

Session 73: Messy methods: Heritage studies and the quest for multimethodological approaches

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What does the human geography bring to the analysis of heritage processes?

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What does it mean « human geograhy »?

- A discipline focus on « space » and « place ». How societies shape the space? How connections between different scales model space?
- The space as a social production, revealing choices.
- Protected areas / protected places: Why does it have this shape? What this zoning teaches us in terms of stakeholders negotiation processes? In terms of Heritage Discourses contents and attributed values?

<u>The main tools and methodologies used by</u> <u>the human geography</u>

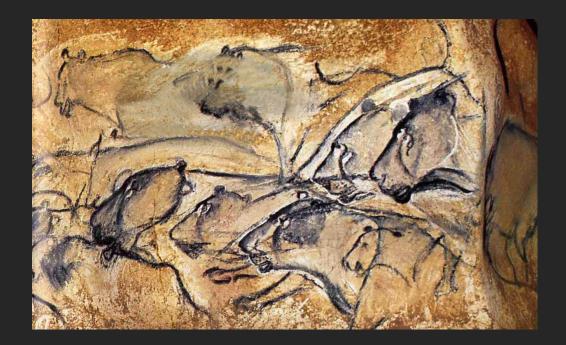
- Field observations
- Discourses (written and oral materials)
- Maps
- Comparative approach
- Chrono-systemic approach

