



*‘Integrated European Landscape
Circle Studies’
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*My presentation ranges across Europe from Ireland to Kosovo**

**This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.*



Images from Bradt Guide to Kosovo

“All my Life’s a Circle”

- Harry Chapin song



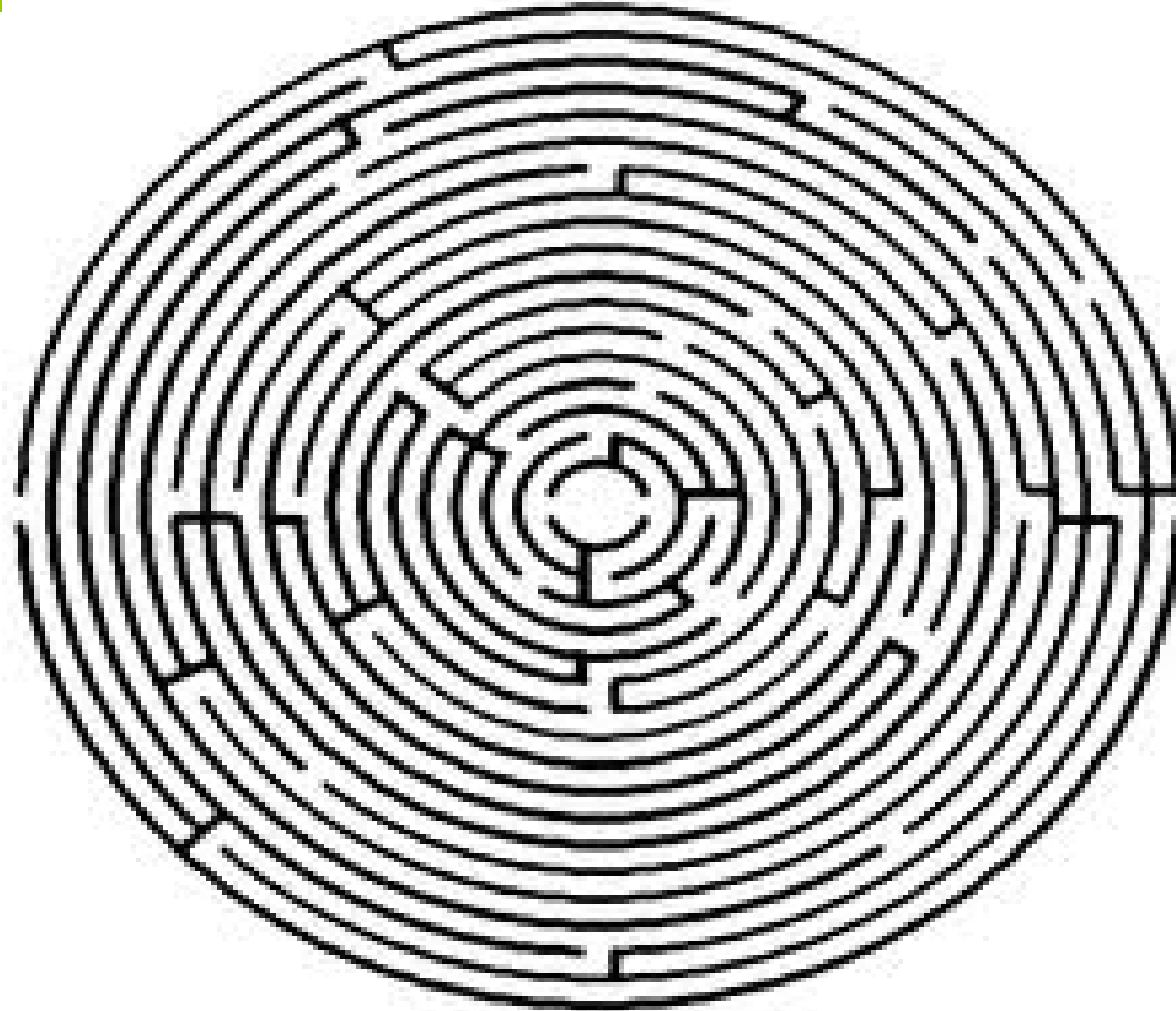
My Questions in 1994!

