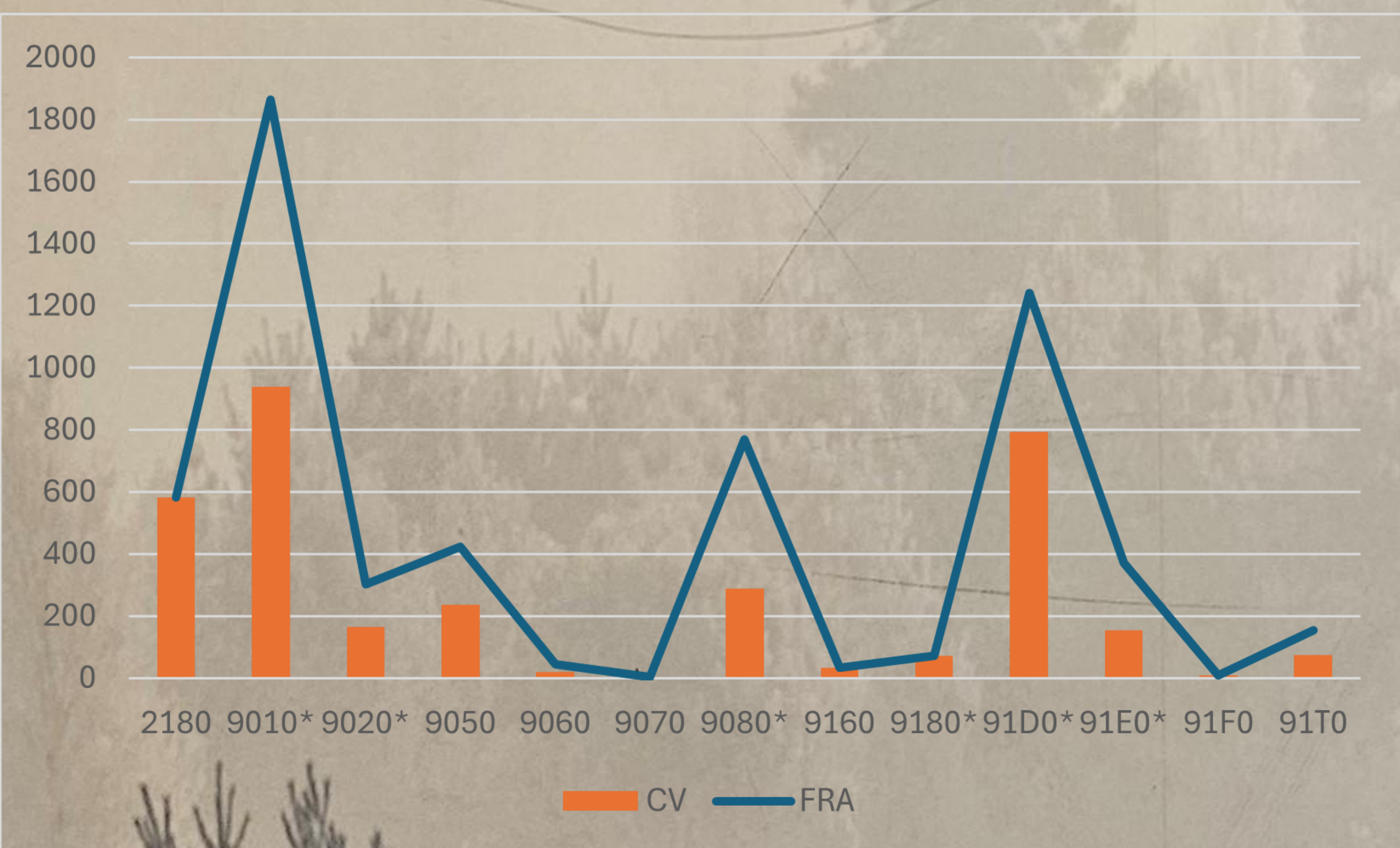
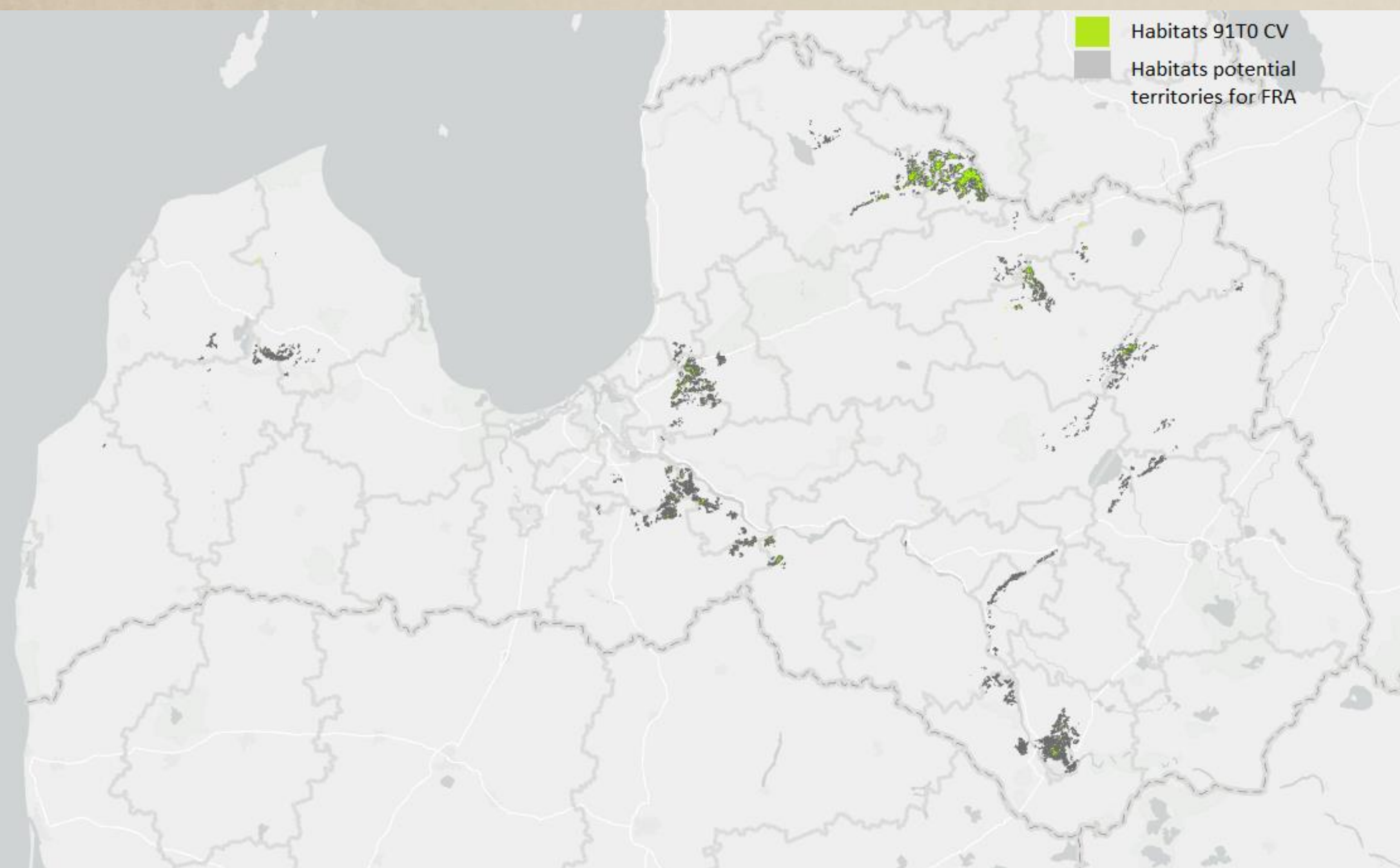


