

## SUSTAINABILITY IN PRACTICE: educational project, Czech Republic

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Category

Theme

**Target Group** 

Area of Implementation

Sustainability in practice Multi-stakeholder involvement Rural development, environment education, project training, sustainability and security School children, university students, rural community, general public, policymakers, administrators, researchers Rural area in Moravia/Czech Republic Deblin primary school





## **Project aims**

The main goal is empowering the local community

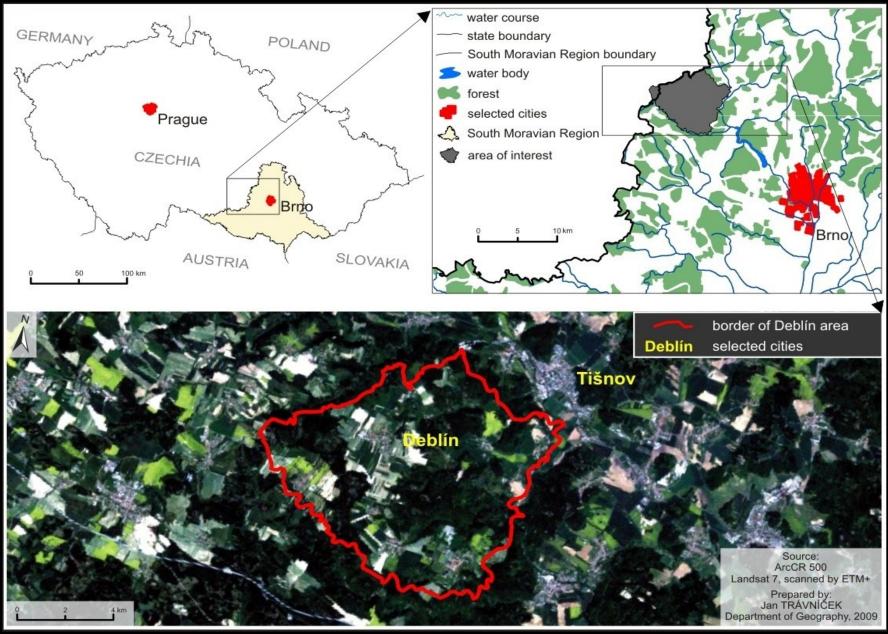
## "pupils/students and schools as mediators"

#### Other goals:

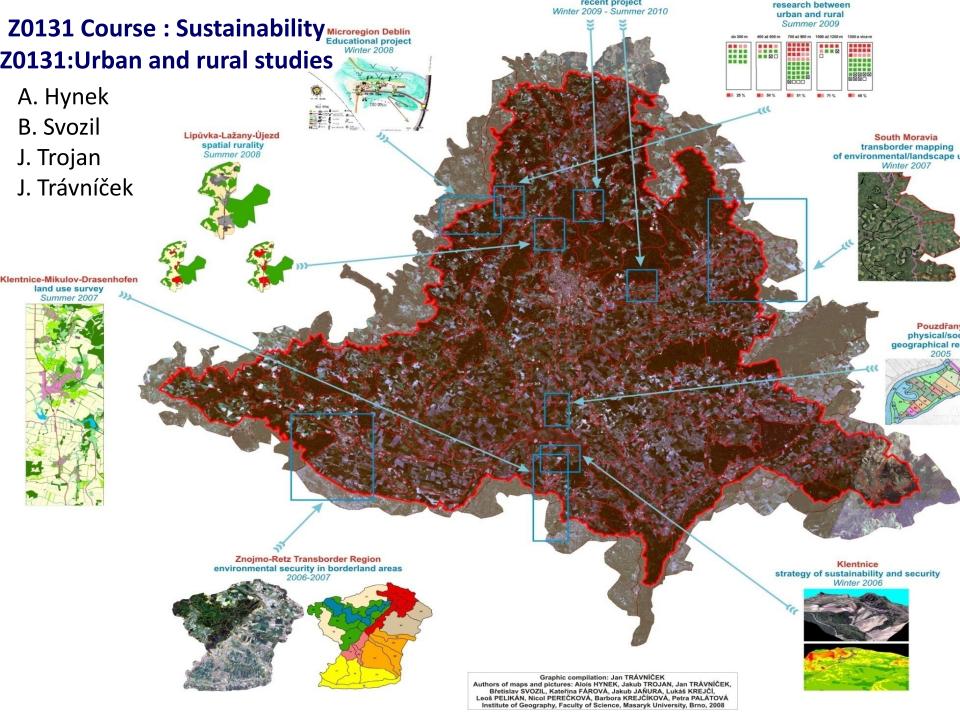
- social study of the town (talking to people, observing, participating, ethnography)
- ☑ identification of community actors/actants, processes and desires
- knowledge of social actions
- problem solving issues (see further)

