



«Cadastral forest mapping in support of cadastre development and sustainable development»

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Introduction

- Since Greek Revolution and Independence (1821-1830), forestlands have not been delineated in a systematic and scientific way and overall, in a definite way.
- Forestlands (high tree forests, woodlands, shrubs, grasslands, alpine areas, rocky formations and barren lands within forests) cover 60% of Greece!
- Over the years, the Administration favors the circumstantial confirmation whether a land parcel or geographic area is forest or non forest.
- Forest/non forest characterization was based on current land cover data and historical ones as well. Mainly through aerial photointerpretation over time.
- All required evidence data were in analogue format as well as land type designation.
- Digital georeferenced data were either not exist or not produced.



Forest Tenure

- Forestlands and lands used to be once a forestland are strictly protected by the law (change to other land types is forbidden).
- By default, **forestlands owned by the State** unless private property rights can be otherwise proved (e.g. judicial decision, parcel reallotment, land concession by the State, ministerial decision, etc.).

The absence of Cadastre and a Forest Registry has raised land tenure insecurity and issues on sustainable land management and land administration.

Thus:

- a. The State has forestlands but not titles,
- b. Citizens have lands but not titles or
- c. Citizens might have both the land and title but under restricted use.





Cadastre Perspective

- Cadastre comprises of all kinds of land properties, including forestlands (principle of completeness).
- Cadastre successful development requires accurate and documented data and information on parcel boundaries and property rights. All georeferenced and in digital format.
- The Forest Service is obliged by law to protect forestlands and secure property rights of the State in the framework of cadastre development.
- The State declaration of its property rights would be the basis for legitimacy control over third party claims through cadastral process.
- ➤ By 1998, there was an urgent need for a new instrument to address the above needs and gaps and facilitate cadastre development.



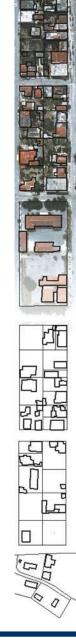
The Forest Map

The Forest Map aims to:

- 1. Demarcation and environmental protection of forestlands and
- 2. Identify and promote State property rights on forestlands through cadastre development.

Cadastral forest mapping deals with forestlands boundary delineation and their associated characterization (forest/nonforest) including natural grasslands.

- Actually, the Forest Map spatially defines and depicts lands where forest law is applied. It is not a common mapping project!
- State property rights on forestlands is based on data of 1945.



