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ROYAL WEDDING IN BHUTAN: His Majesty King Jigme Khesar Namgyal Wangchuck of Bhutan weds his commoner bride Jetsun Pema today (Oct 13, 2011) at Punakha, the most sacred monastery fortress. We wish him, the queen and their people lots of happiness and their country prosperity. Bhutan is the first country to use the gross happiness index (GHI) rather than the gross domestic product (GDP) as a measure for the status or advancement of her country and it is now accepted widely. Bhutan is represented in WASWAC by Mr Chencho Norbu, Head of the National Soil Services Center, Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture at Timphu as a WASWAC Vice President norbuc@druknet.bt.

Editor's Note 1: Returning to our dreadful issue of FLOODING ...

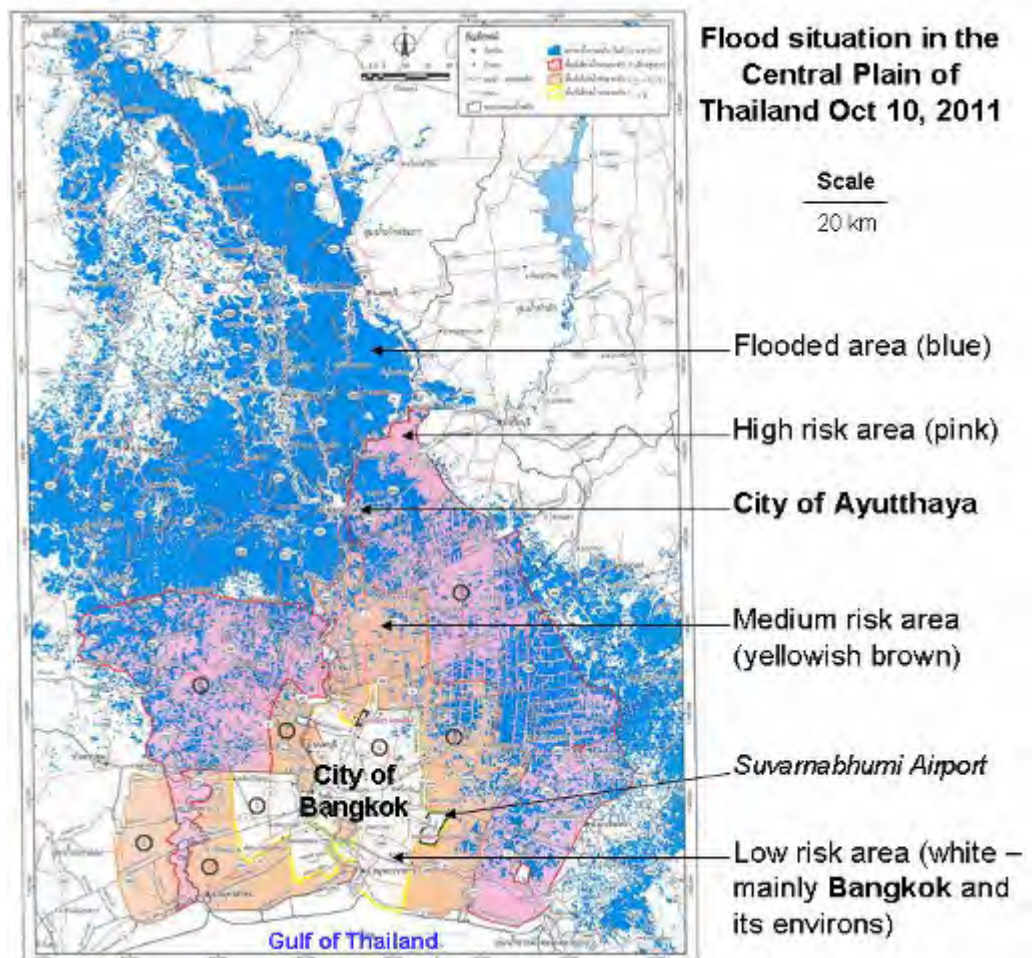


UPPER PART: General view of flooded areas in the Central Plain of Thailand - not much explanation is needed as one picture equals 1,000 words or more. In short: >2 million people are suffering, 280 died and economic loss >US\$5 billion or over Thai Baht 150,000,000,000.

The industrial area - Rojana Industrial Park in Ayutthaya Province with 198 factories, producing electronic and vehicle parts by 90,000 technicians - is flooded to a few meters depth and got a huge damage. One car factory has got its 200 newly assembled cars submerged, while the rest (2,800 car) could be saved.

Bangkok people are asked to stay alert all the time, as some parts of the embankment might break.

The flood situation map (right) was sent from Mr Satira Udomsri of LDD with many thanks.



Editor's Note 2: Extension of the deadline for nominating persons for the NORMAN HUDSON MEMORIAL AWARD 2011 (From Oct 15 to Oct 25, 2010)

Nomination for Norman Hudson Memorial Award 2011 is open: Members are encouraged to submit nominations of deserving persons for the Norman Hudson Memorial Award. This is the highest honor bestowed on an individual by the Association. It is given for distinguished service in recognition of international accomplishments in soil and water conservation. The award is named after Norman Hudson, a British soil and water conservationist (see below), whose exemplary professional career was devoted to the cause of global soil and water conservation. The award was so far given to seven persons who were experts in various branches, as shown below. If you know any person who has done outstanding work in soil and water conservation, especially at the international level, please send the name and a short description of the work to us, in order that our Awards Committee can judge the Norman Hudson Memorial Award for this year. Please send your nominations to Prof Li Rui lirui@ms.iswc.ac.cn, WASWAC President, from now until **October 15 25, 2011**, to be judged by the Awards Committee. The regulations for judging the Award are as follows:

Criteria

- * The award may be given to Association members or nonmembers.
- * No officer of the Association shall be eligible for the award while holding office.
- * The service and accomplishments of the nominee shall have made major and widely recognized contributions to soil and water conservation on the international level.

Nomination Procedure

- * Any Association member may make nominations.
- * Nominators should submit nominations in narrative form of up to 1,000 words. The supporting material should document the international scope of the nominee's accomplishments, including such items as professional achievements in natural resource publications and papers written or delivered at professional meetings. Service to the Association either as a member or nonmember and service to other professional or conservation organizations can also be included.

Selection

- * The Association's Awards Committee will review all nominations and select the recipient.
- * The award will be presented at an event designated by the President of the Association.
- * Only one award shall be given each year. No award shall be made if a suitable candidate is not nominated or if the Awards Committee decides the nominees do not fulfill adequately the criteria for the award.

Norman Hudson Memorial Award



Calvin Rose,
Australia, 2004



Norman Hudson
1924-1996



Rolf Derpsch,
Paraguay, 2005



John Greenfield,
New Zealand, 2006



Hans Hurni,
Switzerland, 2007



Michael Stocking,
UK, 2008



Rattan Lal,
USA, 2009



J.S. Bali,
India, 2010

Editor's Note 3: Summary Report on MRC Regional SWAT Training for Trainers in using ARC-SWAT 2009 for Flow, Sediment and Nutrient Simulation, Ho Chi Minh City, September 5-9, 2011

Following is the account of **Mr Winai Wangpimool**, WASWAC Special Representative, who had attended the training

The Mekong River Commission (MRC) has worked on the rainfall runoff model Soil and Water Assessment Tool (SWAT) and related issues since 2004 and received support from Dr R. Srinivasan both on the software and how to apply them in the condition of the Mekong river. MRC intended to update the software and use them in the field of sediment and nutrient modeling that will benefit the sustainability of Mekong river development. The MRC invited Dr Srinivasan to conduct a Regional Training for Trainers in using ARCSWAT 2009 for flow, sediment and nutrient simulation in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam from September 5-9, 2011.



Objectives:

- Training on SWAT/ARCSWAT2009 using Mekong data,
- Training on migrating from AVSWAT and Swat2003 to ARCSWAT and SWAT2009.
- Training for flow/sediment/nutrient calibration and analysis using ARCSWAT and other tools such as SWATCUP, and
- Training on reservoir and irrigation management simulation.

Participants: Participants were from four Mekong countries (Cambodia, Lao PDR, Thailand and Vietnam) and MRC Modeling Team.

Trainers: Dr R. Srinivasan from Texas A&M University, USA

Venue: Star City Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; **Period:** September 5-9, 2011

Details: Information and Knowledge Management Program (IKMP) is designed to facilitate access to and use of the data, information and decision support tools necessary to promote and co-ordinate sustainable development of water and related resources in the Mekong Basin. As part of its hydrological information it monitors a network of measuring stations along the Mekong which transmit real-time information on water levels for river monitoring and other uses.

The MRC's IKPM has four separate - but interlinked - components, one of them being the Modeling component. The first two days of the training were spent for theory and conceptual of ARCSWAT2009 and SWAT-CUP modeling and in the last three days the trainees practiced using ARCSWAT2009 and SWAT-CUP application with Mekong data for flow, sediment and nutrient. There were 17 participants from for Mekong countries and MRC staff from IKMP-Modeling team and other programs such as the Environment Program (EP) and the Flood Mitigation and Management Program (FMMP).

Editor: SWAT Team of Texas, USA has agreed to be an Associate Program with WASWAC, for which the latter will help promote this no-cost versatile river basin computer model to be used wider, thus being a way to accelerate the management and care of soil and water resources, which corresponds with the vision and mission of WASWAC. At this Ho Chi Minh City training, WASWAC had provided the *Soil & Water Assessment tool (SWAT): Global Applications* book to every participant.

BULLETIN BOARD

THE LAST ANNOUNCEMENT: If you have not sent any digital materials to us for including in our upcoming **LANDCON e-LIBRARY: Our Gift to the Earth**, pls do send. Almost everything digital produced from your office can be sent to us and we will sort out and make a good 'bookshelf' for them.

WASWAC Bulletin No. 27(1) for Jan-Apr 2011 (edited by Dr S.S. Kukal in India) has already been posted on <http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/>. We expect the next one, 27(2), to be ready soon.

Members in **U.S.A.** can buy **NO-TILL FARMING SYSTEMS** book online at <http://www.conservaioninformation.org/index.asp?site=1&action=products&deptID=1&dept=All+Products>. Members in all other countries may contact their country representatives or write to sombatpanit@yahoo.com.

SWAT book+DVD can be purchased by contacting representatives in some countries (see the last page of this HOT NEWS) or may order directly from sombatpanit@yahoo.com. For **U.S.A.**, copies are available from Prof. Manuel R. Reyes of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University in Greensboro, NC reyes@ncat.edu, mannyreyes@nc.rr.com, who keeps stocks of other WASWAC Special Publications too.

Both Special Publications of WASWAC (**No-Till Farming Systems** & **SWAT**) are now available from the **WASWAC Secretariat** located at the International Research and Training Center on Erosion and Sedimentation (IRTCES) in Beijing, to facilitate our Chinese readers. For more information please contact Dr Liu Xiaoying at waswacsecretariat@yahoo.com. Members from within China can also send membership fee to him; ask him how.

