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Editor's Note: A major milestone

In December 1994, while sitting in front of the auditorium of the Conference Center of New Delhi during the 8th ISCO conference, the then WASWC President



Hans Hurni (left) asked me if I would like to serve as a Vice President (VP) in his council. I said YES. At that time there were up to about 8 VPs, holding the title of 'regional vice president'.

From then until today, for more than 16 years, I have been serving in WASWC council all the time without a break, doing work in about half a dozen positions, e.g.

Vice President, Deputy President, President, Immediate Past President, Acting President, Immediate Past President (again), Past President and, this time, *Advisor* in the 2011-13 council of President **Li Rui** (right).

For all these years, with many active colleagues in various councils, WASWC (or 'WASWAC' from January 2010) has grown up sizably and metamorphosed to become an organization that truly serves the world – thanks largely to the adoption of the internet system of communications from late 2001 until now – plus few other factors that had coerced the moving of the secretariat (aka headquarters) from a first world country (USA) to a developing country (China).

During the past decade WASWAC has produced several forms of media that are useful for members. From the year the association was established in 1983, a quarterly Newsletter was regularly sent out as hard copy up to 2001. Then the electronic version was produced and sent along with the hard copy to members who were hooked with the internet. From 2005 onward we finished the hardcopy and only the electronic one was sent out; it has become a regular practice up to now.

The quarterly WASWAC Newsletter was at all times dedicated to announcing meeting events and reporting their outcomes, and was a solitary publication of the association. From 2006 onward, I tried my hand in separating news about meetings, funding, scholarships, awards, training courses, exhibitions, study tours,



Samran at 70, May 1, 2011, 20:30 hrs.



publications, etc. into a separate cover, and called it HOT NEWS. At first it was done quarterly too, but because of the great abundance of such news, we decided to release it monthly from 2007 and there have been some extra issues during the times when many issues indicated very quick deadlines, especially concernign funding. Despite the name of 'HOT' being not so academic, it has survived for five years already and no other name has been proposed to replace it yet.



In the meantime, the original WASWAC Newsletter has been dedicated to reporting the outcome from various meeting events, which are considered not so hot though essential; thus the publication still retains its reputation as the flagship of the association. Since early 2010, the Newsletter has been renamed WASWAC Bulletin, being issued thrice a year and wholly dedicated to academic reporting. **Prof Surinder S. Kukal** (left) of Punjab Agricultural University in India has been the Editor-in-Chief of the Bulletin, with a number of Senior Associate Editors. Since the previous WASWC

Journal and Proceedings were finished since 2009, we are thinking whether this WASWAC Bulletin should incorporate scientific papers too, or we should start a new publication in the form of journal; the newly established secretariat of WASWAC in Beijing with adequate funding shows a great potential for doing that. Whether it will be 'this' or 'that', we will decide very soon.

For HOT NEWS, we report all news items that are of immediate interest because of their nature in having short deadlines in communicating with the hosts. This is well received by all members and I believe they benefit a lot from going through this monthly online publication. In each issue there are many publications publicized, e.g. books, reports, newsletter, magazines, bulletins; many of them are free – you just e-mail the publishers. To have HOT NEWS sent to you directly each month with hundreds of such news, we are probably the only association that serves members this way! Particularly at this milestone period I am lucky to have **Dr Karika Kunta** (right) of the Land Development Department of Thailand serving as my Co-editor, and she will take over as its Editor soon.



Apart from these, we host the WASWAC websites in Tokyo (Japan), Guangzhou and Beijing (China) and two Webshots photo websites. Other activities include issuing annual Special Publications; granting Norman Hudson Awards and other awards; coordinating LANDCON series of meetings, with use of Guidelines for Successful Meetings & provision of Cooperation Package; organize/help organize meetings of interesting subjects; forming forum for discussion, e.g. law & policy, climate change, monitoring and evaluation (M&E), no-till; establishing contacts among professionals in various countries through councilors, Vice Presidents, Special Representatives; promotion of visits among academics of some countries; and promoting/assisting in building soil museums in various countries. Many WASWAC members find them useful.

Having come to this point when we have a firm house in Beijing for our secretariat to stay (above), with **Prof Li Rui** as the president for this term, with **Prof Miodrag Zlatic** (left) as the



Immediate Past President to help and work along with, and with a strong council of 30 men of wisdom (*yes, all councilors are men, see details in the next page*) living/working in various countries of the world, I am most pleased to stay on and assist, at least to the end of this term, as the *Advisor*. As mentioned, most duties that I had been responsible before have been transferred to the hands of several able people – I thus have no doubt about the success of the association in this term and far beyond that.



Today I have become 70 (a *septuagenarian*, as it is called) and feel it is ripe in terms of a working person. I therefore would like to humbly announce my stepping down from most posts that I have been holding in WASWAC and wish the new administration well in advancing the course of action of our association to benefit worldwide people in sharing information, technology and wealth in order to help each other manage and care for the natural resources – importantly soil and water – in various parts of the world.

Before closing (as I know from now I will play a smaller and smaller role in WASWAC and you will hear less from me), I would like to thank all people who have played certain roles in making WASWAC delivered, survive and function well in this world, particularly within my time to those appearing in the blue chart (next page) who were instrumental in making the move to make the WASWAC stay at a stable place.

Apart from that, I wish to thank profoundly the two persons as follows.



Bill Moldenhauer. He had established the WASWC single-handedly in 1983 and served in various positions all the time until he passed away in May last year. He regularly observed the health of the association, which roughly corresponded with the number of members; it was >700 in the period 1987-1990 but came down to around 300+ in 2000. His voice was a strong component in enabling the move of the secretariat to a less expensive country – eventually to China.

My dear wife **Leticia Pugay** who though without any agreement at the start of my tenure

faithfully allows her husband to spend full time for running the WASWAC (on the voluntary basis – no compensation) while she takes care of all household works. As a citizen of the Philippines, the country where English is used widely, her presence helps me immensely in commanding this foreign language that Thai people are not so familiar with. The generous help that enables her husband to do this work comes from the pride that this combined effort may help sustain the world's natural resources or at least delay their deterioration somewhat. We both feel that when there is a chance to do it, we should do it!



Last, the real last, but a rather personal one, I would like to thank those who congratulated me for having become a septuagenarian. Yes, it is encouraging to have reached this age when some decades ago people in developing countries could rarely make it – thanks to the progress in science that led to a better medication that helps prolong life of most people on earth now.

Dear all friends, I will be sitting in the spectator's chair much of the time and will enjoy viewing the progress of the WASWAC. I am sure it definitely will. I hope that, with the house firmly built, those who live in it will not have much to worry. Step from now would be to work on the issues that have recently come up. I wish you all good luck!

Absolute last: A friend sent a proverb to me today. It's nice to read and ponder ...

Today is the oldest you've ever been, yet the youngest you'll ever be, so enjoy this day while it lasts.

Members of the WASWAC Council 2011-2013



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Initial agreement was made in August 2002 that China would host the secretariat of WASWAC. It, however, took some time to learn about the work and to find suitable agencies in China to handle it in various sections.



Jiao Juren - Lu Shunguang - Li Rui - Shao Mingan - Li Dingqiang - Liu Zhen

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Beijing, China

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Ning Duihu, Kuang Shangfu and others shown at the top



Bill Moldenhauer, Maurice Cook, David Sanders, Samran Sombatpanit, Michael Zoebisch & John Laflen

Bangkok, Thailand

Apr 2003-2010



Move of WASWAC Secretariat from USA to China via Thailand

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ALL issues of WASWAC Bulletin for 2010 with the numbers 26(1), 26(2) and 26(3) have already been posted on <http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/>

Members in **U.S.A.** can buy **NO-TILL FARMING SYSTEMS** book online at <http://www.conservationinformation.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. LANDCON e-LIBRARY (SP5) will be available from July 2011 onward. For more information please contact Dr Liu Xiaoying at waser_secretariat@yahoo.com.cn; wasersecretariat@sina.com. Members from within China can 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 for more information sombatpanit@yahoo.com.

HOT JOB

▲ Job Opportunity - Samaritan's Purse International

Samaritan's Purse International is announcing a position opening for Program Manager, Agriculture and Livestock, in Cambodia. For more information follow this link: [Samaritan's Purse Position Announcement](#)

▲ POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

EcoAgriculture Partners Project Manager: Agricultural Markets and Biodiversity Specialist Posted April 21, 2011

EcoAgriculture Partners is an international non-profit organization that works to facilitate sustainable food production, rural livelihoods, and environmental conservation globally. The organization does so by developing and promoting integrative approaches to rural landscape management, by engaging in regional and global policy processes, and by supporting the work of our diverse grassroots and international partners.

EcoAgriculture seeks to hire a Project Manager to join our committed team in our Washington, D.C., headquarters as soon as possible. This position is offered as 70% time to full-time, as mutually agreeable by EcoAgriculture and the applicant. The position will require periodic international travel (approximately 10-15% time).

The Project Manager will:

- Lead EcoAgriculture's contribution to an international project focused on improving the conservation outcomes of agricultural production systems for major commodity crops including palm oil, soybeans, sugar cane, and coffee. As part of this role, the Project Manager will:
 - Implement a monitoring and evaluation system to evaluate project impacts on environmental, social, and economic outcomes;
 - Collaborate with project grantees and the project secretariat to refine metrics for sustainable commodity production;
 - Participate in international commodity roundtable meetings;
 - Implement and refine an online data management system for tracking and analyzing project impacts at multiple scales;
- Contribute to scientific and technical analyses of market-related mechanisms to promote ecosystem services in agricultural landscapes, such as eco-certification and payments for ecosystem services for biodiversity conservation, climate adaptation and mitigation and watershed management;
- Collaborate with the entire EcoAgriculture team on additional projects related to the applicant's areas of expertise;
- Supervise program assistant and interns.

Required skills and experience:

- Master's of Science or Arts in a field of study related to agricultural economics, markets, or agribusiness development;
- At least three years' professional experience related to sustainable agriculture, rural development, or environmental conservation;
- Excellent English writing and editing skills;
- Highly organized, with attention to detail;
- Experience and competence working in diverse teams;
- Proactive, flexible and creative;
- U.S. citizen, or legal resident of the United States with work permit.

