

Figure 3. Pansharpened images of RASAT and GÖKTÜRK-2.

3.2 VISUAL ANALYSIS

Generally speaking, since GÖKTÜRK-2 has more geometric and radiometric resolution than RASAT, the visual quality of GÖKTÜRK-2 pan-sharpened images are higher than RASAT. The visual comparison was made for the urban and forest areas. As expected by the characteristics of HPF, this methods does not keep the colour, so its success on forest areas is poor than in urban areas.

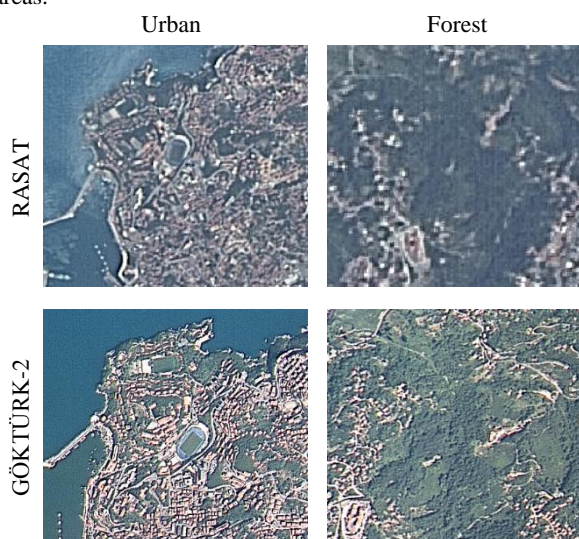


Figure 4. Viusal comparison in urban and forest areas.

4. CONCLUSION

In this study, the pan-sharpening performance of RASAT and GÖKTÜRK-2, two of three in-operation satellites of Turkey, were investigated. HPF is preferred for the pan-sharpening method, and the images were investigated using the spatial metric for quantitative analysis. The findings for correlation coefficients were 0.9678 for RASAT and 0.9542 for GÖKTÜRK-2, which both were close the optimal value (1) of this metric. Since HPF does not keep the colour information, the success of this method is relatively poor than in urban areas in the visual comparison.

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