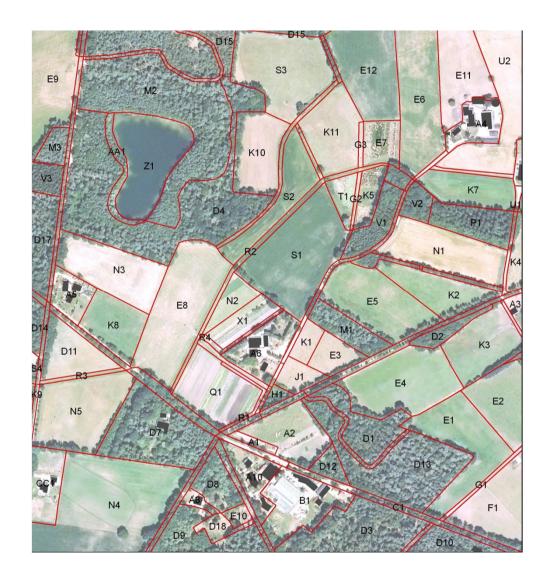
# EBONE Digitising Protocol

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#### **General Purpose**

- To provide final spatial data to report about habitat occurrences and to compute spatial parameters for habitat and landscape level.
- Aerial photo interpretation before going into the field to provide an initial delineation and coding of the element in order to facilitate the field work.



#### Nature of the Recorded Elements

<b>EBONE</b> Habitat	<b>GIS</b> layer	Rules
Areal	Polygons	Area ≥ 400 m <sup>2</sup>
Linear	Lines	Length $\geq$ 30 m; Width $\geq$ 1 m
Point	Points	Ecological significance



# **Accuracy and Digitizing**

- Scale
  - ground resolution between 0.2 to 1m
  - Georeferenced and preferably orthorectified
- Age: less than 5 years old
- Google Earth
  - Sometimes the best available
  - "Show historical imagery"
- Avoid gaps between polygons by setting the snapping environment in GIS!



## Georeferencing

- Mandatory that all data are georeferenced and all projection and datum information stored as metadata!
- For Europe : ETRS 1989 UTM
  - Follow INSPIRE Directive
  - <u>http://inspire.jrc.ec.europa.eu/documents/Data\_Specifications/INSP</u>
     <u>IRE\_Specification\_CRS\_v3.1.pdf; http://www.epsg-registry.org/</u>)
- For World : EPSG:4326 = WGS84



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#### Data Management

- Format
  - ArcInfo Shapefile format.
  - Areal, line and point habitat in separate shapefiles.
- Auxiliary files (attribute table and projection).
  - All send to the data manager together (Files: .shp, .shx, .dbf, .prj)!



#### Data Management

- Naming conventions
  - Layers: 2 letters for country + Zone Code + Habitat type
    - e.g. FR\_0011\_Areal.shp; FR\_0011\_Lines.shp
  - -Elements :
    - use alpha coding to name elements; preferably using single part element (i.e. each record have it's own code)
- Use the same coding for recording into the field database.



## Field computer: Access-based

		Reference lists
	BIO_SOS FIELD DATA BASE	refCountry  refElementType
	Field Work Version V1.1	refEnvStrata
		refEUNIS AI
D_SOS	About	refFarmClass
		refGHC
		refGlobQualifier
Administration		refLifeForm
		refManagement_L1
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ountry NL (NETHERLANDS)		Open Reference Table
pecies List The Netherlands		
DATA ENTRY 1 LANDSCAPE SQUAR 2 ELEMENTS 3 VEGETATION PLOT	Export Squares Export Polygons	
<b>3</b> VEGETATION PLOT		THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TODAY!



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