Special Publication No. 6 (SP6), entitled "**Vegetable Agroforestry Systems**", will be ready soon. This SP6 - comprising four books with total page number of around 1,300 - US\$60/set - showcases the trials of such systems in **Vietnam, Indonesia** and **Philippines** during last several years. The project has been part of the USAID-funded SANREM project. More details will be available later. WASWAC strives to publish books of SWC technologies that are applicable widely and sells them at low prices to serve people that belong to every economy level. Members are welcome to join as co-publishers for which a special price applies. Contact Samran Sombatpanit at ssombatpanit@yahoo.com and samran_sombatpanit@yahoo.com for more information.

EXPOSITIONS

From **THE NATION** By Phoowadon Duangmee



▲ **The International Horticultural Exposition returns to Chiang Mai next month and it promises to be an amazing showcase of gardens from around the world**

We all know Chiang Mai is the best winter destination, where we chill out in the mild breeze, admire the blue sky and inhale the fragrance of beautiful blooms. This year, it will be even more tempting, as the "Rose of Lanna" is putting on the International Horticultural Exposition: Royal Flora Ratchaphruek 2011 from **November 9 to February 15**.

The International Horticulture returns to Chiang Mai following the initial, successful version in 2006. This three-month-long exposition, with remarkable gardens and landscape showcases from 30 countries, promises to leave its mark on Thailand's agricultural industry.

The theme of Royal Flora Ratchaphruek 2011, according to the organiser, is "Green Attitude". Two million trees are being planted in the Expo. And 300 strange plants add a "wow factor" to the horticultural show. The highlights, of course, are the international gardens - where representatives of 30 countries will show off the unique art of garden decoration.

Sudan's garden, for example, will create true African beauty with giant arabicum socotranum flowers and a safari landscape. Pakistan, with its long history of Mughal Empire, will show off a garden inspired by Islamic philosophy and Mughal history. The Spanish, under national yellow and red tones, will make a small Mediterranean garden for the spectators and weekenders alike.

The Expo is likely to draw the crowds to Chiang Mai to admire African native and desert plants, among them

Zebra Grass from South Africa, Spain's Dragon Tree and date palm from Qatar.

"There are 10 exhibitions. You can turn up at any, and enjoy the show," says director of Horticulture Research Institute, Dr Suwit Chaikittiyos.

Besides the world show of garden, the International Horticulture Expo aims to inspire the visitors with its green and eco-friendly innovations such as growing crops on the roof or indoor "hobby farms". Out of the question, someone may think. But as spectators will see in Chiang Mai in November, it's possible to grow tomatoes on a small balcony. Find out all about horticulture innovation and how you can live green.

At the Herbal for Future Pavilion, spectators can also taste, smell and see how nature influences their health, wellbeing and mood. Healing herbs, cooking garden and walking path offers a great opportunity to balance with nature in an Oriental setting.

Visitors can take a trip to "Hor Kham Luang" Pavilion. Elegant and beautiful, the pavilion is the centrepiece of Royal Flora Ratchaphruek 2011. Here you can learn all about His Majesty the King's greatest contributions to Thailand's horticulture, from turning the opium fields in Thailand's North to a healthy farming industry to His Majesty's new "agriculture theory".

Every day during Chiang Mai's International Horticulture Expo, there will be exciting programmes for young and old alike, with cultural shows, music and light shows. The Giant Flora Wheel and Kid Eco Park are ideal for the family while the "Light Garden" show with colourful lasers will take participants into a world beyond their imagination.

The International Horticulture Expo takes place in Mae Hia on Chiang Mai City's outskirts. The activities keep changing during the Expo. For exhibitions and show times, visit www.RoyalFlora2011.com.

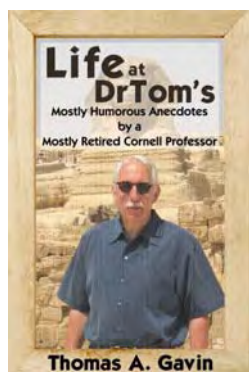


▲ **Mae Jo Kaset Fair, December 1-11, 2011**, to commemorate the 84th Birthday of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej at Mae Jo University, Sansai District, Chiang Mai Province. Phone: 0538739702

NEW INFORMATION SOURCES

BOOKS

▲ **Life at DrTom's: Mostly Humorous Anecdotes by a Mostly Retired Cornell Professor**
256 pages by Thomas A. Gavin



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What some are saying! - "I totally enjoyed reading your book. I read many excerpts to Bruce and we both laughed and have said to each other several times "Buck up, kid!" At some points while I was reading the book, I was giggling and laughing so hard I had tears in my eyes. Thanks so much for sharing your humor and nature with us." Linda C., Fargo, ND

- "This book is really great. I wish I had written it!" Thomas G., Ithaca, NY

Dr. Thomas A. Gavin, Professor Emeritus, Conservation Biologist, Department of Natural Resources, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853, USA. Phone 1-607-272-4081 His blog is www.lifeatdrtoms.com.

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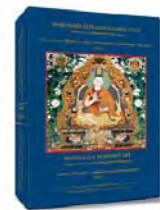
(<http://www.eijkelkamp.com/Portals/2/Eijkelkamp/Files/AP-P12101e-A4 Percussion drilling equipment.pdf>)



▲ "Serindia Publications" info@serindia.com

Dear Friends of Serindia,

I am pleased to announce two extraordinary new publications: 1. the work by Prof. Niels Gutschow: **ARCHITECTURE OF THE NEWARS: A History of Building Typologies and Details in Nepal (3 Volumes)**, right, and 2. **MONGOLIAN BUDDHIST ART: Masterpiece from the Museums of Mongolia**, a publication in collaboration with the Centre for Cultural Heritage, Mongolia, and the Tibet Foundation, UK.



Architecture of the Newars covers the periods of 1,500 years and includes 862 photographs and 939 drawings, making it a single most important work on the subject and an essential reference for architects, art historians, collectors, design enthusiasts, and libraries.

Mongolian Buddhist Art is conceived as a multi-volume series, this is the first volume, in a set of 2 parts, illustrating for the first time a treasury of thangkas, appliqué, and embroideries from five national museums in Mongolia: the Bogd Khan Palace Museum, the Chojin Lama Temple Museum, the Zanabazar Museum of Fine Arts, the Erdene Zuu Museum, and the Danzanravjaa Museum.

Both titles are produced in very limited number of copies (only in a few hundreds) and **it is highly recommended that you reserve a copy now**. The price of **each set** is USD\$450.00 + shipping. For all pre-orders, the shipping & handling cost is reduced to \$25.00 (USA addresses) and \$95.00 (all non-USA addresses). Click here for the **ORDER FORM**.

Our warehouse will ship the books by end of November or as soon as they are available.

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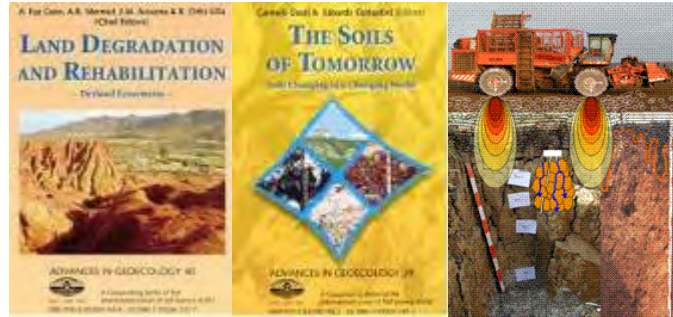
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BOOK REVIEW

CROPS AND CARBON: Paying Farmers to Combat Climate Change

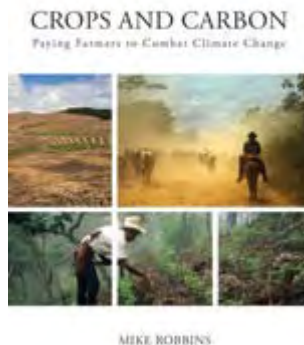
Mike Robbins

Earthscan, Abingdon, UK: 300 pages (2011)

ISBN 978-1-84971-375-7 (hardback)



This reviewer must show his hand, and admit that he supported the publication of this book from its original concept - and endorsed it on the back cover as follows:



"This book is important - and timely too - as the world begins to realise the connection between climate change, crops, farmers and the soil. Robbins sets out the facts and cogently argues the case for 'cropping carbon'. A must for all who care about the climate and those who depend directly on agriculture for their livelihoods"

Nevertheless, review it I shall, with as objective an eye as possible. But with the strong conviction that this is a book that we ignore at our peril. When Mike Robbins produced a slim "special publication" under the World Association of Soil and Water Conservation entitled "Carbon Trading, Agriculture and Poverty", many soil conservation specialists were made aware – for the first time – of the huge importance of soil carbon. And furthermore its inextricable link to climate change: for better, by tying up carbon in the soil through sustainable land management, or for worse, by losing carbon to the atmosphere through land degradation. That was in 2004.

Now the awareness is growing. And it is permeating through the donor and advisory agencies. Thus we have the World Bank with its push for "Climate-Smart Agriculture" and the FAO promoting "Save and Grow". The climate change/ soil carbon/ agriculture/ poverty nexus is acknowledged in these initiatives. But the science underpinning the links is complex and not well understood; equally worrying is an inadequately informed and growing debate about whether farmers should be paid for practices that increase soil carbon.

Appropriately thus, Mike Robbins returns in 2011 with an authoritative text, published under the watchful eye of Earthscan. Based on his PhD research, Robbins takes us on a fascinating and illuminating journey through climate change, soil science, economics, rural development, and philosophy. And that is one big merit of this book – it examines the topic from a truly multi-disciplinary perspective. But this also means that not all sections will be equally accessible to discipline-bound "specialists". Inevitably. But simultaneously this raises the important point that to understand the broad issues at stake we *must* break out of scientific reductionism and be able to see the wider picture.

The book begins with the connection between agriculture and the climate; it moves on to carbon and economics; and the third broad section looks at the human factor - farmers. Robbins concludes his cogently argued (and well-written) book by telling us that agriculture *can* mitigate climate change and this *could* be used to support "a sensible model for the developing world". He does not, however, shirk from identifying constraints to such a model, and that provides a refreshing balance.

There will be a vigorous debate about the principles and practices of paying farmers for "cropping carbon" at the UNCCD and UNFCCC conferences of parties (CoPs) later this year. There is a strong likelihood that the debate will be polarised between those in favour and those against. The World Bank are sure to make a stand for paying small-scale farmers to sequester carbon through better land management in a "multiple-win" scenario. Some other agencies, the NGO ActionAid for one, will protest that carbon markets for smallholders simply won't work and should not be contemplated. But let this be an informed debate – and there is no better place to start the search than page one of Robbins' excellent contribution.

William Critchley, Amsterdam, September 2011

PROCEEDINGS



▲ **Proceedings of the 16th ISCO Conference**, Santiago, Chile, November 8-12, 2010. Contact Erick Zagal ezagal@udech.cl and German Ruiz german.ruiz@sag.gob.cl

NEWSLETTERS ▲



SOIL Action Newsletter - European Soil Portal:

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu>

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Global Soil Biodiversity Initiative (GSBI)

This initiative, now open to all interested in sustaining soils, was formed based on growing international concern by scientists, policy makers and the public over the status of the world's soils and increased recognition that the life in soil is key to sustaining our food production, ecosystem maintenance and control of global atmosphere and climate warming. The GSBI will serve as a primary means of informing the newly announced Global Soil Partnership signed in Rome earlier in September by three international conventions. Press Release (27/09/2011): Colorado State University Announces the Launch of the Global Soil Biodiversity Initiative.