- **Why** are some of our landscapes attractive and others less so?
- **How** could the situation be improved?
- **What** means should be employed to achieve this?
- **Who** should be charged with responsibility for same?
- **Where** the finance if necessary could come from?

Circles can be Pointless!



You can even get lost in a Circle!

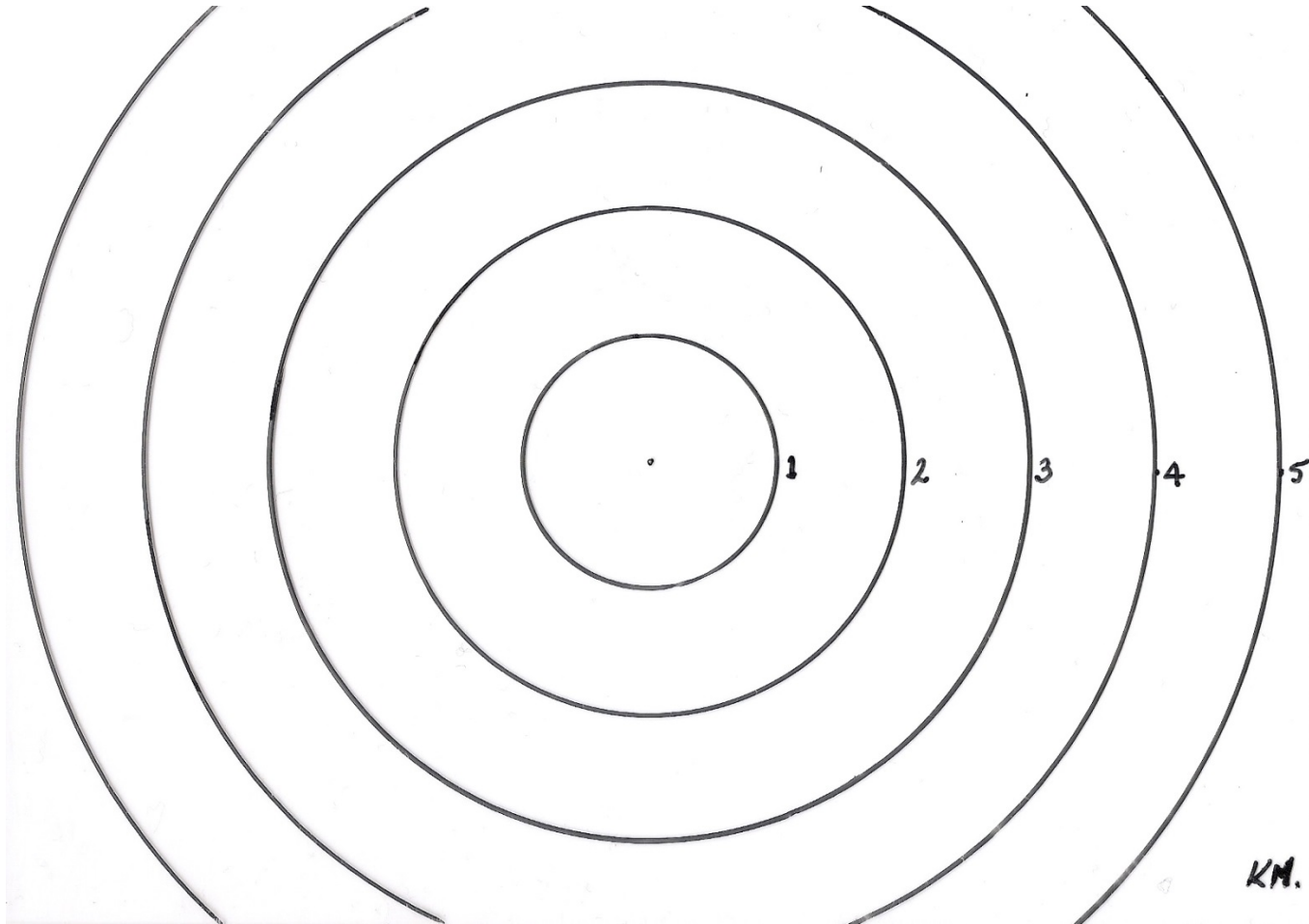


13th CoE ELC Workshop, Cetijne,
Montenegro

My 'Ring Road Route' to Landscape Circle Methodologies