## the politics of practising sustainability

## Location the area



Geometrically transformed picture from the satellite in natural colours (RGB 3 2 1), May 24th 2001

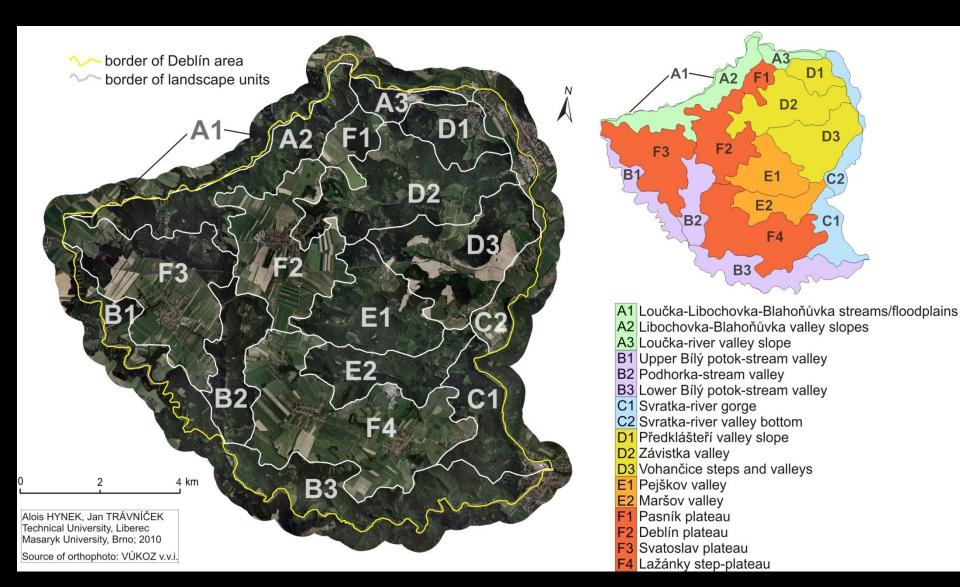






## Composite landscape units of Deblín area (part 1)

version for local atlas for pupils in primary school



## Composite landscape units of Deblín area (part 2)

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## **Introduction: local primary school as an equal partner for University?**

- For universities involved in research
  - Primary school as a key clue into local community and source of specific local knowledge
- For municipalities and public administration
  - Primary schools as valid partner for governance and decision making
- For local community

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Primary schools as important endegeneous actor and actant of local community life and development











## B. Bloom (1956), revised 2001

Levels of intelectual behaviour in learning – a taxonomy with overlapping domains:

Cognitive

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- Psychomotor
- Affective

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(Based on Pohl, 2000, Learning to Think, Thinking to Learn, p. 8)





## **Project educational objectives**

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- Connected with key "sustainability" UN agenda + Millennium Ecosystem Assessment documents
- Improvement and reorientation of educational curricula documents towards sustainable development
- Cooperation of primary, tertirary education institutions with local community and government/authority
- Analysis of environment, knowledge-power relations and various spatialities of the cultural landscape of the Deblin area
- Evaluation the living conditions/livelihood in the Deblin area
- Empowerment of local communities in good governance and opening debate on the state of the environment is a starting point in searching for sustainable development

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## INOVACE VYSOKOŠKOLSKÉ VÝUKY V ENVIRONMENTÁLNÍCH OBORECH

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K udržitelnému rozvoji České republiky: vytváření podmínek



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## Methodology

- inter/transdisciplinary cooperation of geographical and non-geographical approaches
- ➡ using both surface and deep data (Cloke, P. et al. 2004)
- using triangulation (Denzin, N. 1994), multiple methods
- Key-quality oriented ethnographical fieldwork/participatory approach: in the sense of "thick description" (Geertz, C. 2000) ....do not study in villages, study villages