Desirable:

- At least two years' project management experience;
- Knowledge of agroecosystems and marketing systems in the tropics;
- Expertise in one or more of the following areas:
 - Geographic Information Systems and spatial analysis;
 - Decision-support systems for environmental management;
 - Tropical biodiversity (in Latin America, Africa, or Southeast Asia);
- Foreign language proficiency, especially in Spanish, Portuguese or Bahasa (Indonesia).

Salary and benefits:

- \$50,000-68,000/year (for full-time employment), depending upon experience;
- Health and retirement benefits, insurance, 29 holiday and vacation days per year.

TO APPLY

Please send your curriculum vitae; a cover letter describing your background, experience, and interest in this position; two writing samples (maximum of five pages each); and names and contact information for three references in an e-mail message with subject line "Project Manager - [your name]" to Courtney Wallace, cwallace@ecoagriculture.org. Review of applications will commence on **May 12, 2011** and continue until the position is filled. <http://www.ecoagriculture.org/employment.php?id=527>.

HOT TRAINING

▲ September 26-October 2, 2011

ISTRO Working Group B – Subsoil Compaction Training course Soil Deformation: Modelling, Measurements and Visualization September 26 – October 2, 2011

To be held at Aarhus University, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, research Centre, Foulum, Tjele, Denmark

Course content: The course will present classical and new approaches for measurement, modelling, and visualization of soil deformation due to mechanical stress application. The concepts and theory classically used in

agricultural soil mechanics and adopted from geomechanics (analytical solutions for stress propagation in soil, soil compressive strength, Finite Element Model (FEM)) have limitations that will be illustrated with hands-on modelling and measurements in the lab and in the field. As a new modelling approach for soil deformation, Discrete Element Models (DEM) will be used to understand particle-particle contact problems, stress propagation and displacement behaviour of granular media. Both approaches (i.e. DEM and FEM) will be compared to explore the mechanical behaviour of agricultural soils at the macroscale (DEM) and at the microscale (FEM). As an alternative to the classical laboratory methods for soil stress-strain characterisation, the potential of non-destructive techniques to characterise soil strength *in situ* (seismic methods) will be presented.

The course will last seven days. Each day will begin with a lecture session. The second half of the day will involve hands-on modelling and measurement activities. On the 7th day we call on the Ph.D. students to participate in a young scientist forum, where the aim is exchange of knowledge, experience, and ideas. There will also be a possibility of individual consultancy concerning experimental problems.

Material to be covered includes

General Aspects of the Mechanical Behaviour of soils (stress theory, strain theory, stress-strain relations.

Traditional Soil Mechanics Modelling (Elastic stress-strain relationships - analytical solutions, Elasto-plastic stress-strain relationships - FEM.

Traditional Soil Mechanics Measurement Methods including compressive behaviour, shear strength, tensile strength and penetrometer resistance

New Approaches to Infer Soil Mechanical Models (non-destructive field methods to measure soil strength, particle arrangements measurements using three-dimensional imaging techniques)

New Approaches to Model Soil Mechanical Behaviour (Distinct Element Modelling)

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Theme 3 feature

Achieving impact through more effective consultation, participation and knowledge sharing



The CA revolution in parts of the world went hand in hand with new ways of generating and delivering research outcomes with farmers, and a similar trend is evident with successful Landcare movements. Without the transformation of traditional extension systems into more participatory approaches with consultation among farmers, industry, scientists and policy makers, the widespread uptake of CA which have been achieved in Australia, Argentina, Brazil and the United States are unlikely to be emulated in smallholder systems.

In this theme we wish to extract and synthesise principles from examples of successful CA and Landcare innovation systems and explore their applicability and relevance to the more challenging development environments of sub-Saharan Africa and to identify some of the key practical barriers to adoption of CA. The following four sub-themes delineate the perspectives through which we intend undertaking this:

- **3.1** - Industry-farmer-science-policymaker consultative platforms and the role of science
 - **3.2** - Adoption and innovation / learning systems (extension, farmer's experimentation)
 - **3.3** - Landcare and participatory natural resource management
 - **3.4** - Global institutions and platforms (conventions, UN, CGIAR)
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Highlighted Papers

Impact and adoption of conservation agriculture in Africa: a multi-scale and multi-stakeholder analysis

Dr Marc Corbeels, CIRAD, France

Conservation Agriculture (CA) is increasingly promoted in Africa as an alternative for coping with the need to increase food production on the basis of more sustainable farming practices. CA is seen as a way to address the problems of soil degradation resulting from agricultural practices that deplete the organic matter and nutrient content of the soil. It aims at higher crop yields and lower production costs. Yet, success with adopting CA on farms in Africa has been limited (Kasali 2009).

The European Commission has recently funded a collaborative project, CA2Africa (www.CA2Africa.eu), that seeks to better understand the reasons for the limited adoption of CA in Africa by analysing past and on-going CA experiences, in order to assess under which conditions

what extent CA can strengthen the socio-economic position of smallholder farmers in Africa. A better comprehension of where, when and for whom CA works best, and how CA should be configured in different settings will enable the identification of knowledge gaps for future research, development and promotion of CA in Africa.

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Registrations are now open for the 5th World Congress of Conservation Agriculture incorporating 3rd Farming Systems Design Conference.

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Close of Standard Registrations	30 August 2011

Registration Fees (AU\$)	OECD	Non-OECD
Early-Bird	850	650
Standard	1050	750
Day registrations	400	400

Full time students (AU\$)

Early-Bird	450	400
Day registrations	750	600

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- Conference satchel
- Copy of all abstract books

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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.dnttm.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 , drvirsingh@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
1107	2nd Conference on Conservation Agriculture in Southeast Asia , Contact Manuel Reyes at mannyreyes@nc.rr.com	Phnom Penh, Cambodia	July 4-7, 2011
1305	2nd 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.

Conservation In Action TOUR 2011 (From: "CTIC" taylor@ctic.org)

Conservation Technology Information Center Announces 2011 Conservation Agriculture Tour

CTIC will host its annual Conservation In Action Tour, August 8-9 in Northwest Ohio.



This year's Tour will focus on agriculture's influence on the environmental and economic health of Maumee River and Bay, as well as Lake Erie. The Tour will highlight agricultural producers implementing innovative conservation practices and solutions to water quality issues.

"We'll not only showcase farmers applying conservation systems with success, but also discuss important issues facing agriculture within local watersheds. We'll open dialogue around those issues and possible solutions," says Karen Scanlon, CTIC executive director.

Former Conservation In Action Tour participants appreciate the Tour's focus on solutions rather than just best management practices. And they value interaction with diverse participants -- producers, crop consultants, agriculture associations and business, conservation groups, media and local, state and federal government officials.

The Tour will begin with a cocktail social on the evening of Aug. 8 at the Crowne Plaza hotel in Toledo, Ohio. Participants will visit over appetizers and drinks and learn more from experts about water quality issues facing the area. Then they'll enjoy a river and harbor cruise for a comprehensive introduction to the region and some of its conservation challenges.

On Aug. 9 participants will visit farms and agricultural locations to learn about focused efforts to improve nutrient management and increase adoption of conservation systems. The Tour will present possible technological, financial and educational solutions to issues, such as increased algae, sediment and soluble phosphorus, that impact the river and lake.

Scanlon commented, "We need more attention to these issues. The Tour will help continue the conversation among diverse partners and move us toward workable solutions."

[Register now.](#) Save \$25 if you register by July 8, 2011.

The CTIC Board of Directors will meet on August 10 in Toledo.

Contact [CTIC](#) for more information.

Visit the [tour web site](#) where you'll find information on --

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- [Lodging](#)
- And more!

August 8, 2011

Cocktail Social

4:30-6:00 pm (Crowne Plaza)
6:00-8:00 pm (River/harbor cruise)

August 9, 2011

Tour

7:30 am - depart Crowne Plaza
7:30 pm - return to Crowne Plaza

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See why this operation earned awards for environmental stewardship.

Dean farm --

Get down in the dirt at Allen Dean's 1,900-acre corn, soybean and cover crop operation where a soil pit will show the benefits of cover crops to soil health.

Mavis farm --

Gary and Scott Mavis will share their philosophy on conservation and how they are systematically transitioning their operation to a successful, profitable no-till system.

Hesterman farm --

Todd Hesterman hosts the final farm stop where Dr. Robert Mullen, Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, will join in discussions about soluble phosphorus, its impacts to water quality, sources and solutions.

[Blue Creek Conservation Area](#) --

This historic area, now a city-owned park and conservation demonstration area, was once home to Native American tribes and the Toledo House of Corrections. It provides the perfect setting for dinner and the Tour's conservation technology expo.

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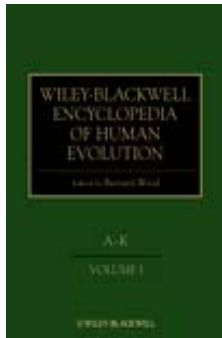


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▲ [Explore the Origin of Our Species: Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Human Evolution](#) 2 volumes ISBN: 978-1-4051-5510-6 April 2011 £350.00, €580.00, \$550.00

Professor Bernard Wood

Professor of Human Origins, The George Washington University



One of the world's most distinguished experts of paleoanthropology presents two landmark volumes chronicling the greatest story ever told: the origin of our species.

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Advances in genetics and molecular biology have allowed scientists to look at existing fossil evidence in new ways. These advances are covered alongside general evolutionary principles which explain the pattern and process of evolution, fossil and archaeological evidence, and climatic and ecological context.

The comprehensive two volumes and the companion website, which features additional material and updates, makes the [Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Human Evolution](#) an invaluable resource for life and natural scientists, archaeologists, physical anthropologists and all those who wish to explore the epic history of the evolution of our species.

▲ [Marine Conservation Ecology](#)

By John Roff and Mark Zacharias

This major textbook provides a broad coverage of the ecological foundations of marine conservation, including the rationale, importance and practicalities of various approaches to marine conservation and management. The scope of the book encompasses an understanding of the elements of marine biodiversity - from global to local levels - threats to marine biodiversity, and the structure and function of marine environments as related to conservation issues.

