Technical description about KMZ Files

Each KMZ file consists of a main KML file named doc.kml and two PNG files that are zipped to an archive.

There is no need to unzip the files, the KMZ files can be opened and read by Google Earth and Google Maps directly.

When you open the file in Google Earth you can see four different folders in the Places panel:

- 1. Top-most folder called "Layers".
- 2. Displaying a map legend using KML screen overlay. It is presented in a radio-button folder which allows the user to interactively set where on the screen the image is displayed for example, in the upper left corner. The logo graphic element remains fixed in the display if the globe is navigated. Because it is an element in the KML Contents list, its visibility can be turned on or off.
- 3. Displaying a feature layer which shows isolines(contours). When you click on an isoline in the map it opens a HTML Popup, which shows the contour value. The same as legend the visibility of contours can be turned on or off
- 4. The last folder is the map as a raster layer.