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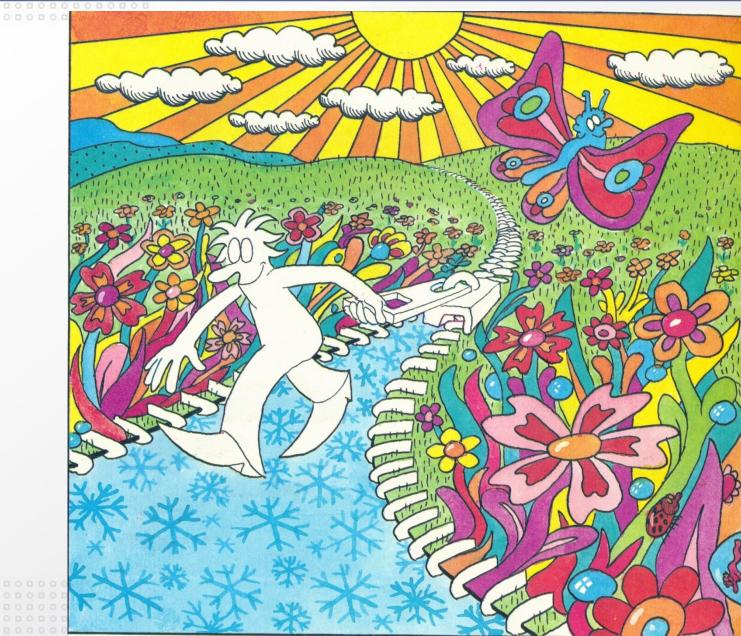
- foreigner/true observer x true participant (participation in the community life)
- 2) Insight into the role of power permeanting power/resistance
- 3) Revealing the internal networks actors in networking
  - formal and informal powers over a particular site

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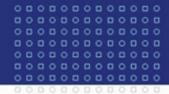
## superficial and deep data/extensive-intensive/thin-thick description

(Cloke, P., Cook, I., Crang, P., Goodwin, M., Painter, J., Philo, C., 2004)

field survey participant observation

multiple method

Field survey Understanding interview Mental maps Focus groups Personal archives Talking to people/actors Official/non-official sources Imaginative sources







## **Interpreting data**

(Cloke, P., Cook, I., Crang, P., Goodwin, M., Painter, J., Philo, C., 2004)

- sifting and sorting
- enumerating
- explaining
- understanding

the critic/artisan/ethnographer/ iconographer/conversationalist/therapist/ deconstructionist

representing

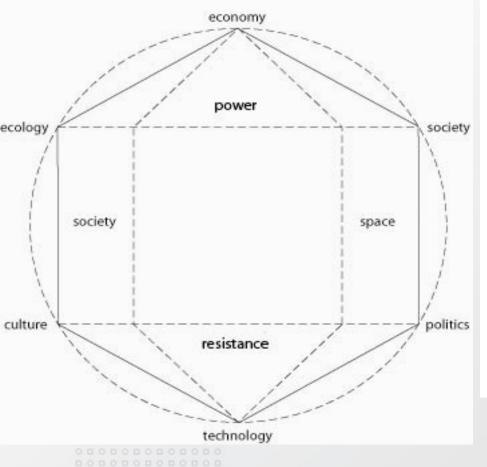




## Methodological approaches to sustainability (Hynek A., Hynek N. 2007, MA 2002-2009)

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Millennium Ecosystem Assessment (MA)

- Ecosystem as capital
   Knowledge synthesis
   Impacts of ecosystems changes
   Field+lab technologies (GIS)
- Global/national/local
- Endogenous / exogenous powers
- asset, stock, yield, income

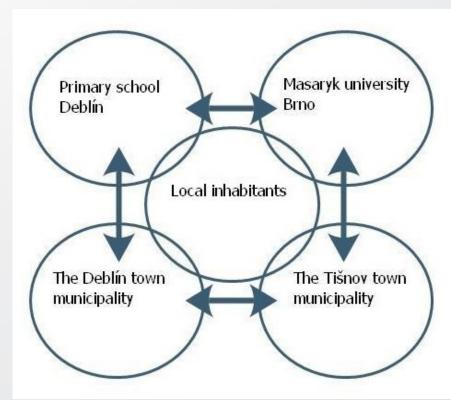
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## Actors in contemporary cooperation

