

SOIL Action Newsletter - European Soil Portal:

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[Guidelines for Mapping Areas at Risk of Landslides in Europe](#)

This publication presents the results of a meeting of experts from a number of national geological surveys, research institutes and universities in Europe, held at the Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Ispra, Italy on 23-24 October 2007, with the main aim to discuss and draft guidelines for mapping areas at risk of landslides in Europe. This volume includes examples of landslide inventories and susceptibility, hazard and risk mapping approaches in France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Italy and Spain. It also discusses some harmonisation issues and criteria for mapping landslide susceptibility across Europe.



http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/ESDB_Archive/eusoils_docs/other/EUR23093.pdf

[JRC competitions 2010 and open Vacancies in SOIL Action](#)

Competitions: The JRC is currently organising open competitions to recruit new scientific/technical staff in the following fields: Chemistry, Biology-Health, Physics, Structural Mechanics, Policy Analysis, Spatial Sciences, Environment, Energy, Communication/IT (Deadline: 4/11/2010) .



Open Vacancies. Soil Action is looking for candidates for the following posts:

- PhD Student: Options for Climate change mitigation in agricultural soils and impact on crop and grassland production in candidate countries of the EU.
- Post Doc: Generation of multiscale soil water maps on the basis of newly developed pedotransfer functions (deadline: 10/11/2010)

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

[Increasing public awareness about soil](#)

DG ENV has initiated a programme to highlight the importance of soil biodiversity as recognised by the Thematic Strategy for Soil Protection. JRC SOIL Action supports awareness raising on Soil Biodiversity and provides Multi-lingual information to the public. Posters have been translated to **French** and **Italian**.

<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/library/themes/biodiversity/cbp.html>

[Land Quality and Land Use Information in the EU Conference](#)

26-27 May, 2011, Keszthely, Hungary. Paper submission deadline: 30th November. A conference is organized to facilitate the exchange of information and views among stakeholders involved in different aspects of land quality management; be it research, policy planning, soil management or conservation.

Newsletter Spotlight

[Convention on Biological Diversity \(COP 10\)](#)

The 10th Conference of the Parties (COP-10) to the Convention on Biological Diversity took place in Nagoya, Japan. At the two-week long meeting the international community, including the EU, have been striving to agree on a post-2010 policy framework for preserving biodiversity. Scientists from the JRC/IES have taken part in this event to present their findings on soil biodiversity as well as green infrastructure. Find the presentations regarding the "Soil Biodiversity Atlas" and "Soil ecosystem based approaches providing win-win solutions for climate change, biodiversity and desertification".



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