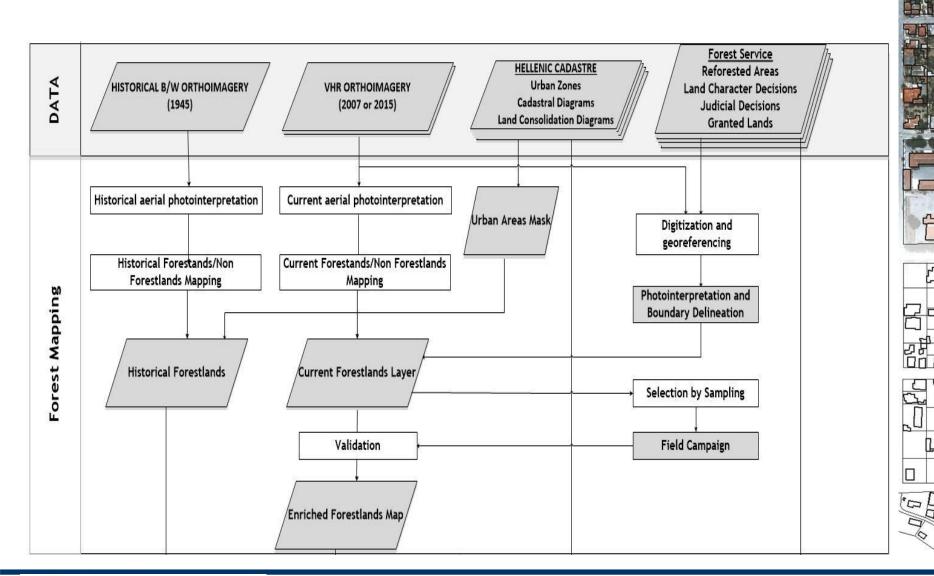


Material and Methods

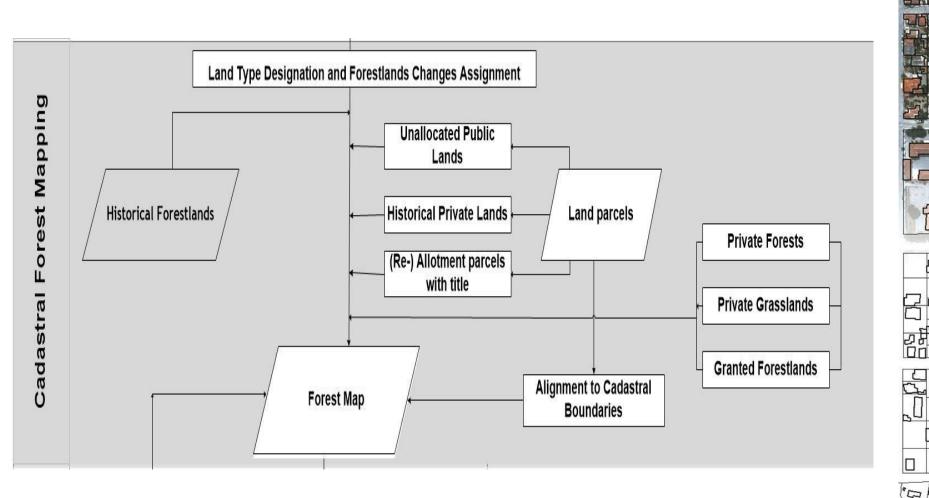
The HELLENIC CADASTRE has taken major steps into setting up a geospatial data infrastructure that supports effectively both cadastre and forest mapping:

- Aerial orhoimagery generation
 - Historical orthoimagery with GRD = 1m (1945/1960)
 - Current VHR orthoimagery with GRD <= 1m (2007 & 2015)
 - Historical and current aerial photography reproduction for stereoscopic viewing and phontointerpretation
- Existing diagrams and data digitization
 - Historical land distribution and re-allotment diagrams
 - Shoreline delineation
 - Urban zoning
- A series of Web-based geospatial platforms for wide public notification and participation
 - > achieving economy of scale, high quality products and success

