

The landscape character has become a topical issue in many European countries in the 90's as well as in the Czech Republic. Since this period a lot of scientists and specialists of various branches have solved problems of the landscape character, the question of its terminology and evaluation.

The master thesis is especially about the landscape character assessment (further only LCA). This question has been solved till today, also due to a new building law in the Czech Republic from 2006. The admission of this law means for the authorities of nature and landscape protection the statutory duty of including conditions of the protection of landscape character into the documents of territorial planning. A few methodologies of the LCA on the different area levels have been developed.

The aim of the master thesis is a proposal of the methodology of the LCA and its application in the model area in the southwestern part of the Biele Karpaty Mountains (White Carpathians) in Western Slovakia.

The model area is interesting because of an unique cultural landscape created by human activities and settlement during several centuries. In consequence of the social and the cultural diversity, the variety of folklore speech as well as due to typical kind of dispersed settlement („crofts“) the Landscape Protected Area Biele Karpaty was declared in 1979.