▲ [Whales and Dolphins](#)

Cognition, Culture, Conservation and Human Perceptions

Edited By Philippa Brakes and Mark Peter Simmonds

This book brings together experts in the relevant diverse fields of cetacean research, to provide authoritative descriptions of our current knowledge of the complex behaviour and social organization of whales and dolphins. The authors consider this new information in the context of how different human cultures from around the world view cetaceans and their protection, including attitudes to whaling. They show how new information on issues such as cetacean intelligence, culture and the ability to suffer, warrants a significant shift in global perceptions of this group of animals and how these changes might be facilitated to improve conservation and welfare approaches.

▲ Marine Protected Areas for Whales, Dolphins and Porpoises (Second Edition)

A World Handbook for Cetacean Habitat Conservation and Planning

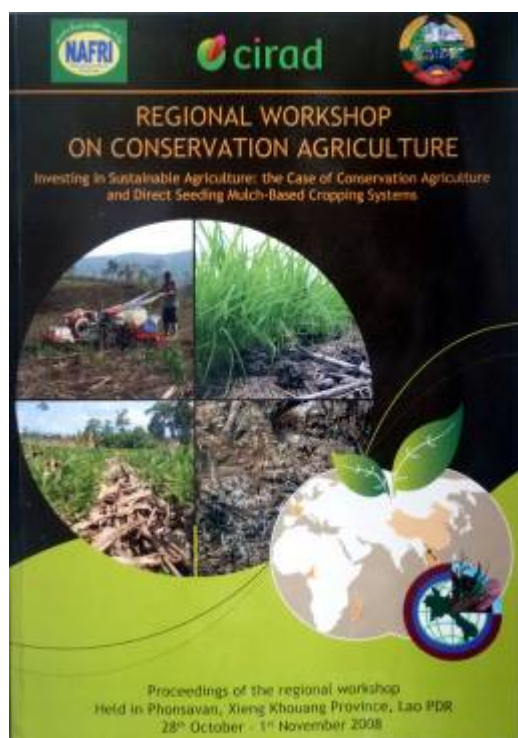
By **Erich Hoyt**

This book is a key conservation tool and a springboard for worldwide change in human attitudes toward the world ocean where all life originated and where the majority of life on Earth still lives.

In this completely revised and expanded second edition, new developments in the Mediterranean, Caribbean and Pacific are described, as well as future directions for High Seas protection. New sections show how to design and manage MPAs in an ever noisier ocean subject to climate change, increased shipping and oil exploration. The process of protected area creation for cetaceans has been accelerated and more than 200 exciting new places are detailed in this edition. This book provides a route map for MPA managers, as well as countries, to meet the ambitious targets for highly protected MPA networks by 2012 and 2020.

Also available from Earthscan in this subject area is [The Ecosystem Approach to Marine Planning and Management](#) edited by Sue Kidd, Andy Plater and Chris Frid.

PROCEEDINGS



▲ **Proceedings from the Regional Workshop on Conservation Agriculture: Investing in sustainable agriculture – the case of conservation agriculture and direct seeding mulch-based cropping systems, Phonsavan, Xieng Khouang Province, Lao PDR, October 28-November 1, 2008, Edited by Dr Monthathip Chanphengxay, Nafri Director and others, 285 pp. + CD. Published in 2010 by Lao MAF, NAFRI and CIRAD.**

This is a nicely published proceedings volume from a workshop that emphasized on no-tillage, with experiences from Brazil, Madagascar, Laos and other countries illustrated in full color. Essentially there were four working groups that explored the following (from p. 11 of the publication):

1. Training and communication support on CA and DMC topics for the countries of the Greater Mekong Subregion
2. Research topics and methodologies to be shared on CA and DMC among GMS countries
3. Environmental services and payment for environmental services of the countries of GMS
4. Alternatives and approaches to be integrated to promote sustainable agriculture at landscape level in Lao PDR

The CD has papers, PPT presentations, photos and all other related documents that are very useful for pursuing the work related to it. Thanks to the generous support from several French



development organizations, the organizing of the workshop up to the production of the proceedings and CD is in the line suggested in the Guidelines for Successful Meetings that WASWAC advocates. Those interested may order your set (hard copy + CD) from Christine Casino at christine.casino@cirad.fr or call +33 4 67 61 56 43. For technical contact you may write to André Chabanne andre.chabanne@cirad.fr



JOURNAL

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▲ WASWAC members are welcome to write to the Forum President Dr Ijaz Rasool Noorka (presidentwfccafs@gmail.com) for more information. The Forum website is <http://wfccafs.webnode.com>. Membership in WFCCAFS for 2011 is FREE. Alternatively, you may write to the Editor of HOT NEWS for one whole issue of the Journal, 6 pp, which is in PDF format.



Patron offers full support to Forum

On a courtesy call from Forum Patron **Her Excellency Marvi Memon**, the Forum President, Dr. Ijaz Rasool Noorka, met her in the Parliament lodges of the National Assembly of Pakistan in Islamabad. Our President briefed her about forum activities since its launching in January 2011 and updated her with the forum progress. The Patron expressed satisfaction on the forum progress and speedy achievements in a record period and offered full support to the forum as Patron and Chairperson of the *National Standing Committee on Climate Change* constituted by the Government of Pakistan. The Patron requested the President to frame recommendations on the future challenges for Pakistan on



President met her Excellency Marvi Memon

climate change issues and how these can be addressed in a sustainable way to conserve the environment, enhance agriculture and secure food for 170 million citizens of Pakistan. She expects to hold a meeting of the Standing Committee on climate change in July and desires to share these recommendations with other

committee members. Recommendations prepared by the forum will be deliberated in the standing committee meeting and hopefully lead to the development of a national policy, for submission to the Government of Pakistan for negotiation and implementation. The Patron encouraged the President to conduct

climate change impact awareness campaigns in Pakistan in educational and research institutes, private and public sectors. The President briefed the Patron about his February visit to India and his meetings with eminent scientists from around the world working on climate change adaptation and mitigation aspects.

WFCCAFS Business Campaigns

Since January 2011 the President WFCCAFS has been very active in meeting dignitaries in Pakistan and abroad as well as holding meetings with forum stakeholders to publicize the forum to receive their support.

- He met with Vice Chancellor (Dr. MS Kang) Punjab Agricultural University Ludhiana, India; Dr. A. S. Brar VC Guru Nanak Dev University India, they extended full support to the forum.

- On March 14, the President jointly with the Patron attended Silver Jubilee program of a trust in Lahore Pakistan where the Patron Her Excellency **Marvi Memon** was honored as Chief Guest and delivered a lecture.

- The president also delivered series of lectures to agriculture professionals, the farmers and introduced the forum, its mission and mandate and activities related to climate change and its impact with

special reference to agriculture and food security in Pakistan.

- President also met Chairman (Ex Foreign Minister of Pakistan Mr. Shah Mahmood Qureshi) of Farmers Associates of Pakistan and introduced forum activities.

- The President and Secretary General jointly met the Director General of Ayub Agri. Research Institute Faisalabad and shared the topics of mutual interests and future cooperation.

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Do you know?

- Between March 2007 and March 2008 global food prices increased an average of 43%.
- During above period wheat, soybean, corn and rice prices increased by 146, 71, 41 and 29 % respectively.
- 1 billion peoples of the world population subsist on less than 1 \$ per day.
- Recycling 1 ton of paper can save 1.3 tons of wood.
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- Recycling of 2 plastic bottles provide enough material to make a scarf.
- Recycling 25000 tons of newspapers can save 6073 hectares of forest and still provide enough material to manufacture 15 billion pencils.

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The Patron and President in Lahore



CC awareness to professionals



CC awareness to farmers



President met with VC AUI India

PAPERS

▲ Payments for Ecological Services and Eco-Compensation in China

The collection of papers presented at the International Conference on Payments for Ecological Services convened in Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region in September 2009, was published in December 2010. Compiled by the Asia Development Bank, the book includes case studies of eco-compensation in China, analyses of Chinese perception on payments for ecological services, and papers on international experiences in markets for ecosystem services. In [Conference paper 4: Buyer, Regulator, and Enabler – The Government's Role in Ecosystem Services Markets](#) (pages 149-164), Michael T. Bennett of Forest Trends and Sara J. Scherr of EcoAgriculture Partners outline lessons for PES in the People's Republic of China. Synthesized in the context of agriculture, the report examines how a government can play the part of buyer, regulator, or enabler. Under each of these categories, examples are presented, in addition to an analysis of strengths and deficiencies of the programs.

▲ An Output-Based Intensity Approach for Crediting Greenhouse Gas Mitigation in Agriculture

Published in the first issue of the journal *Greenhouse Gas Measurement and Management* (February 2011), this publication examines a potential offset mechanism based on the level of greenhouse gas emissions reductions for a certain amount of agricultural production or "output". This differs from the traditional method of considering emissions reductions over a certain physical area (e.g. the size of a farm) regardless of how much is actually produced on the land.

The authors, Brian Murray and Justin Baker of the Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions at Duke University, argue that the output-based approach would incorporate the potential for and even encourage growth in crop yields. It would also be more consistent with food security objectives, include more activities eligible for the offsets, and be a more economically competitive method than per-area emissions reductions. At the same time, the authors note that total agricultural emissions might actually increase without an overall cap, the issue of additionality remains a concern, and linking credit payments to yields may increase uncertainty and volatility experienced by farmers. Overall, the paper is targeted at proposals for regulatory and voluntary carbon markets, but also presents lessons applicable to other low-carbon strategies. Access the [working paper](#).

WEBSITES (Mixed subjects – but interesting/enjoyable)

▲ cd3wd: A Digital Treasure Trove of Technical Information for Development Workers

Rick Burnette, Director, ECHO Asia Impact Center, Chiang Mai, Thailand echoasia@echonet.org

Recently, Mike Fennema, Country Consultant for CRWRC Laos, asked whether I had ever seen the following website, www.cd3wd.com/cd3wd/. In fact, I had recently come across the site and was impressed with this vast online resource of technical information.