Forest Map Development Phase 1

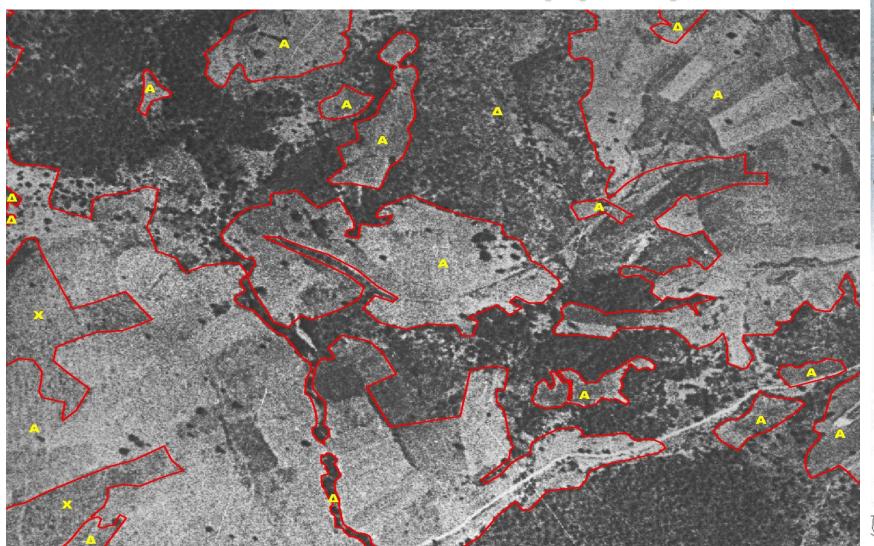


Forest Map Development Phase 2



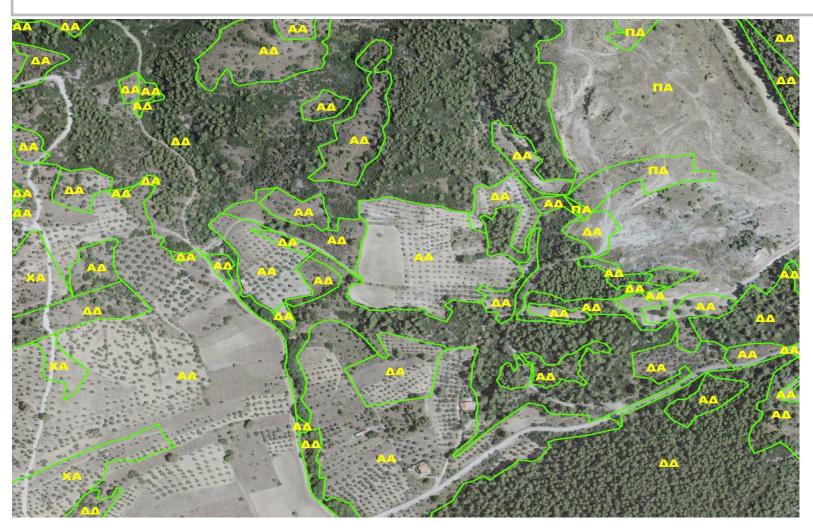


Historical Forest Map (1945)



Δ: Forestlands, X: Grasslands, A: Other lands

The Forest Map



ΔΔ: Always Forestlands, **ΔA:** Deforested lands, **AΔ:** Forested lands, **AA:** Always other lands, **XA:** Grasslands to other lands



Forest Map Development Programs (co-funded by EU)



Coverage: 54% of Greece





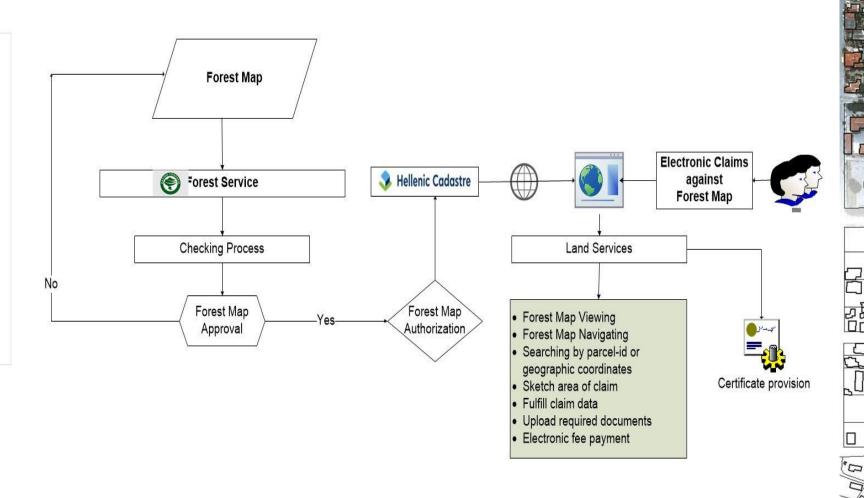


Με τη συγχρηματοδότηση της Ελλάδας & της Ευρωπαϊκής Ένωσης



Forest Map Authorization and Public Notification

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Forest Map Public Notification and Participation

- A participatory approach (citizens, NGO, State, national or local agencies, local governments, etc.) based on the principle of publicity.
- Institutional provisions require public electronic exposure for Forest Map geospatial content, digital objections submission, their geospatial delineation and associated payments regarding the corresponding special fee.
- In other words:
 - Forest Maps in Web,
 - Electronic registration & delineation of objections via internet
 - Electronic payments.
- Registration process prerequisites:
 - Geographic coordinates enclosing the objection area or parcel upload,
 - Document land ownership, and
 - Proof of corresponding special fee payment.





Technology Infrastructure

A series of **web-based geospatial applications** have been developed in-house to support Forest Map public notification:

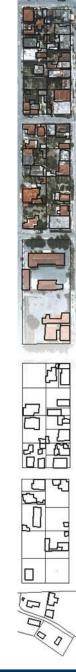
- 1. Demarcation of urban areas boundaries in cooperation with urban planning offices accros Greece,
- 2. Public Notification of Forest Maps (viewing, navigation, information, etc.)
- 3. Registration and submission of objections including special fee payment (personal data, spatial delineation, documentation, electronic payment, proof of submission, etc.)
- 4. Proccesing of evident errors and registration of no-cost objections, to support Forest Service.
- 5. GIS-based application for objections processing and decision making by the relevant committees on land status.