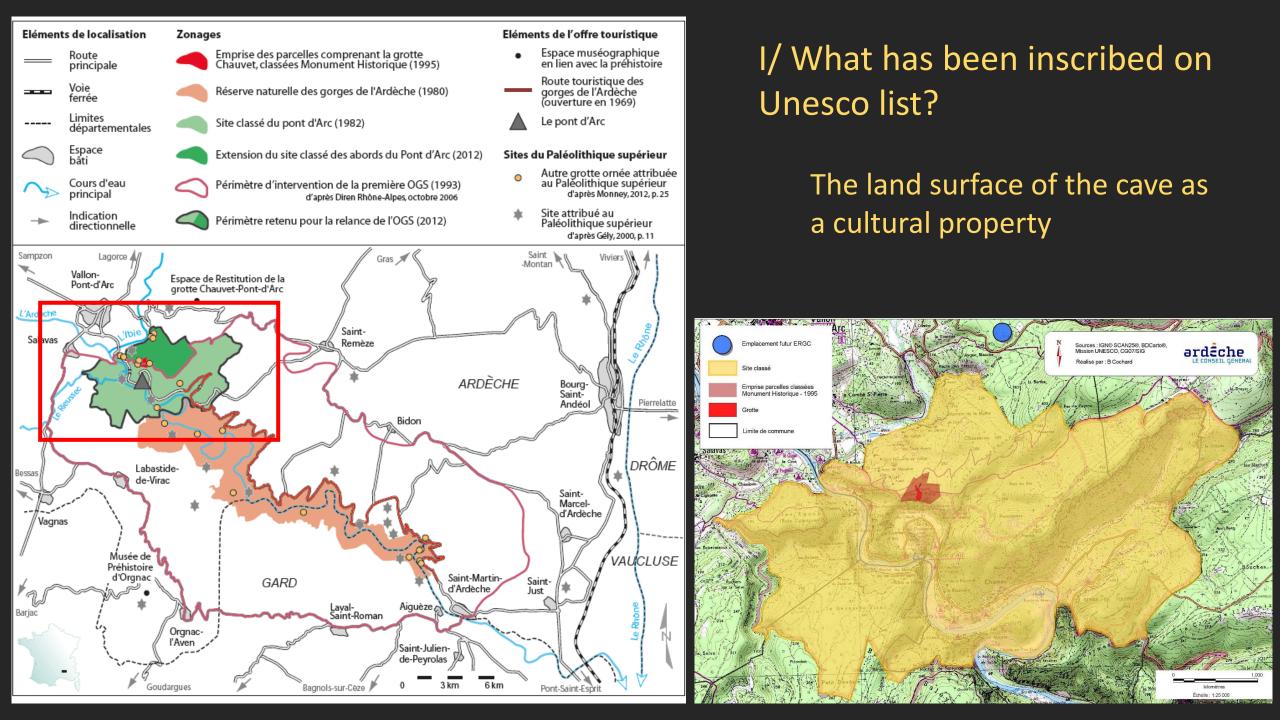
Chauvet Cave example

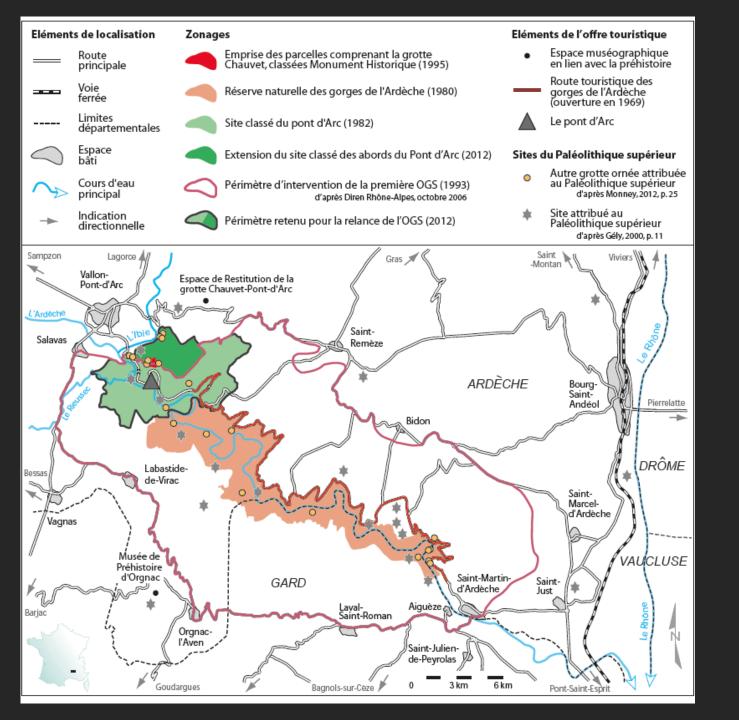












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Contributions of a comparative approach



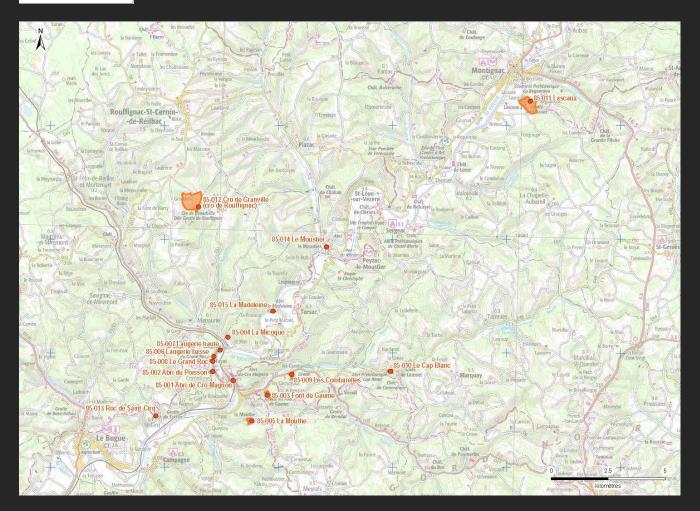
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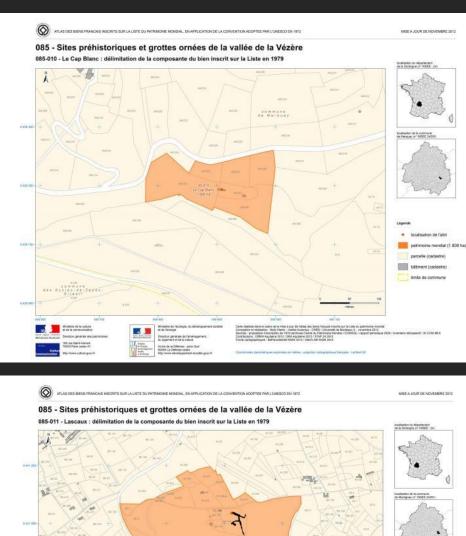


