8.38 Land composition

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Land composi	tion		Green Space Management Urban Regeneration				
Description and justification	Land composition is used to assess the co-occurrence of land types within each Functional Urban Area. It represents the arrangements of ecosystem types within and around cities.						
Definition	Land composition or co-occurrence of land use types, is a measure of spatial distribution of elements or components of a landscape. To quantify land composition we use the Landscape Mosaic (LM), model available in Guido's tool box (Vogt and Riitters 2017). A land mosaic is a tri-polar classification scheme that represents the land type dominance, the interface zone and the mix zone within a defined area. The classification uses the threshold values of 10%, 60%, and 100% along each axis to partition the tri-polar space into 19 classes. These threshold values are indicative for the presence (10%), dominance (60%), or uniqueness (100%) of each land cover type. The model measures land type heterogeneity and allows to consider trade-offs occurring between intra-land type changes (i.e., modification of the area of a given land type) and inter- land types changes (i.e., direction of change). It provides a measure of the relative contributions of the three key land types in percentage within a given neighborhood/observation area.						
Strengths and weaknesses	-spatially explicit -> provides a detailed analysis of change in urban green infrastructure -relatively complex						
Measuremen t procedure and tool	Dominant land types were extracted from Corine Land Cover. Agricultural areas include all agricultural land types identified in Corine, natural areas include all natural and semi-natural land types, developed areas include all artificial land types including urban green. Parameters applied for the analysis of 700 EU Functional Urban Areas Dominant land types						
	Dominant type	Corine Land Cover	notes				
	A = Agricultural	[12 -> 22]	all agricultural land types included in CLC				

	N= Natural	[23-36	5]	for cities we	e exclude lakes		
	D = Developed	[1 ->	11]	Urban green artificial	en is classified as		
	Spatial parameters						
	resolution (m)		moving window		observation area (km²)		
	100	00			2.25		
Scale of measuremen t	Functional Urban Areas						
Data source							
Required data	 Corine Land Cover (CLC) 2000-2018, Version 20 the model can be implemented using any land use land cover data 						
Data input type	-raster (vector data will be rasterised)						
Precision	100 m						
Data collection frequency	Year or time-series range (for available data at EU scale): 2000–2018 <u>https://land.copernicus.eu/pan-european/corine-land-cover</u>						
Level of expertise required	-GIS programmer (advanced)						
Synergies with other indicators	With structure of Urban green and Urban Forest						
Connection with SDGs	//						
Opportunitie s for participatory data collection	no						
Additional information							
References	 Landscape Mosaic (LM), model available in Guido's tool box (http://forest.jrc.ec.europa.eu/download/software/quidos/) Vogt P, Riitters K (2017) GuidosToolbox: universal digital image object analysis. Eur J Remote Sens 50(1): 352–361. doi: 10.1080/22797254.2017.1330650 + next MAES report will include the methodology applied to all EU cities 						

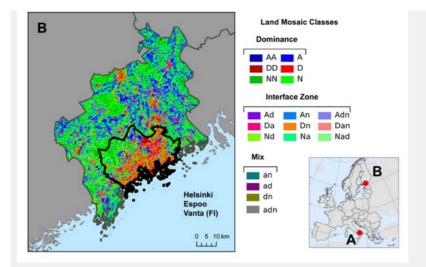


Figure 1: Example of Land Mosaic maps in Helsinki (FI) and Naples (IT). A = Agriculture; D = Developed; N = Natural; Mix = Mixed presence of all land classes.

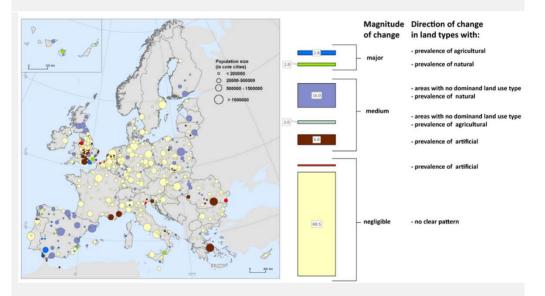


Figure 2: FUAs classified in terms of land types magnitude and direction of change between 2000 and 2018.