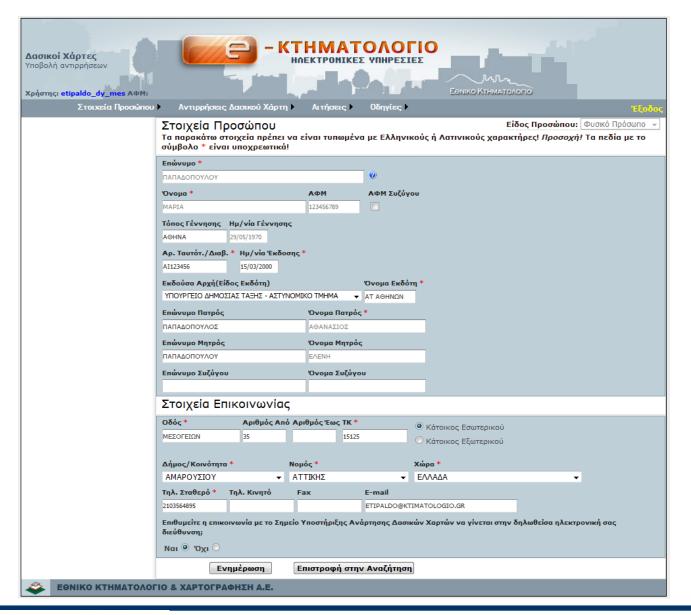
Electronic Services (Gate to Forest Map Platform) www.ktimatologio.gr







Registration of Personal Data





Search by Prefecture





Search by Prefecture and Municipality

ΕΠΙΛΟΓΗ ΤΟΠΙΚΗΣ / ΔΗΜΟΤΙΚΗΣ ΚΟΙΝΟΤΗΤΑΣ ΑΝΤΙΡΡΗΣΕΩΝ

Σε ανάρτηση βρίσκονται οι Δασικοί Χάρτες των Τοπικών/Δημοτικών Κοινοτήτων του πίνακα.

Αντιρρήσεις κατά του περιεχομένου του Δασικού Χάρτη μπορείτε να υποβάλλετε μέσα σε προθεσμία 60 ημερών από την ημερομηνία ανάρτησης. Η προθεσμία παρατείνεται για 20 ημέρες για τα πρόσωπα που κατοικούν μόνιμα ή διαμένουν στην αλλοδαπή.

Επιλέξτε, από την λίστα τον Νομό στον οποίο βρίσκεται η έκταση για την οποία επιθυμείτε να υποβάλλετε αντιρρήσεις.

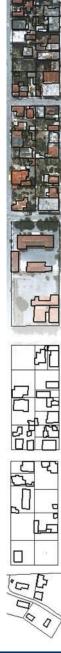
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Σε ανάρτηση	
Μόνο για κατοίκους εξωτερικού	

Συνεχίστε για να οριοθετήσετε την έκταση για την οποία επιθυμείτε να υποβάλλετε αντιρρήσεις.

ΔΑΣΙΚΟΣ ΧΑΡΤΗΣ



Web-based GIS Forest Map Platform



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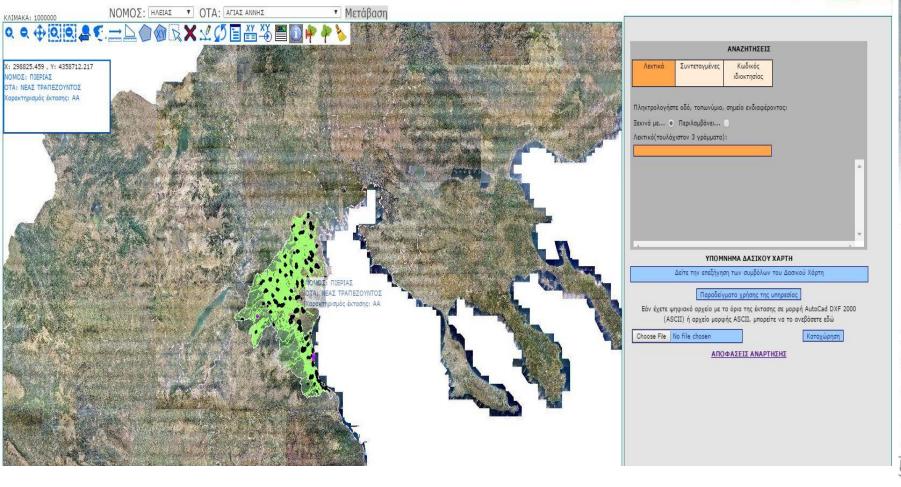