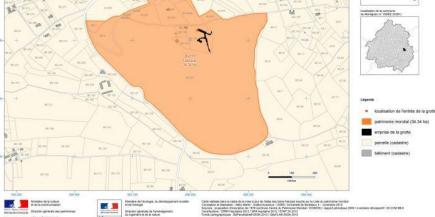




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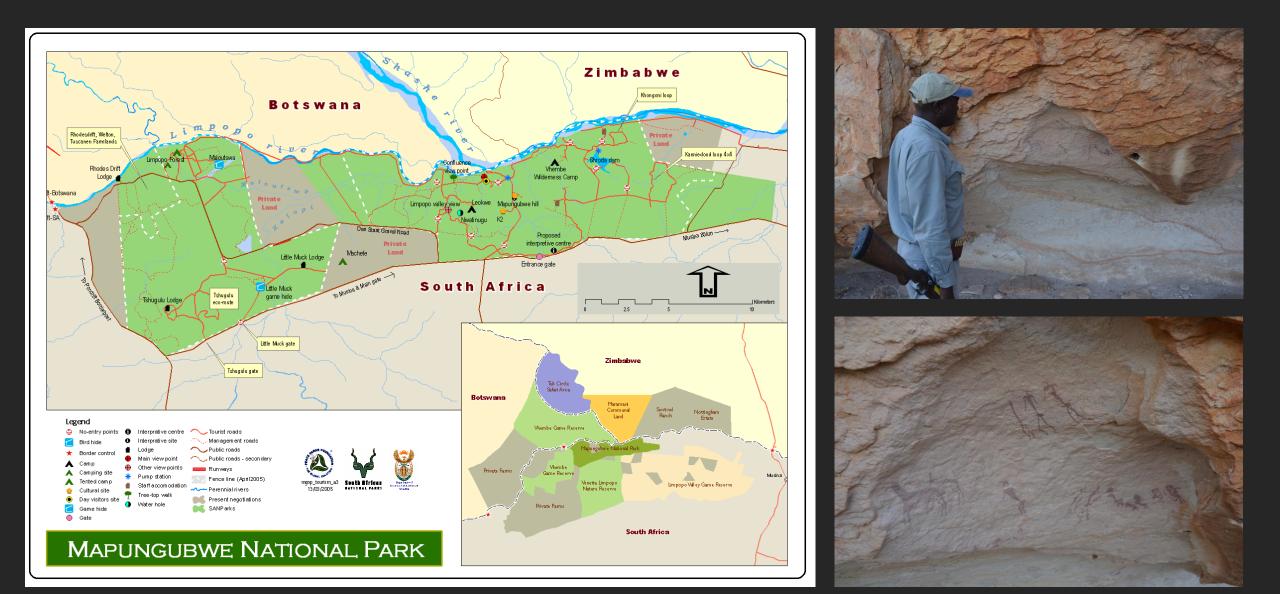