Interdisciplinary cooperation

 Masaryk university, Brno
 Technical university, Liberecc
 Palacký university, Olomoucc
 Primary school Deblín
 The Deblín town municipality
 The Tišnov town municipality
 Local inhabitants



## **Central position of local people**

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## **Analysis of actors and actants**

Shareholders

Stakeholders

Decision-makers

Experts outside

Experts inside

Actants objects

Local government, MÚ Tišnov, SDH Deblín, farmers, TJ Sokol Deblín, chronicler, director of primary school, private entrepreneurs, hunters

local residents, firemen, football players, students, schools, farmers, tourists, hunters

Local government, Microregion of Deblín, MÚ Tišnov (Especially the Department of Environment and Planning and Building Authority), Regional Office of JMK, representatives of the South Moravia Region, Director of Forests of the City of Brno, Head of School

Ass. Prof. Lacina

Witnesses / locals, Mr. Neshyba, Mrs. Antlová, Mr. Štěrba, Mr. Habart

collective farm granary, an amplifier (transmitter), bus stops, Municipal House, a supermarket, building schools, lake, church, cemetery, kindergarten, cycling ways

Communities

SDH Deblín, TJ Sokol Deblín, Sokol Deblín – football and tennis, section, farmers, the Christian community, association of Deblín Hunters, fishing club

Source: Hynek a Svozil 2007 (pro potřeby předmětu Trvalá udržitelnost – Sustainability)









## **Development of project activities**

- Mental mapping as unique personal interpretation/presentation of the reality, used on a daily basis for spatial mobility and orientation, evaluated and improved continually
- Definition of <u>the area</u> linked to the results of mental mapping
- Collecting available <u>data</u> and participative/understanding interviews with major actors
- The profile of the Deblin area
- List of <u>major problem issues</u> connected to SLE (significant landscape elements)
- Students' and pupils' <u>public meetings</u> in the Deblin primary school premises and joint field work, empowering the people
- Creating outputs and <u>public presentation</u> of the results
- Joint <u>field</u> excursions/expeditions and identification of themes expected by the public/local community or government /authority – governance



## **Community learning as significant part of the case study project**

- identification of key actors/actants in community
- community networks
- power inside and outside of community
  - Iand use

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- owners, users, labourers, visitors.....percepts and affects
- sustainability/security x priority for the community
- debate with representatives of the local community and local authorities
- main development problem areas and proposed solutions
  - analysis, interpretation, synthesis, evaluation, proposition (LANDEP)



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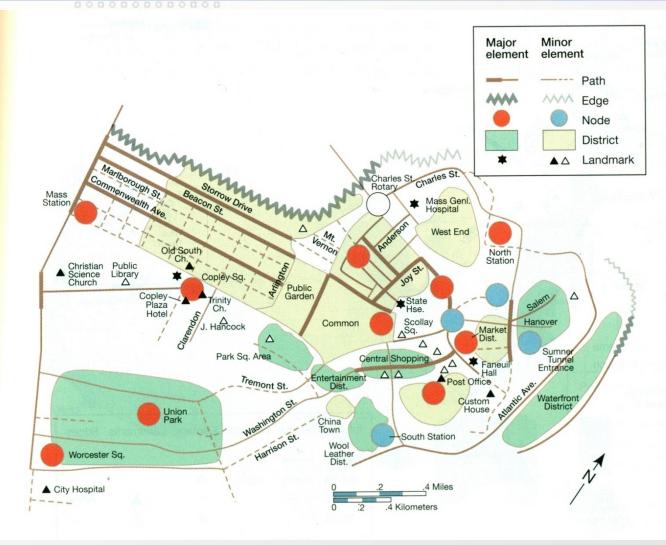
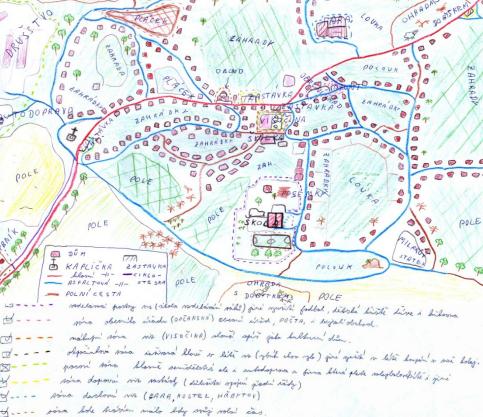