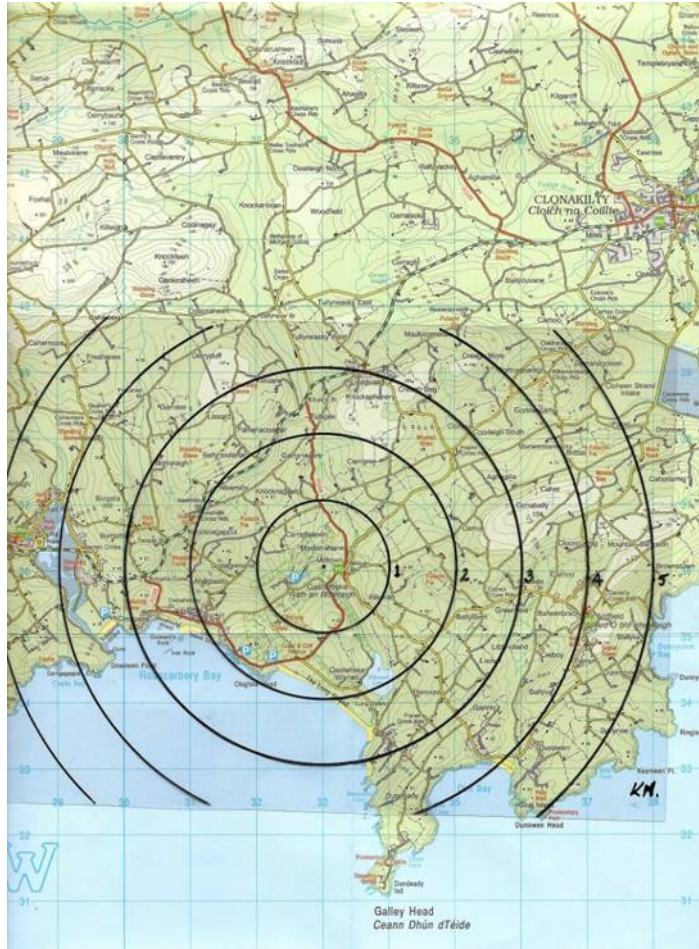
- 1992 - National Landscape Policy Proposal
- 1994 - National Landscape Policy Pamphlet
- 1995 – National Landscape Forum
- 1996 – Participation in ELC process
- 2003 – European Rural Heritage
- 2005 – 3rd CoE ELC Workshop in Cork, Irl.
- 2006 – Landscape Circle Methodology born
- 2008 – Landscape Circle Guide published
- 2009 – European Landscape Circle Guide
- 2013 – Municipal Landscape Circle Guide