GLOBAL
SOIL BIODIVERSITY
INITIATIVE

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/InternationalCooperation/GSBI/>

ISOIL Data

ISOIL (Interactions between soil related sciences – Linking geophysics, soil science and digital soil) project is an FP7 one dealing with new technologies for assessing soil properties along depth accurately and with high resolution by combining existing sensors as well as exploring emerging technologies (mainly geophysical). ISOIL has generated a wealth of data (maps and associated data sets) integrated for the Nine (9) main project field sites that can be used by other scientists. Most of the data are Geophysics Gamma Spectrometry, EM38DD, Magnetism, etc. Data are [available](#) to public uses after prior registration.

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/isoil/data.html>

Biochar Meta-analysis Database

Biochar Meta-analysis Database is being made publically available in order that the meta-analysis can be updated as new results become available. The matrix table is also available for download as a reference.

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/Biochar/>

DIGISOIL deliverables

The FP7 Project DIGISOIL (Development and improvement of technologies for data collection in digital soil mapping) has been concluded in August 2011. All the project deliverables are available for download.

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/Digisoil/wp.html>

GSP Launch Event

Presentations are available for the event "Global Soil Partnership (GSP) for Food Security and Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation" launched at FAO - Rome, 7-9 September 2011. Download Global Soil Partnership Brochure.

EUROSOIL 2012 and JRC

The new abstract submission deadline is 30 October 2011. JRC will be actively involved in the topic "13. **Soil Archeology, History, Culture, Society, Education, Economy and Policy**". Some of the proposed sessions/workshops to submit your abstract:

- Raising awareness of soils - The objectives and the work of the European Soil Bureau Network.
- Policy-relevant soil data requirements for Europe (ESBN)
- International Critical Zone Observatory research focusing on EUROSOIL 2012

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WEBSITES (Mixed subjects – but interesting/enjoyable)

▲ Lancement du site TERRE VERTE sur le bocage



See English version below

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Bonne visite de notre site.

Henri GIRARD

Président de TERRE VERTE

Coordonnateur TERRE VERTE Burkina Faso

Directeur de la Ferme pilote de Guiè

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English version:

Dear Friends,

This is to announce the official release of our new web site www.eauterreverdure.org. This site is devoted to the development of the Sahelian grove. It will help you understand the environmental challenges facing the Sahel area, and the technical solutions proposed by the NGO TERRE VERTE (GREEN EARTH) to address them.

You're also given the opportunity to donate online to support our growing activities.

Enjoy your visit to our site.

Henri Girard

President TERRE VERTE, Coordinator TERRE VERTE Burkina Faso, Director of Guiè's Pilot Farm

NB: This site does not replace that of AZN, showcasing its programs: education, health, childcare, rural organization.

▲ See the Norwegian Royal Guard practice: <http://sorisomail.com/email/16993/exibicao-de-banda-militar--um-espectaculo-imperdivel.html>

▲ Click to see 'The Gift of Forgiveness': <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6UcgsYFjV8>

▲ Click <http://lzcenter.com/Vietnam%20War%20Era%20Music.html> to listen to 600 songs sung during the Vietnam War (1966-1971)

▲ Turn your PC into Musical Instrument

Very impressive...and it works.

Now you can play the piano, organ, flute or guitar, etc.

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http://www.bgfl.org/bgfl/custom/resources_ftp/client_ftp/ks2/music/piano/index.htm

Transform your keyboard in a musical instrument...instantly.

I tried it and it's fantastic.

If you can play the piano - you will be surprised

▲ *Face Recognition in a Crowd*

This is the crowd in Vancouver!

Put your cursor anywhere in the crowd and double-click a couple of times
and then use the scroll button in the centre of your mouse.

You can zero in on one single face! The clarity is unbelievable!

This is the photo taken by Port Moody photographer Ronnie Miranda that appeared
In Tri-City News on 24-June.

This is actually scary! You can see - perfectly - the faces of every single individual
- and there were thousands!

Privacy? Just think what the police and the military have at their disposal!
<http://www.gigapixel.com/image/gigapan-canucks-g7.html>

▲ **IFOAM Information List**

Welcome to the Info2@list.ifoam.org mailing list! Your e-mail address has been added to the INFO list of IFOAM. The IFOAM Information list is an irregular list server produced by the **International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM)**. Its purpose is to circulate news and information about recent developments in the field of organic agriculture. The IFOAM Information list is a strictly non-commercial and educational service for organizations and individuals interested in the organic agriculture and related environmental issues. If you want to subscribe to it, please write to headoffice@ifoam.org. General information about the mailing list is at: <http://list.ifoam.org/cgi-bin/mailman/listinfo/info2>

EVERYTHING ABOUT COMPUTER – hardware and software

▲ **VLC software to open most videos:** You can download it here: <http://www.videolan.org/vlc/>
I normally use it to open my YouTube files. – Samran

MEMBERS' CORNER (You are encouraged to write to us)

▲ "Jorge Batlle" <Jorge.Batlle@uv.es>

To: "'Samran Sombatpanit'" <samran_sombatpanit@yahoo.com>, rungsun@ladd.go.th

Dear Samran and Rungsun,

We are deeply moved by the news that arrived from Thailand of flooding and landslides that menace lives and properties. We want to express our solidarity with Thai people and address our pray to that those natural disasters cease and that the Thais can achieve good standard of living and healthy status. Our humble efforts towards soil and water conservation, and our teaching activity to convince others of the need of soil and water conservation as basic resource for life sustainability, is our personal commitment.

Yours

Jorge Batlle

WASWAC VP for Spain

and Janette Arriola

WASWAC VP for Mexico

▲ We received following info from a member and think it is worth spending some time to read it:

Health - Very Very Important Tips

Answer the phone by **LEFT** ear.

Do not drink coffee **TWICE** a day.

Do not take pills with **COOL** water.

Do not have **HUGE** meals after 5pm.

Reduce the amount of **OILY** food you consume.

Drink more **WATER** in the morning, less at night.

Keep your distance from hand phone **CHARGERS**.

Do not use headphones/earphone for **LONG** period of time.

Best sleeping time is from **10pm** at night to **6am** in the morning.

Do not lie down immediately after taking **medicine** before sleeping.

When battery is down to the **LAST** grid/bar, do not answer the phone as the radiation is 1000 times.

Forward this to those whom you **CARE** about!

INTERESTING QUOTES

- "One nice thing about egotists: They don't talk about other people!" – Anon
- "When nothing goes right, go left!" – Anon
- "Do civilizations fall because the soil fails to produce—or does a soil fail only when the people living on it no longer know how to manage their civilization?" – Charles Kellogg, Soil and Society
- "Imagination is more important than knowledge" – Albert Einstein
- "Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value." – Albert Einstein

LET'S SING A SONG

Que Sera, Sera (Whatever Will Be, Will Be) – Doris Day

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MXQTWCTc0aI> with lyrics as karaoke
<http://us.mg5.mail.yahoo.com/dc/launch?reason=ignore&rs=1>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-TO9N61SYU0&feature=related>



"Que Sera, Sera (Whatever Will Be, Will Be)",^[1] first published in 1956, is a [popular song](#) which was written by the [Jay Livingston](#) and [Ray Evans](#) songwriting team.^[2] The song was introduced in the [Alfred Hitchcock](#) film [The Man Who Knew Too Much](#) (1956),^[3] starring [Doris Day](#) and [James Stewart](#) in the lead roles.^[2]

Day's [recording](#) of the song for [Columbia Records](#) ([catalog number](#) 40704) was a hit in both the United States— where it made it to number two on the [Billboard Hot 100](#)^[4] — and number one in the [UK Singles Chart](#).^[2] From 1968 to 1973, it was the [theme song](#) for the [situation comedy](#) [The Doris Day Show](#), becoming her [signature song](#).

It reached the [Billboard magazine charts](#) in July 1956. The song received the 1956 [Academy Award for Best Original Song](#) with the alternative title "**Whatever Will Be, Will Be (Que Sera, Sera)**".^[3] It was the third [Oscar](#) in this category for Livingston and Evans, who previously won in 1948 and 1950.^[2] The [title sequence](#) of the Hitchcock film gives the song title as **Whatever Will Be**. It was a #1 hit in Australia for pop singer [Normie Rowe](#) in September 1965. (From Wikipedia)

Lyrics (Chorus in light blue highlight)

When I was just a little girl
I asked my mother, what will I be
Will I be pretty, will I be rich
Here's what she said to me.

Que Sera, Sera,
Whatever will be, will be
The future's not ours, to see
Que Sera, Sera
What will be, will be.

Que Sera, Sera,
Whatever will be, will be
The future's not ours, to see
Que Sera, Sera
What will be, will be.

Now I have children of my own
They ask their mother, what will I be
Will I be handsome, will I be rich
I tell them tenderly.

When I was young, I fell in love
I asked my sweetheart what lies ahead
Will we have rainbows, day after day
Here's what my sweetheart said.

Que Sera, Sera,
Whatever will be, will be
The future's not ours, to see
Que Sera, Sera
What will be, will be.

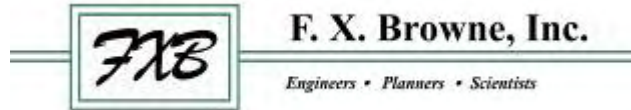


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GOOD NEWS San Diego, CA, June 20, 2010: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 earmarked \$14.6 million to the U.S. Geological Survey for upgrades to its 7,500-station national streamgage network, and in direct response, has purchased \$3.4 million dollars worth of hi-technology electro-acoustic instruments from San Diego-based SonTek/YSI. **With sincere congratulations from WASWAC. – Editor**

Conference organizers may ask for a 'LANDCON Cooperation Package' from WASWAC, where among several benefits you may ask WASWAC to endorse your event, register it in the global LANDCON series of meetings as well as to offer participants free Guest membership in WASWAC for one year.

This is our service to society. Ask for the file Cooperation Package from samran_sombatpanit@yahoo.com or click <http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/consti-decentra.html> & <http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/package.html>.