Figure 6.6 Cognitive image of Boston This map was compiled by Kevin Lynch, one of the pioneer researchers into cognitive images, from interviews with a sample of Boston residents. Lynch found that the residents of Boston tended to structure their cognitive images of the city with the same elements. He produced ingenious maps, such as this one, to demonstrate the collective "mental map" of the city, using symbols of different boldness or color to indicate the proportion of respondents who had mentioned each element. (After K. Lynch, The Image of the City. Cambridge, MA: M.I.T. Press, 1960, p. 146.)

## Mental mapping – perspective from primary school pupils

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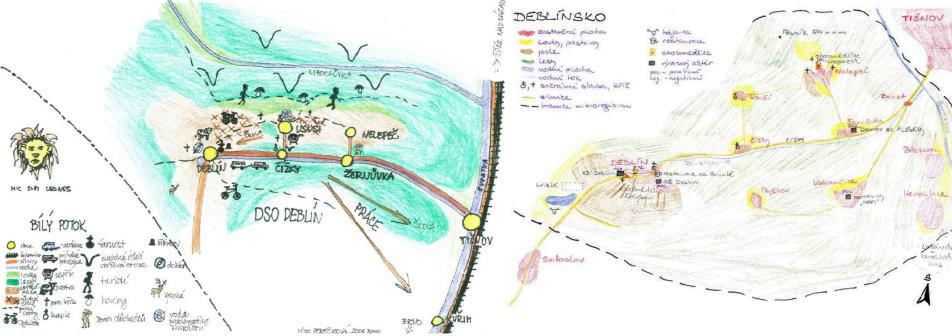
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## Mental mapping – perspective from university students



Primary school pupils Deblin x university students MU Brno detailed maps x using generalization real x mediated reality stereotypes x "objective" perception not linked with greater area x patterns and connections

## **Deblin community**

"Deblin area becomes a popular location ..."



## rodinné domy Deblín

Are there enought water for citizens?..."

#### **View of new residents**

- Basic services,
- Good land parcel prices. obsolote building

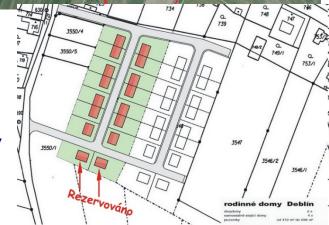
#### **Conservatives**

- Clean environment, 'new peasants', strong identity
   Good location, X city services,

  - building new houses in the family,

#### Obr. 3: Nová a potenciální zástavba

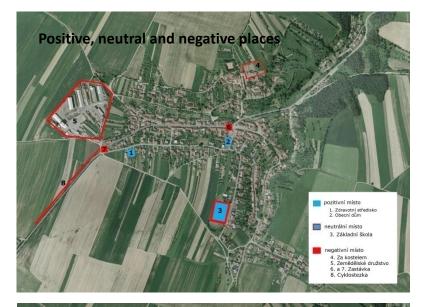




## **Examples of primary school pupils work**

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1. generace	70%	17%	10%	3%	JZD	
2. generace	45%	35%	20%	0%	JZD	
3. generace	6%	45%	39%	10%	svářeč	
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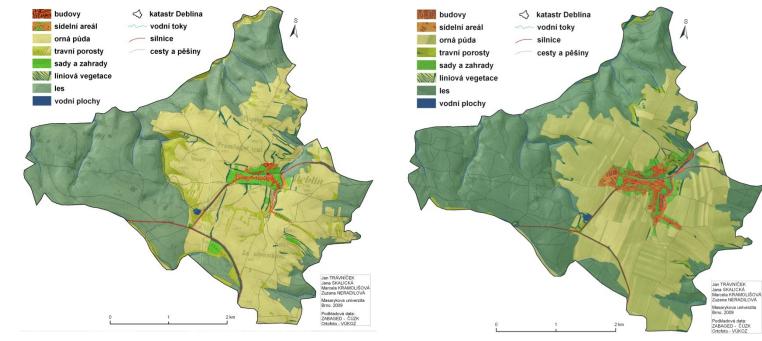