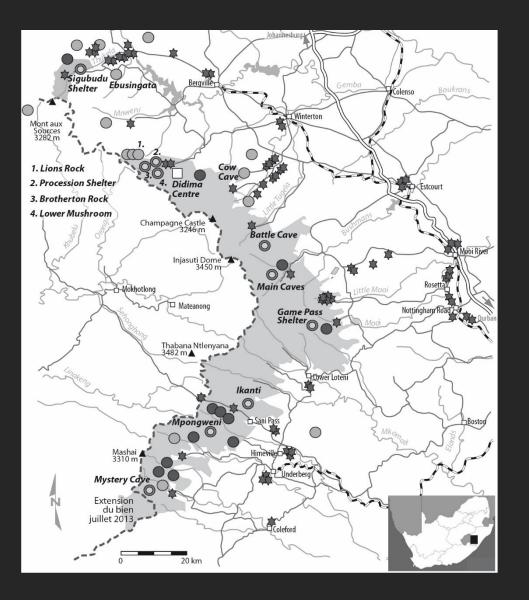




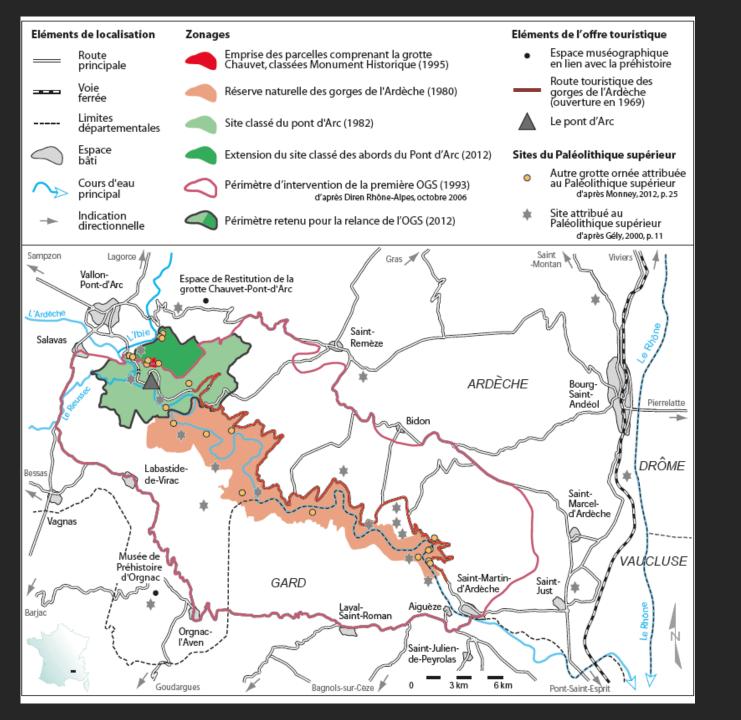
Mapungubwe : cultural landscape



Maloti-Drakensberg : mixed property





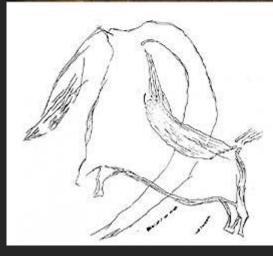


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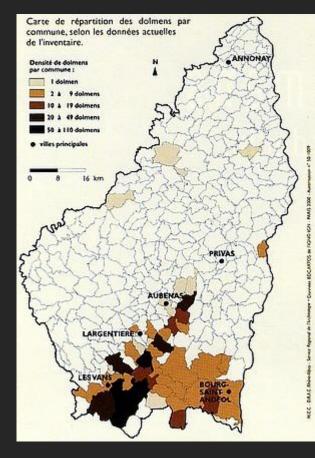