But circles often make great sense! The Landscape Circle Template



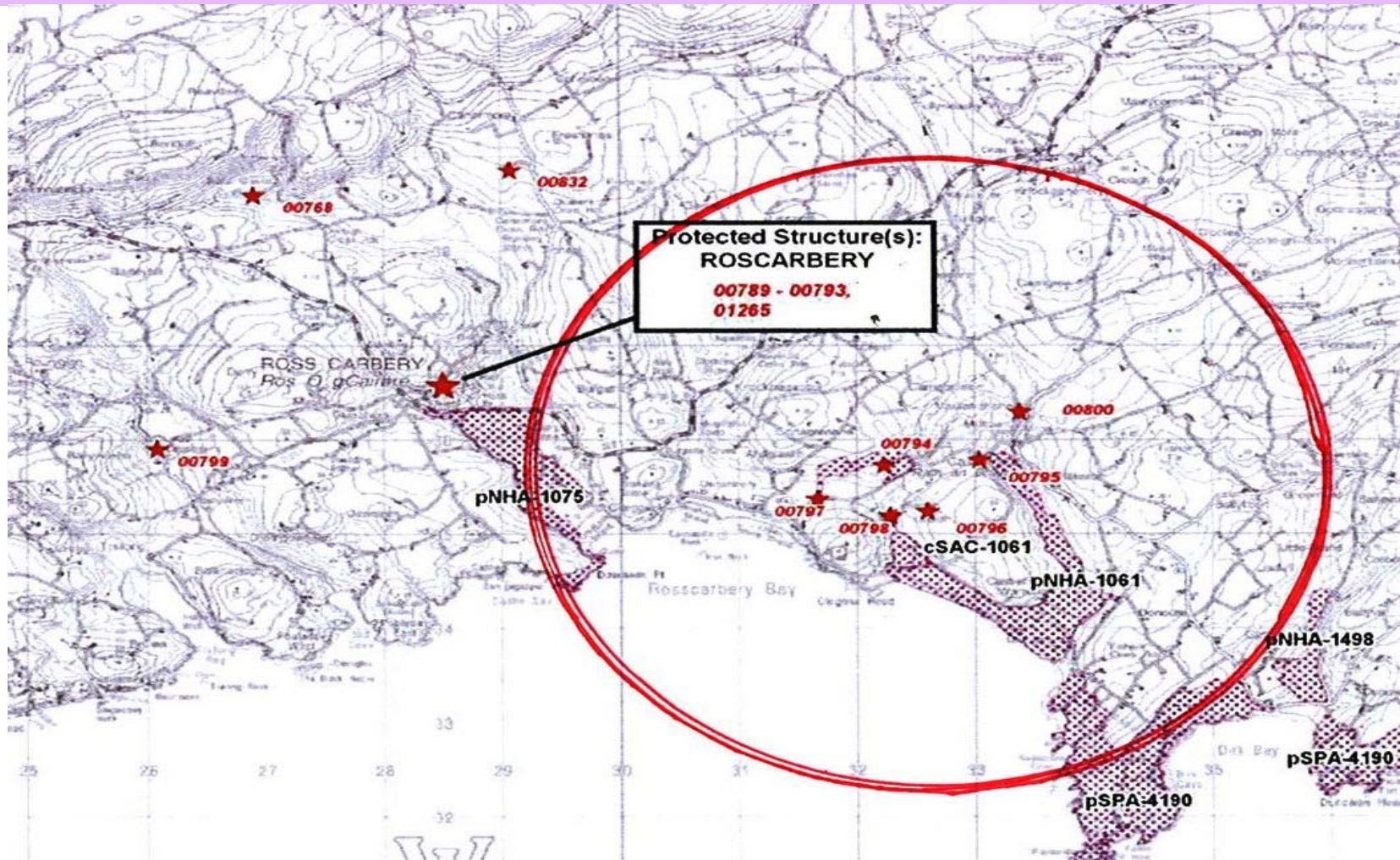