Determining favourable reference areas (FRAs) for ten EU-importance forest habitat types in Latvia

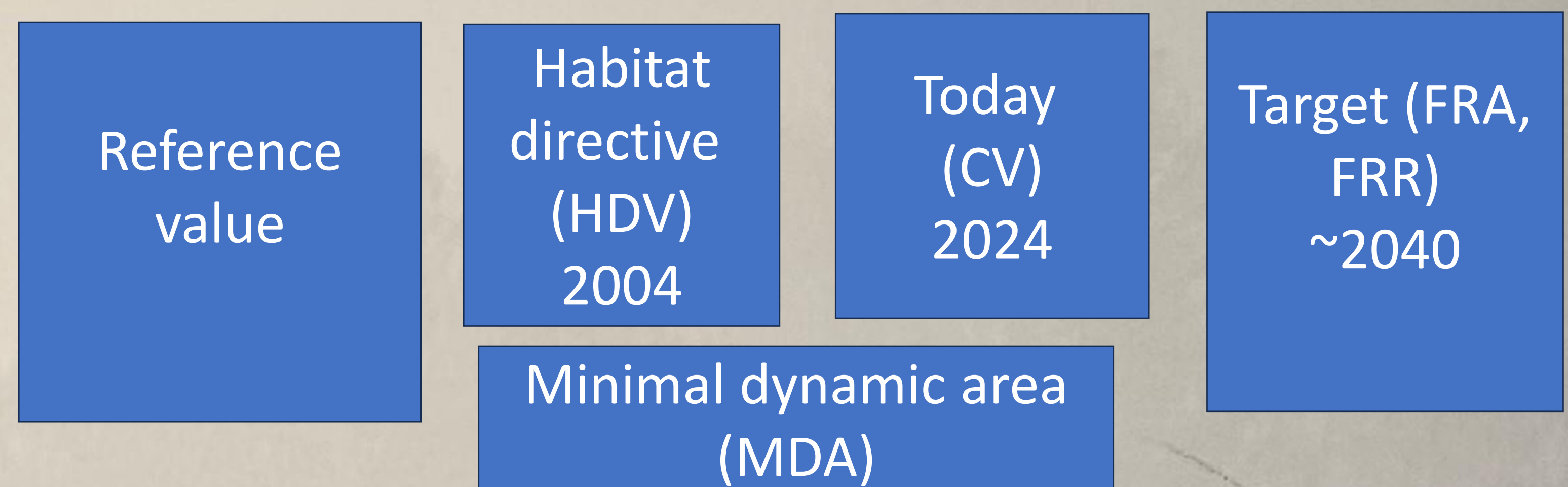
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Habitats favourable reference area (FRA) is minimal area that should provide stable population for habitats indicator species. Our aim is to set FRA and compare them to present habitats areas to understand where conservation is necessary and to set it as aim for habitats areas for approximately 2040 year.

Results



Model based approach



- Finding reference value: GAP analysis and habitat distribution models
- Setting threshold values for minimal dynamic area (20%, 37,5%)
- Comparing minimal dynamic area values to habitats area when Latvia joined EU and habitats present area (CV)
- Setting favourable reference areas values

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