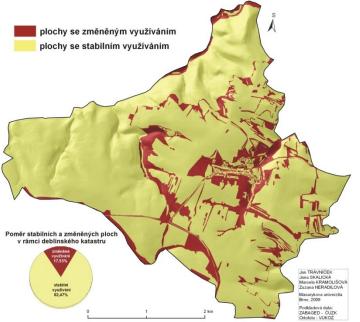


#### LAND USE V KATASTRU DEBLÍNA V ROCE 1876

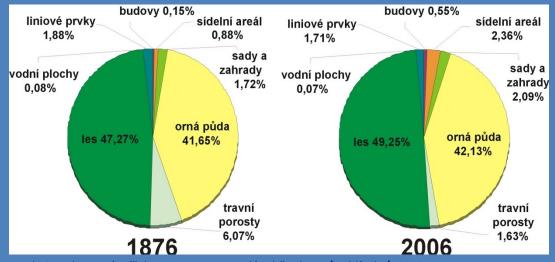
#### LAND USE V KATASTRU DEBLÍNA V ROCE 2008



#### PLOCHY SE STABILNÍM A ZMĚNĚNÝM VYUŽÍVÁNÍM V KATASTRU DEBLÍNA



#### Land use parcels in Deblin cadastre



A.Hynek, Svozil, B., Trávníček, J., Trojan, J.: Trvalá udržitelnost 'Deblínska', 2009







## **Significant landscape elements (SLE)** in the frame of territorial system of ecological stability (Buček,Lacina)

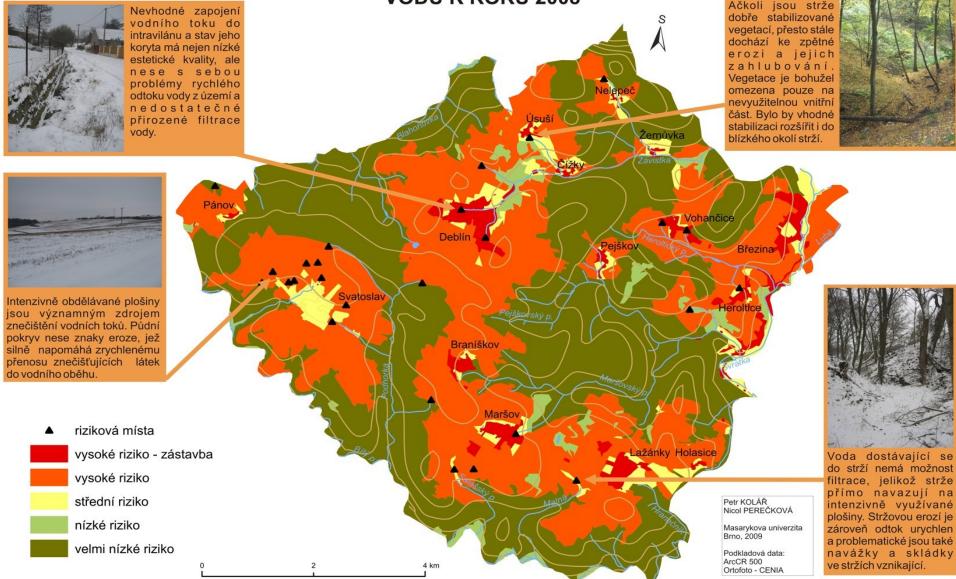
- "Ecological, geomorphological or aesthetic value of landscape shaping its appearance and / or contributing to its stability" (Act 114/1992)
- Decision maker of SLE is legislatively ambivalent
  - Which gives the chance for creativity and participation
- Potential/capital of SLE as actant (in the sense of Latour, 2005)
  - ecological stability, biodiversity, aesthetic value (the "biological" function)
  - reducing water and wind erosion (the "protective" function)
  - relicts of historical landscape structures (the "historical" function)
- Creating the relationship between pupils and the town landscape
  - examination of the SLE (cognitive level)
  - management of the SLE (landscape and community actors/actants)
  - SLE usage (eg for sustainable tourism)





## CURRENT RISKS IN RELATION TO SUSTAINABLE PERSPECTIVE ON WATER

#### POTENCIÁLNÍ RIZIKOVOST DEBLÍNSKA VE VZTAHU K TRVALE UDRŽITELNÉMU POHLEDU NA VODU K ROKU 2008





Blahoňůvka: reduce the proportion of spruce monocultures in otherwise appropriate composition of riverside vegetation (alder, ash, maple).

