DYNAMIC MAPS FOR SUPPORTING SPATIAL DECISION PROCESSES

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TASK
A visual support for Cost-Benefit Analysis based on the ANP assessment procedure.

METHOD
Interactive Visualisation Tool (InViTo), a visual method for managing spatial data in real-time.

TECHNIQUE
- Comparison between different alternative options;
- Dynamic maps which visualise the symbolic positioning of the expected effects of each ANP element;
- 3D meshes change in height according to the values given by actors on the basis of ANP scale of evaluation;
- a slicing plane intersects the 3D meshes to visually select the areas included on a specific range of values.
- 2D chart can be included to visualise the ranking of ANP elements.
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GIS data imported as excel sheets. Each geographic element is described with its main characteristics and attributes in order to use data in model calculation.

Dynamics of assessment method or spatial behaviours are described in an excel file and imported in real time.

Microsoft Visual Basic for Applications

An user friendly interface allows user to interact with the model in real time.

Output data are visualized in friendly environments such as Google Earth to allow the user to better understand main issues and effects of their choices.
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