Historical Orthophoto (Forestlands in 1945)

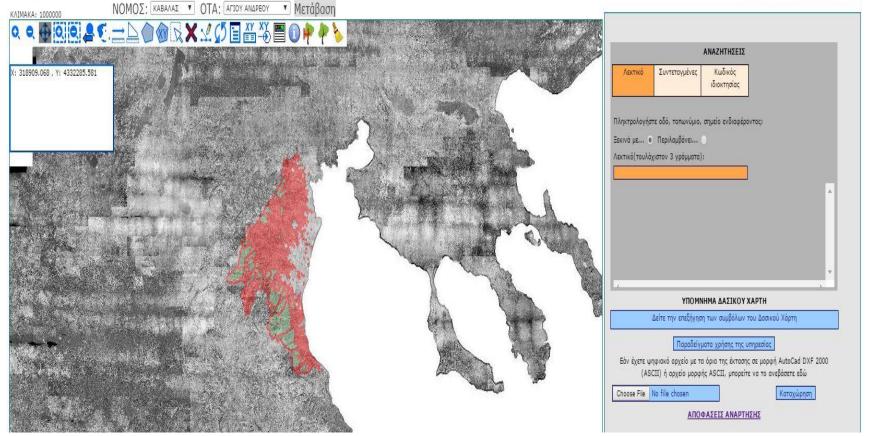


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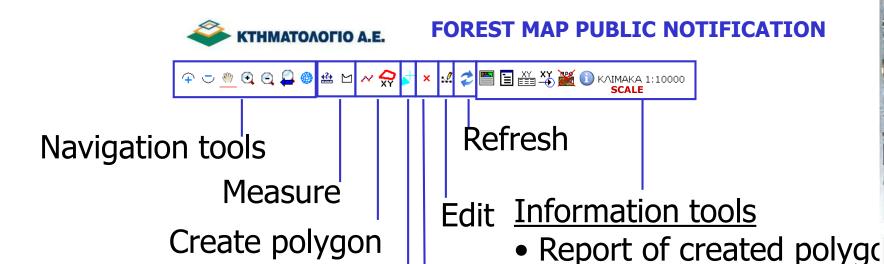








Web Application's Spatial Tools



Delete polygon

Select polygon

<u>Advantages:</u>

- Responsive and reliable
- Specific designed for area delineation
- Ease of use

All tools were created using Javascript API



Scale

Coordinates of polygon

Info about land status

(forestland or other)

