



Bioinvasion – Distribution Patterns for Invasive Species on a Global Scale

Definition | Species are classified as invasive when they appear outside of their natural habitat and harm their newly occupied habitat in manners of ecosystems, biotopes, species and human health.^{9,15} This can happen either intentionally or unintentionally caused mostly by human influence (e.g. trading).⁷ There are many different definitions for invasive species depending on science and administrative guidlines and can be very complex and contradictory.⁹ In the following the focus lies on increasing human influence by globalization.

