

***Volcanic landscapes:  
A tool for understanding the Homo Sapiens Size and Role***

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Human thinking is normally entrapped in a static perception of the Landscape, due to the very short (tens of years) personal life time scale and the short (thousands of years) period of his history. Considering the real planetary time scale (billions of years) and the relative dynamic radical changes of the Landscape through them (a geodynamic approach) is critical in understanding the scale and the role of Homo Sapiens in respect to Gaia, our living planet.

Volcanic Landscapes are of major importance for introducing and making those concepts comprehensible, as their dynamic changes are much faster than any other of geological environment. "*Sea become land and land become sea*" only requires years, days even to occur, making it easier to observe within our life span, thus giving us a better perspective of the consequences of our actions in respect to mother Nature.

Volcanic activity that created the first living organisms of the planet, granted and still grants its treasures for human prosperity, it created landscapes that can be used as an important tool for the change of the collective behavior of the human species as a conqueror of the nature, to a position of the conscience of a small part of a major organism which he should respect and take care for Earth health and equilibrium.