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[SPADE2v11: Soil Profile Database 2 Ver 1.1](#)

Access to the SPADE2v11 database is granted to users. SPADE-2 was developed to derive appropriate characterisation of soil profile data for Soil Typological Units in the Soil Geographical Database of the ESDB. SPADE 2 aims to provide sufficient soil property data to support higher tier modeling of pesticide fate at the European level. Derivation of the soil property data was achieved through the European Soil Bureau Network. The current database (SPADE2v11) is a



<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/spade/Spade2.html>

[Envasso Volume IVb: Prototype Evaluation – Pilot Studies](#)

Announcing the Volume IVb of the Environmental Assessment of Soil for Monitoring (ENVIASSO) "Prototype Evaluation – Pilot Studies". It contains 28 Pilot Area study reports that adhere to a standard reporting template to aid comparison and evaluation. They represent a wide range of soil-landscapes from the north to the south of Europe, some of which are transnational, and also represent the most comprehensive investigation to date of indicator performance at European level.



http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/Projects/envasso/documents/ENV_Vol-IVb_Final2_web.pdf

[Visit of Dutch Provincial Authorities](#)



Important Visit of the Dutch Provincial Authorities and their interprovincial forums in JRC. The Dutch Provincial Authorities and their interprovincial forums: IPO-KEM (Interprovinciaal Overleg Kerngroep Europees Milieubeleid: EU-environmental policy) and IPO-BOOG (Interprovinciaal Overleg Kerngroep BodemOntwikkelGroep: soil policy) visited the JRC-IES Soil Action & the Lombardia Region on

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/events/Conferences/DutchIPO.html>

[DIGISOIL 2nd meeting](#)

How the DIGISOIL project is going on? The first results after the 2nd Meeting of DIGISOIL partners which took place in Paris, 29 - 30/9/2009. The presentations are listed and they present the current status of the project after one year of Work Progress.

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/Digisoil/2ndMeeting.html>

[Call for expressions of interest-INSPIRE development: Facilitators and editors for TWGs](#)

This call is a major opportunity for the Soil Experts to participate (as organization or individually) in and influence the INSPIRE SOIL data specification process, of which the final result will be legally binding for EU27. Recently, the European Commission published a call for interest to assist the Commission in the set-up of INSPIRE implementing rules and technical guidelines. Through this call, the Commission will set-up a list of candidates from which it will be able to select so-called "facilitators" and "editors" who will join experts in the so-called Thematic Working Groups (TWGs)

Newsletter Spotlight

[4th Global Workshop on Digital Soil Mapping](#) (**Deadline for abstract submission:** 30 November): "JRC, IUSSS, Digital Soil Mapping (WG-DSM) are organising the DSM 2010 in Rome, 24-26 May 2010: 4th Global Workshop on Digital Soil Mapping "From Digital Soil Mapping to Digital Soil Assessment: identifying key gaps from fields to continents"

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