The Rathbarry Landscape Circle

Co. Cork Ireland

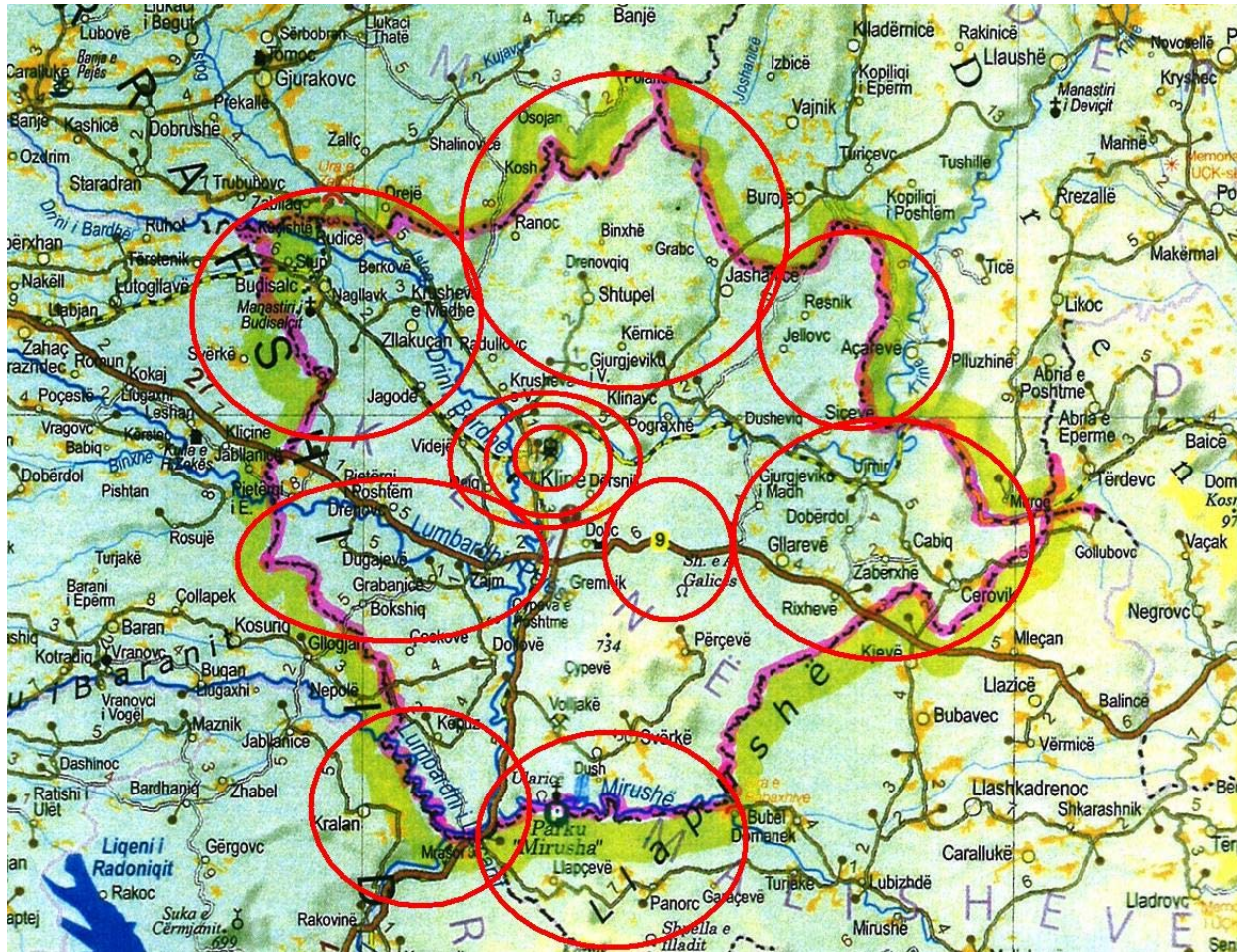


Landscape Circles Multi-tasking!