Some of us remember the Age of Pre-Digital Agriculture and Community Development Work when there were few technical resource libraries available. In those days, the best that many development workers could do was to accumulate some essential reference books. For a lucky few, microfiche libraries of technical topics offered the most concentrated cache of information.

I'm certain that anyone who accesses www.cd3wd.com/cd3wd/ for the first time, especially those who were engaged in development work prior to the mid-1990s, will be amazed at the sheer volume of the digital technical information being offered on this website.

The person who funds and runs **cd3wd** is Alex Weir who has an engineering and software development background, working in both commercial and aid/development sectors.

Alex established **cd3wd** in 2003 as a free online and offline resource. The website currently offers approximately 4,000 high-quality practical digital documents related to a wide range of development concerns including agriculture, forestry, fisheries, food processing, soil and water conservation, health, education, water and sanitation, appropriate technology, alternative energy, metalwork, woodwork, small industries and much more. The info is presented in largely in HTML format, with Graphics Interchange Format (GIF) and JPG graphics files as well as some PDF files.

Alex reports that the www.cd3wd.com/cd3wd/ website has currently 3 million webpage hits per year and growing at 20% per annum. He describes the effort as "a leverage operation" in that he and his collaborators do not create their own content but rather "collect, collate, organize and market content from organizations such as GTZ, USAID, Skat, KIT, DFID, VITA, Practical Action, etc."

To increase the availability of **cd3wd** resources throughout the developing world, Alex recently created a DVD set which contains the complete **cd3wd**, which is ready for offline installation on PCs as well as Macs and Linux machines. Besides

conventional http downloads from the www.cd3wd.com/cd3wd/ website, this set is also available as a BitTorrent which Alex describes as a way of downloading large files that spreads the load over many servers and PCs.

Meanwhile, for easy online access to cd3wd's technical resources, simply click on

http://www.cd3wd.com/cd3wd_40/cd3wd/index.htm.

To further the work, **cd3wd** welcomes additional cooperation and funding. Alex states that the objective of **cd3wd** is "to enable the Third World to help itself - technology can increase productivity and incomes, create a better life, decrease and eliminate poverty, disease and even injustice."

▲ STATE FLOWERS

This is really well put together, beautiful illustrations and Animation, enjoy.

Did you ever wonder, if you put all 50 state flowers together in a bouquet, what it would look like. It's truly beautiful. Click link [State Flowers](#)

From: "Ludovicus" louisverschueren@telenet.be

▲ 65 unforgettable melodies <http://www.saigonocean.com/nghenhacHoaTau/jukebox.swf>

▲ Dance touches millions of hearts

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A06LqgitR3Q>

Inviting a performance of great artistic achievement....of a Chinese couple....!

Ma Li, a Chinese dancer, lost her right hand in a car accident. Her boy friend abandoned her so she had some attempted suicides. Then she met Zhai Xiaowei who lost his left leg since he was four years old and she shared her dream to return to the stage with him. Zhai was never onstage, but he was willing to help her. During a training course, Zhai made Ma Li fall down a thousand times, but at last their performance was successful and moved many of us to tears....

▲ Sony pays farmers to recharge aquifers

In an effort to recharge the aquifer in the Kumamoto region (where the company houses the Kumamoto Technology Center [TEC]), Sony Corporation developed a program to compensate farmers for flooding their fields. Carrying out this practice allows water to infiltrate the soil and re-supply groundwater. Moreover, this practice is beneficial to farmers' production, increasing yields for certain crops and reducing the need for agricultural chemicals. Kumamoto TEC even purchases rice and produce from the fields to serve in its cafeteria, bringing the effort full-circle. Visit Sony's [Biodiversity Conservation webpage](#) .

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La Ferme pilote de Guie.

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The Guie Pilot Farm

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PRESS RELEASE Giesbeek, March 2011

Eijkelkamp Earth Sampling Group marks its centenary

Hendrik Eijkelkamp set up shop as a self-employed blacksmith in Lathum in 1911. One hundred years and three generations later, the smithy has expanded to become the Eijkelkamp Earth Sampling Group (EESG), a globally leading group of companies providing products and services for environmental, soil and water research. This allows EESG to make a contribution to raising the quality of life for everyone.

Eijkelkamp initially gained a reputation for the production of high-quality borehole drills. The current range comprises a broad selection of products, with monitoring equipment taking an increasingly prominent role. Eijkelkamp Carefree Solutions is a point of emphasis in the immediate future. With Eijkelkamp Carefree Solutions, customers are provided with ready-to-use information, so that they no longer have to worry about issues like installation, the actual gathering of data or carrying out maintenance to the equipment.

Jubilee Year

A number of festivities are planned for the jubilee year. On **28 May 2011**, for example, there will be an Open Day, to which everyone is welcome. During this day of celebration, a number of activities will be arranged and various demonstrations given, among them demonstrations of forging and borehole drilling. In addition, plenty attention will be paid to the group's rich history and its future.

For further information or photographic material, please contact the Communication & Marketing Department of Eijkelkamp Agrisearch Equipment. If you include this press release in your publication, we would like to have a published copy for our archives.

Yours faithfully,

Eijkelkamp Agrisearch Equipment BV

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Attachment: EESG Jubilee logo

WASWAC congratulates the Earth Sampling Group of Eijkelkamp for having strongly served the society for already 100 years

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Lyrics

When we played our charade
We were like children posing
Playing at games, acting out names
Guessing the parts we played

Oh what a hit we made
We came on next to closing
Best on the bill, lovers until
Love left the masquerade

Fate seemed to pull the strings
I turned and you were gone
While from the darkened wings
That music box played on

Sad little serenade
Song of my heart's composing
I hear it still, I always will
Best on the bill
Charade

JUST FOR FUN - GOLFER AT THE DENTIST

A man and his wife walked into a dentist's office.

The man said to the dentist, "Doc, I'm in one heck of a hurry."

"I have two buddies sitting out in my car waiting for us to go play golf, so forget about the aesthetic, I don't have time for the gums to get numb."

"I just want you to pull the tooth, and be done with it!"

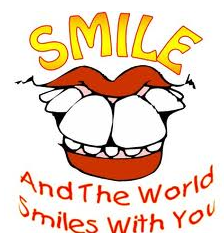
"We have a 10:00 AM tee time at the best golf course in town and its 9:30 already...."

"I don't have time to wait for the anesthetic to work!"

The dentist thought to himself, "My goodness, this is surely a very brave man asking to have his tooth pulled without using anything to kill the pain."

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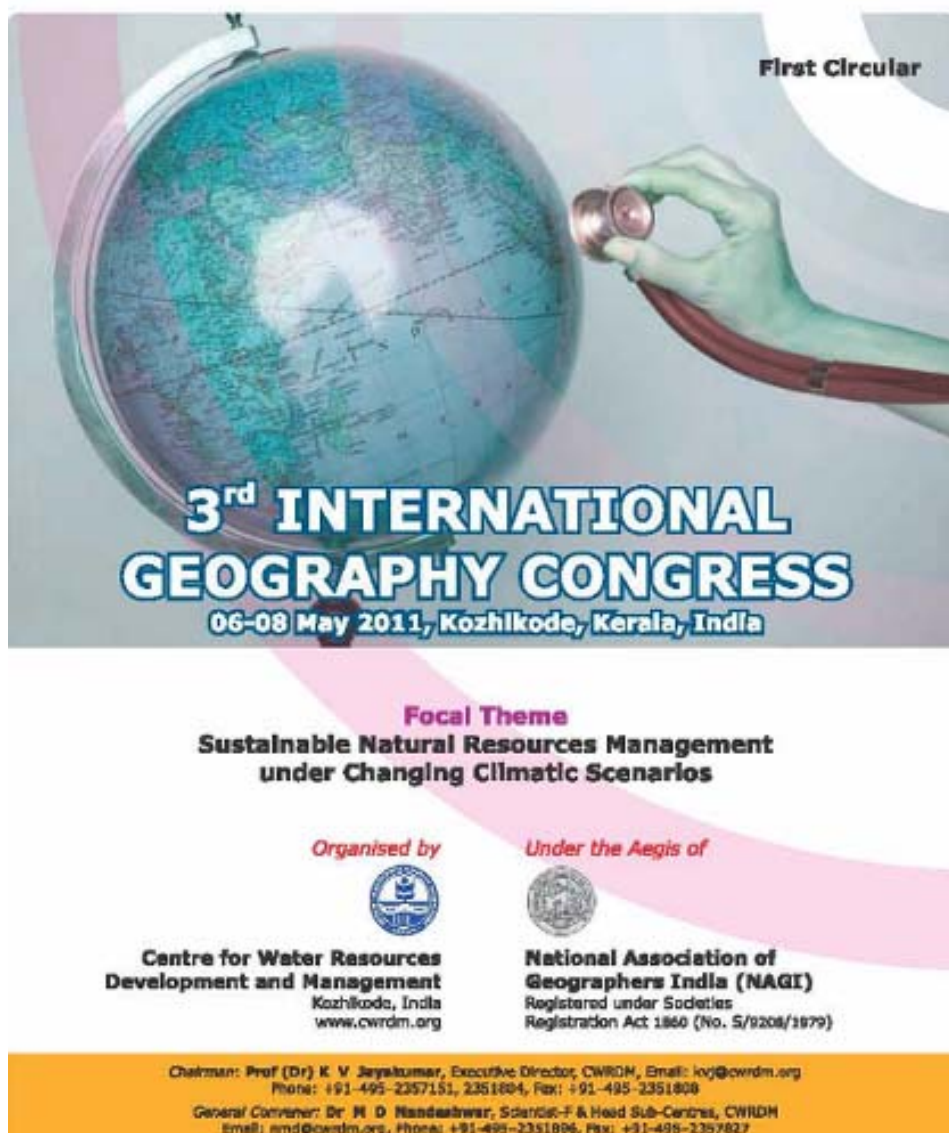
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MEETINGS 2011


May 6-8, 2011




First Circular

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**Sustainable Natural Resources Management
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May 9-14, 2011

6th International Congress of the European Society for Soil Conservation *"Innovative Strategies and Policies for Soil Conservation"*

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THEMATIC SESSIONS

1 Policies and thematic strategies for soil protection

- 1.1 Strategies for protection of soil organic matter
- 1.2 Policies for enhancing soil biodiversity
- 1.3 Reduction of soil sealing and compaction
- 1.4 Maintenance of soil structure
- 1.5 Sustainability of soil fertility
- 1.6 National and regional action plans for soil protection
- 1.7 CAP and agro-environmental measures.

