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Innovative approaches to manage protected areas is the third volume in a series edited by Michael Getzner and Michael Jungmeier that focuses on protected area management and the associated problems and opportunities. The book presents an overview of the master theses created in the 3rd run of the MSc programme Protected Area Management at the University of Klagenfurt. This 2-year MSc course is the first university-based management training for protected areas and draws students from all over the world (details available on <http://mpa.e-c-o.at/>).

In the introductory chapter practically all aspects of modern protected area management are called up. They range from ecology and conservation to social and political potential for conflict and on to PR and sustainable regional development.

In the next chapter the 13 graduates present their work and identify innovative and creative approaches to managing protected areas in case studies from Europe (Serbia, Croatia, Slovakia, Austria, Germany, Slovenia, Italy, Poland, Montenegro, Belarus) and Africa (Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, South Africa). The studies range from investigating the efficiency of wolf population management in Croatia to evaluating the rock drawings of the San people for the South-African World Heritage Site Drakensberg to an assessment of cooperation in protected cross-border areas.

The volume closes with an overview of the course and introduces the graduates with short CVs.

Taken as a whole, the book offers a very good overview of the challenges and problems faced by protected area managers today and at the same time presents innovative solutions that could be useful for protected area administrations anywhere. Any protected area management office would do well to keep a copy.

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