Integrating Landscape & Heritage sites



Indicative Municipality Landscape Circle Mapping – Klinë/Klina, Kosovo



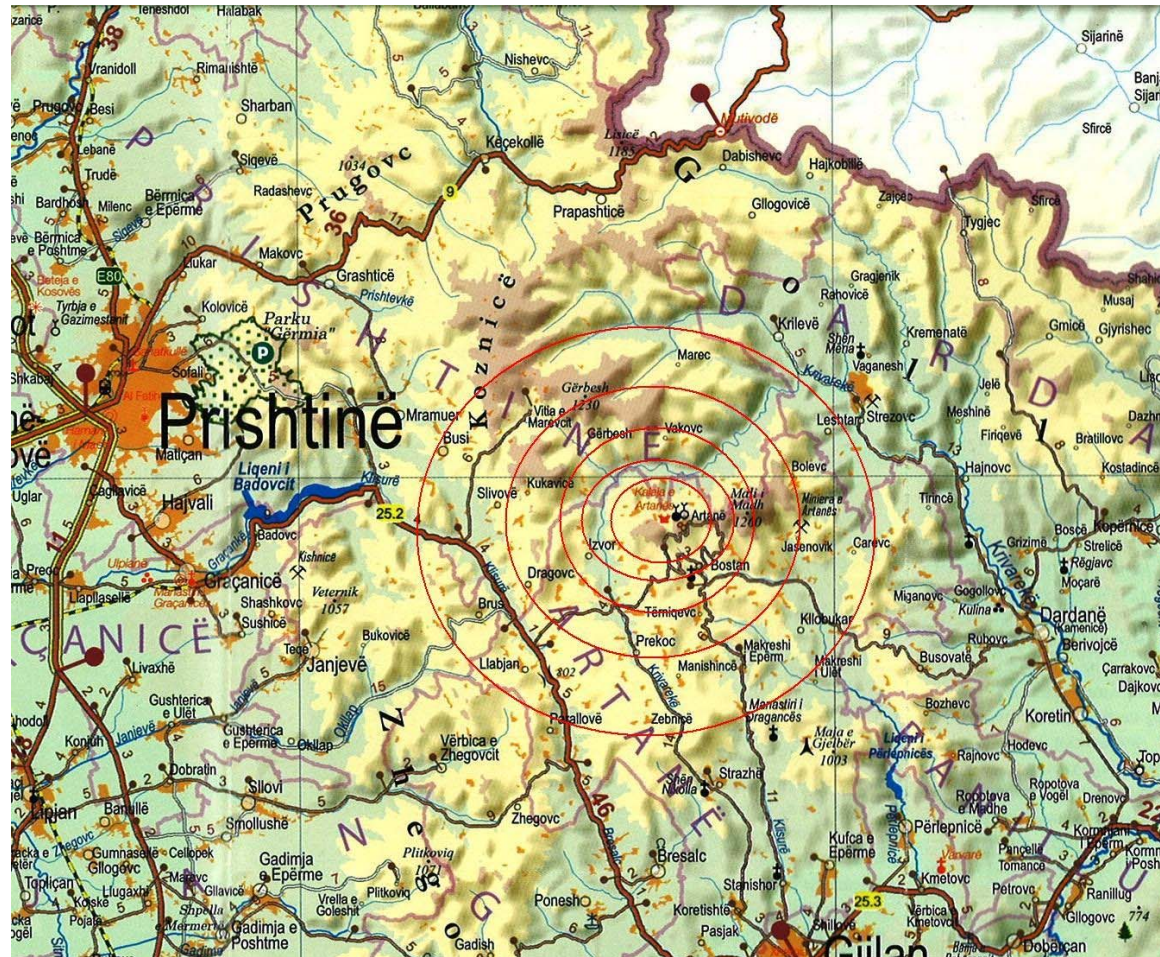
Outputs of a Municipal Landscape Circle Study

- Inform municipal and central development planning processes including EIA processes where relevant
- Serve as an educational and awareness-raising mechanism on landscape at official/community level
- Support and reinforce other important cultural/natural heritage and environmental measures in an integrated sustainable framework
- Guide landscape protection, management and planning at local, municipal, regional and central levels
- Facilitate compliance with relevant legislation and international conventions

The 7 Steps of the Landscape Circle Methodology

1. Scoping the Study Area
2. Research
3. Creating an Image Observatory
4. Information Gathering
5. Evaluating the Landscape - LANSWOT
6. Identifying Actions & Actors
7. Landscape Study Report + other outputs