LANDCON Series of Meetings*

No.	Meeting topic	Place	Time
0902	Conference of the International Erosion Control Association (IECA): Environmental Connection 09 www.ieca.org	Reno, Nevada, USA	Feb 9-12, 2009
0903	Conference on Land Degradation in Dry Environments jawadhi@kuc01.kuniv.edu.kw	Kuwait City, Kuwait	Mar 8-14, 2009
0905a	Global Change, Challenge for Soil Management: From Degradation – Through Soil and Water Conservation – To Sustainable Soil Management www.sfb.bg.ac.yu/erosion2009/	Tara Mt., Serbia	May 26-30, 2009
0905b	Conference on “The sustainable development of water resources”, organized by Hydrotechnics Faculty of “Politehnica” University of Timisoara, Romania gcr@mail.dntm.ro	Timisoara, Romania	May 27-28, 2009
0906a	The 10th international meeting on Soil with Mediterranean Type of Climate http://www.cnrs.edu.lb/10IMSMTC.pdf	Beirut, Lebanon	Jun 22-26, 2009
0906b	Conference on “Challenges and Opportunities of Bioindustrial Watershed Development for the Prosperity of the Farming Community”, organized by the Soil Conservation Society of India www.soilcsi.org/	Bengaluru, India	Jun 25-27, 2009
0909	International Conference on Desertification in memory of Professor John B. Thornes http://fobos.bio.um.es/thornes/doku.php , arodi@um.es	Murcia, Spain	Sep 16-18, 2009
0911	International Seminar on Upland for Food Security, Faculty of Agriculture, University of Soedirman, Purwokerto, Central Java. Contact Budi Prakoso prabud2001@yahoo.com	Purwokerto, Central Java, Indonesia	Nov 7-8, 2009
1004a	Interpraevent Conference in the Pacific Rim http://interpraevent2010.nchu.edu.tw/ , scchen@nchu.edu.tw	Taipei, Taiwan	Apr 26-30, 2010
1004b	6 th National Seminar on Watershed Management and 4 th National Seminar on Soil Erosion and Sediment. wmconf6@gmail.com , seconf4@gmail.com	Noor, Iran	Apr 28-29, 2010
1005	First International Conference on Soil and Roots Engineering Relationship habibibibalani@gmail.com	Ardebil Province, Iran	May 24-26, 2010
1009	FAME 2010, an annual event organized by Green World Conferences Contact: Derek Michalski at dm@greenworldconferences.com , www.greenworldconferences.com	Berlin, Germany	Sep 13-14, 2010
1010	FIRST WASWAC COUNCIL MEETING and Int. Conf. on Combating Land Degradation in Agricultural Areas: www.ms.iswc.ac.cn , lirui@ms.iswc.ac.cn , wafe@ms.iswc.ac.cn , landcon1010@gmail.com	Xian, Shaanxi, China	October 11-15, 2010
1011	International Conference on Cooling the Earth, coolingtheearth2010@rediffmail.com , coolingtheearth2010@gmail.com , drvrsingh@rediffmail.com , www.gbpuat.ac.in	Pantnagar, India	Nov 15-17, 2010
1012a	International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission Seminar on Land Use, Biodiversity and Climate Change dr.mahfuzarahman@gmail.com , http://iguguwahati2010.org	Guwahati, Assam, India	Dec 11-13, 2010
1012b	ASADWA Arid and Semi-arid Development through Water Augmentation, Optimizing water resources in a world of water shortage, www.asadwa.ugent.be . Contact asadwa@ugent.be	Valparaiso, Chile	Dec 13-17, 2010
1101	SWAT SEA II Workshop and Conference: nguyenkimloi@gmail.com http://ssc.hcmuaf.edu.vn	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam	January 4-8, 2011
1103	BioWise 2011, an annual event organized by Green World Conferences, Contact: Derek Michalski at dm@greenworldconferences.com , www.greenworldconferences.com	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Mar 14-15, 2011
1107a	2 nd Conference on Conservation Agriculture in Southeast Asia, Contact Manuel Reyes at mannyreyes@nc.rr.com	Phnom Penh, Cambodia	July 4-7, 2011
1107b	SWAT Regional Conference and Training Workshop, Contact Li Dingqiang lidingqiang@yahoo.com ; Samran Sombatpanit samran_sombatpanit@yahoo.com	Guangzhou, China	July 24-30, 2011
1112	1 st International Symposium on Cashew Nut, Contact: Dr Ravindran, ravi_hort@yahoo.com , http://www.ishs.org/calendar/	Madurai, Tamil Nadu, India	December 9-12, 2011
1305	2 nd WASWAC World Conference and Council Meeting, Contact Chinnapat Sukvibool at sukvibool@hotmail.com	Pattaya, Thailand	May 14-18, 2013

*See details in this issue of HOT NEWS. Organizers of these conferences have pledged to follow the Guidelines for Successful Meetings (<http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/consti-decentra.html>) that WASWAC had deliberated and achieved in 2008, to facilitate the

attendance of academics and professionals so that the meetings that we recommend are of high quality, worth the expenses they have to pay if they decide to go to attend. If your meeting will meet at least 7 in 10 points (by self-appraisal) in the Guidelines, you may register the event in the LANDCON series and receive certain technical support from WASWAC at no cost. To register, write to Samran Sombatpanit at sombatpanit@yahoo.com.

Results from these LANDCON meetings will be posted on the website operated by our Secretariat in Beijing www.irtces.org.

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MEETINGS 2011

October 3-7, 2011

The Sixth SUITMA International Conference, October 3-7, 2011 Suitma 6 – update

From: Jean-Louis MOREL <jean-louis.morel@ensaia.inpl-nancy.fr>

To: Jean-Louis MOREL <jean-louis.morel@ensaia.inpl-nancy.fr>

Sent: Saturday, **September 17, 2011 3:12 PM**

Subject: Suitma 6 - update

Dear Colleagues,

SUITMA 6 is just ahead, and we would like to inform you that the provisional program is now available on our website (<http://www.suitma6.com>). Some little changes may occur, and the final program will be published a few days before the conference. We would like to remind you that you should have a proper registration to attend the meeting. Let us know (maggy.aulon@progepi.fr) whether you have any problem with registration and hotel reservation. We hope that you could prepare your travel in good conditions. We confirm the Senegal post-conference Tour will take place as scheduled. Registration is still open for the tour. Also, we encourage those who would like to have their work published in the special issue of The Journal of Soils and Sediments to have their manuscript ready no later than October 31st, i.e. one month after the conference. See more information on the web site.

Finally, we would appreciate to have proposals for the location of the next SUITMA meeting (SUITMA 7). Decision will be made during the closure meeting on September 7th.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Marrakech for this very promising week

Ali Boularbah &

Jean Louis Morel



Introduction

The University Cadi Ayyad and the Faculté des Sciences et Techniques (FST) of Marrakech would like to invite you to join us for the **6th International Conference of the Urban Soils Working Group, SUITMA, of the International Union of Soil Sciences**. Share in the latest information and ideas from around the world in this exciting and important field.

We will be very pleased to welcome you at SUITMA 6 to have your ideas and experience integrated in major scientific and social issues. **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 3-7 October 2011**

Ali BOULARBAH, Chairman of SUITMA 6

Jean-Louis MOREL Chairman of SUITMA

Ganlin ZHANG, Vice-Chairman of SUITMA

Looking forward to welcoming you in Marrakech next October,

Jean Louis Morel <http://www.suitma6.com/>

The conference will be followed by a 3-day tour in Senegal

October 3-7, 2011

Registration Now Open!

2011 ECHO Asia Agriculture and Community Development Conference

October 3-7, 2011



The Empress Hotel

Chiang Mai, Thailand

Register and Pay Before August 15 for Lowest Rate!

Registration Deadline September 1

REGISTER HERE

Conference Dates:

October 3	Check-in and Fellowship
October 4-6	Meeting Days
October 7	Check-out and Post Conference Tours

Conference Costs (PER PERSON):

Package 1 (Single Private Room): **\$405 USD/per person** (after Aug. 15 - \$430)

Package 2 (Double Room Sharing): **\$325 USD/per person** (after Aug. 15 - \$350)

Includes:

- Accommodation for 4 nights
- Daily buffet breakfast, lunch and coffee breaks, Thursday BBQ dinner
- All meetings and post-conference tour
- Roundtrip airport transportation

Package 3: \$225 USD/per person (intended for local residents and excludes accommodation and breakfast)

Confirmed Plenary Speakers

- Tony Rinaudo, Natural Resource Management Specialist with World Vision
- Dr. Tom Post, CRWRC Team Leader for Asia
- Dr. Arnat Tancho, head of the Soil Resources and Environment Department at Maejo University (Chiang Mai)

- Randy Bevis, founder and director of the Chiang Mai Aquatic Development Farm and regional aquaculture advisor
- Jeff Palmer, Executive Director of Baptist Global Response
- Heather Morris, Technical Advisor for World Concern Myanmar
- Di Matthews, physician working in Papua, Indonesia
- Dr. Karl Frogner, President and Project Development Head; UB International (UBI), biochar researcher and advocate
- Dr. Samran Sombatpanit, Advisor, Past President and Membership Coordinator of the World Association of Soil and Water Conservation (WASWC)

Workshops

ECHO conferences place a special emphasis on the participation of network members to share ideas, innovations and experiences during afternoon and evening workshops. Feel free to contact us (echoasia@echonet.org) to propose a workshop presentation.

Post Conference Tours including site visits related to:

- SRI and natural rice production
- Small-scale alternative energy for communities, institutions, farms and households
- Agroforestry
- Green manure cover crops
- Aquaculture
- Vermiculture
- Production of moringa and products such as powdered leaf meal and capsules
- Asian natural farming (microbial approaches to small scale agriculture)

Resource Fair

A Resource Fair featuring displays and booths by various development organizations and businesses will be offered. Tables will be provided on which organizational displays can be set up so that posters and promotional materials may be displayed. Additionally, books, booklets, CDs and other types of media may be distributed or sold from these booths. If you are interested in requesting a space in the resource fair, please contact Ellen Burnette at eburnette@echonet.org. The cost for a resource fair table is \$20 or 600 Thai Baht and may be paid at the time of Conference.

As always, the ECHO Asia Agriculture and Community Development Conference will offer an excellent opportunity to learn, share and network. We encourage everyone to register soon for this event.

ADDITIONAL: Post-Conference Tours

Also included in the conference is a day of post-conference tours (October 7) to notable venues which offer excellent examples of sustainable agriculture, appropriate technology and outreach to the poor. Conference participants will be given the opportunity to pre-register for the tour of their choice (one per person) about one month prior to the conference. Likely venues include:

- Fair Earth Peri-Urban Farm - A small peri-urban farm that produces natural rice through various approaches including the System of Rice Intensification (SRI) as well as poultry, pigs, fish, fruits and vegetables through very diversified agroecological approaches.
- Partners Thailand Small Farm - Partners Farm features Asian Natural Farming approaches that make use of indigenous microorganisms (IMO) that help improve soil health and make low-cost livestock production possible.
- Mae Tha Organic Vegetable Cooperative - Farmers in the Mae Tha community produce organic fruit and vegetables, selling their diverse products locally through farmer's markets and a community supported agriculture group.
- Pang Daeng Sustainable Upland Farming Community - Hilltribe farmers in Pang Daeng community have farmed permanent hill fields for three decades by relay cropping maize with various green manure cover crops. They also diversify production and income with dispersed plantings of fruit trees and indigenous agroforestry efforts.
- Mae Jo University Energy Research Center- The Mae Jo University Energy Research Center is a research and educational facility that offers a wide range of alternative energy approaches such as wind, solar and gasifier technology.