Forest Map

Urban boundaries in black & Forestlands in green



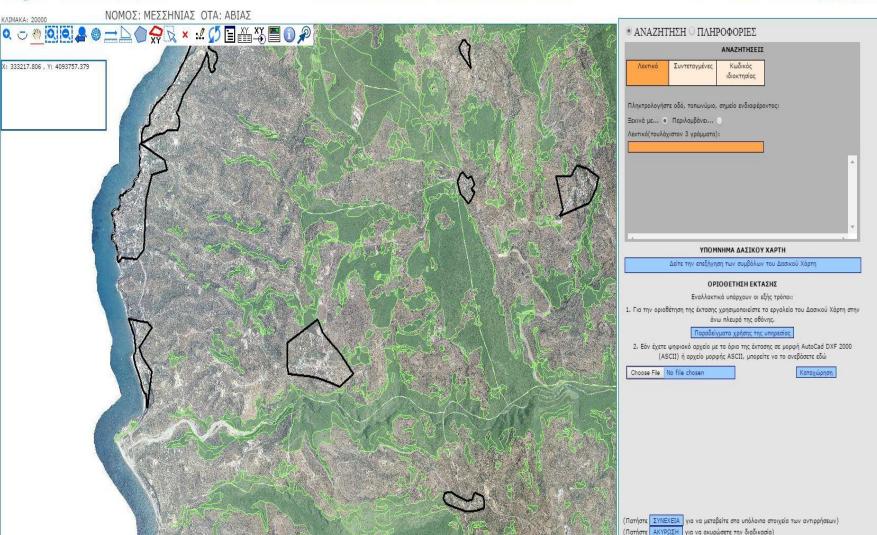
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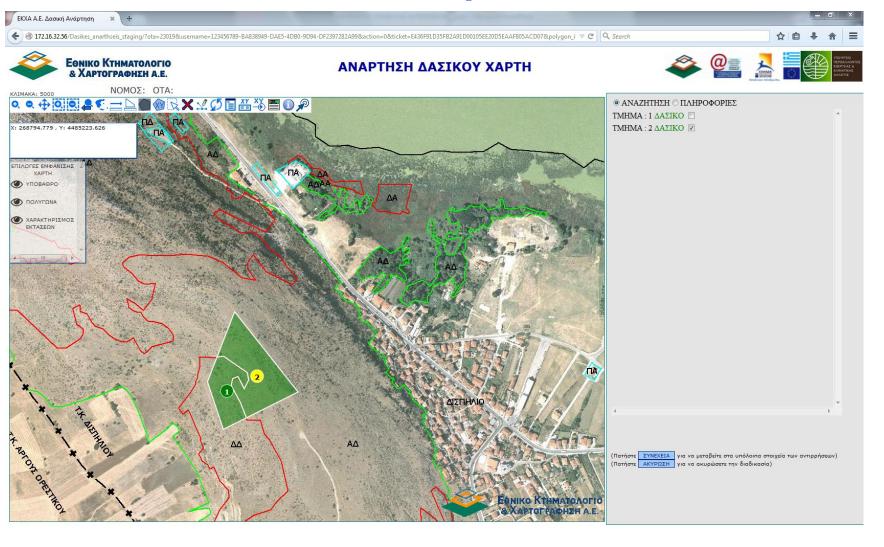








Spatial Delineation of Objections Area or Parcel upload





Proof of Submitted Objections (unique code of objections, geographic coordinates and map extract)





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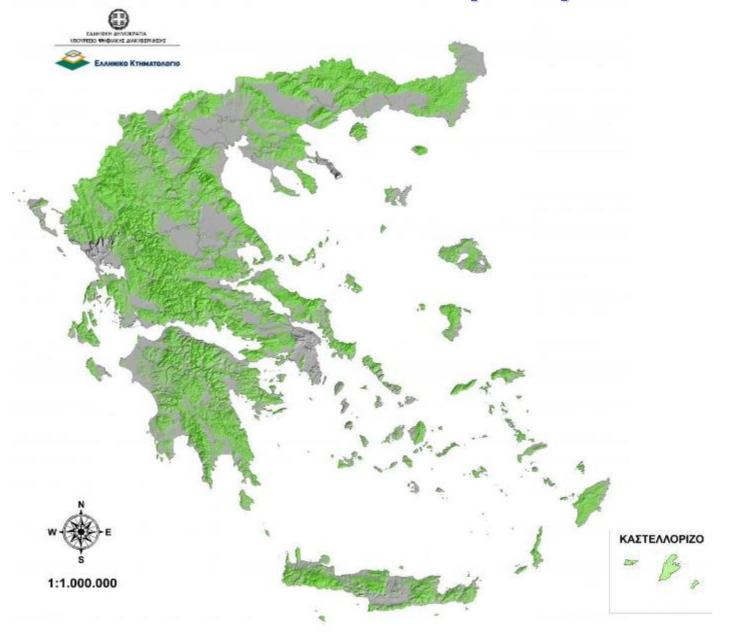
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Κατάθεση αντίρρησης: ΑΤΕΛΩΣ

Atlas of Hellenic Forests (2022)



Conclusions and Discussion

- Cadastral Forest Mapping is a multi stakeholder nationwide project affecting thousands of land owners.
- Forestlands have been finally mapped at the national scale (56,46% of Greece).
- Cadastral Forest Mapping and associated procedures stands for a great paradigm of e-government services. Such services need to be encouraged in public administration.
- Authorization of Forest Maps (and generally authorized data) is a key element for effective spatial planning, sound and transparent land administration, and sustainable development.
- National Mapping Organizations, like HC, have a critical role in the development, advancement and implementation of land services to public and private sector for the benefit of all.







Thank you