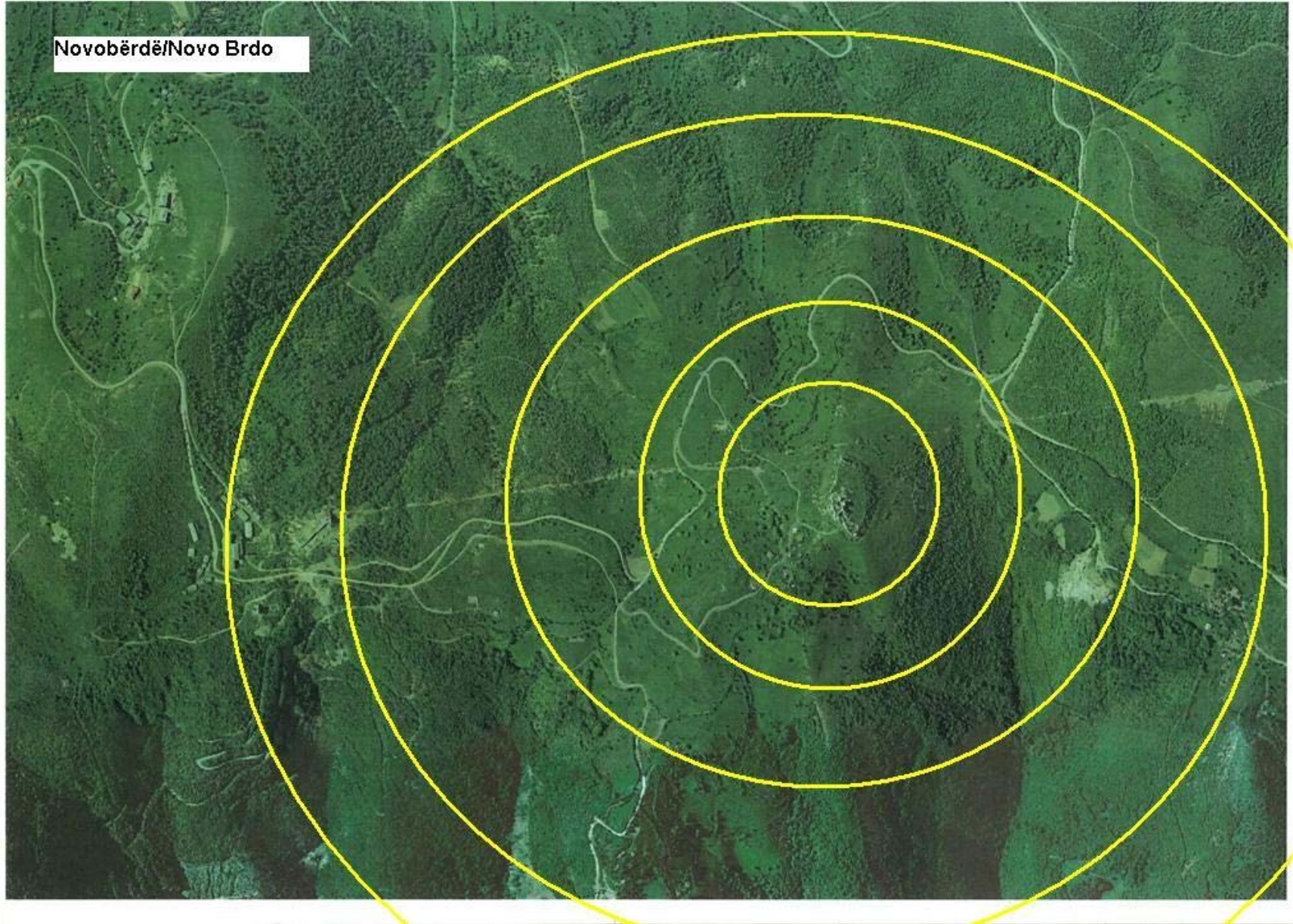
Indicative Cultural Heritage Site Landscape Circle – Novobërdë/Novo Brdo, Kosovo



Novobërdë/Novo Brdo & Prizren, Kosovo



Novobërdë/Novo Brdo



For more information:

See CoE web site - 2009 conference

Refer to today's workshop proceedings

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www.lai-ireland.com – under reconstruction!

Go Raibh Míle Maith Agaibh go Léir!

1000 Good Wishes to You All!