- Mae Jo University Vermiculture Facility - Mae Jo has a large vermiculture facility in which food wastes from the university, and other sources, are converted by earthworms into commercial vermicompost that improves farm and garden soils.
- Chiang Mai Aquatic Development Farm - The Chiang Mai Aquatic Development Farm is a tilapia hatchery that employs 36 people and produces approximately 2.5 million tilapia fry per month which are bought by fish farmers across northern Thailand and are grown out for the local markets.
- UHDP Agroforestry and Small Farm Resource Center - The UHDP Center focuses on small-scale sustainable agriculture technologies being promoted among resource-poor hilltribe communities. Such approaches include agroforestry, natural backyard farming and appropriate technologies such as alternative cooking fuel and earthen houses. The ECHO Asia Seed Bank is also located at the UHDP Center.
- Natural Agriculture Co. Ltd - Working in partnership with the Forest Industry Organization, a department of the Thai Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, this company recycles and transforms natural wastes, such as teak residue, into reusable organic compost and organic fertilizer.
- Pang Soong and Raintree Foundation Hydro-Energy and Ecology Site - Participants will visit the Raintree Foundation office, <http://www.raintree-foundation.org/index.php/rain-tree-foundation.html>, located at the McKean Rehabilitation Center for an introduction to the foundation's work related to children's education, water projects and other community-based development activities. Afterward the participants will travel to the Pang Soong Lodge, <http://www.pang-soong-lodge.com/wordpress/>, located at a 1000 meter elevation site 50 km east of Chiang Mai, to see a working ram pump designed and installed by the Raintree Foundation, as well as a micro-hydro electrical power plant that supplements Pang Soong's electrical needs. Visitors will also see Pang Soong's outdoor education lab that includes an evergreen forest and agro-ecological component.

October 10-14, 2011

East and Southeast Asia Federation of Soil Science Societies Meeting. The Soil Science Society of Sri Lanka will host the 10th ESASFS International Conference at the Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel, Colombo on 10-14 October 2011. The conference theme is, “*Soil, a precious Natural Resource: Agricultural Ecosystems, Environmental health & Climate change* “. The Technical session will comprise several parallel sessions on a wide array of soil related areas. There will also be a poster session. More details are posted on the conference website www.esafs10sl.org which will be regularly updated. Hence, please check often or register your interest to participate online and we will keep you informed. Contact soilscisoclk@gmail.com for further clarifications. (From IUSS Alert 70)

October 10-21, 2011

The 10th UNCCD COP will take place from the October 10, to October 21, 2011 in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea, <http://www.unccd.int/cop/cop10/menu.php>

October 12-13, 2011



« Erosion hydrique et vulnérabilité des sols au Maghreb : État des lieux et perspectives » 12 et 13 octobre 2011

Première annonce

Un colloque « Erosion hydrique et vulnérabilité des sols au Maghreb : état des lieux et perspectives » aura lieu à Rabat au Maroc, à l'Institut Agronomique et Vétérinaire Hassan II, campus de Rabat, les 12 et 13 octobre 2011.

Objectif: L'objectif général de ce colloque est de faire le bilan des recherches en matière d'érosion au Maroc et plus largement dans l'ensemble du Maghreb, de favoriser la diffusion de ces résultats et de promouvoir les collaborations sur ce thème.

Les personnes souhaitant présenter une communication à ce colloque sont invitées à envoyer un résumé d'une demi-page avant le 15 mars 2011 au secrétariat du colloque : colloque.erosion2011@gmail.com

Il n'y a pas de frais d'inscription pour la participation au colloque

Calendrier : Sélection des résumés le 15 avril, Programme final le 15 juillet

Contact : colloque.erosion2011@gmail.com Comité d'organisation

October 14-16, 2011

6th edition of the international Symposium "Present Environment and Sustainable Development"

Dear members of IAUC,

As the coordinator of the Symposium Organising Committee, I am pleased to inform you that the Faculty of Geography and Geology (www.geo.uaic.ro, www.geography.uaic.ro) of "Al. I. Cuza" University, from Iași, Romania organises the **6th edition of the international Symposium "Present Environment and Sustainable Development"**. The symposium will be held from **14 to 16 October 2011** at Faculty of Geography and Geology of "Al. I. Cuza" University, from Iași, Romania.

The programme aims for different kinds of researchers, practitioners, professionals, postgraduates wishing to acquire the advanced environmental knowledge and exchange their point of view in this problems. Sections will contains also cities environmental problems and atmospheric environment, urban climate and air pollution, and climate change.

We should be grateful if you could make known this event at your University/Institution to be in attention for interested persons.

If you want to participate, please completed the attached application form and submit by **30th of September to the organisers.**

For details, you can find informations in the second circular, in the 13-15 of September, or can addressed to organisers.

The papers will be published in the review "Present Environment and Sustainable Development", indexed in international data-base (www.pesd.ro).

We appreciate your help and look forward to seeing you in October 2011.

Prof. Liviu Apostol Ph.D.

Chief of Team of Environmental Geograpy

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October 19, 2011

BIOME 2011 Second National Biodiversity Meeting in Catanduanes Island Virac, Catanduanes Island Philippines

October 19-21 and December 7-9, 2011

Bambooroo Bambooroo, www.bambooroo.net, is inviting interested persons to the first International Bamboo Construction Workshop in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Main themes during the training will include:

- Bamboo structural concepts
- Pretensioning of bamboo elements (2D and 3D trusses)
- Modern bamboo joinery and unions
- Lifting and erection techniques
- Bamboo harvesting and preservation
- Bamboo anatomy and species familiarization
- Value adding to the bamboo pole

2011 Bambooroo workshops will offered during:

- October 19-21
- December 7-9

For more information about these training events contact Mark Emery at bambooroo@gmail.com.

The aims are:

- To present the latest scientific developments in understanding the global carbon cycle

- ation is open at <http://dwms.fao.org/geo-carbon/>. Deadline for abstract submission: 05 September 201

Deadline for registration as a participant: 30/09/2011.

Further information, including logistic details, is available at the same link: <http://dwms.fao.org/geo-carbon/>.

For organizational issues you can contact Ms Sandrine Gerboin (gerboin@unitus.it) and Ms Paola Cardenas

Please forward this email to any potential interested people.

October 24-27, 2011

From: "CIALCA-Conference (Biodiversity-Uganda)" <cialca-conference@cgiar.org>

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<http://www.cpatsa.embrapa.br/snud/>

World Association for Sustainable Development: Call for Papers

[http://www.worldsustainable.org/index.php/theme.](http://www.worldsustainable.org/index.php/theme)



October 29-31, 2011

The Fifth International Conference on Vetiver (ICV-5)

Vetiver and Climate Change

Lucknow, India, October 29 - 31, 2011

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

Vetiver and Climate Change

India is the native home of Vetiver where it is found occurring in wild state throughout the tropical and subtropical plains, particularly among riverbanks and over marshy lands. Being its primary centre of origin, India offers a repertoire of genetic diversity that could serve as a valuable resource for identifying designer genotypes suiting to specific applications.



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Organizing Institution

Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (CIMAP), Lucknow 226 015, India – a constituent national laboratory of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), India

With the support and collaboration from:

- The Chaipattana Foundation, Bangkok, Thailand
- Office of the Royal Development Projects Board (ORDPB), Bangkok, Thailand
- The Vetiver Network International (TVNI)
- The India Vetiver Network
- National Science Agencies in India (CSIR, DST, ICAR, National Medicinal Plant Board, Ministry of Environment and Forests, etc.)

Place and Date: Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, Lucknow, India October 29-31, 2011

icv-5@cimap.res.in, <http://indiavetivernetwork.ning.com/events/the-fifth-international>



The Fifth International Conference on Vetiver (ICV-5) First Announcement

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- [View Events](#)

<http://www.vetiver.org/g/conferences.htm>.

This is your conference and must be a showcase for what you all have been doing in the last couple of years and more. Get involved and make sure that it is a conference like none other. One that can make a real difference - FAST!! Dick Grimshaw

November 2011

2-week OM workshop (in connection with no-tillage) in Ponta Grossa, Brazil

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November 7-10, 2011



The 5th APEAEN International Conference on

Enriching Agricultural Learning Process towards Sustainable Food Security

Conference Date and Venue

The conference will be held on 7-10 November 2011 at the National Agricultural Extension and Training Center Khamphaengsaen, Kasetsart University Khamphaengsaen campus located in Nakhon Pathom province.

Tentative Conference Schedule

Sunday 6 Nov. 2011 Arrival of Participants

Monday 7 Nov. 2011 Registration, Opening Ceremony, Welcome Address

Keynote address “Enhancing the Teaching and Learning Process for those in Agriculture” –Prof. Larry E. Miller, OSU, Ohio, USA

“Synergy between Farmers' Learning Community and University Research towards Sustainable Food Security” - Dr. Vicharn Panich, President, Higher Education Commission, Thailand

“Sufficiency Economy in Thai Agriculture: From the Royal Court to the Villages and Farms” -Dr. Sumet Tantivejkul – Former Secretary-General of the Royal Development Projects Board, Thailand

Panel Discussion: Lessons from Thailand

Poster Presentations

Welcome Reception Party

Tuesday 8 Nov. 2011

Keynote address on “Human and Institutional Capacity Development for Sustainable Food Production: Requirements for a Doubly Green Revolution” -David G. Acker, Professor, Iowa State University Ames, Iowa, USA

Plenary Presentations Invited papers on: Agriculture, Education, Climate Change

**Paper Presentations
Thai Chapter Meeting**

Wednesday 9 Nov. 2011	Field Trip I Royal Chitrlada Project, Bangkok Field Trip II (To be decided) Dinner and Farewell Party
Thursday 10 Nov. 2011	Summation of the conference results Comments by FAO Representative Awarding of Certificates End of Conference

Registration Rates

7.1 Regular Registration	\$ 250 USD
7.2 Early Bird (Registration by August 31)	\$ 200 USD
7.3 Regular Students Registration	\$ 150 USD
7.4 Early Bird for Students (Registration by August 31)	\$ 100 USD

Call for Papers and Posters

APEAEN announces its call for papers / posters and invites educators, researchers and extension workers in the area of agriculture and environment to submit papers for presentation in parallel sessions on any of the topics below. Abstracts of papers and posters, in 200 words, should be sent by e-mail to the secretariat office. Submission should contain the title, keywords, author/s, affiliation and contact addresses.

Thematic Areas for Paper / Poster Presentation

I. Good Practices in Enhancing Agricultural Education for Sustained Food Security

**II. Good Practices in Enhancing Extension Education and Impact on Gender Participation
for Sustained Food Security**

III. Climate Change Adaptation Practices for Food Security

**IV. Knowledge Management in Agricultural Research and Extension for Technology
Adoption and Sustained Food Security**

Important Dates to Remember

- **Deadline for submission of Abstracts** - 30 April 2011
- **Notification of Acceptance of Abstracts** - 15 May 2011
- **Deadline for Full Papers and Posters** - 31 July 2011
- **Notification of Acceptance of Full Papers** - 30 September 2011

For inquiries, please contact:

The Conference Secretariat, APEAEN 2011 Biennial Convention

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November 7-11, 2011

It is a pleasure to announce the 19th International Symposium of CIEC (International Scientific Center of Fertilizers) **Feeding Plants is Feeding People** which will be held in Mexico City, Mexico from 7-11 November 2011.

Prof. Dr. habil. Dr. sc. agr. Dr. h.c. Ewald Schnug (President of CIEC)

01732367829@vodafone.de; <http://idw-online.de/pages/en/news388693>

You are welcome to ask for a conference announcement pdf from Prof. Dr. Luc Dendooven (President of Symposium) ciec@cinvestav.mx



November 13-14, 2011

Symposium on date palm Location: Algiers, Algeria

November 14-16, 2011

5th Asia-Pacific Conference on Unsaturated Soils (AP-UNSAT 2011), Dusit Thani Hotel, Pattaya, Thailand. More information in <http://unsat.eng.ku.ac.th>; contact unsat@ku.ac.th to apply.