2 Soil mapping and land evaluation for land use planning

- 2.1 Integration of new technologies into existing soil survey programmes
- 2.2 Research priorities for future soil survey work
- 2.3 Soil survey products and interaction with climate changes and soil carbon sequestration
- 2.4 Proposal for new taxonomic classification for adoption in Soil Taxonomy
- 2.5 Soil-landscape issues.
- 3 Forest fires impacts on natural resources and cultural heritage**
 - 3.1 Fire management systems
 - 3.2 Fires and biodiversity
 - 3.3 Fires and changes in the biochemical and physical properties of soils
 - 3.4 Monitoring of the impact of forest fires on air quality
 - 3.5 Information systems for public awareness about forest fire forecasting
 - 3.6 Post-fire management models to improve forest resilience
 - 3.7 Forest landscape restoration after fires, erosion control measures
 - 3.8 Fire effects on hydrology
 - 3.9 Soil recovery after forest fires and water quality
 - 3.10 Scientific results and effective policies for restoration.
- 4 Sustainable management of wetlands**
 - 4.1 Utilization of peatlands (i.e. energy, horticulture)
 - 4.2 Chemical, physical and biological properties of peatlands
 - 4.3 Peat material used for improvement of soils
 - 4.4 Restoration and rehabilitation of peatlands
 - 4.5 Ecology and management on forested peatlands
 - 4.6 The carbon cycle in peatlands: gaseous nitrogen losses
 - 4.7 Peatlands and socio-economic aspects of utilization
 - 4.8 Policies for mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions from peat soils.
- 5 Policies and strategies for combating desertification scenarios**
 - 5.1 Land degradation and desertification at regional, national and global scales
 - 5.2 Best management practises for mitigation of the effects of land degradation
 - 5.3 Role responsibilities of stakeholders in combating land degradation and desertification
 - 5.4 Strategies for sustainable use of natural resources
 - 5.5 Technologies for the prevention and control of desertification.
- 6 Socio-economic aspects of land degradation**
 - 6.1 Degradation processes at global and regional scales
 - 6.2 Socio-economic factors and consequences of land degradation
 - 6.3 Policies to combat erosion
 - 6.4 Impacts of physical and chemical land deterioration to society
 - 6.5 Indicators of soil quality and soil health
 - 6.6 Simulation models in sustainable land management.
- 7 Soil and water management under global climatic change scenarios**
 - 7.1 Technology to mitigate the exhaustion and contamination of water resources
 - 7.2 Monitoring of drought
 - 7.3 Drought and water quality
 - 7.4 Impacts of drought on climate change
 - 7.5 Policies and actions for mitigation of water deficit
 - 7.6 Sources of agricultural greenhouse gas emissions
 - 7.7 Nitrogen cycle and its influence on the greenhouse gas balance
 - 7.8 Methods and practises for decreasing emissions from soils
 - 7.9 Nitrogen turnover processes and effects in the atmosphere and terrestrial ecosystems
 - 7.10 Effect of reactive nitrogen on European soil quality and approaches to improve nitrogen management.
 - 7.11 Site specific management
- 8 Biofuels and environmental effects**
 - 8.1 Energy crops and impact on soil quality
 - 8.2 Agriculture and bioenergy production
 - 8.3 Energy crops and future prospects
 - 8.4 Impacts of biofuel production on soils
 - 8.5 Soil and environmental implications of using crop residues as biofuel feedstock
 - 8.6 Biogas production from energy crops and plant residues.
- 9 Conservation and management of soil biodiversity**
 - 9.1 Biodiversity and agriculture interactions
 - 9.2 Conservation of soil biodiversity and Sustainable Agriculture
 - 9.3 Biodiversity of micro-organisms involved in decomposition in soils.
- 10 Restoration and remediation of degraded lands**

- 10.1 Restoration at high altitudes
- 10.2 Restoration of road embankments
- 10.3 Restoration of open cast mining areas
- 10.4 Soil restoration with native plant and seed material
- 10.5 Bioremediation of soils contaminated with heavy metals
- 10.6 Bioremediation of soils contaminated with organic compounds.

11 Special session: 'Education in soil conservation and public awareness'

- 11.1 Importance of soil for life and its role to society
- 11.2 Education methods and formats across European Countries
- 11.3 Development of multidisciplinary studies for students in the field, using new technologies to schools
- 11.4 Means of the soil scientific community reaching the public (i.e. debates, exhibitions, mass media, art, games).

Venue

GRAND HOTEL PALACE***, Thessaloniki**

- Address: 305, Monastiriou str.,
- Location: 19 km from the airport "MACEDONIA" and 1 km from the Railway Station of Thessaloniki
- Method of payment: American Express, Visa, Master Card and Euro Card are accepted

Travelling to Thessaloniki

By air: Thessaloniki's Macedonia Airport is a fairly small but modern airport, located just 16 Km east of the city centre. It is connected to a number of international and domestic locations by both scheduled and charter flights. From Athens, both Olympic Air and Aegean Airlines have daily flights, with a flying time of 40 minutes. There are regular connections with London, Milan, Rome, Zurich, Munich, Dusseldorf and Moscow. The City is easily reached from the airport and takes about 30 minutes by bus or taxi. Bus number 78 leaves the airport every 30-45 minutes, travelling to the railway station (journey time 45 minutes) and the city centre (journey time 40 minutes).

By train: Thessaloniki is a railway hub for the Balkans, with direct connections to Sofia, Skopje, Belgrade, Moscow, Vienna, Budapest, Bucharest and Istanbul, alongside Athens and other destinations in Greece.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

- Airport express bus service for transportation to the City centre of Thessaloniki.
- Several of the services also run every 30 minutes at night.
- The standard fare is 0.60 Euro.

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May 10-14, 2011

The 27th Edition, PPS-27, of the World Congress of the Polymer Processing Society; Location: Marrakech, Morocco

May 12-13, 2011

May 16-17, 2011

Meeting of Working Group F meeting – Applications of Visual Soil Evaluation 16-17 May 2011

Research Centre Flakkebjerg, Denmark, with a follow-up day Knowledge Transfer day for advisors, farmers and policy makers on 18th May 2011

If there are any difficulties then asap contact bruce.ball@sac.ac.uk or lars.munkholm@agrsci.dk or 2033@tombatey.f2s.com The registration fee for the KT day is 75 Euro. (From ISTRO INFO March 2011)

May 18, 2011

Applications of Visual Soil Evaluation' is a Knowledge Transfer Day for advisors, farmers and policy-makers on 18th May 2011, Denmark. This meeting will focus on hands-on demonstrations of one or two methods of evaluation of soil structural quality to allow people without much experience in soil science to identify conditions where loosening or other soil improvement are required. Guidance will be given on how to choose relevant sampling locations. Combining soil quality assessments with vegetation and crop conditions to estimate crop performance and environmental conditions such as potential greenhouse gas emissions and potential carbon sequestration will also feature. **This KT meeting follows on from a workshop of visual structure practitioners on 16 and 17 May 2011.** Both meetings are organized from the ISTRO Working Group F and will be held at Research Centre, Flakkebjerg, Denmark. Some places may also be available for the main workshop. For further details please see the homepage for the seminar with information on the meetings and, possibility at a later date,



for online registration and payment (both for the workshop and the KT day) at www.agrsci.au.dk/VSEE (From IUSS Alert 69)

May 19-21, 2011

Please find below the homepage of an international conference on: "**Climate Change, Agri-Food, Fisheries and Ecosystems: Reinventing Research, Innovation, and Policy Agendas for Environmentally- and Socially-Balanced Growth**", May 19-21, 2011, Agadir.

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May 25-26, 2011

Meeting of Working Group K – Controlled Traffic Farming 25-26 May 2011

Bavarian State Research Center for Agriculture, Weihenstephan, Germany

CONTROLLED TRAFFIC FARMING AND STRIP TILLAGE – combining precision farming technology with field traffic and tillage strategies. Registration of Euro 50 covers lunches, coffee breaks etc and is payable in cash on arrival. Accommodation at Hotel Zum Hirschen for the night of 25/26th should be made individually by emailing info@hirschenwirt.de referring to ISTRO workshop. If you have any further questions about this CTF meeting please contact the organizers Markus Demmel (Markus.Demmel@lfl.bayern.de, www.istro.org) and Robert Brandhuber (Robert.Brandhuber@lfl.bayern.de). (From ISTRO INFO March 2011)

May 25-27, 2011

Ottawa 2011 GAC-MAC-SEG-SGA, 25-27 May 2011. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Earth climate; Circumpolar geoscience; Water, waste and nuclear repositories; Arctic landscape evolution; Rare elements: mobility and concentration processes; Environmental geomicrobiology. For further information: www.gacmacottawa2011.ca/welcome.html (From IUSS Alert 66)

May 25-27, 2011

Mobilizing Private Investment in Trees and Landscape Restoration in Africa, 25 - 27 May 2011, Nairobi, Kenya

This Forum will bring together about 150 representatives of leading private sector financial institutions, forest and agribusiness companies, local communities, smallholders, national forest associations and high level national government policy leaders. One of the primary objectives is to explore private investment opportunities in order to achieve a “triple win” in key African countries: improving rural livelihoods, increasing resilience to climate extremes, and mitigating climate change. Other topics covered over the three days will include constraints to investment, policy and institutional reforms needed to overcome those constraints, and mechanisms to facilitate private sector investment. To learn more and register, visit the [Profor event page](#).

May 26-27, 2011

Land Quality and Land Use Information in the EU, 26-27 May, 2011, Keszthely, Hungary

List of the addressed topics and many more information is available on the conference website: <http://landq2011.uni-pannon.hu/>

The registration to the conference is now open. To register and submit papers for presentation please visit the conference website. (Deadline for paper submission is 30 November 2010.)