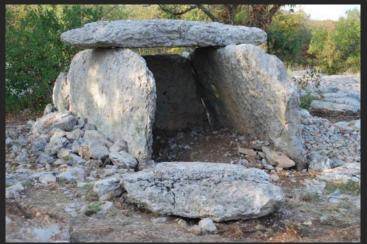
Grotte des deux ouvertures



Grotte de la tête du lion



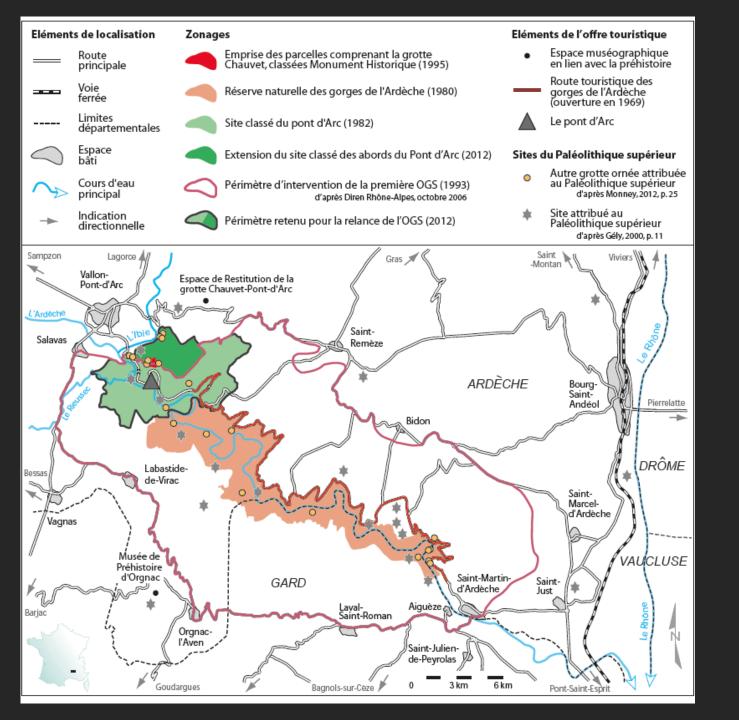








		Place			Serial			Area	
Cultural property	Cavalier de Madara (i, iii) Chauvet (i, iii)		a	et de la Grott rupe	Sites préhistoriques et grottes ornées de la vallée de la Vézère (i, iii) Grotte d'Altamira et art rupestre paléolithique du nord de l'Espagne (i, iii)		Paysage culturel du Mapungubwe (ii, iii, iv, v)		
Mixed				 			a and	uKhahlamba / c du Drakensb (i, iii, vii, x)	
property							l I	Parc national de Kakadu (i, vi, vii, ix, x)	



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III/ What this zoning teaches us in terms of stakeholders negociation processes and attributed values? Stakeholders negotiations processes : Ministries of Culture/ Environment

 Adequacy with the production of a management plan in order to minimize the potential for conflict, especially around the pont d'Arc



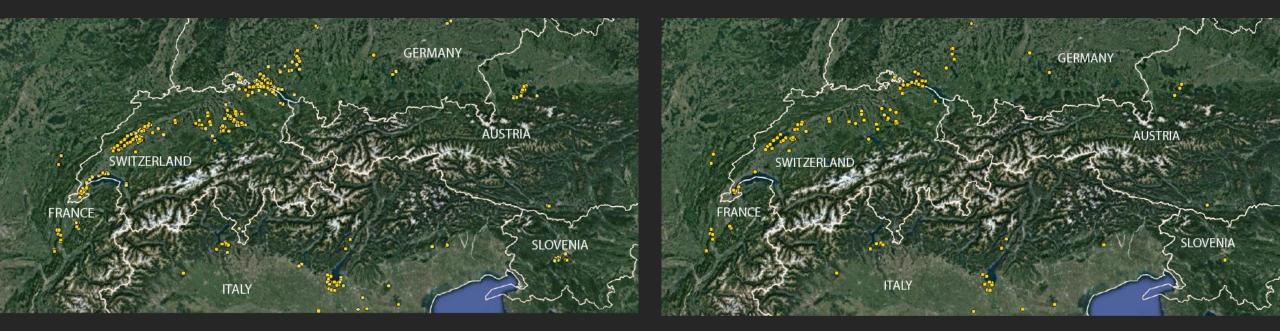
 Rock Art caves perceived as a "historical monument", without taking into account the relations between the art and his surrounding landscape

Conclusions

- Geogaphy is relevant to analyse how far heritage processes express choices done by a society in a cultural context (unit of time and space)
- A similar approach may be developed in other heritage objects, « natural » or « cultural »







807 pile dwellings sites

111 pile dwellings sites

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