November 16, 2011

[Vth World Aqua Congress](#) New Delhi India

November 16-17, 2011

[The 3rd International Conference on Environment](#)

Date: 16-17 November 2011 Location: Tanta University, Egypt

November 21-23, 2011

International Conference-GEOMAT2011

From: "Zakaria Hossain" zakaria@bio.mie-u.ac.jp

Message contains attachments 1 File (217KB)



[GEOMAT2011-flyer.pdf](#)

Please see the updated information of GEOMAT 2011 in attached file. The details can be found in the following web pages. I apologize for any cross posting.

<http://gipremi.webs.com/>

http://www.jiban.or.jp/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1081&Itemid=22

<http://www.dfi.org/events/GEOMAT2011-flyer.pdf>

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November 21-25, 2011

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Asunto: ATENTO AVISO

A LA COMUNIDAD CIENTIFICA DE SUELOS

TE HACEMOS LA MAS CORDIAL INVITACION A PARTICIPAR EN EL **XXXVI CONGRESO NACIONAL DE LA CIENCIA DEL SUELO** (Colegio De Postgraduados, Campus Campeche) **DEL 21 AL 25 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2011**. MAYORES INFORMES EN:

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December 5-6, 2011

EnAsia 2011 - Enabling Energy Dialogue

Green World Conferences Ltd and Cerebral Business Research (CBR) will be holding the prestigious EnAsia 2011 - Enabling Energy Dialogue conference and exhibition in New Delhi on 5-6 December 2011. The event will include AWARD: Advanced World Algae Research and Development and Food-Fuel-Poverty streams requested by the participants of our previous events.

As with all our events, the conference offers first-class business networking and learning opportunities with over 200 delegates in attendance. Up to now our events have received over 1000 delegates.

Derek Michalski, dm@greenworldconferences.com; www.greenworldconferences.com

December 9-12, 2011 1st International Symposium on Cashew Nut



LANDCON 1112

The 1st International Symposium on Cashew Nut will be held at Madurai, Tamil Nadu, India, from 9 to 12 December 2011. The International Society for Horticultural Science and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University have the honor and privilege of inviting you to participate in this most important international event concerning the cashew nut research and development.

Dr. K. Vairavan, Dean and Convener

Dr. C. Ravindran, Convener & Organizing Secretary, 1ST ISCN

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NOTE: Write to samran_sombatpanit@yahoo.com and ask if there is any update of the conference, and what privilege the WASWAC members may get according to the LANDCON principle.



MEETINGS 2012++

February 26-29, 2012

Share Your Expertise at EC12 in Las Vegas, NV - Abstracts Due May 27

It's not too early to start thinking about presenting at EC12 in Las Vegas, NV Feb. 26-29, 2012. Submittals are encouraged for full and half day classes as well as one hour presentations.

Intermediate and advanced courses and presentations are highly encouraged. Abstracts are due May 27. For the complete schedule, [click here >>](#). Can't attend EC12? Then consider showcasing what you know by writing an article for IECA's members-only publication, *Environmental Connection*. [Click here for more details >>](#)



April 16-18, 2012



UNIVERSITÄT HOHENHEIM



The Uplands Program is organizing a three day scientific conference on **Sustainable Land Use and Rural Development in Mountain Areas** at Hohenheim University in Stuttgart from 16-18 April 2012.

This conference aims to bring together international experts to share knowledge, lessons learned and experiences from across the globe related to sustainable mountain development with an emphasis on developing countries. The focus will be on knowledge that cuts across scientific disciplines and combines insights from the social and natural sciences. The conference is organized along the following six themes:

- Soil care in mountain landscapes
- Supplying, using, sharing and cycling of matter and water
- Linking highland farmers to modern food chains
- Land use and land cover change
- Sustainable and competitive livestock systems
- People participation in natural resource management

We especially encourage submissions that relate these themes to policies, institutions and innovations contributing to sustainable mountain development.

We are currently inviting contributions for 15 minute oral or 5 minute poster presentations. Extended abstracts of these presentations (400-600 words in length) are to be submitted to the conference website until **15 November 2011**. Additional information about the conference is also available from the site: <https://uplands2012.uni-hohenheim.de>. We look forward to your contributions and to meeting you in Hohenheim in April 2012.

The organizing committee, uplands2012@uni-hohenheim.de

May 2012

2nd Human Impacts on Soil Quality Attributes in (Semi-) Arid Regions "HISQA2" at Isfahan University of Technology (Isfahan, Iran) in May 2012. This meeting will have substantial contribution from the Iranian ISTRO Branch and their branch Chair, Mohammad Hajabbasi is taking the opportunity to invite ISTRO members from around the world to participate and meet their Iranian colleagues. Topics relating to soil physical, chemical and biological degradation including salinization, nutrient depletion, desertification will be addressed. (from ISTRO INFO March 2011)

May 15, 2012 [Land Degradation and Challenges in Sustainable Soil Management](#) Izmir Turkey

May 17-19, 2012

Earth Summit 2012 On 24th December 2009 the UN General Assembly [passed a resolution](#) to agreeing to hold a Rio+20 Earth Summit in 2012. Stakeholder Forum played a key role in organising a number of events and bringing together key stakeholders at crucial points in the run-up to the Resolution, and will continue to play a key role in the preparatory process for Earth Summit 2012. The recent UNEP Global Ministers Environment Forum in Bali adopted a Ministerial resolution which included a number of sections on Rio+20 it can be downloaded from the UNEP web site. Please click here, hstoddart@stakeholderforum.org; www.earthsummit2012.org

May 19-25, 2012



The VII International Symposium on Mineral Nutrition of Fruit Crops 19 - 25 May 2012 Chanthaburi, Thailand www.mnutrition7.kmitl.ac.th

Welcome to the VII International Symposium on Mineral Nutrition of Fruit Crops organized by the International Society for Horticultural Science (ISHS) in collaboration with King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang. The symposium will provide the opportunity for scientists, professionals and students with different backgrounds to present their latest findings and discuss their current work related with basic and applied aspect of mineral nutrition on quantity and quality of plant commodities, nutritional aspect and food safety of tropical, subtropical, and deciduous fruit crops. We hope the meeting will promote the exchange of ideas and international cooperation and collaboration among researchers and people associated with fruit crops around the world. The scientific programs include three days of oral and poster sessions and one-day technical tour. A three-day-two-night Pre-symposium Tour to visit commercial orchards in the Northeastern and the Eastern parts of Thailand will be arranged during 19-21 May 2012 at additional cost.

Scientific Topics

The scientific topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Nutrient management and cycling in fruit trees
- Plant nutrition and climate change
- Plant nutrients and fruit quality
- Fruit nutrition, bioactive compounds and human health
- Foliar nutrition
- Interaction and diagnosis of plant nutrient status
- Fertilizer application and environmental impacts
- Tree fruit physiology and plant growth
- Fruit breeding for improved mineral nutrient status

Venue

The Symposium will take place at Maneechan Resort, Chanthaburi province, on the eastern coast of Thailand. Chanthaburi is 245 km from Bangkok and is easily reached by car and bus. It has a long intriguing history dating back over a century. It is the largest commercial production area for exotic tropical fruits such as durian, mangosteen and rambutan. The province of Chanthaburi is blessed with rich, verdant forests and scenic waterfalls. Chanthaburi is also the center of gemstone trading, especially rubies and sapphires.



Registration Fee

The symposium registration fee includes all lunches and coffee breaks from 22 May to 25 May 2012, the Welcome Reception, MxI-Symposium Tour, the Farewell Dinner, Symposium Program, Abstract Booklet and Acta Horticulturae. Students will not receive Acta Horticulturae. All fees quoted are in US dollars.

Membership Category	Before 1 February 2012	1 February 2012 Onwards
ISHS Member	US\$ 350	US\$ 400
Non Member	US\$ 540	US\$ 600
Student* ISHS Member	US\$ 250	US\$ 300
Student* Non-member	US\$ 340	US\$ 390
Accompanying Person	US\$ 200	US\$ 250

Abstract Submission Deadline : 31 October 2011

Notification of Acceptance : 30 December 2011

Full Paper Submission Deadline : 15 April 2012

Language

The official language of the symposium will be English



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Call for Abstracts

The Organizing and Scientific Committees invite authors for oral and poster presentation. Abstracts should be written in Time New Roman12, single-spaced and one page at most. Abstracts must include the title of the paper, the author name(s) and institution(s) along with the telephone, fax, and E-mail address of the corresponding author. Please indicate whether you wish the paper to be considered for an oral presentation or a poster.

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May 28-June 2, 2012



2012 Conference

It is our pleasure to inform you about Firth International Conference BALWOIS 2012 on Water, Climate and Environment which will be held from 28 May to 02 June 2012 in Ohrid, Republic of Macedonia.

All Information are available at www.balwois.com/2012.

If you want to submit an abstract you have to register and create an account on BALWOIS Conference management web site (do not forget to check the box "author" in the form):

<http://ocs.balwois.com/index.php?conference=BALWOIS&schedConf=BW2012&page=user&op=account>.

Deadline for submitting an abstract is 31st of October 2011. Remember your username and password; you need them for all your work with the conference.

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June 26-29, 2012

International Society for Root Research 26-29 June 2012 Dundee UK (note the date change from that previously advertised. UK Keynote speakers include Jonathan Lynch, Malcolm Bennett Michelle watt, Philippe Hinsinger, Bob Sharp, Fusuo Zhang, Heljä-Sisko Helmisaari and Peter Gregory. Updates and more information on the ISRR website (www.rootresearch.org/). (From ISTRO INFO March)

July 2-6, 2012

EUROSOIL 2012, <http://www.eurosoil2012.eu>, the 4th International Congress of the European Confederation of Soil Science Societies (ECSSS) will be held in Bari, Italy, from 2 to 6 July 2012, organized by the Italian Society of Soil Science (SISS) and presided by Prof. Nicola Senesi of the University of Bari, Bari, Italy. The Congress will focus on and develop the various aspects of fundamental and applied soil science and technology, field approaches and social, economical and political implications in relation to the present and future needs and emergencies of mankind and environment. The Congress structure will consist of symposia, workshops and other events, including short courses, business meetings, open debates, roundtables, technical specialized meetings and/or demonstrations. The Congress will be structured prevalently on bottom-up proposals received from scientists, educators, and decision makers involved in soil science and related disciplines. Any interested person is cordially invited to visit the EUROSOIL 2012 website, and encouraged to submit proposal(s) for convening symposia and/or workshops and/or organizing any other kind of events through the appropriate form available in the Congress website by 28 February 2011. For more details visit www.eurosoil2012.eu (From IUSS Alert 70)



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We are pleased to inform you that the Call-for-Papers programme of the EUROSOIL 2012 (Bari, Italy, 2-6 July 2012) is now open. On behalf of the Programme Committee, we cordially invite you to submit abstracts to the symposium: **S2.3 "Pedodiversity in space and time: concepts, measurements, applications"**

(http://www.eurosoil2012.eu/d/32/2/Soil_Genesis_Evolution_and_Classification/)

You can find information for abstract submission in the section "Call for Abstracts" available on the Congress website (<http://www.eurosoil2012.eu>). The deadline for submission of abstracts is strictly fixed on 10 October 2011. Abstract submission for oral or poster presentations is possible only on-line using the format posted on the Congress website: www.eurosoil2012.eu/d/6/Call_for_Abstracts/.