June 13-16, 2011

Protection of agricultural soils against joint stress of natural and anthropogenic factors

13-16 June 2011 in Pulawy, Poland

Confirmed Plenary speakers include Rob Comans, Anthony Dexter, Joop Harmsen, Martin Holmstrup, Ryszard Laskowski, Lothar Mueller, Joerg Rombke, & Kirk Semple.

Submission of abstracts to Rafal Galazka rgalazka@iung.pulawy.pl (From ISTRO INFO March)

June 27-28, 2011

2011 Sustainable Food Lab Annual Leadership Summit, 27-28 June 2011, Portland, Oregon, USA

The theme for this year's annual leadership summit held by the Sustainable Food Lab is “Operationalizing Sustainability in Supply Chains.” Break-out sessions look at a wide range of issues pertaining to value chains,

incentive mechanisms for producers, and data collection. The intersection of business, government, and science is a common topic throughout the summit. To view the agenda and register, [click here](#).

June 28-July 1, 2011

Ecosystem Markets: Making Them Work, 28 June-1 July 2011, Madison, Wisconsin, USA

Hosted by American Forest Foundation and World Resources Institute, the conference will serve as a knowledge exchange for those involved in ecosystem services work. The first two days will cover developments in the field in the last year and steps forward. Field visits to credit-generating ecosystem services projects on the final day will complement the concepts discussed on the first two days. Visit the [conference website](#) for more information and to register.

June 29-30, 2011

CARBON NEUTRAL DESTINATIONS CONFERENCE SERIES 2011

29-30 June 2011 ■ BERJAYA TIMES SQUARE HOTEL, KUALA LUMPUR MALAYSIA

HIGHLIGHTING CARBON REDUCTION STRATEGIES FOR TOURISM: OPTIMISING THE RENEWABLE ENERGY MIX FOR TOURISM DESTINATIONS

DAY 1 Wednesday, 29 June 2011

7.30 – 9.00am	Registration of Participants & Coffee
9.00-9.20am	Welcome Addresses Opening Session Chairperson: Y. Bhg Dr. Victor Wee , <i>Chairman Tourism Malaysia (invited)</i>
9.20-10.00am	(1) The Imperatives of Climate Change for Tourism Destinations, Prof. Dr Rajendra Kumar Pachauri , <i>Chairman Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (invited)</i> (2) Climate Change and Tourism - Global Challenges, Luigi Cabrini , <i>Director, Sustainable Development UNWTO (invited)</i>
10.00-10.40am	Carbon Neutrality Strategies in Tourism around the World, Dr. Stefan Gossling , <i>Department of Service Management, Lund University, Western Norway Research Institute, Norway</i> & Professor C. Michael Hall , <i>University of Canterbury, New Zealand (invited)</i>
10.40-11.00am	Coffee Break and Networking
	Session 1: Chairman : Prof. Fredolin Tangang , <i>(IPCC Working Group I) Professor School of Environmental and Natural Resource Sciences Faculty of Science and Technology National University of Malaysia (invited)</i>
11.00 – 11.30 am	Carbon Neutrality for Tourism Framework, Practices & Tools, Stefanos Fotiou/ Charles Arden-Clarke , <i>Sustainable Consumption and Production Branch, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) (invited)</i>
11.30-12.00noon	Carbon Neutrality for Sustainable Tourism, Renton de Alwis is currently Executive Chairman of the Richard Pieris Tyre Group and Executive Director of Sustainable Development Consultants (Pvt) Ltd (invited)
12.00-12.45pm	Panel Discussion Composed of Keynote Presenters and Industry Panel
12.45-2.00 pm	Lunch & Networking
	Session 2 : FOCUS ON AIRPORTS AS INTERMODAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CARBON NEUTRALITY Session Chairman PATA CEO – <i>designate (to be invited)</i>
2.00-2.45pm	Achieving Carbon Neutral Growth - the KLIA Approach by Y. Bhg Tan Sri Bashir Ahmad Abdul Majid , <i>Managing Director, Malaysia Airports Holdings Berhad (invited)</i>
2.45-3.30pm	Christchurch International Airport: Achieving Carbon Neutrality by Jim Boulton , <i>Chief Executive, CIAL</i>

3.30-4.00pm	Coffee Break & Networking
	Session 3 : Carbon Footprint Measurements and Carbon Offsets Session Chair: Chairman: <i>(to be invited)</i>
4.00-4.30pm	Carbon Measurement, Reduction, Project Origination And Offsetting Tim Hughes , <i>Co Founder / Director, Carbon Life Ltd is a leading consultancy for (invited)</i>
4.30-5.00pm	Experiences Learned From And The Way Forward For the CarbonZero Certification Programme, Warren Parker , <i>Chief Executive Landcare Research(invited)</i>
5.00-5.30pm	Panel Discussion Lessons Learnt from Case-Studies in Carbon Neutrality Airports and Offsets
5.30-7.00pm	RSB Biofuels Utilisation for Sustainable Tourism Interest Group Meeting - <i>Convenor</i> Khoo Hock Aun , <i>Vice-Chair Roundtable on Sustainable Biofuels (RSB)</i>
7.00-9.00pm	Networking Cocktail
DAY 2	Thursday, 30 June 2011
8.00 – 9.00am	Morning Coffee & Networking
	Session 4: New Horizons in Carbon Neutrality - Aviation Biofuels by Y.Bhg Datuk Munir Majid , <i>Chairman Malaysian Airlines Bhd (Invited)</i>
9.00-9.30am	Initiatives in Biofuels for Aviation: Drivers and Policies by Darrin Morgan , <i>Boeing (invited)</i>
9.30-10.00am	Aviation Fuel Feedstock Options by Sgouris Sgouridis , <i>Masdar Institute Biofuels Team (invited)</i>
10.00-10.30am	Airline Perspectives Panelists: Capt. David Morgan , <i>General Manager – Airline Operations, Air New Zealand, New Zealand (invited)</i> Yasunori Abe <i>(Japan Airlines) (invited)</i> Nicole Williamson <i>(Qantas) (invited)</i> Linden Coppell <i>(Etihad Airways) (invited)</i>
10.30-11.00am	Coffee and Networking
	Session 5 Initiatives in Carbon Reduction for Marine Tourism Chairman: <i>(to be invited)</i>
11.00-11.30am	Best Practices for the Cruise Industry - Renewable Energy in Tourism Initiative (RETI) is a joint venture whose partners include the University of Colorado's Energy Initiative (EI), the North Carolina Center for Sustainable Tourism (NCCST) at East Carolina University (ECU), and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). Professor Patrick Long , <i>RETI Project Manager</i>
11.30-12.00noon	Biofuels for the Marine Sector - William Kao , <i>Cobra Biodiesel (invited)</i>
12.00-12.45pm	CEO Panel Discussion - from the Cruise Lines Perspective Y.Bhg Tan Sri Lim Kok Thay , <i>Chairman, Star Cruises (invited)</i> Stein Kruse , <i>CEO Holland America (invited)</i> Richard D. Fain , <i>Chairman & Chief Executive Officer Royal Caribbean (invited)</i> Nick Hortle , <i>CEO Captain Cook Cruises (invited)</i>
12.45-2.00 pm	Lunch & Networking
	Session 6 Energy Conservation and Carbon Reduction Initiatives for Tourism Resorts & Attractions Chairman : <i>To be invited</i>
2.00-2.30pm	Development of Biofuel Projects Integrated with Tourism Resorts and Attractions Arturo Barrit , <i>Cebu Island (invited)</i>

2.30-3.00pm	Optimising the Alternative and Renewable Energy Mix for Destinations and Attractions Lionel Yap , <i>Managing Director, Solamas Sdn Bhd (invited)</i>
3.00-3.30pm	Recycle, Reuse and Reduce – Mantra : Green Materials Utilisation Presentation by Matthias Gelber , <i>Board Member, Maleki GmbH (invited)</i>
3.30-4.00pm	Coffee and Networking Session 7 Chairman <i>To be invited</i>
4.00-4.30pm	Malaysia, on Carbon Reduction, Strategy & Policy Malaysia and TNB's Perspectives, Y.Bhg Dato' Ir. Mohd Nazri Shahrudin , <i>VP Generation Division TNB (invited)</i>
4.30-5.00pm	Managing the company's carbon footprint The emerging role of ICT - When asked which technologies will prove most beneficial in helping an organisation to reduce its carbon footprint, web and video conferencing came top of the list. – <i>(open to sponsor)</i>
5.00-6.00pm	Session 8 Address and Official Closing by (invited) YB Dato' Seri Kong Cho Ha, Minister of Transport, Malaysia : Presenting Malaysia's perspectives on Climate Change, Green Technologies and Policies affecting the Transport Sector including Aviation, Rail, Shipping and Road. Meeting GHG reduction targets and the mechanisms to achieve the targets. Acting in Concert with the Neighbours – the ASEAN Response
6.00-8.00pm	Launching of the Carbon Neutral Destination Network Hosted by the Earth Consortium for Alternative and Renewable Energy (EarthCARE*)

Note:

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June 5-10, 2011

12th ISSPA that will be held on June 5-10, 2011 in **Crete, Greece**. The Soil and Plant Analysis Council (SPAC) organizes an International Symposium of Soil and Plant Analysis (ISSPA) every two years. ISSPA bring together agricultural and natural resource scientists from around the world to disseminate information on methodology, interpretation and application of soil, plant and water analyses for the purpose of efficient resource management, sustainable production and the environment. The 12th ISSPA is being held on June 5-10, 2011 at the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania, Crete, Greece. For more information on abstract submission, registration and much more, please, see <http://www.isspaonline.org/> (From IUSS Alert 69)

June 14-17, 2011

Message from the BioNET Secretariat: Pacific Science Conference, June 14-17 2011 - Call for abstracts for the 'Scientific Collections' session

For more information on the Pacific Science Congress see <http://www.22ndpsc.net/>.

June 14-17, 2011

9th International Conference of the European Society for Ecological Economics, 14th-17th June 2011, Bogaziçi University in Istanbul, Turkey

The European Society for Ecological Economics (ESEE) will be holding their 2011 conference on June 14-17 in Istanbul, Turkey. It will focus on an array of topics, including food and agriculture.

