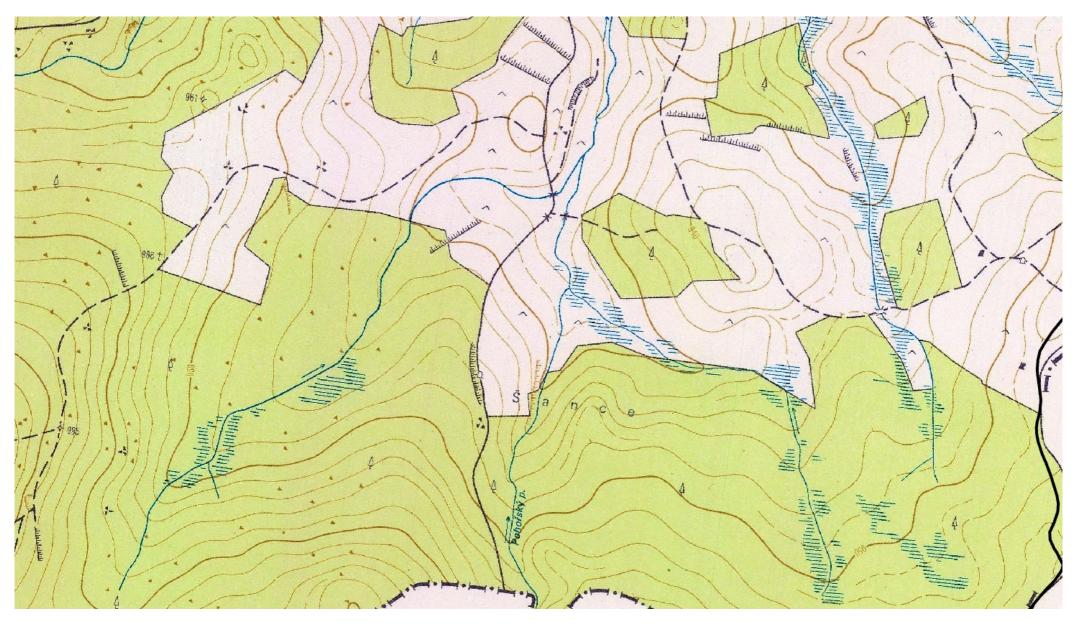


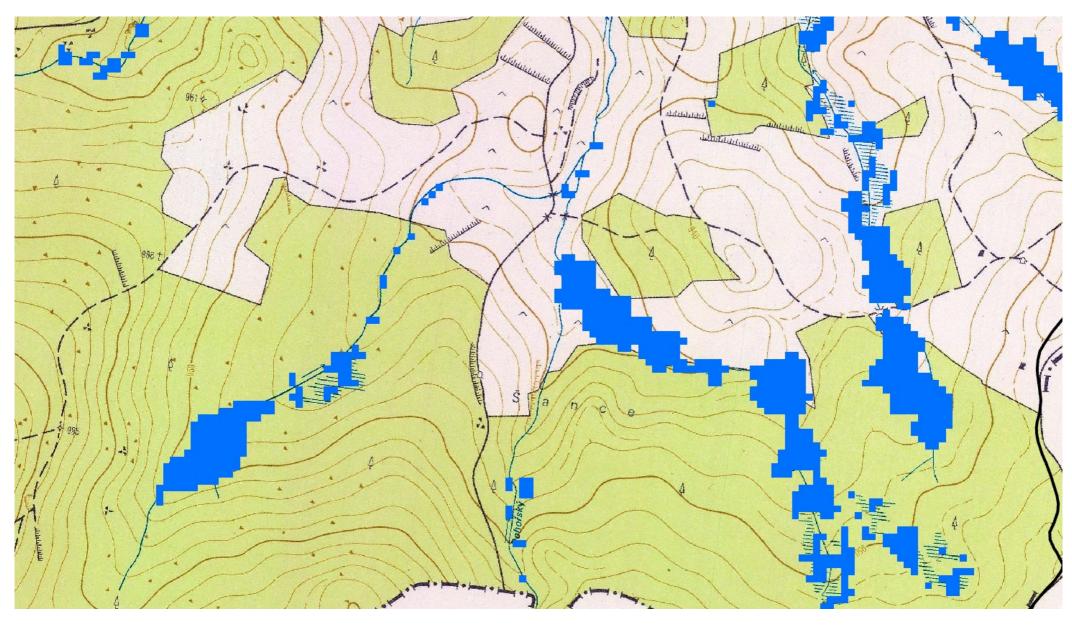




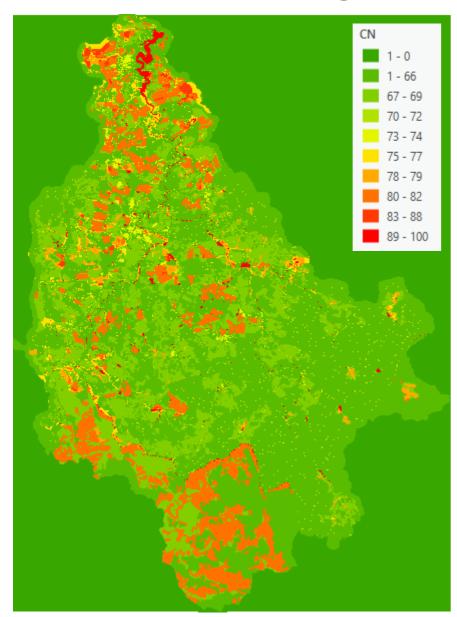


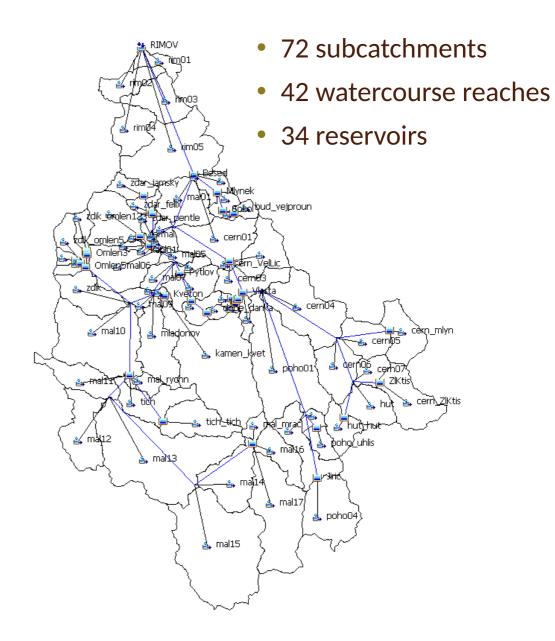






#### **Runoff modelling**





#### **Future plans**

- LU dataset finalisation
- Model calibration
- Surface runoff analysis for different time periods
- Sediment transport analysis
- Perform modelling for French and Polish catchment
- Interpretation and comparison of results
- linking with the results of biological and socio-demographic analysis
- Preparation of an international project of broader range and greater ambition

Thank you for attention