The Conveners: Carmelo Dazzi, Juan José Ibañez, Giuseppe Lo Papa

Prof. Carmelo Dazzi, President of the European Society for Soil Conservation - ESSC

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And within it the Symposium, **"S6.4. Title: Preventing and combating soil salinization under climate change scenarios"** Convener: Batlle-Sales Jorge - University of Valencia – Spain. Jorge.Batlle@uv.es.

July 23-27, 2012

“Soil Bio- and Eco-engineering. **The Use of Vegetation to Improve Slope Stability**” to be held at Vancouver, Canada, 23-27 July 2012.

We will bring together scientific researchers, practitioners, geotechnical and civil engineers, biologists, ecologists, geomorphologists and foresters to discuss current problems in slope stability research, and how to address those problems using soil bio- and eco-engineering techniques.

You can also check out the web pages for the new free network; INBE – International Network of Soil Bio- and Eco-Engineers where the conference is also posted: *<http://inbe.cirad.fr>*

If you would like to add something to the network pages (please do!) - contact your local administrator (see 'correspondant' page) Alexia Stokes alexia.stokes@cirad.fr & Steve Mitchell

August 11-12, 2012



Institute of Mountain Hazards and Environment, CAS

2012 International Debris-Flow Workshop

Chengdu, China – August 11-12

Post-Workshop Field Trip on August 13-16, 2012 to:
Debris Flow Sites along 213 National Highway in Wenchuan Earthquake-hit area
and Debris Flow Control Sites in Jiuzhaigou Valley

Co-Host and Organizers

Institute of Mountain Hazards and Environment, CAS
Key Laboratory of Mountain Hazards and Earth Surface Process, CAS

Secretariat

Secretary-General: Xiaoqing Chen; Members: Aaron Guo, Rongzhi Tan, Wei Chen

Important dates

Deadline for Submittal of Abstract	December 31, 2011
Deadline for Manuscript Submittal	May 31, 2012
Check-in	August 10, 2012
Field trip	August 13, 2012

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To request specific information on the workshop and the field trips, to submit an abstract, and to pay the fees and if you need any help else, please contact us.

● Background

Asia is the most prone to debris flow hazard in the world because of the geological and metrological conditions, especially, as the extreme climates increase, more and more debris flows occurred in Asia in the past several years. For example, in the summer of 2010, heavy rainfall hit Southeast Asia and South Asia, thousands of people died in the flood and debris flow induced by the rainfall, millions of people were left homeless. In September, 2011, more than 80 people died because of debris flow in Thailand. Moreover, with the clear trend of global climate change, the Asian countries will meet more serious challenges to live with risk.

The ANDF (Asian Network on Debris Flow) was proposed to provide a platform to hold academic conferences and trainings, to promote the project collaboration, to improve the debris flow study and mitigation technology in all Asian countries. The international workshop of ANDF will be held every two years. The 2010 International Debris Flow Workshop was held by the Institute of Mountain Hazards and Environment, CAS, on November 27-28th, 2010 in Chengdu, China. Theme of this series of workshop is "Debris-Flow Hazards Mitigation and International Cooperation".

● Objective

The Workshop will provide a forum for debris-flow researchers to exchange ideas on how to cope with debris-flow hazards using the most advanced, state-of-art methodologies in mechanics as well as in hazard prediction and risk assessment. How to strengthen the international cooperation of debris-flow research and mitigation is the other focus of this Workshop.

● Topics

All abstracts and reports submitted to the Workshop are expected to address timely issues on disaster caused by debris flows, debris avalanches, mudflows, lahars, hyper concentrated flows, debris floods, and the like. Topics of interest in technical sessions include, but are not limited to:

1. Formation mechanics of debris flows
2. Numerical modeling of debris flow
3. Debris-flow experiments
4. Assessment of debris-flow hazards and risk
5. Field observations and measurements of debris flows
6. Debris-flow monitoring and alert systems
7. Structural and non-structural debris-flow countermeasures
8. Relationship between debris flow formation, human activity and eco-environment
9. International cooperation mechanism of debris-flow research and mitigation.

● Manuscripts

Abstracts and final manuscripts approved for publication will have to be submitted in electronic form in PDF format and Microsoft Word DOC. Authors can send their abstracts and manuscripts to the secretariat before 31st December, 2011 and 31st May, 2012, respectively. All abstracts and full manuscripts submitted by the deadline, as given above, shall undergo a first round of review; mainly check whether the submitted paper meets the workshop topics, before 31st July, 2012. The Manuscripts in accord with the workshop topics will be recommended to *Journal of Mountain Sciences* (SCI expanded), *International Journal of Sediment Research* (SCI expanded), and *Frontiers of Earth Science in China*. Authors may find information about format and guidelines on the Website at <http://jms.imde.ac.cn>, <http://www.waser.cn/journal/journal-main.asp>, <http://www.springerlink.com/content/2095-0209>, respectively. The peer-review and final decision will be conducted by relative editorial office independently.

● Accommodation

The Workshop secretariat can either provide contacts of hotels, or book hotel directly for participants if they need. Below is a reference price list at current market rates. All charges include breakfast and tax. "Room" means a standard room with two beds (or a double bed). The hotels and prices in detail will be listed in the second announcement.

Grade	Price(per night per room)
5-star	US \$100
4-star	US \$80
3-star	US \$60

Participants are requested to complete and return the Registration Form via email or air mail to the Workshop Secretariat, so that room reservations can be made in advance. If there is any change, please inform the Secretariat in time.

● Registration

Registration fee will cover the welcome reception, participation in the scientific sessions, booklets, coffee, tea and snacks, lunches, (social) dinner and other service during the meeting, BUT NOT cover the traveling, field trip, room, international express deliveries, and private business expenditures. The field trip fee will cover the food and traveling during the trip, BUT NOT include the room.

Registration	Field trip
\$300	\$200

The organizer can provide financial support for registration fee for participants. Participants who want to apply for financial aid should submit their application and presentations. The financial support will be decided by a panel according to their academic value.

● Payment

All payments should be made in US dollars or RMB. You may use one of the following two ways:

1) Bank Transfer

Account name: Institute of Mountain Hazards and Environment, Chinese Academy of Sciences and Ministry of Water Resources, Chengdu

Bank name: Bank of Communications, Chengdu Branch

Swift Code: COMMCNSHCDU

Account number: 511609017-01-0149008063

Please make sure to indicate the name of the Workshop “2012 International Debris-Flow Workshop”, your full name and your country on the bank transfer, and send us a copy of the receipt of the bank transfer.

2) Pay on the spot before the Workshop

Cash in US dollars; RMB and credit card are acceptable.

Formal Receipt for registration fee

The Secretariat of the Workshop will send a confirmation letter via email to the registrant once he receives the participant's Registration Form and fees. The participant should present his/her confirmation letter at check-in. The formal receipt for fees will be available from the Secretariat when checking in.

● Field trips

Chengdu-->Jiuzhaigou Gully-->Chengdu



Debris flows and landslides widely distribute along the 213 National Highway. On the way we can visit Niujuan Gully, the epicenter of the 5.12 Wenchuan earthquake, Hongchun Gully debris flow site, which blocked Min River and threatened the Yingxiu Town in 2010, Gaojia Gully debris flow site which damaged the National Highway for 16 days in 2011, Miancu River debris flow site which ruined chemical plants and caused 125 people sick in 2011,

and so on. The slope debris flows in this area are also densely distributed.

Jiuzhaigou Valley is an outstanding product of nature. Here are towering and glittering snow peaks, clear and charming lakes, colorful waterfalls, violent torrents, and verdant forests, and glittering snow peaks. The blue sky, radiant



and charming sunlight, fresh air, as well as ancient and primitive villages, wood bridges, water mills all contribute to a finest landscape painting of rich implications and harmonious integration.

The debris flow control system in Jiuzhaigou Valley is very successful and also sight worthy.

● Useful Information

Weather

Chengdu is the capital of Sichuan Province, and is located in the western Chengdu Plain. It has a subtropical climate; the temperature here will be between 25 and 32 centigrade during the workshop.

The participants who will join field trips to Jiuzhaigou Gully need bring some warm clothes like a down jacket.

Passport and Visa

The international participants should hold a valid passport and visa for their trip to China. As soon as we receives the Registration Form and the related fees from participants and their accompanying persons, they will be sent an invitation to help them get a Visa for entrance into China from their local Chinese Embassy or Consulate.

Customs

For more information about Chinese customs, please inquire the local Chinese Embassy, Consulate or related agencies.

Insurance

The Secretariat of the Workshop recommends all the participants purchase Life Insurance, Property Insurance, Medical and Travel Insurance before coming to China. The organizer will not be responsible for personal accidents and property loss during the Workshop and the field trips.

Exchange

RMB (Yuan) is the only currency in circulation in China. Participants can exchange their currencies at airports, major hotels and banks in China. The exchange rate will be given daily by the Bank of China. Currently, 1 US dollar can be exchanged for about 6.39 Yuan RMB. Please keep in mind that the exchange receipt should be saved in case those participants want to exchange RMB back to their own currencies. Banks may demand to see the previous exchange receipt.

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Reconfirmation of Reservations

The international air-ticket should be reconfirmed 72 hours ahead of the departure time. The Front Desk of your hotel can help you do that.

Registration Form for 2012 International Debris-Flow Workshop

Aug. 11-12, Chengdu, China

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August 26-30, 2012

The 7th International Acid Sulfate Soil Conference (7th IASSC) will be held in Vaasa, Finland, in the end of August 2012. There will be a four-day conference on August 26-30, including a one-day mid-conference field tour, and two one-day excursions August 31–September 1. The conference is organized by the Geological Survey of Finland (GTK) and the Acid Sulfate Soil Working Group of the International Union of Soil Sciences (ASS WG), in cooperation with several other organisations. Please visit our website <http://www.7iassc.fi> for additional information, for the first circular, background, news and preregistration. (From IUSS Alert 73)

September 6-15, 2012

Invitation to contribute to the 2012 World Conservation Congress

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English

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Dear friends and colleagues,

We have the pleasure to inform you that the Call for Contributions for the next IUCN World Conservation Congress is now open!

The Congress will take place from 6 to 15 September 2012, in Jeju, Korea. This Call for Contributions invites you to propose events to be considered for the Forum, the part of Congress which is open to all (from 7 to 11 September 2012).

We have worked to incorporate your feedback after the last Forum, clarifying the focus and simplifying the structure. It is now easier than ever to navigate the Forum information and develop a proposal for an event! We recommend that you read the instructions carefully before submitting your event, to ensure you maximise the chance of your proposal being selected.

Click here www.iucn.org/congress for the latest updates and information about the Congress, and to access the Call for Contributions. You will also be able to see which proposals have already been submitted or to submit a new one. The call will remain open until **15 October 2011** and you will have until this date to identify partners and develop your proposal.