Information on themes, venue, and deadlines can be found on the conference website.

June 26-July 1, 2011

Soil Interfaces in a Changing World. International Symposium on Interactions of Soil Minerals with Organic Components and Microorganisms. 6th ISMOM, 3rd InterCongress symposium of IUSS Commission 2.5. Montpellier, France 26th June - 1st July 2011. Registration fees are low for early birds and students and inclusive of lunches and social events, with low price accommodation available and some bursaries for students and scientists from underfunded countries. For more information and to download the Second Circular, please go to the Web site. Contact Dr Siobhán Staunt, ph 33(0)4 99 61 23 31 <http://www1.montpellier.inra.fr/ISMOM2011/> (From IUSS Alert 69)

June 27-29, 2011

We are honored to invite you to join the **6th International Symposium Soil Minimum Tillage System** University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Cluj-Napoca.

We are looking forward to welcoming you at our University in Cluj-Napoca and to have your valuable scientific contribution on this special event.

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June 28-July 1, 2011

Ecosystem Markets: Making Them Work conference, 28 June – 1 July 2011, Madison, Wisconsin

The 4th Annual Ecosystem Markets Conference brings together the world's top thought and policy leaders to determine how to drive ecosystem service markets forward. The conference is run in a World Café format to provide extensive opportunity for audience interaction with renowned experts and speakers. The sponsors are World Resources Institute and the American Forest Foundation. Details and registration will be available soon; for more information on last year's conference, visit:

http://www.forestfoundation.org/3rd_annual_eco_markets.html.

June 30-July 2, 2011

Nature™ Inc? Questioning the Market Panacea in Environmental Policy and Conservation: In order to respond to the many environmental problems the world is facing, new and innovative methods are necessary and markets are posited as the ideal vehicle to supply these. This conference, which will take place on **30th June – 2nd July, 2011, in The Hague, The Netherlands**, seeks to critically engage with the market panacea in environmental policy and conservation in the context of histories and recent developments in neoliberal capitalism. **Paper proposals are due 15 December 2010.** Please send a 250-300 word proposal, with title, contact information, and three keywords as a Word attachment to:

nature2011@iss.nl

July 4-7, 2011

LANDCON 1107

**Second International Conservation Agriculture Workshop and Conference in Southeast Asia
Royal University of Agriculture, Phnom Penh, Cambodia**

July 4 to 7, 2011 (*a rough draft, will be more crystallized in the next issue*)

July 4: Soil Quality Workshop

Dr. Susan Andrews from United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service

- *Basics Concepts in Soil Quality*
- *Soil Quality Indices*
- *Measuring Soil Quality Using the NRCS Soil Quality Kit – short lecture, hands on the next day in Kampong Cham, site of the Conservation Agriculture experiment of PADAC*

Pr João Carlos Moraes Sá from State University of Ponta Grossa – Paraná, Brazil

- *Soil organic carbon pools': characteristics and functionality*
- *The SOM and soil restoration by cropping system associated with conservation tillage*
- *Introduction to soil aggregation: understanding the aggregation under CA, biological interactions with aggregates formation*
- *Soil particle size fractions in line with dynamic of Soil Organic Carbon sequestration*

July 5, am: Soil Quality Workshop (cont.)

Pr João Carlos Moraes Sá, 'Pr. Juca' from State University of Ponta Grossa - Paraná, Brazil

- *Keep the Soil Permanently Covered for C sequestration, soil quality, crop profitability and environmental quality or Overview of CA and C sequestration rate for Subtropical and Tropical regions in Brazil*

Dr. Johnny Boyer

- *Conservation Agriculture x Soil biology (with emphasis on Macro-fauna)*

Mr. Pascal Lienhard

- *Preliminary results on soil x CA in Laos (to be confirmed)*

July 5, pm: Transfer to Kampong Cham

July 6, am and early pm: Field Trip in Kampong Cham

- Visit Conservation Agriculture Experimental Plots
- Hands on training in using the NRCS Soil Quality Kit by Dr. Susan Andrews, we will apply to both the plow based and Conservation Agriculture Plots

July 6, late pm: Return to Phnom Penh

July 7: Conference

- Conservation Agriculture in Cambodia (Boulakia)
- Conservation Agriculture in the Philippines (Mercado if we can find the funds, Reyes if not)
- Conservation Agriculture in Laos (NAFRI/National Center on CA or Pascal Lienhard)
- Conservation Agriculture in Vietnam (NOMASFI or Damien Hauswirth **to be confirmed**)
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July 20-27, 2011

Scientific Session in Bern

Tuesday, October 26, 2010 8:26 PM

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Within the framework of the INQUA congress to be held in Bern, Swizeland, on July 20-27, 2011, the Department of Physical Geography and Hydrometeorology at Yerevan State University, the NGO "International Scientific-Research Center on Water, Climate and Recreational Resources" jointly organize a session entitled "Man and Hydroecosystems - Water Ecosystems as a Component of the Geographical Mantle and the Anthropogenic Influence over Them".

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July 20-27, 2011

INQUA Congress, Bern, Switzerland, July 20-27, 2011 <http://www.inqua2011.ch> *Session 67: Indicators of climatic changes in saprolite, paleosols, polygenetic soils, and soil sediments* (Conveners: Daniela Sauer, Mohammed Rafi Sayyed, Birgit Terhorst) <http://www.inqua2011.ch/?a=programme&subnavi=sessions&id=67>. *Session 69: Reconstructing environmental impacts of climate changes from MIS 5 to present, based on terrestrial and lacustrine archives* (Conveners: Stefano Carnicelli, Valérie Andrieu-Ponel) <http://www.inqua2011.ch/?a=programme&subnavi=sessions&id=69>. Deadline for abstract submission: November 30, 2010 (option for poster submission will be re-opened after finalization of oral session programme until May 31, 2011) (From IUSS Alert 68)

July 25-29, 2011

The 10th International Conference – Information Technology for People-Centred Development (ITePED 2011) Location: Kaduna, Kaduna State. Nigeria

July 28-August 1, 2011

Joint Meeting of the Commissions on Palaeopedology and Soil Geography. July 28 to August 1 at Hohenheim University, Stuttgart (Germany). Main topics: carbonates in soils and paleosols; features that are indicative for particular (palaeo-)climatic conditions; soil patterns resulting from lateral water and element flows in landscapes etc. Programme: July 28 Arrival, barbecue; July 29+30 Oral and poster symposia; July 31 Field trip Swabian Alb (relics of Tertiary subtropical-tropical weathering and soils); August 1 Field trip Black Forest (Loess-paleosol sequence, Triassic Gleysol, sequence of soils reflecting lateral transport of iron in the landscape) Abstract submission Dec 1, 2010 - Jan 15, 2011; Registration Dec 1, 2010 - May 31, 2011 <https://ppsg2011.uni-hohenheim.de> (From IUSS Alert 68)

August 14-17, 2011

http://www.ufrr.br/rea2011/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=46&Itemid=18&lang=br
III Reunião Equatorial de Antropologia / XII Reunião de Antropólogos Norte e Nordeste, que acontecerá entre 14 e 17 de agosto de 2011, na Universidade Federal de Roraima (UFRR), em Boa Vista (RR).

August 21-25, 2011

4th World Conference on Ecological Restoration: The Society for Ecological Restoration (SER) and its partners from Latin America invite you to **Merida, Mexico, on August 21-25, 2011** for SER's 4th World Conference on Ecological Restoration. The theme of SER 2011 is "Re-establishing the Link between Nature and Culture". SER 2011 will be an important forum for addressing the global challenges of biodiversity and habitat loss, climate change, and sustainable development. It will provide a global venue for professionals, researchers, students and the public to come together, learn and share their knowledge and experiences, and identify practical solutions for restoring nature and sustaining critical ecosystem goods and services.

August 22-24, 2011

ACES 2011: Conservation Conflicts: Strategies for coping with a changing world: This conference will take place from **22nd to 24th August 2011, at the Arts Centre in Aberdeen, Scotland, UK**. As human pressures on the planet increase, biodiversity is under growing pressure across the world. Changing patterns in land use, over-exploitation, pollution, climate change and the threat posed by invasive species, all challenge the way we currently manage and conserve biological diversity. Consequently, there are increasing numbers of conflicts between those interested in conserving species and those with alternative goals, interests or values.
<http://www.aces-2011.org>.

August 31-September 2, 2011

ISTRO Branch Czech Republic Conference 31 August – 2 Sept 2011

Crop Management Practices Adaptable to Soil Conditions and Climate Change

ISTRO members and others are invited to this 6th conference organised by the Mendel University of Brno, the Research Institute for Fodder Crops, Troubsko, the Research Institute for Crop Production, Prague, the Research Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Prague and the Czech Academy of Agricultural Science. While many papers are already submitted and accepted there is still time to submit a paper or poster.

Registration fee

Rate of registration fees (in Euro) is mentioned in this table:

Within April 30, 2011:

ISTRO member – Euro 300

Non-ISTRO member – Euro 330

Ph.D. student – Euro 250

Field trip – all participants Euro 50; Payment after April, 30, 2011: Euro 350, 380, 300, 60

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September 5-10, 2011

28th Congress of the Polish Society of Soil Science connected with International Scientific Conference „Soil - Human - Environment” will be held September 5-10, 2011 in Toruń, Poland. The host of the Congress and Conference is Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń. Main topics of the conference are: soil genesis, classification and cartography, soil chemistry and physics, soil biology, degradation, conservation and reclamation of soils, use and management of soils, field session. Invited speakers with lectures as well as oral and poster presentations and field sessions will be good opportunity to discuss the importance of soils and soil science for human and environment presently and in the future. For more details please visit: www.zgleb.umk.pl/kongres.html (From IUSS Alert 70)

September 18-21, 2011

ASABE's 2011 Conference



International Symposium on Erosion and Landscape Evolution

September 18-21, 2011 - Anchorage, Alaska USA

For more information on the symposium, contact: Dr. Debasmita Misra, Symposium Co-Chair, email: dmisra@alaska.edu, phone: (907) 474-5339

For information on abstract/paper submission, contact: Dr. Jim Ascough, Publications Co-Chair, email: Jim.Ascough@ars.usda.gov, phone: (970) 492-7371;

John Nieber, Publications Co-Chair, e-mail: nieber@umn.edu, phone: (612) 625-6724.

