

**Un statut de cavite souterraine d'interet
scientifique pour proteger le milieu naturel
souterrain de Wallonie
(Decree for protection of caves in Wallonie)**

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Abstract

The caves of the Wallonia Region (South of Belgium) are often subject to intensive visitation, and there have been few legal options for their protection. Since 1995, however, a decree has furnished the most important caves of the region with a sustainable status of protection which is adapted to the specificity of the underground environment.