Note that the system is available from today in its English version. French and Spanish versions will be available in the next few days.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any doubts or queries.

See you next year in Jeju!

The Forum Team congressforum@iucn.org

French

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Nous avons le plaisir de vous informer que l'Appel à Contributions pour le prochain Congrès Mondial de la Nature de l'UICN est dès maintenant ouvert !

Le Congrès aura lieu du 6 au 15 septembre 2012 à Jeju, Corée. Cet appel à contributions est une invitation à proposer des activités qui seront considérées pour le Forum, la partie publique du Congrès, du 7 au 11 septembre 2012.

Nous avons tenu compte de vos commentaires, lors du dernier Forum, clarifié le thème et simplifié la structure. Il est désormais plus facile que jamais de trouver votre chemin dans l'information du Forum et de développer une proposition d'activité ! Nous vous recommandons toutefois de lire les instructions attentivement afin de maximiser vos chances lors du processus de sélection.

Cliquez ici www.iucn.org/congress pour voir les dernières informations et nouveautés sur le Congrès et accéder à l'Appel à Contributions. Vous aurez alors la possibilité de voir les propositions déjà présentes sur le système, ou de créer la votre. L'appel restera ouvert jusqu'au **15 octobre 2011** et vous avez donc jusqu'à cette date pour identifier vos partenaires et soumettre votre proposition.

Notez que le système est actuellement disponible dans sa version anglaise. Les versions française et espagnole suivront d'ici quelques jours.

N'hésitez pas à nous contacter pour toute question ou doute.

À l'année prochaine bientôt, à Jeju ! L'Equipe du Forum congressforum@iucn.org

Español

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Tenemos el placer de informarles que la Convocatoria de Contribuciones para el próximo Congreso Mundial de la Naturaleza de la UICN ya está abierta!

El Congreso tendrá lugar del 6 al 15 de septiembre de 2012 en Jeju, Corea. Esta convocatoria es una invitación a proponer actividades para ser consideradas para el Foro, la parte del Congreso abierta a todos, del 7 al 11 de septiembre de 2012.

Hemos integrados sus comentarios, desde el último Foro, clarificando el enfoque y simplificando la estructura. Es ahora más fácil que nunca navegar por la información acerca del Foro y desarrollar una propuesta! Sin embargo, les aconsejamos leer atentamente las instrucciones para maximizar sus chances durante el proceso de selección.

Clican aquí www.iucn.org/congress para ver las últimas informaciones y novedades sobre el Congreso y acceder a la Convocatoria de Contribuciones. Tendrán también la posibilidad de ver las propuestas ya ingresadas en el sistema, o crear la suya. La convocatoria seguirá abierta hasta el **15 de octubre de 2011**, y tienen, por lo tanto, hasta esta fecha para identificar sus socios y ingresar su propuesta.

Noten que el sistema está disponible en su versión inglesa desde hoy. Las versiones española y francesa serán disponibles dentro de un par de días.

No tengan ninguna duda en ponerse en contacto con nosotros para cualquier duda o pregunta.

Nos vemos el año que viene en Jeju! El Equipo del Foro congressforum@iucn.org

September 12-15, 2012

Seventh International Mini-symposium on Removal of Contaminants from Water, Atmosphere and Soil. Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico. Sept. 12-15, 2012. Contact Janette Arriola Morales janette.arriola@correo.buap.mx

October 15-19, 2012

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Dear Prof. Samran Sombatpanit,

On behalf of Professor FAN Weiming, Chairman of the 2012 ICMED Organization Committee, we would like to invite you to be a member of the International Scientific Advisory Committee of the Second International Conference on Mountain Environment and Development (ICMED), to be held in Chengdu, China, from 15-19 October 2012, jointly sponsored by Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), State Forestry Administration, P.R. China (SFAC), National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC), International Geographical Union (IGU). Part of the approved high level papers will be published in formal press by Journal of Mountain Science, JMS (SCI), and conference books involving all the approved papers will be offered to all participants in highly recognized hard-cover on registration at the meeting for inner communication.

DENG Wei

on behalf of Professor FAN Weiming, Chairman of the 2012 ICMED Organization Committee

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The 1st Announcement

May 11-13, 2013

SWAT SEA III and Conservation Agriculture (CA) III, Pattaya, Thailand (More details below).

May 14-18, 2013

The 2nd WASWAC World Conference on “THREATS TO LAND AND WATER RESOURCES IN THE 21ST CENTURY: PREVENTION, MITIGATION AND RESTORATION” (LANDCON 1305) and the 2nd Council Meeting of WASWAC

I. INVITATION

You are cordially invited to participate in the International Conference on "Threats to Land and Water Resources in the 21st Century: Prevention, Mitigation and Restoration" and the Second Councilor Meeting of WASWAC (LANDCON1305) to be held in Pattaya, Thailand from May 14-18, 2013.

Land is foundation of human survival and development, but the degradation of land is intensifying in many parts of the world because of many reasons, including the improper land use and global climate change. Land degradation could induce the deterioration of the ecological functions and productivity of land through soil erosion, desertification, salinization, loss of biodiversity and so on. Land degradation has been threatening the socioeconomic and cultural development at regional and global scales.

Fortunately, the increasing attention has been paid in combating land degradation all over world, as witnessed at the 1st WASWAC World Conference (1WASWAC WC or LANDCON1010) in Xi'an, China in October 2010 that there have been a number of projects being operated by many agencies in various regions to cope with such problems. It is therefore timely to organize the next WASWAC WC in May 2013, which will coincide with the time that the Land Development Department of Thailand, our main host, will hold its 50th Anniversary Celebration.

We sincerely hope that you will join us in making LANDCON1305 a success in terms of identifying the threats to our land and water resources and how to counteract them. We look forward to welcoming you to LANDCON1305 in Pattaya, Thailand

II. THEMES

The main theme of the conference is "THREATS TO LAND AND WATER RESOURCES IN THE 21ST CENTURY: PREVENTION, MITIGATION AND RESTORATION", with following subthemes (to update in the 2nd Announcement):

- Situation and evolution of land degradation
- Mechanism and driving forces of land degradation
- Control measures to prevent and mitigate land degradation (mechanical, biological, agronomical, management) and to restore degraded land
- Evaluation of impact of land degradation on food production and the environment
- Effect of global climate change on land degradation and food security
- Law and Policy to Prevent and Mitigate Land Degradation

And there are specialized themes as follows:

- 3rd Soil and Water Assessment Tool Workshop and Conference for Southeast Asia (SWAT SEA III)
- 3rd Conservation Agriculture Conference for Southeast Asia (CA SEA III)
- Symposium on Soil Classification in Relation to Conservation and Management
- Symposium on Desertification and Its Control
- Symposium on Salinization Problems and Their Prevention/Mitigation/Restoration
- Symposium on Vetiver and Other Biological Conservation Measures for Soil and Water
- Symposium on Water Resource Development and Conservation
- Symposium on Landslide and Debris Flow
- Symposium on Land Care and Management
- Symposium on Land Use, Land Use Change and Change of Land Ownership (Incl. Land Grabbing)
- Symposium on Land and Soil Education
- And other topics of interest pending the suggestions from members.

III. ORGANIZATION

Initiative organizations

- World Association of Soil and Water Conservation (WASWAC)
- Soil and Water Conservation Society of Thailand (SWCST)
- Land Development Department, Bangkok (LDD)

Sponsors To be announced in the 2nd Announcement

Organizers

- Land Development Department, Bangkok (LDD)
- Guangdong Institute of Eco-Environmental and Soil Sciences (GIEESS), Guangzhou, China
- Institute of Soil and Water Conservation (ISWC), Yangling, Shaanxi, China
- International Research and Training Center on Erosion and Sedimentation (IRTCS), Beijing, China
- North Carolina Agriculture and Technology State University (NCAT), Greensboro, NC, USA
- Soil and Water Conservation Society of Thailand (SWCST)
- Soil and Fertilizer Society of Thailand (SFST)
- World Association of Soil and Water Conservation (WASWAC), Beijing, China

More will be added in the 2nd Announcement.

IV. Committees (to be announced)

Scientific Committee; Organizing Committee

V. VENUE AND DATE

Date: May 14-17, 2013, with post-conference excursions to various parts of Thailand and neighboring countries (Cambodia and Laos) thereafter

Venue: Pattaya, Thailand; Contact: To be announced

NOTE: Training in SWAT and Conservation Agriculture will take place during May 11-13, 2014 and all trainees will participate in the conference of which the symposia in both topics form a part.

VI. Meeting Structure

FOR SWAT & Conservation Agriculture (CA) TRAINEES

Training starts from the afternoon of Saturday, May 11 to the evening of Monday, May 13, 2013.

FOR ALL CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Registration on Monday, May 13, 2013

Conference starts in the morning of Tuesday, May 14 and ends in the afternoon of Friday, May 17, 2013.

Mid-conference tour will be one full day, Wednesday, May 15; Banquet is on Thursday, May 16.

Departure is on Saturday, May 18, 2013 or any other time.

VII. PAPERS & PUBLICATION

The proceedings of Landcon1305 will be published. Full papers will be indexed. Papers are accepted for either ORAL or POSTER presentation. Details will be provided on the website soon.

Important dates

Deadline for Abstract Submission: September 30, 2012

Abstract Acceptance Notification: Two weeks after its receipt

Deadline for Full Paper Submission: February 28, 2013

VIII. REGISTRATION and FEES Will be announced in the 2nd Announcement

IX. SECRETARIAT

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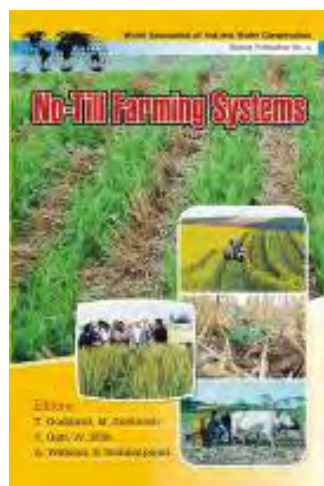
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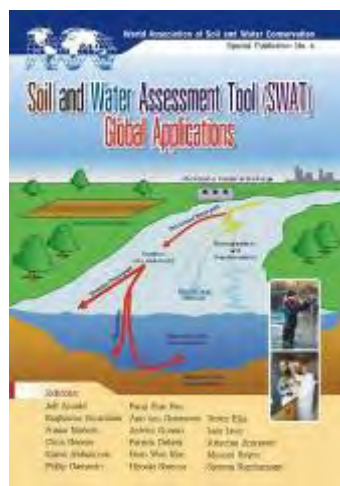
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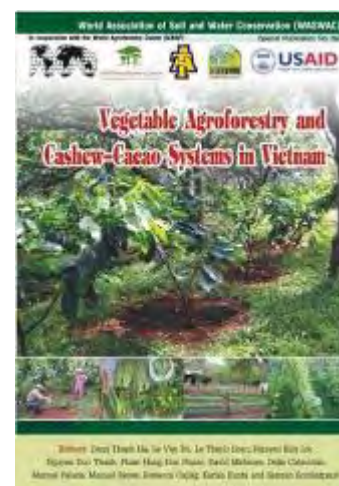
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