**Deblin cadastre** 

water stream



significant landscape component



Úsušský remízek: general clean up, remove the brambles.



Strejčkov: strengthen the dam pond bottom, remove the remnants of wire fence and increase the proportion of oak and fir.



Suchá loučka: cut a meadow, improve the condition of the bush line vegetation,

Jan TRÁVNÍČEK Barbora KREJČÍKOVÁ Martin BRAUN Ondřej ŠERÝ Masaryk University Brno, 2010 Mokřad: cut an adjacent meadow species composition and improve 2 km Source of Orthophoto: extend SLC. VÚKOZ, v.v.i. wetland

SLE deployment in the land of Deblín, graphical solution suitable for popularization through lectures and instructional signs





## Financing the future

- Activities supported through projects financed by structural funds (EU – Operational Programme Education for Competitiveness)
- 2 key projects

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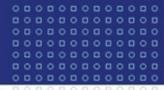
Sustainability as part of school educational programme

Atlas and local geographical textbooks

Supports for students (ICT, e-learning)

- Empowering language skills through environmental education
- Other projects where Primary school Deblin

plays the "partner role"







## **SUMMARY of current results**

The activity helped pupils to interest local residents about their neighborhood resident and encourages them to actively engage in the project.

## **PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF RESULTS**

Results discussed with representatives of public administration and local authorities to take account of them in practice.

#### **Cooperation still continues...**

- Vohančice (water management issues)
- SLE excursion
- Grants and funds support
- Informational boards in woods
- SLE management in cooperation with Municipality of Tišnov
- Implementation into curricular documents at Primary school Deblin
- Best practice preparation with participation of Ch. Schrefel 17&4 Organisationsberatung GmbH

#### **2010:** Actors meeting – local Agenda creation?



VAZBY NA DEBLÍN

#### TRVALÁ UDRŽITELNOST 'DEBLÍNSKA' 🎬 Alois Hynek, Břetislav Svozil, Jan Trávníček, Jakub Trojan

ve spolupráci s žáky Základní školy Deblín, studenty Geografického ústavu Přírodovědecké fakulty Masarykovy univerzity v Brně, městysem Deblín a městem Tišnov



Zákon č. 17/1992 Sb. o životním prostředí České republiky uvádí: "Udržitelný rozvoj společnosti je takový rozvoj, který současnýn budoucím generacím zachovává možnost uspokojovat jejich základní životní potřeby a přitom nesnižuje rozmanitost pří a zachovává přirozené funkce ekosystémů. Z této definice vychází projektová spolupráce mezi Základní

olou Deblín a Geografickým ústavem Přírodovědecké fakulty Masarykovy univerzity v Brně. Usiluje o aktivaci a participací všech subjektů, které žijí a nebo nějakým způsobem ovlivňují Deblínsko' a mají snahu se svými podnětnými návrhy podílet na doucí podobě rozvoje územi



MENTÁLNÍ MAPOVÁNÍ "DEBLÍNSKA

#### PRÁCE STUDENTŮ ZŠ DEBLÍN



#### významné krajinné prvky v deblínském katastru

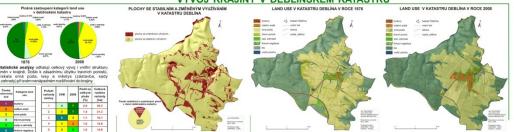


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#### VÝVOJ KRAJINY V DEBLÍNSKÉM KATASTRU



### **OUTPUTS PRESENTATION**

- Evaluation and feedback
  - **High participation**

### **COOPERATION CONTINUES...**

- **Operational Programme**
- Vohančice
- **Excursion for pupils**
- Atlas of Deblín region
- Actors meeting
- Information tables
- SLE management





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## Thank you for attention