Visit the conference home page at <http://twosweet.bse.vt.edu/ISELE2011/index.html>

September 18-22, 2011

‘Soil Science in a Changing world’ and will be held from 18-22 September 2011.

We now have the website with all required information ready: <http://www.wageningensoilmeeting.wur.nl>. The website will inform you on all the topics and formats we choose for this meeting. Soon there will be the possibility to register and submit abstracts as well. **Saskia Keesstra** and **Gerben Mol** <http://www.wageningensoilmeeting.wur.nl/UK/>

On behalf of the Soil Science Centre of Wageningen University we would like to invite you to this conference. The first edition of the Wageningen soil meetings will address the importance of soil scientific knowledge for global issues. For further information please refer to the attached First Circular or the website: www.wageningensoilmeeting.wur.nl.



wageningen conference
on applied soil science

— SOIL SCIENCE IN A CHANGING WORLD —

September 24-28, 2012

19th ISTRO Conference Uruguay 24-28 September 2012

Do check the website <http://www.congresos-rohr.com/istro2012/>

We would like to invite you to Uruguay to attend the **19TH ISTRO CONFERENCE (International Soil Tillage Research Organization)** and the **IV SUCS Meeting (Uruguayan Soil Science Society)**, to be held from 24 to 28th September, 2012 at the Radisson Victoria Plaza Hotel in Montevideo, Uruguay in South America.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

10th December 2011

Submission of Abstracts

31st March 2012

Complete papers' submission

31st March 2012

Early Bird Registrations

30th June 2012

2nd Date with Preferred Registration Fees (From ISTRO INFO March 2011)

September 25-30, 2011

Rhizosphere 3 International Conference, 25-30 September 2011. Burswood Convention Centre, Perth, WA. <http://rhizosphere3.com/> RHIZOSPHERE 3 will provide a multidisciplinary forum for exchanging innovative ideas and methods for studying the rhizosphere, understanding its complexity and further up-scaling its functioning to better evaluate its ultimate role in ecosystem processes. It follows on from the highly successful RHIZOSPHERE 2 Conference held in Montpellier (25-31 August 2007) which gathered over 570 participants from 48 countries worldwide. The conference will provide a stage for young and established researchers to present their work in front of a welcoming international audience in the beautiful setting of Perth in Western Australia in September 2011, during the fabulous wildflower season. (From IUSS Alert 68)

September 26-29, 2011

5th World Congress of Conservation Agriculture

incorporating 3rd Farming Systems Design Conference

26-29th September 2011 Brisbane Australia

Australia, host for the 5th WCCA and 3rd FSD, welcomes scientists and practitioners to Brisbane to discuss current and future developments of sustainable agriculture next year. <http://www.wcca2011.org/>
Contact: John Dixon at Dixon@aciar.gov.au

WCCA5 FSD key submission dates			
	Condensed papers and workshops	Notification to authors:	Registration
Super early submissions	Closed	30-Dec-10	31-Dec-2010
Early bird submissions	28 Feb 2011	31 Mar 2011	30 April 2011
Last opportunity for submissions	15-June-11	8-July-11	30-Aug-11
Final revisions of accepted condensed papers for the conference book	31-Jul-11		
Submission of proposals for workshops	28-Feb-11	28-Mar-11	

October 3-7, 2011

The Sixth SUITMA International Conference, October 3-7, 2011



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: APRIL 30, 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, Past President and Membership Coordinator of the World Association of Soil and Water Conversation (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.

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 ESASF 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 12-13, 2011



Colloque « 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

Mustapha NAIMI, IAV Hassan II, Rabat

Rachid MRABET, INRA Tanger

Mohamed SABIR, ENFI, Salé

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Olivier PLANCHON, IRD Montpellier

Mohamed CHIKHAOU, IAV Hassan II, Rabat

Rachid MOUSSADEK, INRA Rabat

Jean Marie LAMACHERE, IRD Rabat

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Yannick PEPIN, IRD Rabat

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**nt 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 19, 2011

[BIOME 2011 Second National Biodiversity Meeting in Catanduanes Island](#) Virac, Catanduanes Island
Philippines

October 24-27, 2011

CIALCA Conference- registration and call for papers

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Boudy van Schagen, Knowledge Sharing Specialist, CIALCA Consortium www.cialca.org

October 26-28, 2011

World Association for Sustainable Development: Call for Papers

The World Association for Sustainable Development (WASD) will hold their **9th International Conference** 26-28 October 2011 in New Jersey, USA, on the theme of **Sharing Knowledge Making a Difference: The Role of International Scientific Cooperation**. Deadline for abstract submissions is **30 March 2011**, and deadline for papers is **30 April 2011**. For more information on the conference, visit: <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.

[Download Application Form](#)



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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

- Added by [Dick Grimshaw](#)
- [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 7-10, 2011



The 5th APEAEN International Conference on

Enriching Agricultural Learning Process towards Sustainable Food Security

1. Rationale and Background

Education is considered a vital ingredient in fighting hunger and poverty. The fact that over 1.2 billion people world-wide are classified as poor with over 70 percent of these people being rural - based led the Asia Pacific Association of Educators in Agriculture and Environment (APEAEN) to address education for rural people as a means for overcoming hunger and poverty through various programmes, projects and activities.

In 2002, APEAEN implemented in Laguna, Philippines the 1st International Conference in Agriculture and Environment with the theme “*Searching for New Models of Agriculture Education in a Disturbed Environment*”. In 2004, the 2nd International Conference was implemented in Suwon, South Korea with a theme on “*Best Practices in Poverty Alleviation through Education for the New Century*”. In 2007, the 3rd International Conference was held in Nueva Ecija, Philippines adopting the theme “*Preparing for the Future: Rethinking Higher Agricultural Education and Environment in Asia Pacific*”. In 2009, the 4th International Conference of APEAEN in Obihiro University of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine in Obihiro, Hokkaido Japan revolved on the theme “*Education for Sustainable Community Development with Emphasis on Cooperation with Communities*”. For 2011, APEAEN will hold a conference in Thailand with the theme “Enriching Agricultural Learning Process towards Sustainable Food Security”.

These conferences have provided excellent opportunities for awareness creation and discussion of issues relevant to the aims and objectives of educating rural communities to enable them to contribute to local, national and global productivity.

The Asia Pacific Association of Educators in Agriculture and Environment (APEAEN) was established in 1997 during the Asian Productivity Organization (APO) symposium held in Tokyo, Japan. It was organized with the purpose of interconnecting educators in Agriculture and Environment wherever so dispersed, particularly in the Asia and Pacific Region based on the concepts of Universal Collaboration, Assistance, Responsiveness and Excellence (CARE) in principle and practice of their professions. APEAEN follows the target of 1) serving as an international alliance for the identification and dissemination of new development and best practices in the field of agriculture education and environment, 2) promoting exchange of technical and professional knowledge and information among its members, government leaders and society in general for the improvement of education, research, and for implementation and adoption in agriculture related environments, and 3) searching for new directions in solving problems related to the learning process involved in agriculture and its environmental determinants.

The 4th APEAEN conference in Obihiro, Japan was successfully organized and conducted with 45 international participants and more than a hundred local participants who have actively

shared their knowledge and expertise along the chosen theme. Furthermore, two Thai participants have been elected to the Presidency and Vice Presidency posts of the association. Along with other aspects of agricultural development that exist in the country, Thailand, therefore, was selected as the host country of the 5th APEAEN conference this year. The forthcoming APEAEN conference will be held on 07-10 November 2011 in Nakhon Pathom province, Thailand with Kasetsart University and Chiang Mai University as co-organizers. Since 2011 is a special year for the Thais because His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej will be 84 years old or reaching 7th cycle of his age. Therefore, the organization of APEAEN conference in this particular year is deemed timely to commemorate His Majesty- the King's birthday and to recognize his vast contributions to the agricultural development of the country. Because of this profound reason, the host organizers decided to set the topics of the conference presentations and discussions related to the work of His Majesty in the field of agriculture along the theme "Enriching Agricultural Learning Process towards Sustainable Food Security". The organizers of this forthcoming APEAEN conference anticipate that this learning activity will provide ample opportunities for all APEAEN members and other participants from different countries in the Asia – Pacific region to share and exchange their experiences and derive solutions to problems in agricultural education and extension, which can be used for the development of agriculture towards sustainable food security.

2. Objectives

The 5th APEAEN conference aims to achieve the following:

- 2.1 Must have shared possible solutions for improving agricultural and rural education for food security;
- 2.2 Strengthened and expanded networking and networks among conference participants; and
- 2.3 Published conference proceedings for knowledge sharing among agriculture and extension educators in the Asia-Pacific region.

3. 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.

4. 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

5. Target Participants

150 participants representing the APEAEN members, interested researchers and under/post graduate students

6. Expected Outcomes

6.1 Participants will have an opportunity to share and disseminate their researches with others.

6.2 Participants can apply the knowledge and experience received from the conference to improve and develop their rural communities and quality of life.

6.3 Participants can find and apply possible solutions to achieve sustainable food Production.

6.4 The network among the members, researchers, educators and related organizations/institutions will get bigger in size and become stronger providing better cooperation in the future.

7. 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

8. 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

9. 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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International Affairs, National Agricultural Extension and Training Center (naetckps@hotmail.com)

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)

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<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 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

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Dear Sir,

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



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

Krishi Vigyan Kendra

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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 >>](#)



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 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](mailto:hstoddart@stakeholderforum.org), hstoddart@stakeholderforum.org; www.earthsummit2012.org

July 2-6, 2012

EUROSOIL 2012, 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)

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 Helmissaari and Peter Gregory. Updates and more information on the ISRR website (www.rootresearch.org/). (From ISTRO INFO March)

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

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September 6-15, 2012

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October 15-19, 2012

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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.

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2nd WASWAC World Conference and Council Meeting, with SWAT SEA III, Pattaya, Thailand (to be confirmed). Contact Chinnapat Sukvibool sukvibool@hotmail.com

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