

Protected Natural Areas

Basic concepts, definitions and categories of Protected Natural Areas (P.F.P.). Biogenetic reserves, biosphere reserves, national and regional parks, aesthetic forests, nature monuments, landscapes of particular natural beauty, wildlife sanctuaries, controlled hunting areas, areas of high natural value. Basic principles for the selection and declaration of protected areas. Institutional framework of protected areas at national, European and international level (national legislation, European directives, international treaties and conventions). Functions, values, problems, restoration and protection measures of Management Bodies of protected areas (management principles and techniques – integration of economic activities). Management bodies of protected areas in Greece and in other countries. Selected examples of Management Body such as rehabilitation and restoration of disturbed protected areas, with participatory and adaptive management.

In each lecture, the students are recommended bibliography related to the topic of each presentation.

The course includes: Theory 3 hours/week. And Workshop 2 hours/week.

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